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- 1. Which country is mandated to bring out the National Security Strategy (NSS)?
- A. China

B. USA ☑

C. Russia

D. India



- ✓ The United States has recently launched its National Security Strategy (NSS). All US Presidents are mandated by the 'Goldwater–Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986' to bring out their NSS. The strategy aims to communicate the executive's vision of national security to the legislative. Joe Biden's administration also released the National Defense Strategy, the Nuclear Posture Review and the Missile Defense Review.
 - 2. Morbi Bridge on the Machchu river is located in which state?
 - A. Maharashtra

B. Gujarat

C. Assam

D. Arunachal Pradesh



- ✓ Over 140 people including 40 women and 34 children were killed in the collapse of a 135-year-old suspension bridge on Machchhu river in Morbi. The 754-feet bridge on the Machchu river was built during British rule in the 19th Century. It collapsed four days after it was reopened, after being closed for over seven months for repair and renovation work. It is a popular tourist attraction known as Julto Pul (swinging bridge).
 - 3. 'DRDO Industry Academia—Centre of Excellence' (DIA—CoE) has been set up in which institution?
 - A. IIT Madras
 - B. IIT Roorkee ☑
 - C. IISc Bengaluru
 - D. NIT Kozhikode



- ✓ Ministry of Defence, Government of India, has approved to set up the 'DRDO Industry Academia– Centre of Excellence' (DIA–CoE) at Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee (IIT Roorkee). The Facility will receive financial assistance from the DRDO, Government of India. Key research areas include, Smart Infrastructure and Hardened Structures for Defence Applications, Energy Storage Devices, Landslide, Snow, and Avalanche Studies, Pulsed Laser and Specialty Fiber, among others.
 - 4. What is the theme of the 'Vigilance Awareness Week 2022'?
 - A. Corruption free India for a developed Nation

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 - B. Elimination of Corruption
 - C. Embodiment of Honesty
 - D. Ethics and Values



✓ Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) observes Vigilance Awareness Week during the week in which the birthday of late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (31st October) falls. This year, Vigilance Awareness Week is being observed from 31st October to 6th November, 2022 with the theme of 'Corruption free India for a developed Nation'. Earlier, CVC carried out a three–month campaign highlighting preventive vigilance initiatives as focus areas.

5. As per the RBI Act, the central bank has to send a report to the Government, in case of failure to maintain inflation target for how many quarters?

A. Two

B. Three 2

C. Four

D. Five



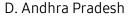
✓ Under section 45ZN of the RBI Act, the central bank is required to submit a report to the government explaining the reasons and remedial actions it would take, in case of failure to maintain its inflation target for three consecutive quarters. For the first time since the implementation of the monetary policy framework in 2016, the central bank has called a special meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). It will submit a report to the government, as the retail inflation rate is above six per cent target for three consecutive quarters from January 2022.

6. Nalagarh, where a 350-crore Medical Device Park is set to be built, is located in which state?

A. Kerala

B. Karnataka

C. Himachal Pradesh 🗹





✓ Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the Medical Device Park at Nalagarh, Himachal Pradesh (HP) The park is to be built at a cost of about Rs 350 crore. Himachal Pradesh is one of the three states that have been selected for the Bulk Drugs Park. Himachal Pradesh is also one of the four states that have been selected for Medical Devices Park and the Nalagarh Medical Device Park is part of this.

7. Which company launched its first electric scooter named 'VIDA V1'?

A. Maruti Suzuki

C. TATA Motors

D. TVS Motors



√ The country's largest two—wheeler maker Hero MotoCorp entered into the electric vehicle segment with the launch of its first electric scooter VIDA V1. The VIDA V1 will compete with the likes of Bajaj Chetak, TVS iQube, Ather Energy, Hero Electric, Ola Electric among others. Hero Motocorp announced to invest USD 60 million in US-based Zero Motorcycles to jointly develop electric motorcycles. It already has a stake Ather Energy.

- 8. 'Center for Civil Liberties', which was awarded 2022 Nobel Peace Prize, is based in which country?
- A. Afghanistan
- B. Ukraine ☑
- C. Iran
- D. China



- ✓ International Solar Alliance's Fifth Assembly is to be hosted by India in New Delhi on October 17–20, 2022. Union Minister for Power and New and Renewable Energy RK Singh unveiled the curtain raiser to the Fifth Assembly of ISA. India holds the office of the President of the ISA Assembly. The Fifth Assembly will deliberate on key initiatives of ISA on three critical issues: energy access, energy security, and energy transition.
 - 9. What is the theme of the 'World Cotton Day 2022'?
 - A. Weaving a better future for cotton

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 - B. Cotton and Sustainability
 - C. Assistance to Cotton-4 Nations
 - D. Cotton by Products and its Markets



- ✓ 'World Cotton Day' is celebrated on October 7. This year marks the third–anniversary celebration
 of the international event. As per the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
 (FAO), the theme of the 'World Cotton Day 2022' is 'Weaving a better future for cotton'. UNCTAD
 and International Trade Centre (ITC) launched initiative to offer assistance to 'Cotton–4' nations:
 Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad and Mali.
 - 10. Which Union Ministry organised the 'Conference on Industry 4.0'?
 - A. Ministry of MSME
 - B. Ministry of Commerce and Industry
 - C. Ministry of Heavy Industries

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 - D. Ministry of Finance
- ✓ Union Minister for Heavy Industries Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandey inaugurated 'Conference on Industry 4.0: Challenges Ahead and Way Forward', at Kevadia Gujarat. The Conference is aimed at sensitising industrial sectors in the country to adopt digital manufacturing processes and to promote automation and innovation in the industry. 'Model Smart Factory and Assessment Tools' was also inaugurated on the occasion.



