

1. What is name of India's first antidote against SARS-CoV-2 virus?

- A. VINCOV-19 ☒ B. ANTICOV-19  
C. COVEX-19 D. NOCOV-19



- ✓ **VINCOV-19, India's first antidote and a projected cure against SARS-CoV-2 virus is now ready for market authorisation and simultaneous phase-3 clinical trials. The drug, a joint effort of the University of Hyderabad (UoH), the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) and immunological company VINS Bioproducts Limited, recently passed the phase-2 trials. It was conducted in over 200 participants across multiple centres in India.**

2. Neiphiu Rio is the chief minister of which state?

- A. Nagaland ☒  
B. Manipur  
C. Meghalaya  
D. Mizoram



- ✓ **Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio on October 14, 2022 launched a universal health insurance scheme for the people of the state. The Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme (CHIS) will be implemented in convergence with the Ayushman Bharat scheme of the Centre. The aim of the scheme is to alleviate financial hardships due to hospitalisation expenses and prevent accessibility to healthcare on account of inability to afford it. The scheme has been categorised into CMHIS Employees and Pensioners (EP), and CMHIS (General).**

3. Which city was host of 6<sup>th</sup> East Asia Summit Education Minister's Meeting held in October, 2022?

- A. Kathmandu, Nepal ☒  
B. Hanoi, Vietnam  
C. Singapore  
D. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



- ✓ **India participates at the 6<sup>th</sup> East Asia Summit Education Minister's Meeting held on October 14, 2022 in Hanoi, Vietnam. Neeta Prasad, Joint Secretary (International Cooperation) Ministry of Education virtually addressed the gathering and informed about the key initiatives of National Education Policy 2020 and India's collaborative efforts in education and research with partner EAS countries.**

4. Who is the president of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research?

- A. President of India B. Prime Minister of India ☒  
C. Minister of Science & Technology D. Secretary, Ministry of Science & Technology



**PM INDIA**

- ✓ Council of Scientific and Industrial Research was established by the Government of India in September 1942 as an autonomous body that has emerged as the largest research and development organisation in India. Prime minister of India serves as its President. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired a meeting of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Society in New Delhi on October 15, 2022.

5. Which city was the venue of Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM)?

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



- ✓ Defence Minister delivered the inaugural address at 18th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM) in New Delhi on October 15, 2022. Indian Coast Guard (ICG) is hosting 18th HACGAM in coordination with HACGAM secretariat from October 14 to 18, 2022. A total of 55 representatives from 18 countries and two International Organisations are participating in the meeting.

6. Bogibeel, which was seen in the news, is a place situated in which state?

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



- ✓ The Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal announced recently that India's longest river cruise service for over 4,000 km will start in 2023. The river cruise service will be operated between Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh and Bogibeel in Assam. The route will connect rivers Ganga and Brahmaputra via Indo-Bangladesh Protocol Route (IBRP). The Union Minister also inaugurated Bogibeel Riverfront Passenger Jetty built by Northeast Frontier Railways (NFR).

7. Which planet's natural satellites are called as 'Galilean Moons'?

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



- ✓ The Galilean moons or Galilean satellites are the four largest moons of Jupiter namely Io, Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto. They were first identified by Galileo Galilei in 1609–1610. On September 26, Jupiter is set to make its closest approach to Earth in the last 59 years according to NASA. The planet's banding and three or four of the Galilean moons will be visible when seen with binoculars.

8. Which city topped the Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI) in 2022?

- A. Hong Kong
- B. London
- C. New York ☒
- D. Shanghai



- ✓ New York topped latest rankings from the Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI) and remained as the world's most favoured financial centre for fourth year. London retains its second position while Singapore overtook Hong Kong to come in third. Paris returned to the top 10 to replace Tokyo. However, Moscow was pushed down 22 places to 73<sup>rd</sup> after its invasion of Ukraine and resultant severing of ties from Western countries. GFCI is compiled by Z/Yen, a London-based think tank and China Development Institute.

9. What is the theme of 'World Rhino Day 2022'?

- A. Conservation of Rhinos
- B. Sustainability and Awareness
- C. Five Rhino Species Forever ☒
- D. Say No to Poaching



- ✓ Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat declared Andaman and Nicobar Islands as India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh. The Minister handed over the certificate to Lieutenant Governor Admiral DK Joshi declaring the UT as India's first "Clean and Sujal Pradesh". All the villages of the union territory have been certified as Har Ghar Jal and ODF (Open defecation free) Plus.

10. Which public sector enterprise was recently accorded the 'Maharatna' status?

- A. Bharat Electronics Ltd
- B. Oil India Ltd
- C. REC Ltd ☒
- D. Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd



- ✓ Central Public Sector Enterprise– REC Limited, formerly called as the Rural Electrification Corporation has been accorded the 'Maharatna' status.
- ✓ An order to this effect was issued by the Department of Public Enterprises, under the Ministry of Finance. REC is a Non-banking Finance Company which focuses on Power Sector Financing and Development across India. With the grant of 'Maharatna' status, REC can also enter into technology Joint Ventures or other strategic alliances.