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1. Who is the head of the Committee constituted by the Finance Ministry to address issues faced by venture capital (VC) and private equity (PE)?

- A. Ajay Tyagi
- B. Mahalingam
- C. M Damodaran ☒
- D. Subash Chandra Garg



- ✓ The Finance Ministry constituted an expert committee headed by former SEBI chief M. Damodaran to examine and suggest measures to address regulatory issues to scale up investments by venture capital (VC) and private equity (PE). Other members of the committee include G Mahalingam, former whole-time member of SEBI and executive director of RBI; representatives from CBIC; Income tax Department; NCAER among others. FY23 budget proposed to set up such a committee.

2. How many drugs are included in the 'National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM)'?

- A. 84
- B. 184
- C. 284
- D. 384 ☒

384

- ✓ Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare launched National Lists of Essential Medicines (NLEM) 2022. NLEM ensures accessibility of affordable quality medicines and helps in reduction in Out-of-Pocket Expenditure on healthcare for the citizens. 384 drugs have been included in this list with addition of 34 drugs, while 26 from the previous list have been dropped.

3. Which city is the host of 'All-India Official Language Conference' held in 2022?

- A. Surat ☒
- B. Ahmedabad
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Pune



- ✓ Union Home Minister Amit Shah participated in the All-India Official Language Conference in Gujarat's Surat. The conference is being organised on the occasion of Hindi Day, which is celebrated annually on September 14 across the country.

4. Which planet disappeared from sight on Sep.14, due to a phenomenon called 'Lunar occultation'?

- A. Mercury
- B. Venus
- C. Uranus ☒
- D. Saturn



- ✓ The sixth planet from the sun, Uranus appeared to pass directly behind Earth's moon, going out of sight for three and a half hours. The disappearing act is also known as the lunar occultation of Uranus. Only viewers in Europe, northern Africa and western Asia were at the exact right angle to see the phenomenon.

5. 'Swachh Sagar' portal, which was recently launched, is associated with which Union Ministry?

- A. Union Ministry of Earth Sciences ☒
- B. Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- C. Union Ministry of Rural Development
- D. Union Ministry of Home Affairs



- ✓ Union Minister for Earth Sciences, Dr. Jitendra Singh unveiled a dedicated website to give further boost to the ongoing Coastal Clean-Up campaign. The awareness campaign 'Swachh Sagar, Surakshit Sagar' will culminate on 'International Coastal Clean-up Day'. Dr. Singh also launched the campaign Logo-Vasuki, as a part of ongoing pan-India Coastal Clean-Up campaign.

6. The Indian Coast Guard conducted 'SAREX-22' National Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise in which city?

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



- ✓ The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) conducted the 10th National Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise SAREX-22 in Chennai. ICG Dornier planes demonstrated ways of rescuing passengers from ships and aircraft during emergencies. The theme of this edition of the biennial exercise is "Capacity Building towards Marine Passenger Safety".

7. The world's longest branch canal in the world has been inaugurated in which state/UT?

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



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Narmada canal that will bring water to Kutch from the Narmada Sarovar dam in south Gujarat. The 357.18-km long Kutch Branch Canal (KBC) that stretched from the Sardar Sarovar Narmada Dam in Narmada district, to the last of the villages of Gujarat's Mandvi taluka. Built at the cost of Rs 6493 crore, KBC has been claimed as the longest branch canal in the world.

8. National Cancer Grid (NCG) is an initiative of the Government of India through which department?

- A. Department of Atomic Energy ☒
B. Department of Science and Technology
C. Department of Health and Family Welfare
D. Department of Health and Research



- ✓ The National Cancer Grid (NCG) is an initiative of the Government of India through the Department of Atomic Energy and its grant-in-aid institution, the Tata Memorial Centre. The National Cancer Grid (NCG) has recently established the Koita Centre for Digital Oncology (KCDO) to promote use of digital technologies and tools to improve cancer care across India. NCG has over 270 hospitals in its network across India, at present.

9. The Indian Army began the reconstruction of the 150-year-old Bailey Bridge over the Sukhtawa River in which state?

- A. Maharashtra B. Madhya Pradesh ☒
C. Karnataka D. Assam



- ✓ The Indian Army began the reconstruction of the 150-year-old Bailey Bridge over the Sukhtawa River, which collapsed earlier in April. It is on the Bhopal –Nagpur Highway. The Army is using the technique, which is used to build bridges in hilly areas. The bridge will be 93 feet long and 10.50 feet wide. It will be very strong and can sustain even 40 tonnes of weight.