- 1. Which city is the host of the 'India Chem 2022' Conference?
- A. Bengaluru
- B. New Delhi 🗹
- C. Hyderabad
- D. Chennai



- ✓ Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated the India Chem 2022 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi with the theme 'Vision 2030: Chemicals and Petrochemicals Build India'. The 12th edition of INDIA CHEM was organised in association with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI). India's export of chemicals for 2021–22 has hit a record at USD 29,296 Million.
 - 2. Ranjangaon, where the greenfield Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) is to be set up, is in which state?
 - A. Maharashtra 🗹
 - B. Gujarat
 - C. Assam
 - D. Arunachal Pradesh



- ✓ The Ministry of Electronics and IT has approved the greenfield Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) to be set up in Ranjangaon Phase III, near Pune in Maharashtra. The project cost of the Cluster is Rs 492.85 crores. There are EMCs in Noida, Tirupati, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, where multi–national companies and Indian start–ups have set up their units.
 - 3. 'National Unity Day' is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of which leader?
 - A. Mahatma Gandhi

 - C. Subhash Chandra Bose
 - D. B R Ambedkar



- √ 'National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas' is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Patel, who served as the first Home Minister of India after Independence, is also known as the 'The Iron Man of India' for his efforts for the unification of over 550 princely states. This year marks the 147th anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.
 - 4. RBI has launched which type of Central Bank Digital Currency in its pilot phase?
 - A. Retail
 - B. Wholesale **☑**
 - C. Commodity
 - D. Cryptocurrency



✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched the pilot for a central-bank-backed digital rupee for the wholesale segment. RBI announced this in a statement on 'Operationalisation of Central Bank Digital Currency–Wholesale (e ₹–W) Pilot'. The nine banks selected for the pilot are State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, Union Bank of India, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Yes Bank, IDFC First Bank and HSBC.

5. Which country launched the lab module named 'Mengtian' for its space station?



- B. USA
- C. China 2
- D. Israel



✓ China recently launched a lab module called Mengtian to be part of its space station currently under construction. The second lab component was launched by Long March−5B Y4 and will be used for studying microgravity and carrying out experiments in fluid physics, materials science, combustion science and fundamental physics. Wentian lab which was sent earlier focused on biological and space life sciences.

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

- A. Leaving None Behind
- B. Make mental health for all a global priority ✓
- C. Accessible Mental Health
- D. Sustainable Mental Health



- ✓ 'World Mental Health Day' is marked every year on October 10 to raise awareness about mental health around the world. Every year since 2013, the World Health Organization (WHO) has organized a global campaign for World Mental Health Day. The theme for World Mental Health Day 2022 is 'Make mental health for all a global priority'.
 - 7. Which state has the highest number of girls who got married before attaining the age of 21?
 - A. Bihar

 - C. Rajasthan
 - D. Haryana



✓ According to the latest demographic sample survey by the Union Home Ministry, 54.9% of girls are married in West Bengal before attaining the age of 21 years. In Jharkhand, the figure is 54.6% as against the national average of 29.5%. As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) Statistical Report, the percentage of girls getting married before attaining majority is as high as 5.8 in Jharkhand. While the percentage is 1.9 at the national level and it is at 0.0 in Kerala.

8. Which country detected the Interstellar meteors IM1 and IM2?

A. China

B. Russia

C. USA 🗹

D. Israel

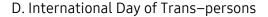


- ✓ According to new research by Harvard University astrophysicists, both the first and second interstellar meteors, IM1 and IM2, are outliers in material strength and may have originated in supernova explosions. IM1 was detected by U.S. government sensors in 2014, identified as interstellar object candidate in 2019, and was confirmed in 2022. The second interstellar meteor, IM2 was identified in data from the NASA's Center for NEO Studies (CNEOS) fireball catalog.
 - 9. 'Our time is now—our rights, our future' is the theme of which special day celebrated on October 11?

A. International Day of the Girl Child ☑

B. International Day of Minorities

C. International Day of Refugees





- ✓ International Day of the Girl Child is observed on October 11 every year across the world since 2012, when it was declared by the United Nations. This year commemorates the 10th anniversary of the International Day of the Girl. The theme of International Day of the Girl Child this year is 'Our time is now—our rights, our future'.
 - 10. What is India's rank in Commitment to Reducing Inequality Index (CRII) 2022?

A. 113

B. 123 🗹

C. 133

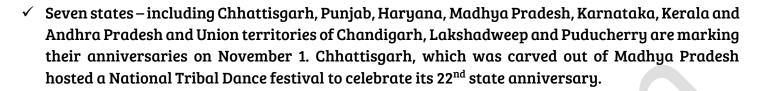
D. 143

123

✓ India has moved up six places in the Commitment to Reducing Inequality Index (CRII) 2022. India has been ranked 123 out of 161 countries in the Commitment to Reducing Inequality Index (CRII) 2022. It has been prepared by Oxfam International and Development Finance International. It measures government policies and actions in three areas: public services (health, education, and social protection), taxation, and workers' rights.

1. Seven states including Karnataka, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh celebrate their foundation day on which day?

