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1. 'CAPSTONE', which was seen in the news recently, is a satellite launched by which space agency?

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



- ✓ **NASA has recently launched a 25-kg satellite 'CAPSTONE', which is short for Cislunar Autonomous Positioning System Technology Operations and Navigation Experiment. The satellite is designed to test a unique and elliptical lunar orbit. CAPSTONE will enter an elongated orbit called a near rectilinear halo orbit (NRHO). It will provide data about operating in an NRHO.**

2. In the PSLV-C53 mission, ISRO launched three satellites of which country?

- A. Nepal
- B. Bangladesh
- C. Singapore ☒
- D. New Zealand



- ✓ **The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched three satellites from Singapore in its Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C53) mission. It is being launched from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota. PSLV-C53 is also the second dedicated mission of NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a corporate arm of the Department of Space. ISRO has successfully launched the PSLV-C52 mission in February 2022 by injecting Earth Observation Satellite (EOS-04).**

3. What is the budgetary outlay of 'Computerisation of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS)?

- A. Rs.216 Crore
- B. Rs.2516 Crore ☒
- C. Rs.750 Crore
- D. Rs.7216 Crore



- ✓ **The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved computerisation of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) with a budgetary outlay of ₹2,516 crore. The objective is to increase efficiency of PACS, bring transparency and accountability in their operations. This project proposes computerization of about 63,000 functional PACS over a period of 5 years with Government of India share of ₹1,528 crore.**

4. Which is the venue of the 11th World Urban Forum held in 2022?

- A. Spain
- B. Poland ☒
- C. Australia
- D. France

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FORUM**



- ✓ The 11th World Urban Forum was held in Poland. The National Institute of Urban Affairs' (NIUA) Climate Centre for Cities (NIUA C-Cube), World Resources Institute India (WRI India) and their partners launched India's first national coalition platform for urban nature-based solutions (NbS). 'India Forum for Nature-Based Solutions' aims to create a collective of NbS entrepreneurs, government entities and like-minded organisations, to aid in scaling urban nature-based solutions.

5. '2022 Resilient Democracies Statement' is associated with which global association?

- A. G20
B. BRICS
C. G7 ☒
D. ASEAN



- ✓ Leaders of the powerful G7 grouping and its five partner countries, including India issued a joint statement titled '2022 Resilient Democracies Statement'. The leaders affirmed that they are committed to open public debate and the free flow of information online and offline while guarding the freedom, independence and diversity of civil society actors.

6. The Indian Prime Minister inaugurated 'Kranti Gatha', a Gallery of Indian Revolutionaries in which state?

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



- ✓ The Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 'Kranti Gatha', a Gallery of Indian Revolutionaries inside an underground bunker at Raj Bhavan in Mumbai. The Prime Minister also inaugurated 'Jal Bhushan', the new residence and office of the Governor of Maharashtra.

7. What is the theme of 'World Blood Donor Day' 2022?

- A. Blood donation: An act of solidarity. ☒
B. Be brave; Donate Blood.
C. Helping Hands.
D. Blood Donation: Pay Back to the Earth.



- ✓ World Blood Donor Day is observed every year on 14 June. The theme of this year is 'Blood donation: An act of solidarity'. The Day was created to raise global awareness of the need for safe blood for transfusion, highlight the critical contribution of voluntary, blood donors, support national blood transfusion services, blood donor organizations and other related NGOs.

8. Which country hosted the Special ASEAN–India Foreign Ministers’ Meeting (SAIFMM)?

- A. Indonesia
- B. New Zealand
- C. India ☒
- D. Turkey



- ✓ India hosted the Special ASEAN–India Foreign Ministers’ Meeting (SAIFMM) to commemorate 30 years of ASEAN–India Dialogue Relations. ASEAN Foreign Ministers and Secretary General participated in the meeting. The Meeting was co-chaired by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan.

9. When is the ‘World Sea Turtle Day’ observed every year?

- A. June.16 ☒
- B. June.26
- C. June.30
- D. July.01



- ✓ ‘World Sea Turtle Day’ is celebrated on June 16 every year to highlight the importance of sea turtles in the marine system and save this aquatic species from extinction. Sea turtles graze on sea-grass, preventing the sea-grass beds from becoming overgrown and stimulating new growth. Sea turtles in India are protected by the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, which bans consumption of turtle meat and eggs by all except for indigenous tribal communities.

10. Which country is the host of FIFA under–17 Women’s World Cup 2022?

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



- ✓ India is the host of FIFA under–17 Women’s World Cup 2022, whose schedule was released recently. India will play all its group stage matches of the World Cup at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar. The quarterfinals will be held in Navi Mumbai and Goa on October 21 and 22. The Nehru Stadium in Goa and D.Y. Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai will host maximum matches.

1. Who has sworn in as the new Chief Minister of Maharashtra, after the resignation of Uddhav Thackeray?

- A. Devendra Fadnavis
- B. Eknath Shinde ☒
- C. Sunil Prabhu
- D. Sharad Pawar



- ✓ Shiv Sena rebel leader Eknath Shinde sworn in as Maharashtra CM while BJP leader Devendra Fadnavis sworn in as the deputy chief minister. Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshiyari administered the oath of office and secrecy to the leaders. This was preceded by the resignation of the former CM Uddhav Thackeray amidst an internal party rebellion.

2. 'PSLV Orbital Experimental Module (POEM)' is associated with which organisation?

- A. DRDO
- B. ISRO ☒
- C. HAL
- D. BHEL



- ✓ The PSLV Orbital Experimental Module is a platform which is used to perform in-orbit experiments using the final stage of ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV). In the PSLV rocket, first three stages fall back into the ocean and the final stage (PS4) ends up as space junk, after launching the satellite into orbit. POEM has a Navigation Guidance and Control (NGC) system for attitude stabilisation.

3. Which is the only institution in India to issue "Electoral bonds"?

- A. RBI
- B. SBI ☒
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. CDBT



- ✓ The government has approved the issuance of 21st phase of sale of electoral bonds through authorised SBI branches from July 1. State Bank of India (SBI) is the only authorised institution to issue and encash Electoral Bonds through its 29 Authorized Branches.
- ✓ The Electoral bonds are interest-free bearer instruments, which can be encashed by the party through a Bank account within 15 days.

4. The Union Cabinet approved the categorization of which institution as an 'International Organization', in July 2022?

- A. International Solar Alliance
- B. BIMSTEC
- C. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure ☒
- D. One Sun One World One Grid



- ✓ The Union Cabinet approved the categorization of Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) as an 'International Organization'. The cabinet also approved signing of the Headquarters Agreement (HQA) with CDRI, for grant of exemptions and privileges under Section-3 of the United Nations (Privileges & Immunities) Act, 1947.

5. Which Indian organisation carried out the maiden flight test of 'Autonomous flying wing technology demonstrator'?

- A. DRDO ☒
- B. NSIL
- C. Dhruva Airspace
- D. Pixxel Space



- ✓ Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) carried out the maiden flight test of the 'autonomous flying wing technology demonstrator' in Karnataka. The test, carried out from the Aeronautical Test Range in Chitradurga, Karnataka is being seen as an important milestone towards developing unmanned aircraft technology in India.

6. Which company launched 'Internet Explorer (IE) browser' in 1995?

- A. Apple
- B. IBM
- C. Microsoft ☒
- D. Yahoo



- ✓ Microsoft has shut down its iconic Internet Explorer (IE) browser after 27 years. It was one of the oldest browsers launched in the year 1995. Microsoft has asked its users to switch to its modern Edge browser, while the virtual version of the older browser will be available to users. In 2022, Chrome is the most popular and widely used browser in the world with over 70 % market share.

7. What is the theme of the 'World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought' 2022?

- A. Reduced Harmful Activities.
- B. Rising up from Drought Together. ☒
- C. Healthy Soil; Healthy Earth.
- D. Degradation to Restoration.



- ✓ World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought is marked every year on 17 June across the world. The day focuses on turning degraded land into healthy or fertile soil to combat desertification. The theme for World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought is – Rising up from drought together.

8. Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Press Council of India?

- A. Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai ☒
- B. Justice Ajay Kumar Sikri
- C. Justice Sadasivam
- D. Justice Y Chandrachud



- ✓ **Former Supreme Court Judge Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai has been nominated as Chairperson of the Press Council of India. She replaced the retired Justice CK Prasad who vacated office in November 2021. Justice Desai has also served as the chairman of the Delimitation Commission on Jammu and Kashmir, Public prosecutor for the state of Maharashtra and as a Judge on the Bombay High Court.**

9. When is the 'World Sickle Cell Awareness Day' observed every year?

- A. June.19 ☒
- B. June.23
- C. June.30
- D. July.03



- ✓ **Every year on the 19th of June, the World Sickle Cell Day (SCD) event is conducted by the United Nations General Assembly to raise awareness of sickle cell disease. Sickle cell anaemia is a group of inherited disorders that cause red blood cells to become sickle in shape instead of normal biconcave shape.**

10. Gustavo Petro is the newly elected leftist President of which country?

- A. France
- B. Colombia ☒
- C. Thailand
- D. North Korea



- ✓ **Former rebel fighter Gustavo Petro secured majority of votes in the Colombia's presidential election and is set to become the first leftist President of the country. A shift of South American politics to the left has been observed with the victories in Peru last year, and in Chile and Honduras this year. During the pandemic, Colombia saw anti-establishment protests against corruption, stagnancy, increased taxation and a new health care reform.**

1. Which new body has been approved to replace the Banks Board Bureau (BBB)?

- A. Financial Services Institution Bureau (FSIB) ☒
- B. Financial Institutions Bureau (FIB)
- C. Banks Appointment Bureau (BAB)
- D. Banks and Insurance Companies Bureau



- ✓ The government has decided to set up the Financial Services Institution Bureau (FSIB) to replace the Banks Board Bureau (BBB). The BBB was entrusted with the task of selecting candidates for appointments to the senior management-level posts. Delhi High Court last year ruled that BBB couldn't select the General Managers and directors of state-run general insurers. Former BBB chairman Sharma is set to head the new body.

2. Which Indian state has launched a new scheme named 'Naari Ko Naman'?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Himachal Pradesh ☒
- C. Punjab
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur launched the 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme. It aims to 50 per cent concession on bus fares to women for travel within the state. The state government also announced to sanction 25 new posts of women drivers in the 'Ride With Pride' government taxi service – an initiative to ferry women passengers and senior citizens.

3. Who is the new President of Financial Action Task Force (FATF)?

- A. T Raja Kumar ☒
- B. Urjit Patel
- C. Viral Acharya
- D. Subhash Chandra Garg



- ✓ T Raja Kumar of Singapore has been appointed as the president of Financial Action Task Force (FATF), the anti-money laundering watchdog. He has replaced Marcus Pleyer and will discharge his service for next two years. As per FATF, the President will focus on enhancing the effectiveness of global anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing measures, improving asset recovery and other initiatives.

4. What is the total GST revenue collected in June 2022?

- A. Rs 1.45 Lakh Crore ☒
- B. Rs 1.30 Lakh Crore
- C. Rs. 1.20 Lakh Crore
- D. Rs. 1.15 Lakh Crore



- ✓ The Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenue in June rose to ₹144,616 crore, the second-highest since the inception of GST five years ago. The new high collection is on the back of rapid economic recovery and stricter compliance, as per the Union Finance Ministry said. In April, the collection was the highest ever at ₹1,67,540 crore. This is the fifth time the monthly GST collection crossed the ₹1.40 lakh crore mark and fourth month at a stretch since March 2022.

5. Which Union Ministry released 'SDG National Indicator Framework (NIF) Progress Report, 2022'?

- A. Ministry of Finance
B. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation ☒
C. Ministry of Home Affairs
D. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change



- ✓ India has been celebrating 29th June as "Statistics Day". This year, the theme was 'Data for Sustainable Development'. The Ministry released 'Sustainable Development Goals–National Indicator Framework (NIF) Progress Report, 2022'. Along with the report, the updated NIF 2022 and Data Snapshot on SDGs NIF Report 2022 and "Youth in India 2022" publication were also released.

6. As per the Ministry for Environment, Forest and Climate Change notification, use of 'single-use plastic' is banned with effect from which date?

- A. 2022 April.01
B. 2022 July.01 ☒
C. 2023 January.01
D. 2023 April.01



- ✓ The Ministry for Environment, Forest and Climate Change has defined a list of items that will be banned from next month. The announcement of ban was made last year. As per the notification, the manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of following single-use plastic, including polystyrene and expanded polystyrene, commodities shall be prohibited with effect from the 1st July, 2022.

7. Which country launched its first domestically built space rocket 'Nuri'?

- A. South Korea ☒
B. Iran
C. UAE
D. Israel



- ✓ South Korea launched its first domestically built space rocket 'Nuri' in the country's second attempt. Earlier, the country failed to place a payload into orbit. If the launch is successful, South Korea will become the world's 10th nation to place a satellite into space with its own technology. The performance verification satellite will also help South Korea launch more satellites.

8. What is the rank of India in the World Gold Council (WGC) report of largest gold recyclers?

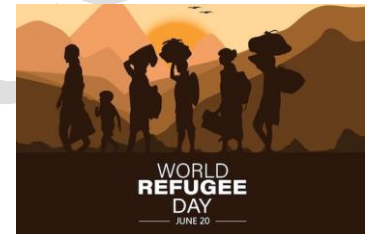
- A. First
- B. Second
- C. Third
- D. Fourth ☒



- ✓ According to a World Gold Council (WGC) report titled 'Gold refining and recycling', India has emerged as the fourth largest recycler in the world. India has recycled 75 tonnes in 2021 while China topped the chart as it recycled 168 tonnes followed by Italy in the second position with 80 tonnes and the US at the third rank with 78 tonnes in 2021.

9. 'Whoever, whatever, whenever. Everyone has a right to seek safety' is the theme of which international day observed in June?