10. 'The Centre for Medical Skills for paramedical staff' is set to come up in which state/UT?

- A. Assam B. Sikkim
C. Meghalaya ☒ D. West Bengal



- ✓ 'The Centre for Medical Skills for paramedical staff' is set to come up at Babadam in West Garo Hills of Meghalaya. The Meghalaya Cabinet approved the construction of Centre that will be built at the cost of Rs 152 crores. The Medical Skill Hunar Hub will have space for 2500 students with several facilities including hostel, Pharmaceutical College, Paramedical College and Skill Development Centre.

1. Which country is the host of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Summit 2022?

- A. India
- B. Kazakhstan ☒
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Uzbekistan



- ✓ **The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit is being held in Samarkand in Uzbekistan. It is SCO's first in-person summit in after two years. The summit will also see the participation of Russian President Vladimir Putin, Chinese President Xi Jinping and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The meeting aims to deliberate on regional security challenges, boosting trade and energy supplies among other issues.**

2. Shoonya Campaign, which was seen in the news, is aimed at which process?

- A. Reduce Air Pollution by banning crackers
- B. Reduce Air Pollution by using Evs ☒
- C. Promote Rain Water Harvesting
- D. Promote Afforestation



- ✓ **Shoonya is an awareness campaign to reduce air pollution by promoting the use of electric vehicles (EVs) for ride-hailing and deliveries. NITI Aayog held a forum to commemorate the one-year anniversary of Shoonya, India's zero pollution e-mobility campaign. During the event, the National Programme on Advanced Chemistry Cell (ACC) Energy Storage report was also launched.**

3. Which Indian zoological park tops the Central Zoo Authority's recent rankings?

- A. Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Chennai
- B. Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park, Darjeeling ☒
- C. Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, Mysuru
- D. Thiruvananthapuram Zoo



- ✓ **As per the list released by the Central Zoo Authority based on management and effectiveness, the Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park, Darjeeling was given the highest percentage of 83. The Red Panda is one of the top attractions of the Zoo, besides Himalayan Black Bear, Snow Leopard, Goral and Himalayan Thar. The Arignar Anna Zoological Park in Chennai has secured the second position, followed by the Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens in Mysore.**

4. Which country is the host of FIFA Under-17 Women's World Cup 2022?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. UAE
- C. India ☒
- D. Bangladesh



- ✓ The Union Cabinet of India approved the Signing of Guarantees for hosting Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Under 17 Women's World Cup 2022 in India.
- ✓ The prestigious FIFA Under-17 Women's World Cup will be held for the first time in India between 11 and 30 October, 2022. India had earlier hosted the FIFA Under-17 Men's World Cup 2017. The matches will be played in Navi Mumbai, Goa and Bhubaneswar while teams from 16 countries will participate in the event.

5. Which country is the host of the World Water Congress and Exhibition 2022?

- A. Spain
- B. Germany
- C. Denmark ☒
- D. Hungary



- ✓ International Water Association (IWA) World Water Congress and Exhibition 2022 is hosted by Copenhagen, Denmark. The Indian Delegation launched a Whitepaper on 'Urban Wastewater Scenario in India' at the International Exhibition. Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog, Ministry of Jal Shakti and National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), international agency Innovation Centre Denmark (ICDK) and academia Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) prepared the whitepaper.

6. Which Indian state/UT launched the 'Mahila Nidhi', loan scheme for social and economic development of women through loans?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan ☒
- C. West Bengal
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot launched 'Mahila Nidhi', a loan scheme for the social and economic development of women through loans. The scheme was launched on the occasion of Women's Equality Day. Under the scheme, easy credit will be available to women for starting new businesses and expanding their business. In the state budget 2022-23, the government announced to set up 'Mahila Nidhi' through Rajasthan Rural Livelihood Development Council.

7. Which pharma company launched India's first indigenously developed qHPV against cervical cancer?

- A. Dr Reddy's Lab B. Serum Institute of India ☒
- C. Biocon D. Bharat Biotech



- ✓ The Department of Biotechnology in partnership with the Serum Institute of India is set to launch India's first indigenously developed Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus vaccine (qHPV) against cervical cancer. According to the World Health Organisation (WHO), India accounts for about a fifth of the global burden for cervical cancer with 1.23 lakh cases and around 67,000 deaths every year.