- A. November.01 ☑
- B. November.03
- C. November.05
- D. November.07



- 2. Which state hosted the 'Mangarh Dham ki Gaurav Gatha' programme?
- A. Rajasthan 🗹
- B. Gujarat
- C. Assam
- D. Arunachal Pradesh



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✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the 'Mangarh Dham ki Gaurav Gatha' programme at Mangarh Dham in Rajasthan. He paid homage to the sacrifices of unsung tribal heroes and martyrs of the freedom struggle. Mangarh is considered as a shared heritage of the people of Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat. On 15th November, the country is going to celebrate Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas on the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda.

3. The 'Citizenship Act' under which citizenship is to be granted to minorities from three countries, was enacted in which year?

A. 1947

B. 1955 ☑

C. 1962

D. 1972

1955

- ✓ The Indian Government has decided to grant Indian citizenship to Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians coming from Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Pakistan and currently living in two districts of Gujarat under the Citizenship Act, 1955. The move to grant citizenship comes under the Citizenship Act, 1955 and not the controversial Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019 (CAA).
 - 4. India signed the Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement with which country?

A. UAE

B. Australia 2

C. USA

D. UK



✓ Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal had a virtual meeting with his Australian counterpart. The Meeting was held to discuss the status of ratification of IndAus ECTA (India– Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement), which was signed in April 2022. The pact's early implementation was also deliberated upon.



- A. India
- B. France
- C. South Korea 2
- D. Pakistan



✓ 'Operation Vigilant Storm' is a Defence exercise conducted between USA and Republic of Korea
(South Korea). The four-day training exercise involves hundreds of aircraft and designed to
enhance combat readiness and interoperability. The exercise has sparked opposition from North
Korea's Foreign Ministry.

6. Shrikrishna of India who became the new 'World 6-red' Champion, plays which sports?

- A. Chess
- B. Snooker 2
- C. Badminton
- D. Tennis



- ✓ S Shrikrishna of India became the new World 6–red snooker champion when he defeated Habib Sabah of Bahrain in the final. The 22–year–old Shrikrishna is the reigning National 6–Reds Snooker Champion and he has won the National Billiards Championship in 2019.
 - 7. Which country hosts the 'IBSAMAR multinational maritime exercise' in 2022?
 - A. India

 - C. Brazil
 - D. Japan



✓ The seventh edition of IBSAMAR, a joint multinational maritime exercise is to be conducted among Indian, Brazilian and South African Navies in South Africa. The Indian Navy is represented by the Teg class guided missile frigate, INS Tarkash, a Chetak helicopter and the personnel from the Marine Commando Force (MARCOS). The previous edition of IBSAMAR (IBSAMAR VI) was conducted off Simons Town, South Africa in 2018.

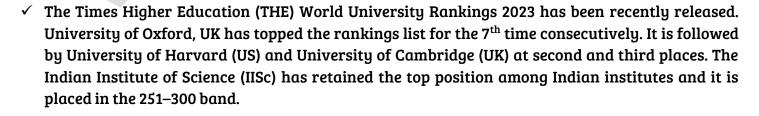
- 8. Which institution hosted the 'PowerEX' Security Exercise?
- A. Indian Coast Guard
- B. Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) ☑



- C. NASSCOM
- D. Indo-Tibetan Border Police
- ✓ Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) in collaboration with Power-CSIRTs (Computer Security Incident Response Teams in Power sector), conducted the Cyber Security Exercise 'PowerEX' for Power Sector Utilities. The Objective of the exercise was to 'Recognize, Analyse & Respond to Cyber Incident in IT & OT Systems' while the theme of the exercise was 'Defending Cyber induced disruption in IT & OT infrastructure'.
 - 9. What is the theme of the 'World Standards Day 2022'?
 - A. Value of Standardization
 - B. Build Back Better ☑
 - C. Standards and Sustainability
 - D. Businesses and Standards



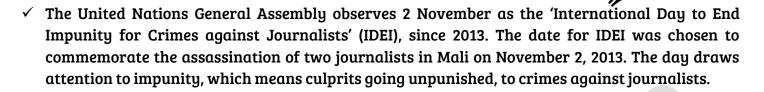
- ✓ Every year on October 14, the World Standards Day is observed. This day, also known as International Standards Day, aims to educate consumers, policymakers, and businesses about the value of standardisation. This year's World Standards Day is centred on the concept of 'Build Back Better'. October 14 was decided as the World Standards Day to commemorate the first gathering of representatives in London in 1956, which marked the launch of an international body to facilitate standardisation.
 - 10. Which institution topped the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2023 in India?
 - A. IIT Madras
 - B. IISc Bengaluru 🗹
 - C. IIT Kharagpur
 - D. IIT Bombay

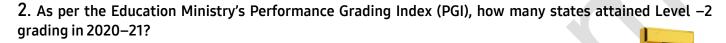




1. When is the 'International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists' observed?

- A. November.01
 - B. November.03
- C. November.05 ☑
- D. November.07





- 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.
 - 3. Which Union Ministry is associated with the Nutrient Based Subsidy scheme?
 - A. 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.
 - 4. Which institution observes the 'Vigilance Awareness Week' every year in India?
 - A. Reserve Bank of India

 - C. Securities Exchange Board of India
 - D. Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority



✓ The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) observes Vigilance Awareness Week every year to spread the message of integrity in all spheres of life. Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently launched the new Complaint Management System portal of the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC). He also released the booklets on 'Ethics and Good Practices'; Compilation of best practices on 'Preventive Vigilance' and a Special issue 'VIGEYE–VANI' on public procurement.