- A. World Refugee Day ☒
- B. World Soil Day
- C. World UN Peacekeepers Day
- D. World Wind Day



- ✓ Every year, World Refugee Day is observed on June 20, to highlight the difficulties faced by refugees who have been displaced from their homes. The United Nations has celebrated this day since 2001 and the day marks the 50th anniversary of the 1951 refugee convention. The theme for this year's World Refugee Day is 'Whoever, whatever, whenever. Everyone has a right to seek safety.'

10. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Centre for Brain Research (CBR) in which state/UT?

- A. Karnataka ☒
- B. Gujarat
- C. Telangana
- D. Kerala



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Centre for Brain Research (CBR) at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) campus, Bengaluru. The Centre has been set up at a cost of Rs 280 crore. It is developed as the first research facility which focuses on conducting vital research to provide evidence-based public health interventions to manage age-related brain disorders.

1. 'Alluri Sitarama Raju' was a freedom fighter from which present-day state?

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



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled a 30-ft bronze statue of legendary freedom fighter Alluri Sitarama Raju on his 125th birth anniversary. The 15-tonne statue was carved out at a cost of Rs 3 crore and installed by the Kshatriya Seva Samiti in Bhimavaram, Andhra Pradesh. The leader was known for the 'Rampa Rebellion' or 'Manyam Uprising', in the Rampachodavaram forest area, which was undertaken against the mighty British forces.

2. What is the theme of 'Digital India Week 2022'?

- A. Catalyzing New India's Techade ☒
- B. India's Digital Start Ups
- C. Local to Global
- D. Atmanirbhar Start up Ecosystem



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Digital India Week 2022 in Gandhinagar in Gujarat. The theme for Digital India Week is Catalyzing New India's Techade.
- ✓ The Prime Minister also launched 'Digital India Bhashini' to enable easy access to the internet and digital services in Indian languages. 'Digital India GENESIS' – a National Deep-tech Startup Platform, to support successful start-ups in Tier-II and Tier-III cities with a total outlay of 750 crore rupees was also launched. A global repository of key projects implemented under India Stack 'Indiastack.global' was launched.

3. Which Union Ministry released the 'States' Start-ups Ranking 2021'?

- A. Ministry of MSME
- B. Ministry of Commerce and Industry ☒
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs



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उद्योग मंत्रालय
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- ✓ Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry has released 'Start-ups Ranking 2021'. The ranking focuses on seven reform areas. Gujarat, Karnataka and Meghalaya were categorised as best performers while Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Mizoram and Ladakh have an emerging start-up ecosystem. Kerala, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana and Jammu and Kashmir were ranked as the top performers section.

4. 'Lisbon Declaration' which was seen in the news, is associated with the conservation of which entity?

- A. Air
B. Mountains
C. Oceans ☒
D. Freshwater Glaciers



- ✓ The UN Ocean Conference 2022 concluded with the unanimous adoption of the Lisbon Declaration "Our Ocean, our future, our responsibility." More than 150 countries agreed to scale up science-based and innovative actions to address the ocean emergency. The Lisbon Declaration takes into account the capacity challenges being faced by the developing countries.

5. 'Kai Chutney' made of Weaver ants is a popular food made in which state?

- A. Jharkhand
B. Odisha ☒
C. Chhattisgarh
D. West Bengal



- ✓ Weaver ants, whose scientific name is *Oecophylla smaragdina*, are present in Mayurbhanj district, Odisha. The people of the district especially the tribals, make a food item with the ants called the Kai Chutney. Scientists from Odisha are in the process of presentation for the geographical indications (GI) registry of Kai Chutney.

6. Who recently became the first black vice president of Colombia?

- A. Gustavo Petro
B. Francia Marquez ☒
C. Virgilio Barco Vargas
D. Juan Guaido



- ✓ Francia Marquez is set to be the first black woman to become the vice president of Colombia. The environmental activist received the prestigious Goldman Environmental Prize in 2018 for standing up against gold mining.

7. Where was the Indian Coast Guard's 840 Squadron created?

- A. Visakhapatnam
B. Chennai ☒
C. Thanjavur
D. Mumbai



- ✓ The Indian Coast Guard's new air squadron named 840 Squadron was created in Chennai on June 20, 2022. The squadron was initially created with an indigenous ALH Mark-III aircraft. This is the first such aircraft to be stationed in the eastern region.

8. Khumbu glacier, which was recently making news, is located at?

- A. India
- B. Bhutan
- C. Nepal ☒
- D. Tibet



- ✓ Khumbu Glacier is situated at Nepal's Khumbu region between Mount Everest and the Lhotse–Nuptse ridge. Like many other glaciers in the Himalayas, Khumbu Glacier is melting at a rapid pace. This is making it highly hazardous for Nepal's Everest base camp.

9. Which year has been designated as ASEAN–India Friendship year?

- A. 2021
- B. 2022 ☒
- C. 2023
- D. 2025

2022

- ✓ The year 2022 has been designated as the ASEAN–India Friendship year. This year marks the 30th anniversary of dialogue relations between India and ASEAN countries. The diplomatic ties between the two sides commenced in the early 1990s.

10. 'Unmesh' is an international literary festival, organised at which state/UT?

- A. Himachal Pradesh ☒
- B. Gujarat
- C. Telangana
- D. Kerala



- ✓ Three-day international literary festival 'Unmesh' was organised at the state of Himachal Pradesh. The festival was inaugurated by Union Minister of State for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal. Over 425 writers, poets, translators, critics and personalities from 15 countries, representing over 60 languages, are participating in the event. The festival is being organised by the Union Ministry of Culture and the Sahitya Akademi with the support of the Himachal Pradesh Department of Art and Culture as part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

1. Which institution recently released compendium of Ayush practices to manage COVID–19?

- A. AIIMS
- B. Ministry of AYUSH
- C. NITI Aayog ☒
- D. WHO



NITI Aayog

- ✓ Indian Government's think tank NITI Aayog released compendium of Ayush practices to manage COVID–19. The compendium provides information focused on practices adopted by various states and UTs of India for strengthening the country's fight against COVID–19.

2. Which institution has launched a portal named 'Pariksha Sangam'?

- A. UGC
- B. CBSE ☒
- C. NTA
- D. IGNOU



- ✓ The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has launched a new portal named Pariksha Sangam. The portal will act as a one-stop destination for all exam-related activities, which will include term results and more. It has 3 parts – Schools (Ganga), Regional Offices (Yamuna) and Head Office (Saraswati).

3. Which institution conducts OBICUS (order books, inventories and capacity utilisation) survey of manufacturing companies?

- A. DPIIT
- B. FICCI
- C. RBI ☒
- D. DIPAM



- ✓ The Reserve Bank has launched the next round of its order books, inventories and capacity utilisation survey (OBICUS) of manufacturing companies. The results of the survey provide valuable inputs for monetary policy formulation. The 58th round of the OBICUS is for April – June 2022 period. The information collected in the survey includes data on new orders received during the reference quarter, backlog of orders, pending and total inventories among others.

4. What is the National Consumer Helpline (NCH) in India?

- A. 1980
- B. 1998
- C. 1915 ☒
- D. 1812

1915

- ✓ The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) has barred hotels and restaurants from adding service charge 'automatically or by default' in the food bill. The consumer may lodge a complaint on the National Consumer Helpline (NCH) 1915 or through the NCH mobile application, as per the Union Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

5. What is the unique feature of 'HomoSEP', a robot developed by IIT–Madras?

- A. Detects Pneumonia in children
B. Cleans Septic Tanks ☒
C. Detects Down Syndrome
D. Recycles e–waste



- ✓ Researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras have developed a robot to clean septic tanks without human intervention. Named HomoSEP, the product development was further supported by GAIL (India). Initially, ten units are planned to be deployed across Tamil Nadu. The robots have been developed to eliminate manual scavenging.

6. International Coastal Clean–up Day is celebrated in which month?

- A. June
B. July
C. August
D. September ☒



- ✓ India launched one of its longest running coastal clean–up campaigns recently, in which 75 beaches of the country to be cleaned up to commemorate 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The coastal clean–up drive will be carried out in the country for 75 days from 3rd of July to 17th of September 2022, which is also the International Coastal Clean–up Day. The drive aims to remove one thousand 500 tonnes of garbage from the sea coasts.

7. Which is the venue of the Plenary Session of 110th International Labour Conference?

- A. Geneva ☒
B. Paris
C. Chennai
D. Coimbatore



- ✓ Union Minister Bhupender Yadav addressed the Plenary Session of 110th International Labour Conference in Geneva. The International labour Conference sets the international labour standards and the broad policies of the ILO. It is the largest international gathering attended by representatives of governments, employers and workers from the 187 ILO Member States.

8. Khuvsgul lake National Park, which was recently added to UNESCO World Network of Biosphere Reserves, is located in which country?

- A. Ukraine
- B. Mongolia ☒
- C. Chile
- D. Mexico



- ✓ Mongolia's Khuvsgul Lake National Park has been recently added to the World Network of Biosphere Reserves of UNESCO. The decision was taken during the 34th session of the International Co-ordinating Council of the Man and the Biosphere Programme taking place in Paris, France. Khuvsgul Lake is located in the northern Mongolia near the Russian border, holding nearly 70 per cent of Mongolia's fresh water.

9. Which cricket team created a world record with a One-day international score of 498 runs?

- A. Australia
- B. England ☒
- C. South Africa
- D. West Indies



- ✓ England hit a world record one-day international score of 498 against Netherlands and won the match by 232 runs in Amstelveen. The England team beat their previous mark of 481-6 set against Australia at Trent Bridge in 2018. Player of the match Jos Buttler finished on 162 not out, with century off 47 balls.

10. As per recent MFIN report, which is the largest state in terms of the outstanding portfolio of microfinance loans?

- A. Tamil Nadu ☒
- B. Gujarat
- C. Telangana
- D. Kerala



- ✓ According to the quarterly report published by Microfinance Institutions Network (MFIN), Tamil Nadu has displaced West Bengal to emerge as the largest State in terms of the outstanding portfolio of microfinance loans.
- ✓ The gross loan portfolio (GLP) of Tamil Nadu as of March 31, 2022 stood at ₹36,806 crore while the overall microfinance industry has a total GLP of ₹2,85,441 crore as of March 31, 2022. Banks held the largest share of the portfolio in micro-credit followed by NBFC-MFIs.

1. Which city was ranked first in India in the EIU 'Global Liveability Index 2022'?

- A. Bengaluru
- B. New Delhi ☒
- C. Mumbai
- D. Chennai



- ✓ The European Intelligence Unit (EIU) recently released the Global Liveability Index 2022, which ranked 173 cities on the basis of their living conditions. Five Indian cities– Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Ahmadabad and Bangalore were included in the list. Delhi was ranked the best at 140, followed by Mumbai at 141, Chennai and Ahmadabad at 142 and 143 respectively. Bengaluru was the last of Indian cities at 146th rank.

2. Which state topped the Ranking Index for implementation of the National Food Security Act (NFSA)?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Odisha ☒
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ Union Food Minister Piyush Goyal released the first State Ranking Index for implementation of the National Food Security Act, 2013. The states and UTs were ranked based on three parameters for the year 2022. Among the 20 big states and Union Territories (UTs), Odisha topped the index followed by Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh, while Goa was at the last. Tripura ranked first and Ladakh was at the last among the 14 smaller states and UTs.

3. Fields Medal, which was seen in the news recently, is associated with which field?

- A. Architecture
- B. Photography
- C. Mathematics ☒
- D. Sports



- ✓ Fields Medal is also described the Nobel Prize in mathematics. Ukrainian mathematician Maryna Viazovska, who works in Switzerland, was named as one of four recipients of the 2022 Fields Medal. The Fields Medal is awarded by the International Mathematical Union (IMU), an international non-governmental and non-profit scientific organisation to promote international cooperation in mathematics.

4. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Award, which was recently announced, is associated with which field?

- A. Teaching
- B. Public Administration ☒
- C. Social Service
- D. Entrepreneurship



- ✓ Union Science and Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh announced setting up of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Award in public administration in the field of academic excellence. He announced the award in memory of the first President of India, while he chaired the meeting of Executive Council of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) in New Delhi.

5. India recorded its fastest growth in 11 years in services industry in which month?

- A. January 2022
- B. April 2022
- C. May 2022
- D. June 2022 ☒



- ✓ India's services industry expanded at the fastest rate in over eleven years in June 2022 amid strong demand. The S&P Global India Services Purchasing Managers' Index rose to 59.2 in June, its highest since April 2011. As per the survey, stubborn inflation remains a concern as prices charged rose at the sharpest rate in almost five years.

6. Which state has signed a joint declaration in the field of integrated water resources management?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Haryana ☒
- C. Odisha
- D. Kerala



- ✓ The Haryana state government and Israel have signed a joint declaration in the field of integrated water resources management and capacity building. The Joint Cooperation Agreement was signed by the Project Director of Atal Bhujal Yojana, Haryana with the representative of Israel, to make significant transformation in water management sector.

7. Bavarian Alps, which recently made news, is situated in __?

- A. Russia
- B. France
- C. Germany ☒
- D. Switzerland



- ✓ **Bavarian Alps** are mountain ranges located with the German state of Bavaria. The G7 Leaders' Summit 2022 is set to take place from June 26 to 28 in the Bavarian Alps. Germany, which took over the G7 presidency at the beginning of this year, will host the event.
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8. Swadesh Darshan scheme is the initiative of which union ministry?

- A. Ministry of Culture
B. Ministry of Tourism ☒
C. Ministry of Railways
D. Ministry of Home Affairs



- ✓ **Swadesh Darshan Scheme** was launched by the Ministry of Tourism for the integrated development of theme-based tourist circuits in India. Under this central sector scheme, central financial assistance will be provided to states and union territories for the infrastructural development of the tourist circuits.
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9. Which country was the last to join the BRICS group?