8. 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' is observed every year during which month?

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



- ✓ India observes National Nutrition Week from September 1 to September 7 every year to raise awareness about the importance of consuming nutritious food.
- ✓ Ministry of Women and Child Development is celebrating the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 across the nation from 1st to 30th September. This year, the objective of the 'Poshan Maah' is to celebrate 'Poshan Maah' through Gram Panchayats as Poshan Panchayats with key focus on 'Mahila aur Swasthya' and 'Bacha aur Shiksha'.

9. Who is the author of the book "Indian Banking in Retrospect – 75 years of Independence"?

- A. K V Kamath B. Urjit Patel
- C. Ashutosh Ranavikar ☒ D. Arundhati Bhattacharya



- ✓ Dr Ashutosh Ranavikar, Director in the DEPR of RBI has authored a book titled "Indian Banking in Retrospect – 75 years of Independence". The books attempt to capture developments in the Indian banking sector over the last 75 years. It describes how the banking sector displayed great resilience during South-East Asian crisis of the late '90s, global meltdown of 2008, the taper-tantrums of 2013–14 among other crises.

10. What is the name of the national single-window source for all assessment-related information of education boards?

- A. NIPUN B. STARS
- C. PARAKH ☒ D. KALAM



- ✓ PARAKH (Performance Assessment, Review and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development) was announced in the National Educational Policy (NEP). The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) and the state education boards are collaborating to draw up a 'benchmark framework' to bring uniformity across state and central boards. PARAKH will be the national single-window source for all assessment-related information. It will oversee the periodic tests like the National Achievement Survey (NAS) and State Achievement Survey.

1. 'The Green Fins Hub', the first-ever global marine tourism industry platform, is associated with which institution?

- A. WEF
- B. IMF
- C. UNEP ☒
- D. UNICEF



- ✓ The Green Fins Hub is the first-ever global marine tourism industry platform. The tool has been developed by The Reef-World Foundation in partnership with the UN Environment Programme (UNEP). The tool helps to overcome sustainability challenges in the marine conservation tourism industry. It helps operators to make simple changes to their daily practices, keep track of their annual improvements and communicate with their communities and customers.

2. Roger Federer, the veteran Tennis player, represents which country?

- A. France
- B. Switzerland ☒
- C. Serbia
- D. Italy



- ✓ Roger Federer, regarded as one of the greatest Tennis players in the world, announced that he is retiring from professional tennis at age 41. The former World No. 1 from Switzerland announced that the upcoming edition of the Laver Cup will be his final ATP tournament. Federer has played more than 1500 matches over 24 years, winning 20 Grand Slam titles. He became the oldest World No. 1 at the age of 36 in 2018.

3. Which state has announced India's first 'Breakfast scheme for government school students'?

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



- ✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin launched the breakfast scheme for government school students from class 1 to 5 in Madurai. The Chief Minister announced that several studies have concluded that breakfast programmes led to improvement in learning skills and school attendance. The first-ever noon meal scheme was launched in 1922 in Chennai by the Justice Party, the precursor to the Dravidian movement.

4. Which institution organised the 'ANGAN 2022' Conference?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Bureau of Energy Efficiency ☒
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. Central Board of Indirect Taxes



- ✓ The second edition of the international conference ANGAN 2022 (Augmenting Nature by Green Affordable New-habitat) was recently held on the title "Making the Zero-Carbon Transition in Buildings". ANGAN 2.0 is being organised by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power, in collaboration with Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation (SDC) under the Indo-Swiss Building Energy Efficiency Project (BEEP). The Conference had discussions related to building energy efficiency and reducing carbon emission from buildings.

5. Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana, is associated with which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- B. Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers ☒
- C. Ministry of Women and Child Development
- D. Ministry of Law and Justice



- ✓ Under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana, more than 8,700 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras have been opened across the country. They sell quality generic medicines, surgical equipment in affordable prices. It is implemented by the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers said in a statement. The government recently launched diabetes drug Sitagliptin and its combinations at rates as low as Rs 60 per pack of ten, at Janaushadhi Kendras.