5. Which institution tested the Phase-II Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) interceptor AD-1 missile?

A. ISRO

B. DRDO ☑

C. BEL

D. HAL



✓ The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) conducted a successful maiden flight—test of Phase–II Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) interceptor AD−1 missile. The missile was tested with large kill altitude bracket from APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha. The AD−1 is a long–range interceptor missile designed for both low exo–atmospheric and endo–atmospheric interception of long–range ballistic missiles as well as aircraft.

6. HIMCAD scheme, which is implemented in Himachal Pradesh, is associated with which field?

A. Nutrition

B. Irrigation

C. Skill Development

D. Employment



✓ The Himachal Pradesh State government has started a new scheme named HIMCAD to bridge the gap between the irrigation potential created and the irrigation potential to be utilized. This will provide end—to—end connectivity of farmers' fields for better water conservation, crop diversification and integrated farming. Under the scheme, an area of 15,242 hectares has been brought under Command Area Development (CAD) activities.

7. Who is the head of the 'Parliamentary committee on official languages'?

A. Rajnath Singh

B. Amit Shah 2

C. Nitin Gadkari

D. Piyush Goyal



✓ The Report of the Official Language Committee headed by Home Minister Amit Shah was recently submitted to President Droupadi Murmu. The report has recommended that India's scheduled languages, including Hindi, get priority in public offices, higher education institutions such as IITs

and IIMs, and in local courts. It is flagged by southern states as an attempt by Union government to impose Hindi on non–Hindi–speaking states.

- 8. Sendai Framework, which was seen in the news, is associated with which field?
- A. Plastic Elimination
- B. Disaster Risk Reduction ☑
- C. e-waste handling
- D. Anti-Terrorism



- ✓ The International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction is observed each year on October 13. The day is aimed to raise awareness about and acknowledge the progress in preventing the loss of lives, livelihoods, and infrastructure during various disasters. The theme of International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2022 is 'Early Warning for All', which is Target G of the Sendai Framework. The 'Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030' includes concrete actions to protect development gains from the risk of disaster.
 - 9. Who wrote the biography 'Ambedkar: A Life'?
 - A. Shashi Tharoor
 - B. Amitava Kumar
 - C. Abhay K
 - D. Sanjaya Baru



- ✓ 'Ambedkar: A Life' is biography of Bhim Rao Ramji Ambedkar written by Shashi Tharoor. The book gives the insights of Ambedkar's life journey, the hurdles he had to overcome in the society that stigmatized Dalits, his fight to make untouchability illegal. In so doing, writes Tharoor, 'he transformed the lives of millions yet unborn, heaving an ancient civilization into the modern era through the force of his intellect and the power of his pen.'
 - 10. Sajan Prakash who recently won 8 medals at the 36th national games 2022 is related to which sport?
 - A. Shooting
 - B. Wrestling
 - C. Swimming
 - D. Tennis
- ✓ Sajan Prakash an Indian swimmer hailing from Kerala won 8 medals including 5 Gold, 2 Silver, 1 Bronze in the 36th National games 2022. He also received the 'best male athlete' award by Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel at Sardar Patel Aquatic Complex, Rajkot.



1. Who is the head of the panel set up to strengthen the assessment and accreditation of higher educational institutions?

- A. K Radhakrishnan 🗹
- B. Kasturi Rangan
- C. Amitabh Kant
- D. V K Paul



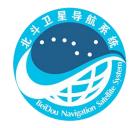
✓ The Central Government has set up a high-level panel to strengthen the assessment and accreditation of higher educational institutions. The committee has been formed under the chairmanship of K Radhakrishnan, chairperson, Board of Governors, IIT Kanpur. He is also the chairperson of IIT Council Standing Committee.

- 2. Which word has been selected as the 'Word of the Year 2022 by Collins dictionary'?
- A. Lock Down
- B. Permacrisis
- C. Pandemic
- D. Non-Fungible Token



✓ 'Permacrisis', a term that describes 'an extended period of instability and insecurity', has been named Word of the Year 2022 by Collins dictionary. The word relates to the challenges posed by climate change, the war in Europe, a cost—of—living crisis and political chaos. It was first used in academic contexts in the 1970s. In 2020, Collins picked "lockdown" as its word of the year and last year, it opted for "NFT—Non—fungible token".

- 3. Which country launched the 'Beidou' satellite navigation system?
- A. Japan
- B. China 2
- C. Russia
- D. Israel



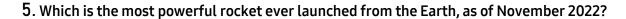
✓ China has released plans to further expand the global reach of its home–grown Beidou satellite navigation system. It is named as the country's alternative to America's Global Positioning System (GPS). Beidou set up a first of three Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) for its network in Thailand in the year 2013.

- 4. Which country has launched the world's longest passenger train, as of November 2022?
- A. Japan
- B. China
- C. Switzerland ☑
- D. Sweden



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✓ Switzerland has launched the world's longest passenger train with 100 coaches, 4,550 seats, measuring 1910 metres. Rhaetian Railway, a Swiss transport company, has set a world record for the longest passenger train, to celebrate the 175th anniversary of Switzerland's first railway. The record–breaking train was formed of 25 new 'Capricorn' electric trains, which passed through the landscape in the Swiss Alps.



- A. Minuteman Heavy
- B. Falcon Heavy ☑
- C. Long March 5b
- D. PSLV 52



✓ SpaceX launched its Falcon Heavy rocket, sending several US military satellites into orbit. This is the most powerful launched ever from the Earth. This was SpaceX's 50th launch of 2022 as SpaceX's workhorse Falcon 9 rocket has launched 49 missions so far this year. The present pace of the space company is a launch every 6.10 days.