- A. Australia
B. England
C. South Africa ☒
D. West Indies



- ✓ **South Africa** was the last member country to join the BRICS in the year 2010. Other BRICS countries are Brazil, Russia, India and China. Together, these countries account for around 40 per cent of the global population and some 30 per cent of the global GDP.
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10. Who recently became India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations?

- A. T S Tirumurti
B. Ruchira Kamboj ☒
C. Taranjit Singh Sandhu
D. Pooja Kapur



- ✓ **Ruchira Kamboj** recently became India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations. As the UN ambassador, she will be the head of the Permanent Mission of India to the UN in New York City. She will succeed T S Tirumurti.
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1. Which institution released the 'Global Findex database 2021'?

- A. RBI
- B. World Bank ☒
- C. IMF
- D. World Economic Forum



- ✓ The World Bank released the Global Findex Database 2021: Financial Inclusion, Digital Payments, and Resilience in the age of COVID-19. It surveyed how people in 123 economies use financial services throughout 2021. As per the report, large share of the global population without formal banking lives in India and China because of their size. The report also found that women are more likely to be unbanked than men.

2. Which city is the host of '2022 Global biodiversity conclave'?

- A. Paris
- B. Bonn ☒
- C. Geneva
- D. Davos



- ✓ The 2022 Global biodiversity conclave is organised in Bonn, Germany. Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) announced that Assessment on the Sustainable Use of Wild Species will be released. Sustainable use of wild species keeping in mind the well-being of communities that depend on them for livelihood will be the focus of the report to be released.

3. As per the RBI's liberalised norms, what is the new limit of External Commercial Borrowing (ECB) under automatic route?

- A. \$500 million
- B. \$1 billion
- C. \$1.5 billion ☒
- D. \$2 billion



भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक
RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

- ✓ Reserve Bank of India (RBI) liberalised norms to boost inflows of foreign exchange. The measures include easing norms for FPI investment in debt market, and increasing the External Commercial Borrowing (ECB) limit under the automatic route from USD750 million or its equivalent per financial year to USD 1.5 billion. Exemption from Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) and Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) on Incremental FCNR (B) and NRE Term Deposits was also announced.

4. Which company launched 'Startup School India (SSI)' initiative?

- A. Microsoft
- B. Google ☒
- C. Amazon
- D. Meta



- ✓ Google announced the launch of Start-up School India (SSI) as part of the Google for Start-ups initiative. This is a platform under which Google will bring together investors, entrepreneurs and programmers and provide opportunities to start-ups from small cities to interact and learn from them. Google aims to reach out to at least 10,000 start-ups with this programme.

5. Ilaiyaraaja, who was recently nominated to Rajya Sabha, is an eminent personality in which field?

- A. Music ☒
- B. Sports
- C. Business
- D. Literature



- ✓ Legendary music director Ilaiyaraaja was recently nominated to Rajya Sabha, along with veteran athlete PT Usha, film screenwriter V Vijayendra Prasad and spiritual leader Veerendra Heggade. The nominations are done by the President on the advice of the Union Cabinet. While PT Usha is from Kerala, Ilaiyaraaja is from Tamil Nadu, Veerendra Heggade is from Karnataka and Vijayendra Prasad is from Andhra Pradesh.

6. Charon is the natural satellite of __?

- A. Neptune
- B. Jupiter
- C. Pluto ☒
- D. Uranus



- ✓ Charon is one of the five natural satellites of the dwarf planet Pluto. According to a new study, Charon has a "red cap" because of chemicals called tholins. These chemical compounds absorbed a specific colour of the Sun's UV rays to become red and get deposited around the natural satellite's north pole.

7. The European Council recently granted the candidate status to which country?

- A. Estonia
- B. Latvia
- C. Republic of Moldova ☒
- D. Georgia



- ✓ **Two countries – Ukraine and Republic of Moldova – were granted the status of candidate country by the European Council. This paves the way towards them becoming the members of the European Bloc.**

8. Ambubachi Mela, which kicked off recently, is organized in which state?

- A. Odisha
B. Mizoram
C. Assam ☒
D. Bihar



- ✓ **The Ambubachi Mela is a 4-day long festival held every year at the Kamakhya Temple, which is situated at Assam's Guwahati. It celebrates the goddess of motherhood and fertility. It marks Goddess Kamakhya experiencing the menstrual cycle.**

9. Bharat-NCAP is the initiative of which union ministry?

- A. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
B. Ministry of Home Affairs
C. Ministry of Culture
D. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways ☒



- ✓ **A draft notification was approved by the Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways recently for the introduction of Bharat New Car Assessment Program (Bharat-NCAP). Under this initiative, cars will be given star ratings based on their performance in crash tests.**

10. The high-resolution camera DRACO, is part of which NASA mission?

- A. DART ☒
B. Artemis
C. DAVINCI+
D. Voyager



- ✓ **The Didymos Reconnaissance and Asteroid Camera for Optical navigation (DRACO) is the only instrument carried by NASA's DART mission. It was designed based on the New Horizon Mission's imager. In recent months, this high resolution camera captured some 150,000 images of various stars.**

1. 'Mission Vatsalya', which was seen in the news, is a scheme implemented by which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of Women and Child Development ☒
- B. Ministry of Education
- C. Ministry of MSME
- D. Ministry of Commerce and Industry



- ✓ **Mission Vatsalya is an umbrella scheme for child protection services in the country implemented by the Women and Child Development (WCD) Ministry. The Ministry released the guidelines for the scheme. Funds to states will be approved through the Mission Vatsalya Project Approval Board (PAB), which will be chaired by the WCD Secretary, who will approve annual plans and financial proposals received from states and UTs for release of grants.**

2. Which state received approval for a USD 300 million World bank-funded school education project?

- A. Chhattisgarh ☒
- B. Odisha
- C. Karnataka
- D. Andhra Pradesh



- ✓ **The Chhattisgarh Government has received an in-principle nod from the Central Government to go ahead with a USD 300 million school education project the State. Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) under the Union Finance Ministry had given an in-principle approval for the project, which is to be funded by the World Bank.**

3. 'Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH)' is associated with which institution?

- A. UNICEF
- B. UNESCO ☒
- C. World Economic Forum
- D. Centre for Cultural Resources and Training



- ✓ **India has been elected to the Intergovernmental Committee of UNESCO's 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) for the 2022–2026 cycle. India has already served as a member of the ICH Committee twice from 2006 to 2010 and from 2014 to 2018. India will be a part of two Committees of UNESCO — Intangible Cultural Heritage (2022–2026) and World Heritage (2021–2025).**

4. Who has been named as India's new Sherpa for the G-20, after Piyush Goyal?

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman
- B. Rakesh Sharma
- C. Amitabh Kant ☒
- D. Parameswaran



- ✓ **Former NITI Aayog CEO Amitabh Kant has been named as India's new Sherpa for the G-20, replacing Piyush Goyal, Minister for Commerce & Industry and Consumer Affairs. India is set to assume G-20 presidency from December 1, 2022 to November 30, 2023. The Sherpa will attend meetings that will be held in different parts of the country.**

5. What is the name of the single repository of all Indian government's digital projects, to be shared with the world?

- A. Vishwa. Bharat Stack
- B. Indiastack. Global ☒
- C. Global Desi Stack
- D. Local to Global Stack



- ✓ **As part of the ongoing Digital India Week 2022 celebrations, a virtual event on India Stack Knowledge Exchange was also organised. Indiastack.global was launched by the Prime Minister, which is a single repository of all major projects on India Stack. The Indian government has decided to share with the world the many e-governance tools including Aadhaar, the DigiLocker, CoWin Platform, the Government e-Marketplace, and Ayushman Bharat Digital Health Mission.**

6. When is International Day of Women in Diplomacy observed?

- A. June.23
- B. June.24 ☒
- C. June.25
- D. June.26



- ✓ **The UNGA has adopted the resolution to designate June 24 as the International Day of Women in Diplomacy. Its purpose is to promote the full and equal participation of women at all levels of diplomacy.**

7. PNS Taimur, which was delivered by China to Pakistan, is a __?

- A. Corvette
- B. Frigate ☒
- C. Destroyer
- D. Aircraft Carrier



- ✓ **PNS Taimur is the second Type 054A/P frigate received by Pakistan from China. The vessel was commissioned at the Hudong–Zhonghua Shipyard in Shanghai. In January this year, PNS Tughril became the first Type 054A/P frigate to be part of the Pakistan Navy Fleet.**

8. Gotland, which made news recently, is an island belonging to which country?

- A. Denmark
B. Sweden ☒
C. Norway
D. Iceland



- ✓ **Gotland is an island belonging to Sweden in the Baltic Sea. A new 'smart road' capable of charging big electric vehicles has been constructed in this island. The threat of electrical shocks from these wires is eliminated as they are buried under the road.**

9. Which state instituted the 'Kempegowda International Award'?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
B. Karnataka ☒
C. Kerala
D. Odisha



- ✓ **Kempe Gowda was a chieftain under the Vijayanagar Empire, who was known for the fortification of Karnataka's capital, Bengaluru in 1537. His birth anniversary is observed every year across Karnataka on June 27 since 2017. In his honour, Kempe Gowda International Award was instituted earlier this year, to recognize the contributions towards development of Bengaluru. The recipients of the inaugural edition of this award are former Karnataka Chief Minister SM Krishna, Infosys founder NR Narayan Murthy and veteran badminton player Prakash Padukone.**

10. PMAY aims to achieve 'Housing for All' by which year?

- A. 2020
B. 2022 ☒
C. 2025
D. 2050



- ✓ **PMAY aims to achieve 'Housing for All' by the year 2022. It was launched on June 25, 2015. It is implemented by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. It caters to the housing needs of the Economical Weaker Sections, Lower Income Groups and Middle-Income Groups. This year marks the 7th anniversary of this flagship scheme. To commemorate this, the government released an e-book featuring the achievements under this scheme. The goal of this scheme is to complete 2.7 crore houses by 2022. Till date, about 67 per cent of this goal has been achieved.**

1. Indian Navy's stealth frigate INS Tarkash conducted a Maritime Partnership Exercise with which country's navy?

- A. France
- B. Oman
- C. Sudan ☒
- D. Japan



- ✓ Indian Navy's stealth frigate INS Tarkash, visited Djibouti and conducted a Maritime Partnership Exercise with Sudan Navy ships Almaz and Nimer in the Red Sea near the Sudan Naval Base. This is a part of its long-range overseas deployment. It is also on a deployment to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

2. Where is the 'Artificial Intelligence in Defence' (AIDef) symposium and exhibition organised?

- A. New Delhi ☒
- B. Pune
- C. Dehradun
- D. Hyderabad



- ✓ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the first ever 'Artificial Intelligence in Defence' (AIDef) symposium and exhibition in New Delhi. It was organised by Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence, to showcase the cutting-edge AI-enabled solutions developed by the Services, research organisations, Industry and start-ups and launch of AI products for the market. A 'GenNext AI' Solutions Competition was also organised.

3. Which Union Ministry identified and published poems, writings and publications that were banned by the British Government?

- A. Ministry of Culture ☒
- B. Ministry of External Affairs
- C. Ministry of Defence
- D. Ministry of Home Affairs



संस्कृति मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF
CULTURE

- ✓ The Ministry of Culture is the nodal ministry for the 75-week-long Amrit Mahosav celebrations. It has identified poems, writings and publications that the British government banned and put them as catalogue, which has been published on the website by the National Archives of India. These works are in nine regional languages Tamil, Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Marathi, Kannada, Odiya, Punjabi, Sindhi, Telugu and Urdu.

4. Shinzo Abe, who was recently assassinated, is the former Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Japan ☒
- B. China
- C. Indonesia
- D. South Korea



- ✓ Japan's former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe passed away he was shot at a political campaign event in the city of Nara. Abe's speech was part of a campaign for his former party, the Liberal Democratic Party, as upper house elections in Japan are due to take place in this week.

5. As per the recent notification by the Finance Ministry, what is the GST applied for sale of the Indian national flag?

- A. 18 percent
- B. 12 percent
- C. 5 percent
- D. 0 percent ☒



- ✓ As per the recent notification by the Finance Ministry, sale of the Indian national flag is exempt from the Goods and Services Tax (GST). The Indian national flag, irrespective of whether machine made or of polyester, is exempt from the Goods and Services Tax (GST). Hand-woven, hand-spun national flags made of cotton, silk, wool or Khadi are already exempt from GST.

6. BepiColombo mission, which recently made news, is the first European mission to __?

- A. Mercury ☒
- B. Venus
- C. Mars
- D. Jupiter



- ✓ Launched in 2018, BepiColombo is the joint mission of the European Space Agency and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA). The mission has two individual orbiters – ESA's Mercury Planetary Orbiter and Jaxa's Mercury Magnetospheric Orbiter. It is the first European mission to Mercury. This joint mission recently made its second gravity assist flyby of the Mercury.

7. Which is the venue of the 2022 UN Ocean Conference?

- A. Portugal ☒
- B. Spain
- C. Italy
- D. India



- ✓ United Nations Ocean Conference is set to be organized from June 27 to July 1 in Lisbon, Portugal. It will be co-hosted by the governments of Kenya and Portugal.

- ✓ The aim of the conference is to promote science-based innovative solutions needed to ensure sustainable management of ocean. It seeks to promote green technology and innovative use of marine resources. The conference will discuss solutions to address threats to health, ecology, economy and governance of the ocean.

8. Mandakini River, which was recently found in the news, is the tributary of which river?

- A. Alaknanda River ☒
- B. Bhagirathi River
- C. Koshi River
- D. Ramganga River



- ✓ The Mandakini River in Uttarakhand is the tributary of the Alaknanda River, which is one of the two head-streams of Ganga River. It originates from the Chorabari Glacier in the Garhwal Himalayas. The river drains into the Alaknanda, which flows into the Ganges. Recently, a joint operation was conducted by Uttarkhand Police and the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) to rescue two youths trapped in the Mandakini River.