6. Which state launched the, 'CM Udyman Khiladi Unnayan Yojana'?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Uttarakhand ☒
- C. West Bengal
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami launched 'CM Udyman Khiladi Unnayan Yojana', on the occasion of National Sports Day. Under the scheme, 1950 boys and 1950 girls will be given sports scholarships. Chief Minister Sports Development Fund will be established to give financial benefits while Malchang game will also be included in the game policy.

7. Which Indian air carrier has joined a sustainable initiative spearheaded by the World Economic Forum?

- A. Air India B. IndiGo ☒
- C. Spicejet D. Vistara



- ✓ India's air carrier IndiGo has joined a sustainable initiative spearheaded by the World Economic Forum (WEF). The airline has become a signatory to the 'Clear Skies for Tomorrow', India Coalition campaign. The 'Clean Skies for Tomorrow' launched in 2019, provides a mechanism for top executives and public leaders, for transition to sustainable aviation fuels.

8. Dugar Hydroelectric Project, which was seen in the news, is located in which state/UT?

- A. Assam
- B. Himachal Pradesh ☒
- C. West Bengal
- D. Telangana



- ✓ State-owned hydro power major NHPC has signed an agreement with the Himachal Pradesh government for the implementation of 500 MW Dugar Hydroelectric Project. Earlier, a MoU for 449 MW Dugar Hydro Electric Project was signed between NHPC and government of Himachal Pradesh. Dugar Hydroelectric Project is expected to generate 1,759.85 million units in a year.

9. When is the 'National Small Industry Day' is observed?

- A. August.27 B. August.30 ☒
- C. September.27 D. September.30



- ✓ Every year, the National Small Industry Day is observed on August 30 in India. The Ministry of Small-Scale Industries declared this day as National Small Industry Day in 2001. The day is celebrated to encourage the development of small-scale businesses for the economic development of the country. This was an initiative by the Government of India which made for the growth of small-scale industries in the country.

10. Mikhail Gorbachev, who passed away recently, was a former President of which country?

- A. Ukraine
- B. Russia ☒
- C. Belarus
- D. Bulgaria



- ✓ Mikhail Gorbachev, the last leader of the former Soviet Union from 1985 until 1991, has passed away at the age of 91. In 1986, Gorbachev made a historic proposal to eliminate all long-range missiles held by the United States and the Soviet Union. It was the beginning of the end of the Cold War. He was also awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1990.

1. What is India's logistics cost as a proportion of GDP, as of 2022?

- A. 9–10 %
- B. 13–14 % ☒
- C. 15–16 %
- D. 19–20 %



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the National Logistics Policy (NLP), which aims to promote seamless movement of goods across the country, by reducing logistics cost. It also aims to improve its competitiveness of Indian goods in domestic as well as global markets. India's logistics cost as a proportion of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is estimated to be around 13–14 per cent.

2. Which country is the host of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in 2023?

- A. India ☒
- B. Uzbekistan
- C. Pakistan
- D. China



- ✓ Uzbekistan handed over the rotating presidency of the eight-member Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) to India in Samarkand. The SCO has eight full members, including its six founding members, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. India and Pakistan joined as full members in 2017.

3. Vigyan Pragati, which received the National Rajbhasha Kirti Award, is a science magazine released by which institution?

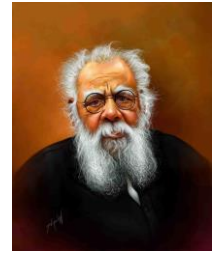
- A. ISRO
- B. BARC
- C. CSIR ☒
- D. AIIMS



- ✓ Vigyan Pragati is a popular science magazine released by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). The magazine has received the National Rajbhasha Kirti Award at the Second All India Rajbhasha Sammelan held at Surat from Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs. 'Vigyan Pragati' magazine aims at communicating Science and Technology to the masses in simple language.

4. Which state celebrates 'Social Justice Day' on the birthday of reformist leader E V Ramasamy (Periyar)?

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



- ✓ Tamil Nadu government celebrates the birthday of reformist leader E V Ramasamy (Periyar) as 'Social Justice Day' in the state. On that day every year, employees in all government offices including the State Secretariat would take pledges to follow values based on the leader's ideals which include, brotherhood, equality, self-respect and rationalism.