6. Which class of vessel is the first nuclear submarines designed and built by India?

- A. Shishumar
- B. Arihant
- C. Sindhughosh
- D. Kalvari



✓ India's nuclear—powered submarine INS Arihant on October 14, 2022 carried out a successful launch of a submarine—launched ballistic missile (SLBM) in the Bay of Bengal with a "very high accuracy". The Arihant—class submarines are nuclear powered ballistic missile submarines built under the Advanced Technology Vessel (ATV) project. They will be the first nuclear submarines designed and built by India.

- 7. Where are the headquarters of SCO-RATS that was making news recently?
- A. Shanghai
- B. Beijing
- C. Tashkent 🗹
- D. Astana



✓ The Executive Committee of the Regional Anti–Terrorist Structure (RATS) of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is the permanent body of the SCO RATS based in Tashkent, the capital of Uzbekistan. It was in news because meeting of the Council of the Regional Anti–Terrorist Structure of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (RATS SCO) was held in New Delhi on October 14, 2022.

- 8. Abdul Latif Rashid was recently elected new President of which country / territory?
- A. Palestine
- B. Iraq ☑
- C. Egypt
- D. Yemen



- ✓ Iraqi lawmakers have elected Abdul Latif Rashid as the new President of Iraq, marking a crucial step toward forming a new government for the country. Rashid received 162 votes in the second round of voting, defeating Barham Salih who gained 99 votes, while eight votes were considered invalid. The newly–elected Rashid was later sworn in as the President of Iraq, the fifth President of the country since 2003.
 - 9. The name of Joseph Wresinski is related to which of the following activism?
 - A. Elimination of AIDS
 - B. Eradication of Child Labour ☑
 - C. Eradication of Poverty
 - D. Eradication of Human Trafficking



- ✓ Joseph Wresinski was a French priest and humanitarian activist. In 1987, Fr. Wresinski launched the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (17 October), later recognised by the United Nations General Assembly. This year 2022 theme was "Dignity for all in practice".
 - 10. As per the Public Affairs Index-2022, which is the best-governed small state in India?
 - A. Goa
 - B. Sikkim 2
 - C. Meghalaya
 - D. Manipur



✓ Haryana has been on top position in the category of big states in the Public Affairs Index−2022. The state has emerged at the forefront in social, economic and political justice themes. It has topped among the major states with a score of 0.6948, followed by Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Punjab and Karnataka among many other states. On the other hand, Sikkim has retained its position as the best−governed small state in India. The index is released by Bengaluru−based non−profit think tank Public Affairs Centre (PAC).

1. Which institution released the Adaptation Gap Report 2022?

- A. WEF
- B. UNEP ☑
- C. UNFCCC
- D. NITI Aayog



- ✓ The United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) launched a report titled 'Adaptation Gap Report 2022: Too Little, Too Slow Climate adaptation failure puts world at risk'. The report finds that the world must urgently increase efforts to adapt to these impacts of climate change. The report also lists the progress in planning, financing, and implementing adaptation actions.
 - 2. Which Union Ministry launched the 'Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2023 Toolkit'?

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



- ✓ The Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti held Technical Session on 'Rural WASH Partnerships the way forward' on the second day of the 7th India Water Week. 'WASH' stands for Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH). Union Jal Shakti Minister also launched the toolkit for Swachh Survekshan Grameen (SSG) 2023 and the web portal for the 'Twinpit to Retrofit Abhiyan'
 - 3. Which city is the host of the 'World Travel Market' 2022?
 - A. London 🗹
 - B. Paris
 - C. New York
 - D. Lausanne

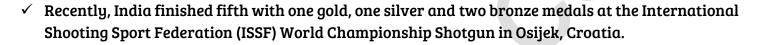


- ✓ India's Union Ministry of Tourism is set to participate in World Travel Market (WTM) 2022, to be held in London. WTM is one of the largest international travel exhibitions. The theme of this year`s exhibition is 'The Future of Travel Starts Now'. During 2019, the contribution of travel and tourism to India's GDP was 5.19% and it accounted for 79.86 million direct and indirect jobs.
 - 4. Which country first suggested the observance of 'World Tsunami Awareness Day'?
- B. China
- C. Switzerland
- D. Sweden

✓ World Tsunami Awareness Day is observed every year on November 5 to raise awareness about the natural disaster. World Tsunami Awareness Day was first suggested by Japan and in December 2015, the UN General Assembly (UNGA) declared November 5 as World Tsunami Awareness Day. Three weeks after the tsunami in the Indian Ocean in 2004, the international community gathered in Kobe, Japan, and adopted the 10−year Hyogo Framework for Action. In the past 100 years, about 58 tsunamis have claimed over 260,000 lives.

5. What was India's rank in the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Championship Shotgun held in in Osijek, Croatia recently?