9. The levy of GST compensation cess has been extended till which year?

- A. 2023
- B. 2025
- C. 2026 ☒
- D. 2030



- ✓ As per the Goods and Services Tax (Period of Levy and Collection of Cess) Rules, 2022, notified by the Ministry of Finance, the compensation cess will continue to be levied from July 1, 2022 to March 31, 2026. The levy of cess, which was to end on June 30 was extended by the GST Council, chaired by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. It is used to repay the loans taken in the last two fiscal years to make up for the shortfall in revenue collection.

10. Which body has formulated and published standards for electric vehicle (EV) batteries?

- A. Bureau of Energy Efficiency
- B. Bureau of Indian Standard ☒
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. Power Finance Corporation



- ✓ India's national standard body, the Bureau of Indian Standard (BIS) has formulated and published standards for electric vehicle (EV) batteries. BIS functions under the aegis of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. The new standards are released for test specifications for Lithium-ion Traction Battery Packs and Systems for Electrically Propelled Road Vehicles, considering real-life scenarios.

1. As per the 'World Population Prospects 2022' report, India is projected to surpass China as the world's most populous country in which year?

- A. 2023 ☒
- B. 2024
- C. 2026
- D. 2030

2023

- ✓ The United Nations released the twenty-seventh edition of the official population estimates and projections titled 'World Population Prospects 2022' on World Population Day, July 11, 2022. As per the publication, India is projected to surpass China as the world's most populous country in 2023. The global population is projected to reach eight billion by November 15, 2022, could grow to around 8.5 billion in 2030 and 9.7 billion in 2050.

2. Who are the winners of Wimbledon women's and men's title in 2022?

- A. Elena Rybakina, Novak Djokovic ☒
- B. Ons Jabeur, Novak Djokovic
- C. Elena Rybakina, Nick Kyrgios
- D. Venus Williams, Rafael Nadal



- ✓ 23-year-old player Elena Rybakina became the first player from Kazakhstan to win a grand slam title. She also became the youngest Wimbledon champion since 2011. Novak Djokovic won his fourth straight Wimbledon men's singles title, and his 21st grand slam title overall. He is now one grand slam title behind the all-time record set by Rafael Nadal of 22.

3. 'OALP' and 'HELP' which are sometimes found in the news, are associated with which field?

- A. Coal
- B. Oil ☒
- C. Automobile
- D. Electronics



- ✓ Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy (HELP), a new policy for finding and producing oil and gas, was launched by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas in the year 2016. Seven bid rounds of the Open Acreage Licensing Programme (OALP) have been concluded so far and 134 exploration and production blocks were awarded. In the recent 7th bid round, ONGC, OIL and GAIL got most of the eight blocks offered for exploration and production of oil and gas.

4. Kanaganahalli, which was seen in the news, is an ancient Buddhist site located in which state/UT?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Karnataka ☒
- C. Punjab
- D. Bihar



- ✓ **Kanaganahalli is an ancient Buddhist site on the bank of Bhima River in Kalaburagi district of the state of Karnataka. It forms a part of the Sannati site. Archaeological Survey of India has now taken up conservation work at this Buddhist site.**

5. Singalila National Park, which was seen in the news recently, is situated in which state?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. West Bengal ☒
- C. Uttarakhand
- D. Sikkim



- ✓ **The Singalila National Park, the highest protected area in West Bengal has launched a programme to release about 20 red pandas in a period of five years. West Bengal's Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park has started this programme to release 20 of red pandas (Ailurus fulgens) into the forests.**

6. Which Indian state has announced a buy back scheme to purchase single-use plastic items from students?

- A. Kerala
- B. Himachal Pradesh ☒
- C. Sikkim
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ **The Himachal Pradesh is set to implement a buy-back scheme in schools and colleges to purchase single-use plastic items from students. Under the new scheme, the government will pay students Rs 75 for a kg of single-use plastic items they deposit with the school. The scheme aims to inculcate a habit of environment conservation among the youngsters.**

7. Gabon and Togo, which recently joined the Commonwealth of Nations, are from which region?

- A. Europe
- B. Africa ☒
- C. Oceania
- D. Asia



- ✓ **The French-speaking West African countries Gabon and Togo joined the Commonwealth, becoming the latest nations with no historic ties to Britain to enter the Commonwealth of Nations.**

- ✓ The 54-nation group of mostly former British colonies accepted Togo and Gabon's application for membership on the final day of its leadership summit held in Rwanda. They are the first new members to join the Commonwealth since Rwanda in 2009.

8. 'International Day in Support of Victims of Torture' is observed in which month?

- A. May
B. June ☒
C. July
D. September



- ✓ Every year June 26 is observed as the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture. It aims to urge all the stakeholders to unite for people who have faced and continue to face the abuse and torture. In 1997, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution, declaring June 26 as the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture. It not only spread awareness on the unacceptable character of human torture but also notes that it's a crime.

9. Which Indian state clinched their maiden Ranji Trophy title in 2022?

- A. Punjab
B. Madhya Pradesh ☒
C. Gujarat
D. Karnataka



- ✓ Madhya Pradesh defeated Mumbai by six wickets in the final to clinch their maiden Ranji Trophy title at M Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru. The match included centuries from Yash Dubey, Shubham Sharma and Rajat Patidar in the first innings. The renowned cricket coach Chandrakant Pandit, who was the captain of the Madhya Pradesh team 23 years ago, has guided the young team to victory.

10. 'Avinash Kulkarni' who was in the news recently, is the new CEO of which body?

- A. UIDAI
B. National Health Authority
C. IDRCL ☒
D. UGC



- ✓ Avinash Kulkarni has been selected as the CEO of India Debt Resolution Company (IDRCL). It was formed to resolve more than ₹83,000 crore of bad loans to be acquired by the government-backed National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL). He was the Chief executive of India Resurgence Asset Reconstruction Company (IRARC) and also had served in SBI.

1. 'State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022' report was released by which organisation?

- A. United Nations ☒
- B. World Bank
- C. World Economic Forum
- D. NITI Aayog



- ✓ The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022 report was issued by UN agencies: FAO, IFAD, UNICEF, WFP and WHO. The number of undernourished people in India has declined in the last 15 years to 224.3 million in 2019–2021. The report also noted that there are more obese adults and anaemic women in India, the world's second most populous country.

2. The oldest documented light in the history of the universe, which was recently released, was captured by which telescope?

- A. Hubble Space Telescope
- B. James Webb Space Telescope ☒
- C. Voyager Space Telescope
- D. Akash Space Telescope



- ✓ US President Biden unveiled an image taken by the James Webb Space Telescope. It is the oldest documented light in the history of the universe from 13 billion years ago. The image is called by the name of SMACS 0723. It is a patch of sky visible from the Southern Hemisphere on Earth.

3. POP–FAME, a new fuel which was found in the news, was developed from which source?

- A. Hydrogen
- B. Bacterium ☒
- C. Biomass
- D. Plastic



- ✓ Scientists from the US Lawrence–Berkeley Lab have developed a fuel from a bacterium fuel 'POP–FAME', for poly–cyclo–propanated fatty acid methyl ester. The fuel has energy density values exceeding 50 mega–joules a litre, which is more than the rocket fuels used at present.

4. Which is India's third and most recent power exchange that was launched recently?

- A. Bharat Power Exchange
- B. Hindustan Power Exchange ☒
- C. Amrit Power Exchange
- D. PTC Power Exchange



- ✓ Hindustan Power Exchange (HPX), the third power exchange in the country was launched recently. It is backed by BSE and Power Trading Corporation (PTC). PTC India and BSE Investment hold 25 per cent each in HPX, while 9.9 per cent is held by ICICI Bank. The other two exchanges in the country are Indian Energy Exchange (IEX) and Power Exchange of India Ltd (PXIL), while IEX holds 98 per cent almost monopoly on the total traded power.

5. Which is the venue of 'National Conclave on Mines and Minerals'?

- A. New Delhi ☒
- B. Mumbai
- C. Ranchi
- D. Raipur



- ✓ Union Minister for Mines Pralhad Joshi inaugurated the 6th National Conclave on Mines and Minerals in New Delhi. The conclave has been organized as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Union Home Minister Amit Shah presented 'Rashtriya Khanij Vikas Puraskar' and other awards in different categories at the conclave.

6. 'MIDCOM' is a Defence Cooperation Meeting held between India and which country?

- A. Malaysia ☒
- B. Maldives
- C. Mauritius
- D. Mozambique



- ✓ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh held a video conference with Senior Defence Minister of Malaysia, to discuss various issues concerning bilateral, regional and defence industrial cooperation. The ministers discussed the existing defence cooperation activities and framework, and ways to enhance them under the existing Malaysia India Defence Cooperation Meeting (MIDCOM) framework.

7. Which country is the host of G-7 Summit in 2022?

- A. France
- B. Germany ☒
- C. Italy
- D. United Kingdom



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged the Group of Seven (G7) countries to consider investing in India's emerging market for clean energy technologies. He represented India as a partner country in the G7 Summit in Germany after being invited by German Chancellor Olaf Scholz. Indonesia, Argentina, Senegal and South Africa also attended the summit as partner countries.

8. 'Living Lands Charter', which was seen in the news, is associated with which global bloc?

- A. G7
- B. G20
- C. Commonwealth of Nations ☒
- D. BRICS



- ✓ At the conclusion of the 2022 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Kigali, Rwanda, all 54 Commonwealth members adopted 'Living Lands Charter'. The non-binding agreement mandates that member countries will safeguard global land resources and arrest land degradation and act against climate change, biodiversity loss and towards sustainable management.

9. After Jharkhand and Andhra Pradesh, which state has entered Uranium Mining in India?

- A. Punjab
- B. Rajasthan ☒
- C. Gujarat
- D. Karnataka



- ✓ After Jharkhand and Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan is the third state where uranium has been found in India. The rare mineral is found at Rohil in Sikar district. The Rajasthan government has issued a letter of intent (LoI) to Uranium Corporation of India, for excavation of ore of this rare mineral in the state.

10. When is the 'International Day of the Tropics' celebrated?

- A. May.27
- B. May.29
- C. June.27
- D. June.29 ☒



- ✓ International Day of the Tropics is observed annually on June 29, to highlight the importance of the tropics and the environmental and socio-economic challenges faced in these regions. The Tropics are the regions around the equator that lie between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. This region hosts about 40 per cent of the Earth's population and 80 per cent of its biodiversity.

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.

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.

1. Which Union Ministry implements the 'Mission Shakti' scheme?

- A. Ministry of Women and Child Development ☒
- B. Ministry of Defence
- C. Ministry of External Affairs
- D. Ministry of MSME



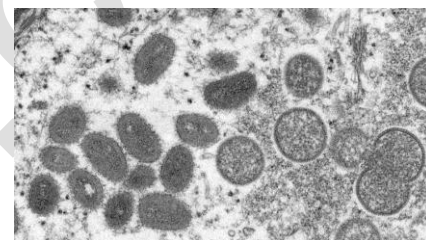
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सत्यमेव जयते

- ✓ Ministry of Women and Child Development has issued detailed guidelines for 'Mission Shakti' scheme. 'Mission Shakti' was launched as an integrated women empowerment programme as umbrella scheme for the safety, security and empowerment of women for implementation during the 15th Finance Commission period 2021–22 to 2025–26. 'Mission Shakti' has two sub-schemes – 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya'.

2. India reported its first monkeypox case in which state/UT?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Kerala ☒
- C. Sikkim
- D. Punjab



- ✓ India reported its first monkey-pox case in the state of Kerala. The sample of a 35-year-old man, which was sent to the National Virology Institute in Pune, tested positive for the disease. The man is said to have arrived in Kerala from the UAE three days ago. Monkeypox is a viral zoonotic disease with symptoms similar to smallpox.

3. What is the rate of inflation based on All-India Wholesale Price Index in June 2022?

- A. 11.18%
- B. 13.18%
- C. 15.18% ☒
- D. 17.18%

%

- ✓ The rate of inflation based on All-India Wholesale Price Index (WPI) number is 15.18% for the month of June, 2022 (over June, 2021). This is lower than the WPI number of 15.88% in May 2022. The high rate of inflation this month is primarily due to rise in prices of mineral oils, food articles, crude petroleum & natural gas, basic metals, chemicals & chemical products, food products etc.

4. Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) Scheme is associated with which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of External Affairs
- B. Ministry of MSME
- C. Ministry of Commerce and Industry ☒
- D. Ministry of Finance



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MINISTRY OF
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AND INDUSTRY**

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- ✓ The Ministry of Commerce and Industry authorised the continuation of the Scheme for Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) with the same rates as announced by the Ministry of Textiles for exports of apparel and made-ups until March 31, 2024. This aims to increase exports and generate employment in the textile industry.

5. Which Indian state is included in the 'World's 50 Greatest Places of 2022' by Time Magazine?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka
- C. Kerala ☒
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ Kerala, also called as 'God's own country', has been included in the list of the "World's 50 Greatest Places of 2022" by Time Magazine. TIME has described Kerala as 'one of India's most beautiful states. India's first UNESCO World Heritage City, Ahmedabad has also been included in the list of the World's 50 Greatest Places of 2022.

6. Where is India's largest floating Solar Power Project operationalised recently?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Telangana ☒
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Meghalaya



- ✓ India's largest floating Solar Power Project is made fully operational at Ramagundam, Telangana. NTPC declared Commercial Operation of the final part capacity out of 100 MW Ramagundam Floating Solar PV Project at Ramagundam, Telangana with the operationalisation the project, the total commercial operation of Floating Solar Capacity in Southern Region rose to 217 MW. Earlier, NTPC declared operation of Floating Solar at Kayamkulam (Kerala) and at Simhadri (Andhra Pradesh).

7. Who is the Attorney General of India, as of 2022?

- A. KK Venugopal ☒
- B. Mukul Rohatgi
- C. Tushar Mehta
- D. Kapil Sibal



- ✓ The Union government extended the tenure of Attorney General KK Venugopal by three months, as per the notification issued by the Union Law Ministry. Venugopal, 91, was initially appointed as Attorney General on July 1, 2017, as the 15th person to serve as Attorney General for India. Mukul Rohatgi was the Attorney General from June 2014 to June 2017.

