

1. What is 'Garba', which was nominated by India to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list?

- A. Festival
- B. Dance Form ☒
- C. Art Form
- D. Monument



- ✓ India has recently nominated the dance form Garba to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list. The inclusion of 'Durga Puja' on the UNESCO intangible cultural heritage representative was made last year. India was elected by UNESCO to serve on the Intergovernmental Committee of the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in July.

2. India announced the establishment of a working group on transnational education with which country?

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



- ✓ India's Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and his Australian counterpart, Jason Clare announced the establishment of a working group on transnational education. The working group aims to build shared understanding of the regulatory settings in both countries and promote opportunities for a two-way mobility of institutions. The Union Minister co-chaired the sixth meeting of the Australia India Education Council (AIEC).

3. India's first commercial space situational awareness observatory is to be established in which state/UT?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Uttarakhand ☒
- C. Sikkim
- D. Arunachal Pradesh



- ✓ India's first commercial space situational awareness observatory is to be established in the Garhwal region of Uttarakhand by Digantara, a space sector start-up. The observatory aims to track objects as small as 10 cm in size orbiting the earth. This will improve the effectiveness of tracking and identifying pre-existing resident space objects.

4. India recently inaugurated the new Indian Embassy in which country (in August 2022)?

- A. Malta
- B. Paraguay ☒
- C. Iran
- D. Venezuela



- ✓ India's Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar jointly inaugurated the new Indian Embassy in Asuncion in Paraguay with his counterpart. This is the first ever visit of an Indian Foreign Minister to the Republic of Paraguay which has taken place as the two countries completed the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.

5. Which state has announced to set up online monitoring system of medicines in government-run medical institutions?

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



- ✓ Kerala government has announced to introduce an online monitoring system, to keep track of medicines in government-run medical institutions. The system aims to keep track of availability and distribution of medicines. The state's health minister announced that hospital employees should use the online system of Kerala Medical Services Corporation (KMSCL) to ensure availability of medicines.

6. Which is the venue of the 'SCO Defence Ministers' Meeting' held in 2022?

- A. Beijing
- B. Tashkent ☒
- C. Shanghai
- D. Nursultan



- ✓ Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh attended the annual meeting of Defence Ministers of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) member states in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. Apart from India, the Foreign Ministers of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan also participated in the meeting. The preparations for the forthcoming SCO Summit of Heads of State in Samarkand were also discussed.

7. Which leader has been honoured with the '2022 Liberty Medal'?

- A. Imran Khan
- B. Narendra Modi
- C. Volodymyr Zelenskyy ☒
- D. Fumio Kishida



- ✓ Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has been named for this year's 'Liberty Medal' by the National Constitution Center. He was selected for his heroic defense of liberty in the face of Russian tyranny. Volodymyr Zelensky has been serving as the nation's President since May 2019, has also been the recipient of awards such as the Ronald Reagan Freedom Award and the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award as well as honors from other governments.

8. What is the theme of the 'World Water Week 2022'?

- A. Seeing the Unseen: The Value of Water ☒
- B. Transforming the global water challenges
- C. Global collaboration for water
- D. Biodiversity and climate change



- ✓ The Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) organizes World Water Week every year. This year, it is celebrated from August 23 to September 1. The theme for World Water Week 2022 is 'Seeing the Unseen: The Value of Water'. It is a movement aimed at transforming the global water challenges.

9. Fahmida Azim, who has been selected for the 2022 Pulitzer Prize, is from which country?

- A. India
- B. Bangladesh ☒
- C. Iran
- D. Oman



- ✓ Bangladesh-born Fahmida Azim working for the Insider online magazine of United States has been selected for the 2022 Pulitzer Prize. She is among the four journalists of Insider, selected for their work on the Chinese oppression of the Uyghurs. She has been selected under the category of Illustrated Reporting and Commentary, for her illustrations in the work 'I escaped a Chinese internment Camp'.

10. Antim Panghal, who was seen in the news, plays which sports?

- A. Wrestling ☒
- B. Weight lifting
- C. Hockey
- D. Badminton



- ✓ Antim Panghal became the first Indian female wrestler ever to clinch gold at the Under 20 Wrestling World Championships. She topped the 53kg category in the World Championships being held in Sofia, Bulgaria.
- ✓ The only other Indians to win gold at the U20 World Championships are Deepak Punia (2019) Ramesh Kumar (2001) Palwinder Singh Cheema (2001) and Pappu Yadav (1992).