- A. First
- B. Fourth
- C. Third
- D. Fifth ☑





- A. Param Megha
- B. Parama Kamarupa 🗹
- C. Param Deka
- D. Param Porul
- ✓ Recently, President Draupadi Murmu launched India's latest super computer Param–Kamrupa, a high–performance computing cluster named after Assam's historic kingdom of Kamrupa. This supercomputer facility has replaced Param–Ishan as the northeast region's fastest and most powerful supercomputer. Param–Ishan was inaugurated in IIT Guwahati in 2016.
- ✓ Param-Kamrupa was set up at IIT Guwahati under the National Supercomputing Mission (NSM) a joint initiative of the ministry of electronics and information technology (MeitY) and the department of Science and Technology (DST). There were 15 such super computers that were deployed across the country.
 - 7. Which is the key initiatives presented in 6th East Asia Summit Education Minister's Meeting in Vietnam?
 - A. Research and Development Policy, 2022
 - B. Knowledge and Employment Act Policy, 2022
 - C. National Educational Policy, 2020 ☑
 - D. All of the Above





- ✓ India participated in the 6th East Asia Summit Education Minister's Meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam. Ms Neeta Prasad, Joint Secretary (International Cooperation) Ministry of Education virtually addressed the meeting. She also informed about the key initiatives of National Education Policy 2020 and the efforts of India and East Asia Summit countries in the field of education and research.
 - 8. Which of these states has been kept in the 'achievers' category of the logistics index chart 2022?
 - A. Kerala
 - B. Gujarat 2
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. Haryana



- ✓ The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has released the fourth LEADS (Logistics Ease Across Different States) 2022 report. Andhra Pradesh, Assam and Gujarat have been kept in the 'achievers' category of the logistics index chart 2022.
 - 9. 3rd World Kuchipudi Natyotsavam is held to celebrate the birth anniversary of:
 - A. Birju Maharaj
 - B. Maithili Sandelkhar
 - C. Gajanendra Mahapati
 - D. Vempati Chinna Satyam 🗹



- √ 3rd World Kuchipudi Natyotsavam started from October 14 in Vijayawada. It is a three–day dance festival that is being organized to commemorate the 93rd birth anniversary of renowned Kuchipudi dance artist Vempati Chinna Satyam.
 - 10. Who received Dr Sobha Naidu Lifetime Achievement Award in Andhra Pradesh?
 - A. Menaka Panigrahi
 - B. Venkatesh Giri
 - C. Mahatur Reddy
 - D. Padmaja Reddy ☑
- ✓ During the festival of 3rd World Kuchipudi Natyotsavam, Dr Vempati China Satyam Lifetime Achievement Award would be presented to Bala Kondala Rao, and Kumari Lanka Annapooma Devi Lifetime Achievement Award would be given to Vanaja Uday. Padmaja Reddy will receive the Dr. Sobha Naidu Lifetime Achievement Award, while Vempati Venkat Seva Puraskar will be presented to Srikant Raghupatruni.

1. What was introduced in the 103rd Constitutional Amendment, which was seen in the news recently?

- A. Constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC)
- B. Constitutional status to the National Commission for Women (NCW)
- C. 10 percent quota for Economically weaker sections (EWS) ☑
- D. Goods and Services Tax



✓ The Central Government introduced the provision for EWS reservation in admissions and public services, through the 103rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 2019. The Supreme Court pronounced the judgement on a batch of pleas challenging the validity of the amendment. A five–judge Constitution bench headed by Chief Justice Uday Umesh Lalit upheld the 10 percent quota for EWS in a 3:2 split verdict. Though the Chief Justice had struck down the amendment, the majority bench upheld the act.

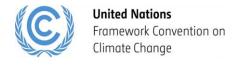
2. Which is the only Indian company in the top-100 rank of 'Forbes' World's Best Employers rankings 2022'?

- A. Tata Consultancy Services
- B. Reliance Industries ☑
- C. Aditya Birla Group
- D. HDFC Bank



- ✓ As per the 'Forbes' World's Best Employers rankings 2022', Reliance Industries is India's best employer and the world's 20th best firm to work with. It is the country's largest company by revenues, profits and market value. Reliance is the only country in the top−100 rank from India. The global ranking was topped by South Korean giant Samsung Electronics, followed by US giants Microsoft, IBM, Alphabet and Apple.
 - 3. Which country is the host of the 27th Conference of the Parties (COP) to the UNFCCC?
 - A. UAE

 - C. Australia
 - D. Brazil



✓ The 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, is being held in Sharm el−Sheikh, Egypt in November 2022. After several years of discussion, the 'Issue of loss and damage" was included in the formal main agenda of the climate conference for the first time ever. It will pave way to discuss creation of an international mechanism for compensating poor countries that suffer due to climate disasters.

4. 'Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas' is observed on the birth anniversary of which leader?

A. B R Ambedkar

B. Birsa Munda 🗹

C. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

D. Ayyan Kaali



✓ In 2021, the Union government had declared 15th November as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas dedicated to the memory of brave tribal freedom fighters. November 15 is the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, an iconic freedom fighter, social reformer and revered tribal leader of the country. Education Ministry will celebrate Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas in schools and higher educational institutions across the country.

5. Which organisation released the 'State of the Global Climate in 2022' report?

A. UNEP

B. WMO 🗹

C. FAO

D. UNFCCC



✓ The World Meteorological Organization released the provisional State of the Global Climate in 2022 report. As per the report, the past eight years are on track to be the eight warmest on record, fuelled by rising greenhouse gas concentrations and accumulated heat. It also cited that extreme heat–waves, drought and devastating flooding have affected millions and cost billions this year.

6. Which country is host to the 2023 AFC Asian Cup?

A. Ukraine

B. Syria

C. Iran

D. Qatar 🗹



✓ 2023 AFC Asian Cup will be the 18th edition of the AFC Asian Cup, the quadrennial international men's football championship of Asia organised by the Asian Football Confederation (AFC). It will be held in Qatar from 16 June to 16 July 2023. The tournament will involve 24 national teams after expansion in 2019. Hosts Qatar are the defending champions.