5. Which institution leads the Coastal Clean-up Day Campaign in India?

- A. NCC
- B. Indian Coast Guard ☒
- C. Indian Navy
- D. NSS



- ✓ The International Coastal Clean-up Day (ICC) is observed worldwide on the third Saturday of September. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has led this campaign in India since 2006. This year, the Coast Guard cleaned beaches at 75 locations across the country as part of the International Coastal Clean-up Day and 'Swachh Sagar Abhiyan'. ICG's efforts align with the programme of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, 'Swachh Sagar-Surakshit Sagar.'

6. Which ship building company has been conferred with the Green Channel Certification by Ministry of Defence?

- A. Goa Shipyard
- B. Cochin Shipyard
- C. Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers ☒
- D. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders



- ✓ Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd (GRSE), has been conferred with the coveted Green Channel Certification by Ministry of Defence. It is one of the leading Public Sector Undertaking and Mini-Ratna Category 1 Shipyard. The certification was conferred for supply of Portable Steel Bridges (Bailey Type) of various configurations to Indian Army.

7. Which company has announced to build India's first and one of the world's largest Carbon Fibre plants at Hazira, Gujarat?

- A. TATA Power
B. Reliance Industries ☒
C. NTPC
D. GAIL



- ✓ **Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani announced to build India's first and one of the world's largest Carbon Fibre plants at Hazira, Gujarat. The plant will have a capacity of 20,000 MTPA based on Acrylonitrile feedstock. Ambani announced an investment of ₹75,000 crore over the next five years to expand capacities in existing and new value chains including Polyester value chain, Vinyl chain, and New Materials.**

8. Which state/UT recorded the highest number of cybercrime incidents in 2021?

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



- ✓ **As per the data released by the National Crime Records Bureau, the number of cybercrime incidents in 2021 has gone up by 18.4 per cent since 2019. The number of such cases against women has risen at 28 per cent. Out of the 52,974 incidents reported in 2021, 20.2 per cent were reported as cases of crime against women. Karnataka had the highest share with 2,243 cases, followed by Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh.**

9. Which Union Ministry launched the 'GENESIS initiative'?

- A. Ministry of Commerce and Industry
B. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology ☒
C. Ministry of MSME
D. Ministry of Education



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- ✓ **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) launched the Gen-Next Support for Innovative Startups (GENESIS) initiative in July 2022, with an outlay of more than Rs 750 crore. Under the scheme, the central government will promote over 10,000 startups in the next five to six years. GENESIS is a National Deep-tech Startup Platform, to support and create successful startups in Tier-II and Tier-III cities of India.**

10. Which state/UT approved the Handicrafts Policy-2022?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir
B. Rajasthan ☒
C. Himachal Pradesh
D. Karnataka



- ✓ **The State cabinet of Rajasthan approved the Handicrafts Policy-2022 under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot. The objective of Rajasthan Handicrafts Policy 2022 is to empower 6 lakh craftsman and artisans across the state. Under the new policy National-level Handicrafts Week will be organised every year in December and artisans will be felicitated.**

1. 'District Disability Rehabilitation centre (DDRC)' is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment ☒
- B. Ministry of Law and Justice
- C. Ministry of Science and Technology
- D. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare



- ✓ Union Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar virtually inaugurated 9 model District Disability Rehabilitation centres (DDRC), which had been upgrading to model DDRCs. DDRCs were established to provide effective rehabilitation services to the persons with disabilities (PwDs) for the last twenty years.

2. Which city is the host of 'Global Clean Energy Action Forum'?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Pittsburg ☒
- C. Paris
- D. Rome



- ✓ Union Science and Technology Minister Jitendra Singh is set to lead an Indian delegation at Global Clean Energy Action Forum at Pittsburg in the US. Ministers from over 30 countries will participate in the event to discuss ways to accelerate clean energy innovation and deployment.

3. Which state has announced to set up NITI Aayog-like state-level institution?

- A. Kerala
- B. Maharashtra ☒
- C. Telangana
- D. West Bengal



- ✓ Maharashtra government has announced that it is planning to set up an institution on the lines of NITI Aayog. The institution would be responsible to perform comprehensive data analysis and make decisions on various sectors in the state. NITI Aayog has also carried out an extensive study on similar issues and developed a tool, where inter-related data from various departments is analysed for a better decision-making process.

4. As of 2022, which country is the largest bilateral lender to Sri Lanka?

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



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- ✓ India has become the largest bilateral lender to Sri Lanka by disbursing a total of USD 968 million in loans in four months of 2022, surpassing China. China has maintained its position as the largest bilateral lender to Sri Lanka in the past five years from 2017 to 2021. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has been the largest multilateral lender in the past five years by disbursing an amount of USD 610 million in 2021.