8. Which is the most expensive city in India for foreign employees as per Mercer's 2022 cost of living city ranking?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai ☒
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Chennai



- ✓ The Mercer's 2022 cost of living city ranking was recently released with the list of the most expensive cities for international employees. Mumbai is the most expensive city in India for foreign employees, at rank 127 globally. It is followed by New Delhi at rank 155. Pune and Kolkata are the least expensive Indian cities in the ranking at 201 and 203 respectively.

9. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated Bosch India's first smart campus in which city?

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



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated Bosch India's first smart campus in the city of Bengaluru built at a cost of Rs 800 crore. This campus will be used in developing futuristic products and solutions for India and for the world. The inauguration of the Spark.NXT Campus of Bosch India coincided with the 75th anniversary of Indian independence.

10. Which state is the host of the National Games conducted by Indian Olympic Association in 2022?

- A. Goa
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Gujarat ☒
- D. Sikkim



- ✓ The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) announced that the National Games will be held in multiple cities in Gujarat in September–October this year. The last National Games were held in Kerala in 2015 and Goa was to host the 36th edition in November 2016. After two delays in 2018 and 2019 as Goa was not able to create adequate infrastructure, the Games were further postponed to 2020. It was further postponed due to National Games.

1. 'Jerusalem Declaration' which was seen in the news, is a strategic agreement between Israel and which country?

- A. UK
- B. USA ☒
- C. Australia
- D. UAE



- ✓ A joint declaration on US–Israeli strategic cooperation has been signed by President Joe Biden and Israeli Prime Minister Yair Lapid. The statement has been claimed as historic in the strategic US–Israel partnership and the commitment of the United States to Israel's security. The Jerusalem Declaration also refers to the Israeli–Palestinian relations.

2. Which Indian city has been selected as the first Cultural and Tourism Capital of SCO for 2022–23?

- A. Jaipur
- B. Kochi
- C. Varanasi ☒
- D. Kolkata



- ✓ The city of Varanasi will be declared the first Cultural and Tourism Capital of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). Varanasi will become the Capital of SCO for 2022–23 under a new rotating initiative by the eight-member organisation, which aims to promote people-to-people contacts and tourism among the member states.

3. 'Jagriti', which was seen in the news recently, is a mascot related to which field?

- A. Income Tax
- B. Climate Change
- C. Consumer Awareness ☒
- D. Cryptocurrency



- ✓ The Department of Consumer Affairs has launched "Jagriti", a mascot for empowering consumers and generating awareness of their rights. Jagriti mascot will be shown along with tagline 'Jago Grahak Jago' in all its media campaigns. It will be used to generate consumer awareness about various themes of the Department like provisions of Consumer Protection Act, Hallmarking, and National Consumer Helpline 1915 among others.

4. Which institution was ranked first in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2022?

- A. IIT Delhi
- B. IIT Kanpur
- C. IIT Madras ☒
- D. IIT Bombay



IIT Madras

- ✓ The Ministry of Education has released the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) for the year 2022. Indian Institute of Technology Madras has retained its first position for the fourth consecutive year in the overall category and for the seventh consecutive year in Engineering. Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi was ranked second while Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, is ranked third.

5. Which Indian state launched the 'e-FIR service and a Police app'?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka
- C. Uttarakhand ☒
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ The Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Pushkar Singh Dhami launched the e-FIR facility and Uttarakhand Police App. The launch of the e-FIR facility will help people file an online FIR in cases related to the theft among others. All online services provided by the State police to the public have been integrated in the Uttarakhand police app. These include Gaura Shakti, Traffic Eye, Public Eye, Meri Yatra and Lakshya Nasha Mukht Uttarakhand.

6. When is the 'International Day of Parliamentarism' observed?

- A. June.27
- B. June.30 ☒
- C. July.15
- D. July.18



- ✓ The International Day of Parliamentarism is observed every year on 30 June, to recognise the importance of parliamentary systems of government in shaping modern societies. This year, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and its members will observe the day under the theme of 'Public engagement' as the 'Global Parliamentary Report on Public engagement in the work of parliament' was recently released.

7. When is the 'World Asteroid Day' observed?

- A. June.30 ☒
- B. July.05
- C. July.18
- D. August.25



- ✓ World Asteroid Day 2022 is marked and celebrated globally on June 30 every year, in order to raise public awareness about asteroid's hazardous effect. In December 2016, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution that declared 30 June as International Asteroid Day. It observes the anniversary of the Tunguska impact over Siberia, Russian Federation on the same day in 1908.

8. Which is the top ranked city in the 'QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2023'?

- A. Dubai
- B. Singapore
- C. London ☒
- D. New York



- ✓ In the QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2023, London has been ranked as the best city for students looking to study abroad. Seoul and Munich are at the second place. The report ranks 140 cities in terms of affordability, student facilities, and university standard among other factors. India's highest-ranked student city is Mumbai at 103rd spot. It is followed by Bengaluru at 114th rank.

9. Which Indian has been awarded the Ayurveda Ratna Award by the UK Parliament?

- A. Tanuja Nesari ☒
- B. Abhimanyu Kumar
- C. Rajesh Bushan
- D. Sanjay Jain



- ✓ Tanuja Nesari, Director of All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) was awarded with the Ayurveda Ratna Award by the UK Parliament. The UK's All-Party Parliamentary Group on Indian Traditional Sciences (ITSappg) conferred the award recognising her contribution to promoting the growth of Ayurveda in India and abroad.

10. Which institution released the report titled 'Benchmarking India's Payment Systems'?

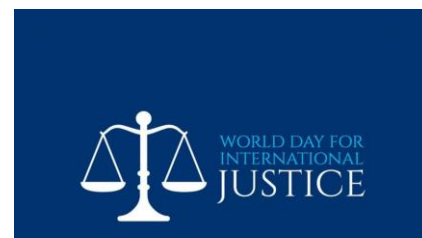
- A. World Bank
- B. Reserve Bank of India ☒
- C. National Payment Corporation of India
- D. International Monetary Fund



- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released the report titled 'Benchmarking India's Payment Systems'. It provides a position of the payment's ecosystem in India relative to other major countries. As per the report, India has made significant progress and moved to a leadership position in large-value digital payment systems. But India is still weak in certain parameters relating to ATMs and card payments.

1. When is the 'World Day for International Justice' observed?

- A. July.15
- B. July.17 ☒
- C. July.19
- D. July.21



- ✓ The World Day for International Justice is observed on July 17 every year to sensitise on international justice and to promote the rights of the victims. It is also known as the Day of International Criminal Justice, and celebrates the approval of the Rome Statute and the formation of the new international criminal justice system in 1998. Over 139 countries have signed the International Criminal Court's Treaty.

2. Which Indian sportsperson won the 'Singapore Open 2022' championship title?

- A. Srikanth Kidambi
- B. P V Sindhu ☒
- C. Saina Nehwal
- D. Lakshya Sen



- ✓ India Ace shuttler PV Sindhu defeated China's Wang Zhi Yi in the final match of women's singles at the Singapore Open 2022. The two-time Olympic medallist clinched her maiden Super 500 title of the year 2022. The Singapore Open 2022 is Sindhu's third title of the 2022 season after winning the Syed Modi International and Swiss Open BWF Super 300 titles.

3. Which institution organises the 'Bharat Rang Mahotsav 2022'?

- A. National School of Drama ☒
- B. Lalit Kala Akademi
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. Sahitya Akademi



- ✓ National School of Drama (NSD), New Delhi is organizing a festival "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav – 22nd Bharat Rang Mahotsav, 2022. NSD is an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture. The festival aims to remember and pay tribute to our freedom fighters, under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav 2022'. The festival will be inaugurated in New Delhi and it will be organized in 5 other cities of Bhubaneswar, Varanasi, Amritsar, Bengaluru and Mumbai.

4. What is the name of the submarine which was recently decommissioned from the Indian Navy?

- A. INS Sindhudhvaj ☒
- B. INS Rajput
- C. INS Ranjit
- D. INS Nishank



- ✓ The submarine named 'INS Sindhudhvaj' was recently decommissioned from the Indian Navy after serving for 35 years. The submarine crest depicts a grey colour nurse shark and the name 'Sindhudhvaj' means flag-bearer at sea. The submarine was known for indigenised sonar USHUS, indigenised satellite communication systems Rukmani and inertial navigation system and indigenised torpedo fire control system.

5. Who has been recently appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of the National Stock Exchange?

- A. Urjit Patel
B. Ashishkumar Chauhan ☒
C. K V Kamath
D. Arundhati Bhattacharya



- ✓ The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has approved the appointment of Ashishkumar Chauhan as the next Managing Director and CEO of the National Stock Exchange (NSE). Chauhan is currently the MD and CEO of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) and his tenure will end in November 2022. Ashishkumar is one of the founders of the NSE and he worked in the NSE from 1992 to 2000.

6. Which Indian cricketer created a world record for scoring the most runs in an over in Test cricket?

- A. Virat Kohli
B. Jasprit Bumrah ☒
C. Rohit Sharma
D. Ravindra Jadeja



- ✓ Jasprit Bumrah created a world record for scoring the most runs in an over in Test cricket. He smashed two sixes and four fours to score 35 runs in an over. He achieved the feat during the 5th Test between India and England in the over bowled by England speedster Stuart Broad.

7. International Coastal Clean-up Day is celebrated in which month?

- A. July
B. August
C. September ☒
D. December



- ✓ India launched one of its longest running coastal clean-up campaigns recently, in which 75 beaches of the country to be cleaned up to commemorate 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The coastal clean-up drive will be carried out in the country for 75 days from 3rd of July to 17th of September 2022, which is also the International Coastal Clean-up Day. The drive is aims to remove one thousand 500 tonnes of garbage from the sea coasts.

8. NTPC signed a MoU with which state to develop a 10 GW Ultra Mega Renewable Energy Power Park?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Rajasthan ☒
- C. Odisha
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ NTPC signed a Memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Government of Rajasthan to develop 10 GW Ultra Mega Renewable Energy Power Park in Rajasthan. It aims to achieve the target of 60 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2032. NTPC REL is also developing one UMREPP of 4.75 GW capacity in Rann of Kutch, Gujarat.

9. Which is India's major seafood item exported from India in terms of quantity and value?

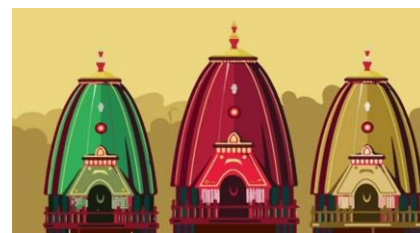
- A. Frozen shrimps ☒
- B. Frozen squids
- C. Frozen fishes
- D. Frozen cuttlefishes



- ✓ India shipped 13, 69,264 MT of seafood worth Rs 57,586.48 crore (USD 7.76 billion) during 2021–22, despite heavy odds. During the FY 2021–22, the export improved in rupee term by 31.71%. Frozen shrimp remained the major export item in terms of quantity and value. USA is the largest market of frozen shrimp, followed by China and European Union.

10. Ashadhi Bij is predominantly celebrated in which state?

- A. Punjab
- B. Gujarat ☒
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Ashadhi Bij is the second day of Aashaadha month, of the Hindu calendar, which is associated with the beginning of rains in the Kutch region. The Kutchi people of Gujarat celebrate their new year on this day.

1. Some public sector banks have recently connected to the AA ecosystem. What is the expansion of AA?

- A. Amount Aggregator
- B. Account Aggregator ☒
- C. Affiliate Aggregator
- D. Account Administrator



- ✓ Public sector bank Punjab National Bank (PNB) has gone live on the account aggregator ecosystem as financial information user (FIU) as well as financial information provider (FIP). Union Bank of India, Canara Bank and Indian Bank have also connected to the account aggregator system. Other banks including SBI, BOB and UCO Bank are in the testing phase and some others are in the development phase.

2. The 2022 Presidential Election is conducted to choose the President of India.

- A. 12th
- B. 14th
- C. 15th ☒
- D. 17th



- ✓ The 2022 Presidential Election is conducted to choose the 15th President of India are being held in India. NDA candidate Droupadi Murmu and the opposition's Yashwant Sinha are participating in the election. The President is elected by the members of the Electoral College comprising elected members of both houses of Parliament and legislative assemblies of all states as well as the NCT of Delhi and the UT of Puducherry.

3. Who has been recommended as the MD of National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)?

- A. G Rajkiran Rai ☒
- B. K V Kamath
- C. Urjit Patel
- D. V K Singh



- ✓ The Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB) has recommended G Rajkiran Rai for the position of Managing Director at the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID). This is the first ever recommendation by FSIB, after it was recently set up.

4. Mairaj Ahmad Khan, who was seen in the news recently, is associated with which sports?

- A. Weight lifting
- B. Shooting ☒
- C. Wrestling
- D. Tennis



- ✓ Two-time Olympian and India's ace Skeet shooter Mairaj Ahmad Khan won the country's first ever individual gold in the ISSF World Cup at Changwon, Korea. India stays on top of the medal standings with five gold, five silver and three bronze medals with two more days of competitions left. India also won a bronze with the 50m Rifle women's team of Anjum Moudgil, Sift Kaur Samra and Ashi Chouksey.

5. Which Indian state/UT has launched first AI-powered digital Lok Adalat?

- A. Kerala
B. Telangana
C. Rajasthan ☒
D. Odisha



- ✓ National Legal Services Authority Chairman Uday Umesh Lalit launched the country's first AI-powered digital Lok Adalat during the 18th All India Legal Services Authorities' meet in Rajasthan. The Digital Lok Adalat of Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority (RSLSA) was launched amid the recent headlines of India's growing case pendency.

6. 'Nanjarayan Tank' has been declared as a bird sanctuary of which state?