7. Which city was host to the first ever National Coal Conclave & Exhibition – 2022 held recently?

A. Jaipur

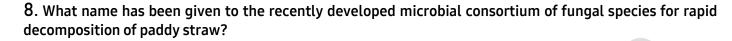
B. New Delhi 🗹

C. Jaisalmer

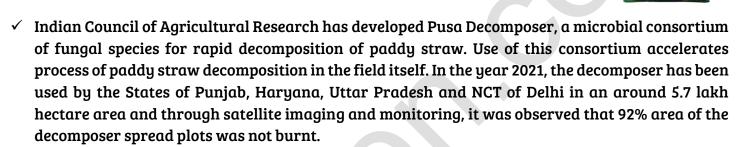
D. Udaipur



✓ Union Minister of Coal, Mines and Parliamentary Affaris Shri Pralhad Joshi urged the public sector undertakings (PSUs) to compete with the private sector in coal mine auction and early production. Addressing the National Coal Conclave & Exhibition–2022, the minister pointed out that despite unprecedented increase in international prices, Coal India Ltd (CIL) did not increase domestic coal price and stepped—up coal proudction substantially in the recent past and managed to overcome coal shortage faced by thermal power plants.



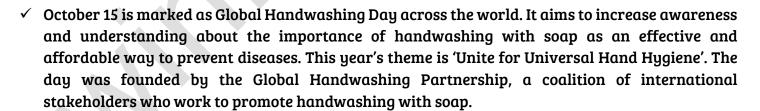
- B. Pusa Decom
- C. Pusa Cleanstraw
- D. Pusa DPS





- A. Global Handwashing Day

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- B. Global Hygiene Day
- C. Global COVID Outbreak Day
- D. Global Menstrual Health Day



- 10. Which state/UT is the host of 'Agri Startup Conference'?
- A. Karnataka
- B. New Delhi 2
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Uttar Pradesh





✓ Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar announced number of initiatives at Agri Startup Conference in New Delhi. He announced creating fund of Rs 500 crore as accelerator program for Startups working in agriculture sector, for commercialisation and democratisation of innovations. He also announced that a network will be set up under the Agriculture Ministry to support the Agri Startups and a steering committee will be set under the Chairmanship of Agriculture Minister for overall planning.

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- 1. Which Union Ministry conducted the 'Mother Tongue Survey of India (MTSI)'?
- A. Ministry of Education
- B. Ministry of Home Affairs ☑
- C. Ministry of Culture
- D. Ministry of External Affairs



- ✓ The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has completed the Mother Tongue Survey of India (MTSI) with field videography of 576 languages. MHA Mother Tongue Survey of 576 languages, a web archive at the National Informatics Centre (NIC) to preserve the original flavour of every Mother Tongue. As per analysis of 2011 linguistic census data in 2018, over 19,500 languages or dialects are spoken in India as mother tongues.
 - 2. What is the theme of India's G20 Presidency in 2022?
 - A. Jan Bhagidari
 - B. Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam 🗹
 - C. LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment)
 - D. Bharat Mata



- ✓ The Indian Prime Minister launched the logo, theme and website for the Indian G–20 Presidency. The G20 Logo draws inspiration from the colours of India's national flag. The Earth reflects India's pro−planet approach to life and below the G20 logo is 'Bharat'. The logo has various components from an open competition held through myGov portal. The theme of India's G20 Presidency is "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or "One Earth One Family One Future". It is drawn from the ancient Sanskrit text of the Maha Upanishad.
 - 3. 'National Florence Nightingale Awards' are awarded in recognition for meritorious services rendered in which field?
 - A. Fconomics
 - B. Art and Culture

 - D. Science and Technology



- ✓ The President of India Droupadi Murmu presented the National Florence Nightingale Awards for the year 2021 to the Nursing professionals. The National Florence Nightingale Awards were instituted in the year 1973 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, as a mark of recognition for the meritorious services rendered by the nurses and nursing professionals to the society.
 - 4. India recently held 'Week of the Young Researchers 2022' program with which country?
 - A. USA
- B. Germany

 ☑
- C. France
- D. UK



✓ The Indo–German Week of the Young Researchers 2022 was jointly organised by the Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) India, and German Research Foundation (DFG). 30 promising young researchers from India and Germany will discuss and interact closely on contemporary matters in chemical sciences. The main goal of the conclave is to promote collaboration among early and mid-career researchers and scientists.

5. Which Union Ministry has notified the 'National Bioenergy Programme'?

A. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

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B. Ministry of Power

C. Ministry of Commerce and Industry

D. Ministry of MSME



The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), Government of India has notified the National Bioenergy Programme. The Ministry has continued the National Bio-energy Programme for the period from FY 2021–22 to 2025–26. The Programme has been recommended for implementation in two phases and the Phase–I of the Programme has been approved with a budget outlay of Rs. 858 crores. It consists of three sub-schemes: Waste to Energy Programme, Biomass Programme and Biogas Programme.

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

A. Safer Food, Better Health

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B. Leave No one Behind

C. Sustainable Food Options

D. Food and Co-existence



✓ Every year, June 7 is observed as World Food Safety Day across the world. The objective behind the day is to promote awareness to prevent, detect and manage food-borne risks. The day was declared by the United Nations in 2018 to raise awareness of food safety. This year, the theme of World Food Safety Day is, "Safer Food, Better Health". As per a report by WHO, the world records over 600 million cases of food-borne diseases annually.