5. Who is the first Indian to win four medals at World Wrestling Championships?

- A. Vinesh Phogat
B. Bajrang Punia ☒
C. Babita Kumari
D. Gita Phogat



- ✓ India's Bajrang Punia recently won bronze in men's 65 kg category at World Wrestling Championships in Belgrade. With this medal, Bajrang Punia becomes first Indian to win four medals at world wrestling championships. He won bronze in 2013, silver in 2018 and bronze in 2019. Another Indian wrestler Vinesh Phogat captured a bronze medal in the women's 53 kg category.

6. What is the theme of the 'World Coconut Day 2022'?

- A. Growing coconut for a better future and life ☒
B. Nutritional benefits of Coconut
C. Sustainable Nature of Coconut
D. Consuming Coconut and Eradicating Malnutrition



- ✓ September 2 is observed as World Coconut Day across the world. This year's theme for World Coconut Day is 'Growing coconut for a better future and life. Coconuts are some of the most popular and versatile food product in the world. This day highlights the significance of coconuts in our daily lives and its benefits for health.

7. Ramon Magsaysay Awards are associated with which field?

- A. Journalism
B. Social Service ☒
C. Sports
D. Theatre Art



- ✓ Ramon Magsaysay Award is also regarded as Asia's version of the Nobel Prize. Named after the late Philippine president, it is presented annually to individuals or organizations in Asia who undertakes selfless service and transformational actions. This year's award has been presented to four people across the world for their selfless service to the people of Asia.

8. Alappuzha, which recently became a fully digital banking district, is in which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala ☒
- C. Gujarat
- D. Uttar Pradesh



- ✓ Alappuzha has become the fifth fully digital banking district in the State of Kerala. This was declared by Reserve Bank of India (RBI). As part of the initiative, at least one digital transaction facility, such as debit-credit card, Internet banking, mobile banking, UPI etc, has been enabled in 26 lakh bank accounts in 29 banks in the district. Banking services in Thrissur, Kottayam, Palakkad and Kasaragod have already become digital.

9. Who is the head of the restructured SEBI its high-level panel on cyber security (September 2022)?

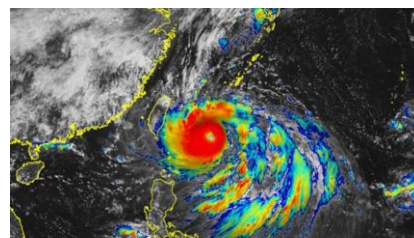
- A. Navin Kumar Singh ☒
- B. Ajay Tyagi
- C. Nandan Nilekani
- D. Subhash Chandra Garg



- ✓ The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has restructured its high-level panel on cyber security. The committee, which has now six members, will be chaired by Navin Kumar Singh, DG at National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC). The Steering committee has been given the task of overseeing and providing guidance on cyber security initiatives for SEBI as well as for the capital market.

10. Which country is hit by the strongest tropical storm of 2022, dubbed Super Typhoon 'Hinnamnor'?

- A. China
- B. Philippines
- C. Japan ☒
- D. New Zealand



- ✓ The strongest tropical storm of 2022, dubbed Super Typhoon 'Hinnamnor', has been moving across the western Pacific Ocean with wind speeds of up to 241 kilometres per hour. It was classified as the category 5 typhoon, the highest classification on the scale. The typhoon is expected to develop further, as it moves towards the Japanese islands. Japan's Meteorological Agency has warned of flooding, heavy downpour, landslides and thunderstorm warnings.

1. 'Maya', which was seen in the news, is the world's first cloning of which animal?

- A. Wild Arctic Wolf ☒
- B. One-horned Rhino
- C. Lion-tailed Macaque
- D. Great Indian Bustard



- ✓ A Beijing-based gene firm successfully cloned a wild Arctic wolf for the first time in the world. The wild Arctic wolf is also called as the white wolf or polar wolf. The animal is native to the High Arctic tundra of Canada's Queen Elizabeth Islands.
- ✓ The cloning is regarded as a milestone achievement in conserving rare and endangered species. Maya's donor cell came from skin sample of wild female Arctic wolf, while its oocyte came from a female dog. Maya's surrogate mother is a beagle dog.