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



- ✓ 'Nanjarayan Tank' has been declared as the 17th Bird sanctuary of Tamil Nadu. It is a protected birding hotspot in Tiruppur district of the state. The Nanjarayan Tank also known as Sarkar Periyapalayam Reservoir, has 220 cormorants and 165 pelicans. It has over hundreds of painted storks, and coots. The tank is over 800 years old and birds have been visiting here for centuries. 181 species of birds, 16 species of reptiles, over 40 varieties of butterflies, 11 species of mammals and as many as 76 types of flora have been recorded.

7. As per 'Hurun India Future Unicorn Index 2022', which city is the start-up capital of India?

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



- ✓ According to the 'Hurun India Future Unicorn Index – 2022', Bengaluru continues to be the start-up capital of India, with 46 probable Unicorns. It is followed by Delhi NCR (25) and Mumbai (16). As per the index, India will have 122 new unicorns in the next two to four years.

8. Yair Lapid, who was seen in the news, is the new Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Afghanistan
- B. Pakistan
- C. Israel ☒
- D. Iran



- ✓ The 58-year-old Yair Lapid recently took over as Israel's 14th prime minister after the country's parliament dissolved. The journalist-turned politician, has taken over as Israel's caretaker prime minister as the country preparing to go for polls for the fifth time in four years in November. He built a coalition that ended Benjamin Netanyahu's record 12 consecutive years in power.

9. Neelachal Ispat Nigam Ltd (NINL) was handed over to which Indian conglomerate group?

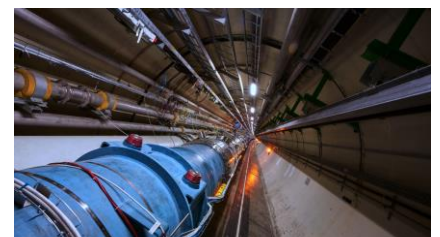
- A. Reliance Group
- B. TATA Group ☒
- C. Adani Industries
- D. Vedanta



- ✓ The privatisation of Neelachal Ispat Nigam Ltd (NINL) was completed as it has been handed over to Tata Steel Long Products (TSLP). NINL is the second successful privatisation by the government, after Air India which was also bought by Tata Group. NINL, which is a joint venture of 4 CPSEs named MMTC, NMDC, BHEL, MECON and 2 Odisha government PSUs– OMC and IPICOL.

10. Where is the 'Large Hadron Collider', the world's most powerful particle collider located?

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



- ✓ The world's most powerful particle collider, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), is set to function from July this year. It was built by the European Organization for Nuclear Research located in Geneva. The Large Hadron Collider is a giant, complex machine built to study particles, the smallest known building blocks of all things. Three years after it was shut down for maintenance and upgrades, the collider was switched back recently.

1. Which country was the top choice of Indian nationals, who renounced their Indian citizenship in 2021?

- A. UK
- B. USA ☒
- C. UAE
- D. Germany



- ✓ As per the data provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs, over 1.63 lakh Indian nationals renounced their Indian citizenship during 2021. This is the highest during the last three years. The US was the top choice with almost half of Indians preferring to become US citizens. After the US, Indians preferred to get citizenship in Australia, Canada and the UK.

2. When is the 'International Moon Day' celebrated annually?

- A. July.18
- B. July.20 ☒
- C. July.22
- D. July.23



- ✓ The United Nations General Assembly had officially declared International Moon Day to be marked every year on 20 July. It celebrates the day humans first walked on the moon in 1969. This was the day when Apollo 11 landed on the Moon, Earth's only satellite on 20 July 1969. Lunar module pilot Edwin Aldrin followed Neil Armstrong 19 minutes later and they spent about two and a quarter hour outside the spacecraft while collecting 21.5 kg of lunar material.

3. Capacity Building Commission (CBC) recently developed a set of National standards (NSCSTI) for which institutions?

- A. Banking and Finance Institutions
- B. Civil Service Training Institutions ☒
- C. Higher Education Institutions
- D. MSMEs



- ✓ Union Personnel Minister Jitendra Singh launched the "National Standards for Civil Service Training Institutions" (NSCSTI). The standards are developed by the Capacity Building Commission (CBC), to create standards for civil service training institutions at national level.

4. The Reserve Bank has adopted a four-tiered regulatory framework for which institutions?

- A. Primary Agriculture Societies
- B. Urban Co-operative Banks ☒
- C. Rural Cooperative Banks
- D. Nidhi Companies



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RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to adopt a simple four-tiered regulatory framework for Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs). The framework will be based on size of deposits, with an aim to strengthen their financial soundness. An expert committee, headed by former RBI deputy governor N S Vishwanathan, made a host of recommendations for strengthening the UCBs.

5. Which is the first Indian state to connect all commercial vehicles equipped with Tracking Device with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Himachal Pradesh ☒
- C. New Delhi
- D. Haryana



- ✓ Himachal Pradesh has become the first state in the country to connect all registered commercial vehicles equipped with Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS).
- ✓ Now these vehicles can be tracked anywhere in the country through VLTD by both the police and the transport department. When the panic button is pressed, a signal will be received through satellite to 112 and the person in distress would be connected and alert the police.

6. What is India's position on the 'Under-15 Asian Wrestling Championship'?

- A. First
- B. Third ☒
- C. Fifth
- D. Tenth



- ✓ Iran clinched Asia Title in the Under-15 Asian Wrestling Championship while Kazakhstan was runner-up. India secured 3rd place with 172 Points.
- ✓ The Indian Under-15 Greco Roman Wrestling Team clinched two gold, two silver and four bronze medals in the Championship being held at Bahrain. Sachin in the 68 kg and Abhay in the 72 kg bagged gold medals in their respective categories.

7. What is 'ARYABHAT-1' which was seen in the news recently?

- A. Ballistic Missile
- B. Earth Observation Satellite
- C. Prototype of Analog chipset ☒
- D. Super Computer



- ✓ Researchers at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) have developed a design framework to build next-generation analog computing chipsets. The prototype is named ARYABHAT-1 (Analog Reconfigurable Technology and Bias-scalable Hardware for AI Tasks). Its chipset can be reconfigured and programmed so that the same analog modules can be ported across different generations of design and across different applications.

8. When is the 'World Zoonosis Day' observed every year?

- A. July.02
- B. July.04
- C. July.06 ☒
- D. July.08



- ✓ World Zoonosis Day is observed annually on July 6 across the world to raise awareness about the infectious diseases called zoonotic diseases. The day is celebrated in memory of Louis Pasteur, a French biologist who successfully administered the first-ever Rabies vaccine to a patient on July 6, 1885. Zoonotic diseases originate in animals and can spread to humans.

9. 'Mind Master: Winning Lessons from a Champion's Life' is the memoir of which personality?

- A. Magnus Carlsen
- B. Viswanathan Anand ☒
- C. Raghuram Rajan
- D. Rajinikanth



- ✓ 'Mind Master: Winning Lessons from a Champion's Life' is the memoir of chess legend and five-time world chess champion Viswanathan Anand. Recently, Hachette India announced the expanded paperback edition of the book, ahead of the 44th FIDE Chess Olympiad.
- ✓ The book features a bonus chapter on how to navigate uncertainty and rapidly changing realities in the wake of the pandemic.

10. Ons Jabeur, who was seen in the news, is associated with which field?

- A. Sports ☒
- B. Business
- C. Science
- D. Politics



- ✓ Tunisia's world No:2 tennis player Ons Jabeur became the first Arab or North African woman to reach a Grand Slam singles semifinal. She achieved this record after defeating Marie Bouzkova of the Czech Republic at Wimbledon. The 27-year-old tennis player is ranked No. 2 in the world.

1. Which state is ranked first in the NITI Aayog's India Innovation Index (2021)?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka ☒
- C. Kerala
- D. Telangana



- ✓ **Karnataka has been ranked first in the NITI Aayog's India Innovation Index (2021) for third time in a row. The first edition was released in October 2019 and second in January 2021.**
- ✓ **The India Innovation Index ranks states and union territories on the basis of innovation capabilities. Telangana, Haryana and Maharashtra stood second, third and fourth in the list of top states. Manipur topped the 'North East and Hill States' section and Chandigarh won the 'Union Territory and City States' category.**

2. 'Banthia Commission' report, which was seen in the news, is associated with which field?

- A. Reservation in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha
- B. Reservation in Local bodies ☒
- C. Reservation in Promotion
- D. Minimum Support Price



- ✓ **The Supreme Court has accepted the report of the Banthia Commission and directed the Maharashtra State Election Commission to hold elections as per the report. It paves way for political reservation for candidates belonging to Other Backward Classes in the Local Bodies' Elections in the state. The candidates will get 27 percent political reservation in local self-government elections in the state.**

3. Who has been selected as the 15th President of India?

- A. Yashwant Sinha
- B. Draupadi Murmu ☒
- C. Ramnath Govind
- D. Jagdeep Dhankhar



- ✓ **Draupadi Murmu, the NDA's presidential candidate, emerged victorious in the presidential election with 64.03 percent votes. She bagged a total of 6,76,803 votes over her rival Yashwant Sinha who got 3,80,177 votes. Draupadi Murmu also scripted history to become the first tribal leader to be elected as the President of India.**

4. Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021, which was seen in the news, is associated with which Ministry?

- A. Ministry of Home Affairs
- B. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare ☒
- C. Ministry of Women and Child Development
- D. Ministry of External Affairs



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- ✓ The Government has prohibited import of human embryos in line with the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act, 2021 and The Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021. This was announced by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade. Earlier, imports were prohibited except for research purposes based on the guidelines of the Department of Health Research.

5. India signed a MoU with which country for reintroduction of cheetah and wildlife conservation?

- A. Australia
- B. Namibia ☒
- C. Kenya
- D. Ghana



- ✓ An MoU was signed by Union Environment Minister of India and Deputy Prime Minister of Namibia, in New Delhi. It paves way for reintroduction of eight cheetahs in Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh. The MoU also covers cooperation on wildlife conservation and sustainable biodiversity utilisation. India will train Namibian candidates in wildlife management courses at the Wildlife Institute of India.

6. Environment Ministry organised the 'Hariyali Mahotsav' in which state/UT?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. New Delhi ☒
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Punjab



- ✓ Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change has organised 'Hariyali Mahotsav' in New Delhi in the spirit of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. Hariyali Mahotsav, the 'Tree Festival' is organized to create awareness about the importance of trees and forest conservation. Hariyali Mahotsav is being organized by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in collaboration with the State Governments, Police Institutions and Schools of Delhi for undertaking plantation drives.

7. 'Varanasi Declaration', which was seen in the news recently, is associated with which field?

- A. Environment
- B. Education ☒
- C. Space Science
- D. Medical Science



- ✓ Ministry of Education (MoE) and University Grants Commission (UGC) have organised Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam (ABSS) in Varanasi. Varanasi Declaration on Higher Education, an expected outcome of the ABSS will announce a timeline for the Higher Education Commission of India. Another component of the Declaration will be to ensure that research, innovation and entrepreneurship (RIE) becomes accessible to all Higher Education Institutions.

8. 'News Initiative India Training Network' is an initiative of which company?

- A. Microsoft
B. Google ☒
C. Amazon
D. Meta



- ✓ Google has expanded its Google News Initiative India Training Network to cover five new Indian languages. This Google initiative helps teach journalists and newsrooms learn digital skills needed to tackle misinformation online. It will now be available in Punjabi, Assamese, Odia, Gujarati, and Malayalam.
- ✓ The Google News Initiative India Training Network was launched four years ago in partnership with DataLeads. Google is set to launch a Fact-Check Academy in partnership with DataLeads.

9. Which is the venue of 'First India Animal Health Summit 2022' in India?

- A. New Delhi ☒
B. Sikkim
C. Arunachal Pradesh
D. Karnataka



- ✓ Parshottam Rupala, Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying inaugurated First India Animal Health Summit 2022. The First India Animal Health Summit 2022 was held in New Delhi. It was organized by Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture (ICFA) and the Agriculture Today Group.

10. Which country has signed pact for supplying technology for Kudankulam nuclear power plant?

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



- ✓ A unit of Russian nuclear major Rosatom State Corporation has signed an agreement to supply thermocouples for four power units of the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP) in Tamil Nadu. LUCH Scientific Production Association, part of the R&D unit of Rosatom will provide the new sensors designed for thermal control of NPP process equipment.

1. The 'National Flag Day' is celebrated in which day in India?

- A. July.18
- B. July.22 ☒
- C. July.24
- D. July.25



- ✓ Every year, India celebrates the National Flag Day on July 22. On the same day in the year 1947, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the National Flag. When the members of the Indian Constituent Assembly met in the Constitution Hall in Delhi on July 22, 1947, the first thing the assembly discussed was a motion by Jawaharlal Nehru to adopt the national flag for free India.

2. Who are the beneficiaries of 'Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana'?

- A. School Students
- B. Senior Citizens ☒
- C. Below-Poverty-Line Women
- D. MSMEs



- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana was launched on July 21, 2017. The scheme recently completed five years since its launch. Under the scheme, senior citizens above the age of 60 can make a lump sum investment and can monthly or a yearly pension. PMVVY has been extended up to 31st March, 2023. The amendment in 2020 allowed an assured rate of return of 7.40 % per annum for the year 2020-21 per annum and thereafter to be reset every year.

3. What is the growth forecast for India for 2022-23, as per Asian Development Bank (ADB)'s recent estimate?

- A. 7.2 % ☒
- B. 7.8 %
- C. 8.0 %
- D. 8.2 %



- ✓ The Asian Development Bank set its economic growth forecast for India to 7.2%. The reasons cited are higher-than-expected inflation and monetary tightening. It also lowered the GDP growth estimate for 2023-24 to 7.8% from the 8% estimated earlier.

