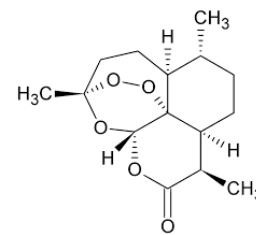


1. 'Artemisinin' which was seen in the news, is a major component of drugs against which disease?

- A. Diabetes
- B. Malaria ☒
- C. SARS
- D. Hypertension



- ✓ The World Health Organization has launched a new strategy to combat antimalarial drug resistance in Africa, during World Antimicrobial Awareness Week. It is an annual global campaign to raise awareness about the growing threat of antibiotic resistance. WHO warned that there are indications that some parasites are resistant to drugs that are combined with artemisinin, the major component of malaria drugs.

2. Which country launched the 'Hwasong-17' or the Monster missile?

- A. Germany
- B. North Korea ☒
- C. UK
- D. France



- ✓ North Korea launched the 'Hwasong-17' intercontinental ballistic missile. It is also dubbed as the Monster missile. The Hwasong-17 is North Korea's biggest missile yet. It is also the largest road-mobile, liquid-fuelled intercontinental ballistic missile in the world.

3. What is the theme of the 'World Children's Day 2022'?

- A. Inclusion, For Every Child ☒
- B. Children's Rights
- C. International togetherness
- D. Digital Access for all



- ✓ The 'World Children's Day' is celebrated on 20 November to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare. It was first established in 1954 as Universal Children's Day. It also marks the anniversary of the date that the UN General Assembly adopted both the Declaration and the Convention on children's rights. This year, the theme is 'Inclusion, For Every Child.'

4. Kameng Hydro Power Station, which was inaugurated recently, is located in which state/UT?

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



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 600 MW Kameng Hydro Power Station in Arunachal Pradesh. It is the biggest Hydro Power Project implemented by NEEPCO Ltd, a Mini Ratna Power PSU under Ministry of Power. This is also the sixth hydro power plant in the North East. Generation of 3353 million Units annually from the project will make Arunachal Pradesh a power surplus state, also contributing to the National Grid.

5. Which institution released the 'Handbook of Statistics on Indian States 2021–22'?

- A. SEBI
- B. Reserve Bank of India ☒
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. Department of Economic Affairs



- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India has released the seventh edition of its statistical publication titled 'Handbook of Statistics on Indian States 2021–22'. As per the report, India's gross domestic product (GDP) is expected to register a growth rate of about 7% in 2022–23 and between 6.1% and 6.3% in the June–September quarter of this fiscal. In the current edition of the Handbook, two new sections namely Health and Environment have been introduced.

6. As per the Education Ministry's Performance Grading Index (PGI), how many states attained Level–2 grading in 2020–21?

- A. None
- B. Two
- C. Four
- D. Seven ☒



- ✓ The Ministry of Education has released the Performance Grading Index (PGI) for States and Union Territories for 2020–21. The index has evidence–based comprehensive analysis of school education systems across States and UTs. A total of seven States and UTs namely Kerala, Punjab, Chandigarh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, and Andhra Pradesh have attained Level –2 grading in 2020–21. PGI 2020–21 classified the States and UTs into ten grades of which the highest achievable Grade is Level 1.

7. Which Union Ministry is associated with the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme?

- A. Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers ☒
- B. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- C. Ministry of Rural Development
- D. Ministry of Urban and Housing Affairs



- ✓ The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved nutrient-based subsidy (NBS) rates for P&K fertilisers for the 2022–23 rabi season. The government approved a subsidy of Rs 51,875 crore for phosphatic and potassic (P&K) fertilisers for the second half of 2022–23. The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers. The government makes available fertilisers to farmers at subsidised prices through fertiliser manufacturers/importers.

8. Which state is the host of the 'Urban Mobility India Conference and Expo 2022'?

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



- ✓ Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs in collaboration with the state government of Kerala is organising the 15<sup>th</sup> Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference and Expo 2022 in Kochi. The primary objective of the conference is to spread information to the cities, to help them keep up-to-date with latest and best urban transport practices globally. Senior officers from Central and State Governments policy makers, Managing Directors of Metro Rail Companies, Chief Executives of transport undertakings will participate in this event.

9. As per the US News and World Report, which country has the cheapest manufacturing cost?

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



- ✓ According to the US News and World Report, out of 85 nations, India has been ranked as the nation with the cheapest manufacturing cost ahead of China and Vietnam. India has bagged the 31st position in the overall Best Countries ranking while it featured at the 37th spot in the 'Open for Business' category. In the overall Best Countries ranking, Switzerland has topped the chart, followed by Germany, Canada, US and Sweden.

10. India is set to celebrate 'Ganga Utsav' in which month?

- A. October
- B. November ☒
- C. December
- D. April



- ✓ The Indian Government is set to celebrate Ganga Utsav from November 1 to November 3, this year. It focusses on encouraging stakeholder engagement and public participation towards rejuvenation of the Ganga River. Several activities, designed for the central and state levels, will be organised in both physical and virtual mode, as per the National Mission for Clean Ganga.