2. Which state has launched a web portal named 'CM Da Haisi' (Inform to CM)?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Assam
- C. Manipur ☒
- D. Odisha



- ✓ Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh recently launched a web portal named 'CM Da Haisi' (Inform to CM). It seeks to receive complaints and grievances from the general public. The complainants can also check the status of their complaints. The Public Grievances Redressal and Anti-Corruption Cell at CM Secretariat will also use the portal to collaborate with the concerned departments.

3. 'Astana' is the new Capital of which country?

- A. Turkmenistan
- B. Kazakhstan ☒
- C. Afghanistan
- D. Uzbekistan



- ✓ Kazakhstan's President Kassym Jomart Tokayev has signed a law limiting presidential terms and reverting to the old name of the country's capital to Astana. The bill extends presidential mandates to a seven-year term, from five. It also bars any president from running for a second term in office. The bill also reinstated the capital's name to Astana, whose name was changed to Nur-Sultan in 2019, in honour of outgoing President Nursultan Nazarbayev.

4. India, the UAE and France held their first trilateral Foreign Ministers' meeting in which city?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Dubai
- C. New York ☒
- D. Paris



- ✓ India, the UAE and France held their first trilateral Foreign Ministers' meeting in New York on the sidelines of a UN General Assembly (UNGA) session. The Ministers discussed contemporary ways of doing diplomacy with a focus on active exchange of ideas between strategic partners and UNSC members. India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar also met UN General Assembly President and had bilateral meetings with his counterparts from across the world.

5. Which Indian city is the host of 'Global Fintech Conference' in 2022?

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



- ✓ Global Fintech Fest is being organized by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), the Payments Council of India (PCI) and the Fintech Convergence Council (FCC). It was attended by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das. The finance minister called upon fintech industry to take advantage of opportunities in green finance for building a sustainable financial environment.

6. Where was the 'Thai Trade Expo' held in India in 2022?

- A. Mumbai
- B. Hyderabad ☒
- C. Mysuru
- D. Varanasi



- ✓ The Thai trade centre in Chennai launched its first trade expo in Hyderabad, with the aim to build stronger ties between Telangana and Thailand. The trade expo will focus on building business relations between Thai companies and Hyderabad business community. An MoU that was earlier signed between the Government of Telangana and the Ministry of Commerce, Thailand to increase bi-lateral trade.

7. Bhitarkanika National Park, which was seen in the news, is located in which state?

- A. West Bengal B. Odisha ☒
C. Bihar D. Andhra Pradesh



- ✓ **Bhitarkanika National Park is located in the state of Orissa. It houses several rare and endangered varieties of wildlife species. A record 3,700 saltwater crocodiles were born in Bhitarkanika National Park recently from 122 nests. As per reports, last year, around 2,500 crocodiles were born from 84 nests.**

8. Which country is the host of the multilateral command Exercise Vostok – 2022?

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



- ✓ **A multilateral strategic and command Exercise Vostok – 2022 has begun in Russia. The exercise is aimed at coordination among other participating military contingents and observers. The Indian Army contingent comprising of troops from 7/8 Gorkha Rifles undertakes joint drills including joint field training exercises, combat discussions, and firepower exercises.**

9. Dharamshala, where the Tibetan Democracy Day is celebrated, is located in which Indian state/UT?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
B. Himachal Pradesh ☒
C. Sikkim
D. Manipur



- ✓ **Tibetan Democracy Day is celebrated on September 2, to mark the inception of the Tibetan government-in-exile in Dharamshala. The Central Tibetan Administration (CTA), Tibetan government-in-exile in Dharamshala, governs over 1 lakh refugees across the world. It is the home of the Dalai Lama and all the Tibetans in exile. This year, the 62nd anniversary of Tibetan Democracy Day was celebrated.**

10. What is the name of the Hydrogen that is produced from a carbon-free nuclear power?

- A. Green Hydrogen B. White Hydrogen
C. Pink Hydrogen ☒ D. Orange Hydrogen



- ✓ **The Carbon-free hydrogen produced from a carbon-free nuclear power is referred as the Pink Hydrogen. Pink hydrogen can also be manufactured via electrolysis, where the electricity supplied by nuclear power plants. To manufacture green hydrogen, where electrolyzers are supplied by and electricity is supplied by a wind or solar farm.**