4. Which tech company funds the 'DigiVaani Call Center' set up recently by NASSCOM?

- A. Microsoft
- B. Google ☒
- C. Twitter
- D. Meta



- ✓ **Nasscom Foundation has set up a call centre to help women farmers scale up their business called the "DigiVaani Call Center". It has been set up in collaboration with non-profit Indian Society of Agribusiness Professionals (ISAP). The project is run on a pilot basis to initially reach out to 20,000 rural women entrepreneurs across six states– Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana and Rajasthan. The project has been funded by Google.**

5. Who has assumed the additional charge of Ministry of Minority Affairs after Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi?

- A. Piyush Goyal
- B. Smriti Irani ☒
- C. Jitendra Singh
- D. Rajnath Singh



- ✓ **Women and Child Development Minister Smriti Irani assumed additional charge of Ministry of Minority Affairs. She took over from Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi who resigned from the Union Council of Ministers. Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, who is currently in charge of the Civil Aviation Ministry assumed the additional charge of the Steel Ministry.**

6. Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled the 'Statue of Peace' of Swamy Ramanujacharya at which city?

- A. Amravati
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Sri Nagar ☒
- D. Puri



- ✓ **Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled the 'Statue of Peace' of Swamy Ramanujacharya at Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir. Ramanujacharya is regarded as a Vedic philosopher and social reformer, who travelled across India, advocating equality and social justice. Ramanujacharya is known for revived the Bhakti movement and his preachings inspired other Bhakti schools of thought.**

7. The Indian Government recently organised a 'National Conclave' on which fruit?

- A. Mango
- B. Dragon Fruit ☒
- C. Lychee
- D. Pineapple



- ✓ Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare organised a 'National Conclave on Dragon Fruit'. The Centre has decided to promote the cultivation of dragon fruit. It is also known as a "super fruit" for its health benefits. At present, this exotic fruit is cultivated in 3,000 hectares; the plan is to increase cultivation to 50,000 hectares in five years. Gujarat and Haryana Governments had already offered incentives for cultivation of the fruit.

8. As per the Environment Ministry's report, how many faunal species were added by India in 2021?

- A. 54
B. 24
C. 240
D. 540 ☒



- ✓ The details of new discoveries and new records of fauna and flora were published by Bhupendra Yadav, Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, at Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), Kolkata. India added 540 species to its faunal database in 2021 taking the total number of animal species to 1,03,258. A new mammal species *Crocidura narcondamica*, a white-toothed shrew, was found in the Andaman and Nicobar group of islands.

9. Which is set to become the first state in the country to have an exclusive Research and Development (R&D) Policy?

- A. New Delhi
B. Sikkim
C. Arunachal Pradesh
D. Karnataka ☒



- ✓ Karnataka is set to become the first state in the country to have an exclusive Research and Development (R&D) Policy. The policy seeks to allocate at least 0.1 per cent of its Gross State Domestic Product towards R&D and innovation.
- ✓ Karnataka is the first state to have an exclusive aerospace and defence R&D policy. It also has a separate semiconductor and renewable energy policy.

10. Mangarh Hillock, which was seen in the news, is located in which state/UT?

- A. Punjab
B. Rajasthan ☒
C. Uttar Pradesh
D. Bihar



- ✓ Mangarh Hillock, situated in Rajasthan near the Gujarat Border, is set to be declared monument of national importance. It is a site of a tribal uprising where a massacre of over 1500 Bhil tribal freedom fighters took place in 1913. Tribals gathered at the site were holding a meeting in protest, led by a leader from the community Govind Guru. The place is also known as the Adivasi Jallianwala.

1. WHO has recently declared which outbreak as a “public health emergency of international concern” (PHEIC)?

- A. Tomato Flu
- B. Monkeypox ☒
- C. Bird-Flu
- D. African swine fever



- ✓ The World Health Organisation has declared the global monkeypox outbreak a ‘public health emergency of international concern’ (PHEIC). This classification is one step below that of a ‘pandemic.’ WHO says the expanding monkeypox outbreak in over 70 countries is now qualified as a global emergency.

2. Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra won which medal in the 2022 World Athletics Championships?

- A. Gold
- B. Silver ☒
- C. Bronze
- D. None of the above



- ✓ Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra scripted another history as he became only the second Indian and to win a medal in the World Championships. He is also the first male track and field athlete as the legendary long jumper Anju Bobby George was the first Indian to win a medal. Neeraj clinched silver in the javelin throw final with his best throw of 88.13m. Defending champion Anderson Peters of Grenada won gold with a throw of 90.54m.

3. Which actor acted in the movie ‘Soorarai Pottru’ which was declared as ‘Best Feature Film’ at the 68th National Film Awards?

- A. Rajinikanth
- B. Sivakarthikeyan
- C. Suriya ☒
- D. Kamalhassan



- ✓ The winners of the 68th National Film Awards were announced in New Delhi. The prestigious awards are administered by the Government of India’s Directorate of Film Festivals. This year, the ‘Best Feature Film’ award was given to the Tamil film Soorarai Pottru, while its actor Suriya and Aparna Balamurali won two awards. Ajay Devgn for Tanhaji also shared the Best Actor award. The Malayalam movie ‘Ayyappanum Koshiyam’ won several awards including Best Director.

4. Which Indian state police recently launched e–FIR system?

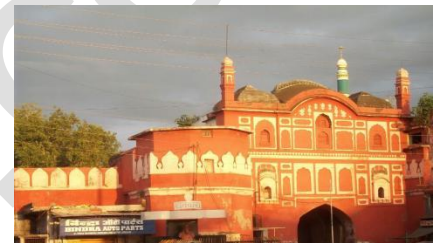
- A. Rajasthan
- B. Gujarat ☒
- C. Punjab
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Union Minister Home Minister Amit Shah launched the e–FIR system of Gujarat Police in Gandhinagar. The system will enable the citizens to file an FIR online, without visiting the police stations. All important services of Gujarat Police will be made available online. Within 48 hours of registering the FIR, the police will contact the complainant directly.

5. Burhanpur, which was declared the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district in the country, is in which state?

- A. Telangana
- B. Madhya Pradesh ☒
- C. Bihar
- D. Kolkata



- ✓ Burhanpur district in Madhya Pradesh becomes the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district in the country. It is also called the 'Darwaza of Dakhin'. After the launch of 'Jal Jeevan Mission' in 2019, Panchayat representatives, Pani Samitis and district officials of Burhanpur took efforts to achieve functional tap water connections to all its 1,01,905 rural households within a span of 34 months.

6. Who is the first woman to be featured on the 'wall of former chief economists' of the IMF?

- A. Jayati Ghosh
- B. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- C. Gita Gopinath ☒
- D. Arunima Sinha



- ✓ The First Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Gita Gopinath has become the first woman to be featured on the 'wall of former chief economists' of the IMF. She is also the only second Indian to achieve this feat after Raghuram Rajan who was named during his service as IMF's Chief Economist and Director of Research between the years 2003 and 2006. Gita Gopinath served as the first female chief economist of IMF for– the last three years.

7. The Union Road Ministry has approved the construction of Greenfield connectivity to Jewar International Airport in Uttar Pradesh and which state?

- A. Bihar
B. Haryana ☒
C. Gujarat
D. Uttarakhand



- ✓ Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari announced the construction of Greenfield connectivity to Jewar International Airport in Uttar Pradesh and Haryana has been approved. The budget for the project is aggregated to Rs 2,414.67 crore. The airport will be connecting Delhi Mumbai Expressway.

8. 'Stree Nidhi' is a scheme associated with which state/UT?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
B. Telangana ☒
C. Kerala
D. Karnataka



- ✓ The Telangana state government has allotted about Rs 3700 crore credit flow to women self-help groups (SHGs) through 'Stree Nidhi'. This is about 600 crore rupees more than the allocation of the last year. According to an official release, the government has spent about 14 thousand 750 crore rupees during the past 8 years to the SHGs for setting up businesses.

9. When is the 'National Fish Farmers Day' celebrated?

- A. July.06
B. July.08
C. July.10 ☒
D. July.25



- ✓ National Fish Farmers Day is celebrated on 10th July every year to display solidarity with fisher folk and fish farmers throughout the country. It is the 65th National Fish Farmers Day being celebrated across the country. Every year, this annual event is celebrated to commemorate Professor Dr. Hiralal Chaudhury and his colleague for their contribution in achieving the induced breeding of major carps on 10th July, 1957, for the first time in the country.

10. 'Sea Guardians-2' is a joint maritime exercise conducted by which countries?

- A. USA-Pakistan
B. China-Pakistan ☒
C. India-Pakistan
D. Sri Lanka-Pakistan



- ✓ The Navies of China and Pakistan commenced a live-fire drill off the Shanghai coast as part of joint maritime exercise code named Sea Guardians-2. The Navies are set to deploy their new high-tech naval ships and fighter jets to jointly deal with maritime security threats.

1. Which Union Ministry released the 'India's Bioeconomy Report 2022'?

- A. Ministry of Science & Technology ☒
- B. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change
- C. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare
- D. Ministry of Power



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- ✓ Union Minister for Science & Technology Dr Jitendra Singh released the 'India's Bioeconomy Report 2022' recently. India's Bio-economy has reached over USD 80 billion in 2021 with 14.1% growth over 2020. It is likely to touch 150 billion dollars by 2025 and over 300 billion dollars by 2030.

2. What is the name of the new application launched by UIDAI to authenticate Aadhar number with face?

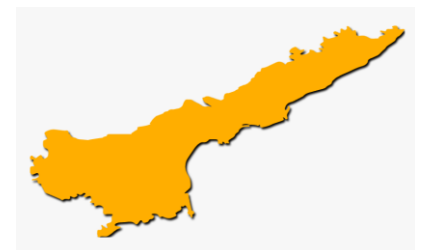
- A. Aadhaar Face RD ☒
- B. UIDAI Facetime
- C. Aadhar Authenticate
- D. Digi-Aadhar



- ✓ The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has launched 'Aadhaar Face RD' app to enable Aadhaar card holders to authenticate their unique 12-digit identity number using face. UIDAI enabled Aadhaar Authentication User Agencies (AUAs) to capture Aadhaar card holders face for authentication purpose. The App captures live person's face for authentication using Face Authentication Technology.

3. Which state is associated with the 'Family Doctor' pilot project?

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



- ✓ Andhra Pradesh has selected Padmanabham mandal in Visakhapatnam district to implement the 'Family Doctor' project on a pilot basis. Under the scheme, Medical and health personnel should visit the Aarogyasri beneficiaries a week after being discharged from hospital to enquire about their health condition and get feedback.

4. Which country successfully launched its space station module called 'Wentian'?

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



- ✓ China successfully launched its second module, called Wentian, to the Tiangong space station recently. Wentian was launched aboard a Long March 5B rocket from Hainan, China docking at the Tiangong space station about 13 hours later. The module contains equipment that allows the Chinese astronauts, also known as taikonauts, to perform various scientific experiments.

5. Which Indian state has instituted district climate change missions (DCCM)?

- A. Tamil Nadu ☒
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Assam
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government recently instituted of district climate change missions (DCCM) across 38 districts in the state. The DCCMs will be administered by District Collectors as 'Mission Directors' while District Forest Officers (DFOs) will function as 'climate officers'. The collectors will prepare district-level climate change mitigation and adaptation plans and provide inputs for low-carbon, climate-resilient development plans.

6. When is the 'World Population Day' observed every year?

- A. July.11 ☒
- B. July.09
- C. July.10
- D. July.12



- ✓ 'World Population Day' is observed every year on July 11. This year the theme is 'A world of 8 billion: Towards a resilient future for all – Harnessing opportunities and ensuring rights and choices for all'. The day was first marked on 11 July 1990 in more than 90 countries, to focus attention on the urgency and importance of population issues.

7. What is the tenure and financial outlay of Jute Mark India (JMI) scheme?

- A. FY 2021–25; Rs 485.58 crore
- B. FY 2022–26; Rs 485.58 crore ☒
- C. FY 2021–25; Rs 48.58 crore
- D. FY 2022–26; Rs 48.58 crore



- ✓ The government introduced certification of authenticity for jute products with the launch of "Jute Mark India" logo. It is an initiative to promote Indian jute products.
- ✓ JMI was implemented under an umbrella scheme for development and promotion of the jute sector between FY 2022 and FY 2026 with a total financial outlay of Rs 485.58 crore. Each Jute Mark label will contain a unique QR code with information on producer. National Jute Board is the nodal agency of the Union textiles ministry, responsible for the promotion of jute and jute products.

8. Who has been named the captain of the Indian women's cricket team in the 2022 Commonwealth Games?

- A. Harmanpreet Kaur ☒ B. Smriti Mandhana
C. Mithali Raj D. Jhulan Goswami



- ✓ Harmanpreet Kaur has been named captain of the Indian women's team, which is set to play at the 2022 Commonwealth Games, Birmingham. Opener Smriti Mandhana was named as the deputy captain. This is the first time Women's T20 cricket is participating in the Commonwealth Games after a men's ODI tournament was played at the 1998 Kuala Lumpur Commonwealth Games.

9. Asian U–20 Wrestling Championships was held in which country?

- A. Kazakhstan
B. Bahrain ☒
C. Mongolia
D. China



- ✓ India's U–20 wrestling team bagged 22 medals, including four gold in the Asian U–20 Wrestling Championship, held in Manama, Bahrain. India also claimed nine silver and nine bronze medals in the event. Among the 22 medals, the women's team won 10 medals including three gold medals. Indian wrestlers clinched 8 medals in U–15 Asian Wrestling Championship.

10. When is the 'International Malala Day' observed?

- A. July.12 ☒
B. July.15
C. July.25
D. July.26



- ✓ The 'International Malala Day' is observed on July 12 every year, to honour the Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai, who works for women's right to education across the globe. In 2012, Malala was shot by the Taliban for her campaign for the education of girls.
- ✓ Malala and her father co-founded the Malala Fund, a platform to support girls' education. In 2014, Malala was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize and became the youngest ever recipient. She was designated as United Nations Messenger of Peace in 2017.

