

1. Which Indian state/UT launched the Parivar Kalyan Card (PKC) Scheme?

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



- ✓ **Parivar Kalyan Card scheme is the Uttar Pradesh government's Family ID plan. It was announced to establish a comprehensive database of the state's family units and identify beneficiaries for its various schemes. The PKC will provide a unique 12-digit ID number for each family. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has allowed the state government to link Aadhaar data with the PKC.**

2. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) in 2022?

- A. Samir V Kamat ☒
- B. K Sivan
- C. Mayilsamy Annadurai
- D. Tessy Thomas



- ✓ **Veteran Scientist Dr. Samir V Kamat has been appointed as the new Chairman of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). He succeeds Dr. G Satheesh Reddy who will take charge as Scientific Advisor to the union defence minister. Earlier, Dr. Samir V Kamat was the Director General of Naval Systems & Materials at DRDO since 2017.**

3. Which country has been hit by the Tropical cyclone Ma-On?

- A. China
- B. Japan
- C. Philippines ☒
- D. Indonesia



- ✓ **The Philippines has been hit by the tropical cyclone Ma-on that has damaged the main Luzon Island in the country. The cyclone has killed at least three people and injured four others, as per the country's National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council. Ma-on was the sixth tropical cyclone to hit this Southeast Asian country this year.**

4. Which Indian economist has been appointed as the Executive Director for India at the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

- A. Urjit Patel
- B. K Subramanian ☒
- C. Viral Acharya
- D. Anantha Nageswaran



- ✓ **Former Chief Economic Adviser KV Subramanian has been appointed as the Executive Director for India at the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Subramanian's term will continue for a period of three years or until further orders. The tenure of economist Surjit S Bhalla as ED (India), IMF has been curtailed up to 31 October, 2022.**

5. Which Union Ministry has published 'Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022'?

- A. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change ☒
- B. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- C. Ministry of External Affairs
- D. Ministry of Housing and Urban affairs



- ✓ **Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change recently published the Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022. New rules will replace Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001, to ensure environmentally sound management of waste batteries. The rules cover all types of batteries including Electric Vehicle batteries, portable batteries, automotive batteries and industrial batteries.**

6. Which University has been ranked first in the 'Nature Index 2022' ranking?

- A. Delhi University
- B. University of Hyderabad ☒
- C. Punjab University
- D. Madras University



- ✓ **The University of Hyderabad (UoH) continues to be in the top position in the latest Nature Index 2022 ranking. The Nature Index is an indicator of high-quality research in natural and physical sciences. The UoH has been ranked first among Indian Universities and 16th among all institutions in the academic sector. The rankings are based on the data from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.**

7. 'Intergenerational solidarity: creating a world for all ages' is the theme of which international day celebrated in August?

- A. International Youth Day ☒ B. International Senior Citizens Day
C. International Adolescent Children Day D. International Youth Gen-Z Day



- ✓ Every year, International Youth Day is celebrated on August 12 to mark the contribution of the youth to the development of society and to raise awareness against the injustice faced by the youth worldwide. This year's theme for International Youth Day 2022 is 'Intergenerational solidarity: creating a world for all ages. Ageism, a practice of discrimination based on an individual's age, is the topic of International Youth Day in 2022.

8. North East India Festival 2022 celebrates the 75 years of relations of India and which country?

- A. Japan B. Thailand ☒
C. Myanmar D. Singapore



- ✓ Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad Sangma announced that the North East India Festival will celebrate 75 years of India–Thailand relations. The North East Festival 'Connecting People celebrating Culture' is the largest initiative of North East India. It will be held in Bangkok, to showcase the uniqueness of North East and promote unexplored avenues in terms of tourism and investment.

9. Which state/UT hosts the first khelo India Women's Hockey League (U-16)?

- A. New Delhi ☒
B. Odisha
C. Karnataka
D. Haryana



- ✓ The first 'Khelo India Women's Hockey League for U-16 girls' is scheduled to start on August 16 at the Major Dhyan Chand Stadium in New Delhi. The Khelo India Women's Hockey League (U-21) was held over three phases in New Delhi and Lucknow earlier this year. A total of 16 teams across the country are participating and over 300 players will compete in the league.

10. What percent of the taxes collected by the Centre is devolved among states?

- A. 40 B. 41 ☒
C. 42 D. 45



- ✓ At present, 41 per cent of taxes collected by the Centre is devolved in 14 instalments among states during a fiscal year. The Centre recently released two instalments of tax devolution to state governments amounting to Rs 1.16 lakh crore to states.