1. Which state has signed MoU with Telangana to set up all women-run cooperative bank?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan ☒
- C. Karnataka
- D. Punjab



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- ✓ Rajasthan signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Telangana government's Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation. The aim is to set up the first all women-run cooperative bank in Rajasthan, on the lines of the Stree Nidhi model of Telangana. 'Rajasthan Mahila Nidhi' fund would be operated by the women Self Help Groups for the women of SHG only.

2. Which animal features in the 36th National Games 2022, to be held in Gujarat?

- A. Rhino
- B. Lion ☒
- C. Tiger
- D. Elephant



- ✓ Gujarat has been approved to host the 36th National Games between September 27 and October 10, in 2022. The last edition of the National Games was organised in Kerala in 2015. Gir Lion and Statue of Unity with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel are seen in the logo of the Games. IOA (Indian Olympic Association) accepted the proposal of Gujarat for hosting the event after 7 years.

3. Which is the headquarters of the 'United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)'?

- A. Geneva
- B. Paris
- C. Amman and Gaza ☒
- D. Jerusalem



- ✓ 'United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)' is headquartered at Amman, Jordan and Gaza, Palestinian Authority. It was founded in 1949. India recently contributed USD 2.5 million to this UN agency that supports the relief and human development of Palestinian refugees. Since 2018, the Government of India has contributed 20 million US dollars to UNRWA.

4. Which Indian economist has been appointed the chief economist of World Bank?

- A. Raghuram Rajan
- B. Urjit Patel
- C. Indermit Gill ☒
- D. Viral Acharya



- ✓ **The World Bank has appointed Indermit Gill as the chief economist and senior vice president for development economics. Indermit Gill will be the second Indian, after Kaushik Basu, to become the chief economist of the World Bank. It is an international financial institution that grants loan to middle and lower-income countries.**

5. Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest and Pichavaram Mangrove, which were designated as 'Ramsar sites' are located in which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu ☒
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Assam
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ **India has designated five new wetlands of international importance, as the Ramsar sites in the country have been increased from 49 to 54. The new sites include three wetlands (Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest and Pichavaram Mangrove) in Tamil Nadu, one (Pala wetland) in Mizoram and one wetland (Sakhya Sagar) in Madhya Pradesh.**

6. Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) introduced PIMS recently. What is the expansion of PIMS?

- A. Product Import Monitoring System
- B. Paper Import Monitoring System ☒
- C. Prior Information Monitoring System
- D. Prohibited Goods Import Monitoring System



- ✓ **The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), has introduced Paper Import Monitoring System (PIMS). DGFT has amended the import policy of major paper products from 'Free' to 'Free subject to compulsory registration under PIMS'. The system shall come into effect from 1st October, 2022. As per PIMS, an importer will be required to obtain an automatic registration number through online system.**

7. Who heads the 'Board of Trade', the advisory body on foreign trade policy?

- A. Prime Minister
B. External Affairs Minister
C. Commerce and Industry Minister ☒
D. Finance Minister



- ✓ **Board of Trade, the advisory body on foreign trade policy, is headed by the Commerce and Industry Minister. It includes participants from states, Union Territories, and senior officials from public and private sectors. The Government has nominated 29 non-official members from different sectors, including large and small enterprises, to the Board of Trade.**

8. Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the centenary memorial pillar of which state assembly recently (July 2022)?

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



- ✓ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the centenary memorial pillar of Bihar Assembly recently, to mark the conclusion of the one-year centennial celebration of the state legislature building. The foundation stone for the centenary pillar was laid by President Ram Nath Kovind on October 21 last year. The PM will also officially christen the garden located near the pillar as 'Shatabdi Smriti Udyan'.**

9. Arjun Babuta, Mehuli Ghosh and Tushar Mane, who recently won gold medals for India, play which sports?

- A. Weight Lifting
B. Shooting ☒
C. Boxing
D. Fencing



- ✓ **India's Arjun Babuta won his first International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup stage gold, by beating Tokyo Olympics silver medallist Lucas Kozeniesky of the USA. The championship is being held in Changwon, Korea. Mehuli Ghosh and Tushar Mane have won the 10m Air Rifle Mixed team gold at the World Cup.**

10. Which is the first non-English language series to be nominated for the best drama at the Emmy Awards?

- A. Squid Game ☒
B. Forbrydelsen
C. Spiral
D. L'Imposteur



- ✓ **The nominations for the 74th Primetime Emmy Awards were announced recently. It is a major American award for performing arts and entertainment. 'Succession' got the highest nominations at 25. The South Korean survival drama Squid Game bagged 14 nominations and also became the first non-English language series to be nominated for the best drama at the Emmy Awards.**

1. As per the recent update from the IMF (July 2022), what is India's growth forecast for 2022–23?

- A. 6.8%
- B. 7.0%
- C. 7.4% ☒
- D. 8.0%



- ✓ The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has cut India's growth forecast for 2022–23 (FY23) to 7.4 per cent, citing less favourable external conditions and fast policy tightening by RBI. Asian Development Bank recently slashed its growth projection for India to 7.2 per cent for FY23, from 7.5 percent.

2. Sir Winston Churchill Leadership Award was recently presented to which leader?

- A. Joe Biden
- B. Narendra Modi
- C. Volodymyr Zelenskyy ☒
- D. Jacinda Ardern



- ✓ British Prime Minister Boris Johnson presented Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy with the Sir Winston Churchill Leadership Award. Zelenskyy accepted the award by video link during a ceremony at the London office. Boris Johnson was the first Western leader to visit Ukraine after Russia's invasion. The Churchill leadership award was first presented in the year 2006.

3. Which country has announced to quit the International Space Station after 2024?

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



- ✓ Russia has decided to quit the International Space Station after 2024, as per the newly-appointed chief of Moscow's space agency. Russia and the United States have worked on the ISS, which has been in orbit since the year 1998. Some of the key accomplishments of the Soviet space programme are sending the first man into space in 1961 and launching the first satellite four years earlier.

4. India has been elected as the host of ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in which year?

- A. 2023
- B. 2025 ☒
- C. 2027
- D. 2030

2025

- ✓ The International Cricket Council (ICC) Board approved Bangladesh, India, England and Sri Lanka as the four host countries of the ICC women's cricket events. While the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 will be hosted by Bangladesh for the second time, the 2026 edition goes to England. The next ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in 2025 will be hosted by India and Sri Lanka will host the Women's T20 Champions Trophy 2027.

5. As per recent government data, how many tigers died in the last three years in India?

- A. 29
B. 129
C. 229
D. 329 ☒



- ✓ According to data presented by Union Minister of State for Environment in the Lok Sabha, India lost 329 tigers in the last three years due to poaching, natural and unnatural causes. It also added that 125 people have been killed in tiger attacks in this period. Around 307 elephants have died in this period due to poaching, electrocution, poisoning and train accidents. Out of them, 222 elephants died due to electrocution in the last three years.

6. 'Kharchi' is a traditional festival is celebrated in which state/UT?

- A. Assam
B. Tripura ☒
C. Madhya Pradesh
D. Gujarat



- ✓ 'Kharchi' is a week-long traditional festival, in which prayer to 14 Gods and Goddess is offered with religious fervour. The festival began in presence of thousands of devotees from across the country at Khayerpur, Tripura. It started with the bathing procession of the deities at River Haora.

7. What is the proportion of unmarried persons in the range of 15–29 years in 2019, as per a recent NSO Survey?

- A. 9%
B. 15%
C. 23% ☒
D. 32%



- ✓ The National Statistical Office report said that from 2011–2019, the proportion of unmarried persons within the age bracket of 15–29 years has increased from 17.2 per cent to 23 per cent. Among males the percentage of unmarried population raised from 20.8 per cent in 2011 to 26.1 per cent in 2019 while in female, increased from 13.5 per cent in 2011 to 19.9 per cent in 2019.

8. Which Indian Film makers were awarded the Icon Award at the 2022 London Indian Film Festival?

- A. Aparna Sen and Nandita Das ☒
- B. Leena Manimekalai and Nandita Das
- C. Shankar and Lokesh Kanagaraj
- D. Nandita Das and Sudha Kongara



- ✓ **Filmmakers Aparna Sen and Nandita Das have been awarded the Icon Award at the 2022 London Indian Film Festival for their contribution to Indian and global cinema. The London Indian Film Festival (LIFF) was held across four cities of London, Birmingham, Manchester and Leeds.**

9. Which authority recently issued an advisory to e-commerce platforms on the sale of AYUSH Drugs?

- A. Central Consumer Protection Authority ☒
- B. Ministry of AYUSH
- C. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- D. NITI Aayog



- ✓ **The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) has issued an advisory to e-commerce platforms on the sale of Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani (AYUSH) drugs. As per the advisory, e-commerce platforms should sell Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani drugs only after customers upload valid medical prescriptions from the registered practitioners on the platforms.**

10. Brijendra Kumar Syngal, who passed away recently, was also called as?

- A. Father of Green Revolution
- B. Father of Internet in India ☒
- C. Father of White Revolution
- D. Father of PSUs in India



- ✓ **Brijendra Kumar Syngal, who is also referred to as father of Internet in India, passed away recently at the age of 82. He was the former chairman of Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited. Under his leadership, the company rolled out India's internet service. He was earlier associated with satellite communications company Inmarsat.**

1. UN-backed agencies issued first-ever global policy framework to protect which category of people displaced due to climate change?

- A. Elderly people
- B. Children ☒
- C. Physically and mentally challenged
- D. LGBTQ people



- ✓ International Organisation for Migration (IOM), the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), Georgetown University and the UN University issued first-ever global policy framework to protect children displaced due to climate change. 'The Guiding Principles for Children on the Move in the Context of Climate Change' comprises a set of nine principles to address the vulnerabilities of children who were forced for internal as well cross-border migrations.

2. When is the 'International Tiger Day' observed every year?

- A. July.27
- B. July.29 ☒
- C. July.31
- D. August.1



- ✓ 'International Tiger Day' is observed every year across the world on July 29. The objective is to raise awareness among individuals, organisations, and governments about the importance of the conservation of tigers. International Tiger Day was introduced in 2010 after it was discovered that 97 percent of tigers disappeared in the past century. According to the WWF, the current population of tigers is 3,900. India is home to around 70% of the world's tiger population.

3. Who has been selected as the Team India Flagbearer at the 2022 Commonwealth Games?

- A. Mary Kom
- B. P V Sindhu ☒
- C. Neeraj Chopra
- D. Mirabai Chanu



- ✓ The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) announced two-time Olympic medal winning player PV Sindhu as the Team India Flagbearer at the 2022 Commonwealth Games opening ceremony in Birmingham. The 2022 edition of the Commonwealth Games also has the largest contingent of female athletes in the history of the Games. As many as 205 participants are set to take part in the games in 20 sports. Top Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra had to withdraw due to an injury.

4. Which telecom provider executes the recent project which aims to provide 4G mobile services in all uncovered villages?

- A. Bharti Airtel B. BSNL ☒
C. Jio D. VI



- ✓ The Union Cabinet approved a project for providing 4G mobile services in all uncovered (24,680) villages in remote and difficult areas of the country. The project will be executed by BSNL using Atmanirbhar Bharat's 4G technology stack and will be funded through Universal Service Obligation Fund. The total project cost is Rs 26,316 crore.

5. Which institution introduced a new scheme to provide enhanced export credit risk insurance cover to support small exporters?

- A. LIC
B. ECGC ☒
C. PFRDA
D. IRDAI



- ✓ Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC) has introduced a new scheme to provide enhanced export credit risk insurance cover up to 90% to support small exporters. This cover is provided under the Export Credit Insurance for Banks Whole Turnover Packaging Credit and Post Shipment (ECIB- WTPC & PS). The scheme would benefit small-scale exporters availing of export credit with banks.

6. 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.

7. Which is the headquarters of 'International Rice Research Institute' (IRRI)?

- A. Aduthurai, Tamil Nadu, India B. Manila, Philippines
C. Los Baños, Philippines ☒ D. Rome, Italy

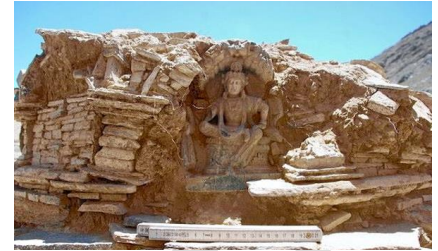


- ✓ The International Rice Research Institute is an international agricultural research and training organization with its headquarters in Los Baños, Laguna in the Philippines. It was founded in 1960.

India's Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare (DA&FW) has signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) for Phase -2 activities of IRRI South Asia Regional Centre (ISARC).

8. Mes Aynak, which was seen in the news, is located in which country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Pakistan
- C. China
- D. Afghanistan ☒



- ✓ The ancient Buddhist city, Mes Aynak was a vast city organised around the extraction and trade of copper. It was carved out of peaks near Kabul in Afghanistan. It was believed to be between 1,000 and 2,000 years old. In 2007, the Chinese mining giant Metallurgical Group Corporation (MCC) signed a \$3 billion contract to mine ore over 30 years. The project is once again a priority for Talibans and China.

9. Which Indian player won the Paracin Open 'A' chess tournament 2022 in Serbia?

- A. Gukesh
- B. Praggnanandhaa ☒
- C. Viswanathan Anand
- D. Soumya Swaminathan



- ✓ Young Indian Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa has won the Paracin Open 'A' chess tournament 2022 in Serbia. The 16-year-old remained unbeaten and scored 8 points from nine rounds. He will be part of a strong India 'B' team in the 44th Chess Olympiad to be held in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

10. Which bank was named as 'World's Best SME Bank' by Euromoney?

- A. RBS Bank
- B. DBS Bank ☒
- C. State Bank of India
- D. Standard Chartered Bank



- ✓ DBS Bank was named as the 'World's Best SME Bank' by Euromoney for second time. The bank also clinched three more awards. They include World's Best 'Financial Innovation of the year', 'Asia's Best Bank for Wealth Management' and 'Best Bank in Hong Kong'.