7. What is the theme of the 'World Food Day 2022'?

A. Safer Food, Better Health

B. Leave No one Behind ☑

C. Sustainable Food Options

D. Food and Co-existence



✓ World Food Day is observed annually on 16 October to highlight need for regular access to nutritious food. The Day is led by The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the theme for 2022 is Leave NO ONE behind.

- 8. Which state is host to the 14th World Spice Congress in 2023?
- A. New Delhi
- B. Maharashtra 🗹
- C. Karnataka
- D. Kerala



- ✓ The 14th World Spice Congress will be held in February 2023 at Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra. The World Spice Congress, which is organized by Spices Board India, will be conducted on the sidelines of India's G20 presidency. The theme chosen for the current edition of WSC is 'Vision 2030: SPICES' (Sustainability Productivity Innovation Collaboration Excellence and Safety)." The biennial event is the largest exclusive business platform for the spice sector.
 - 9. CII and IOCL has announced to launch a crop residue management initiative 'Vayu Amrit' in which state?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Uttar Pradesh
 - C. Punjab 🗹
 - D. Madhya Pradesh



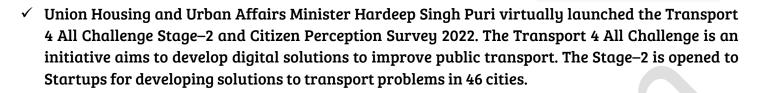
- ✓ The Confederation of Indian Industry partnered with Indian Oil Corporation to launch 'Vayu Amrit', a crop residue management initiative, in Punjab's Sangrur. The CII already runs a crop residue management programme in Punjab and Haryana to mitigate stubble burning to reduce air pollution.
 - 10. Which food product won the 'Most Popular GI' award of the Commerce and Industry Ministry?
 - A. Palani Panchamirtham
 - B. Hyderabadi Haleem 🗹
 - C. West Bengal Rasgulla
 - D. Ratlami Sev



✓ The famous Hyderabadi Haleem has bagged the 'Most Popular GI' award, in a competition with more than 15 food items across the country with Geographical Indication (GI) status. Awarded by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the winner was chosen based on public opinion. Hyderabadi Haleem is a traditional dish made during the month of Ramadan; it was accorded GI status in 2010.

1. Which Union Ministry launched the 'Transport 4 All Challenge Stage-2 and Citizen Perception Survey-2022'?

- A. Ministry of Education
- B. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs ☑
- C. Ministry of Culture
- D. Ministry of External Affairs



- ✓ The Citizen Perception Survey is launched under Ease of Living Index–2022 for 264 cities to capture citizens' feedback about their city.
 - 2. Which city is the host of 'PM Gati Shakti Multimodal Waterways Summit'?
 - A. Pune
 - B. Kolkata
 - C. Varanasi 🗹
 - D. Ahmedabad



- ✓ Union Shipping Minister is set to inaugurate the PM Gati Shakti Multimodal Waterways Summit at Varanasi. The event is being organised by the Indian Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) under the aegis of the Union ministry of ports, shipping and waterways. It aims to generate public awareness about the 'PM Gati Shakti National Masterplan' with focus on infrastructure development in the waterways.
 - 3. 'Atal New India Challenge (ANIC)' is an initiative of which institution?
 - A. RBI

 - C. DRDO
 - D. ISRO



- ✓ Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), under NITI Aayog, has launched women-centric challenges under phase-II of the second edition of the Atal New India Challenge (ANIC). ANIC is an initiative launched to select and support technology-based innovations that solve sectoral challenges of national importance and societal relevance through a grant-based mechanism of up to ₹1 crore.
 - 4. Which institution has launched the 'Executive Action Plan of Early Warnings for All' during COP-27?
 - A. IMF B. WEF
 - C. WMO D. UNEP



✓ The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) released the 'Executive Action Plan of Early Warnings for All'during a roundtable meeting at the 27th Conference of Parties (COP27) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. As per the WMO, the initial investment for delivering early warning systems for all by 2027 will be nearly USD 3.1 billion.

5. As per the recent data, the mutual fund penetration is the maximum in which state?



- B. Kerala
- C. Telangana
- D. Gujarat



✓ As of November 2022, Maharashtra, New Delhi and Goa have the highest mutual fund penetration in India. This is due to higher income levels, better literacy rates and strong inflows from corporates and high net worth individuals. Mutual fund penetration is only 5–6 per cent in states including Kerala and Telangana.

6. The Swadesh Darshan Scheme is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of External Affairs
- B. Ministry of Tourism ☑
- C. Ministry of Culture
- D. Ministry of Home Affairs



- ✓ The Swadesh Darshan Scheme was launched by the Ministry of Tourism in 2014–15 for the integrated development of theme-based tourist circuits. The government recently revamped the scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) to develop sustainable and responsible destinations with tourist and destination centric approach. 15 states with two or three destinations each have been identified and Tourism Ministry will provide financial support to strengthen tourist infrastructure.
 - 7. Who has been elected as the first non-Gandhi President of the Indian National Congress (INC) party in 24 years?
 - A. Mallikarjun Kharge ☑
 - B. Shashi Tharoor
 - C. P Chidambaram
 - D. Ashok Gehlot



✓ Mallikarjun Kharge has been elected as the first non–Gandhi President of the Indian National Congress (INC) party in 24 years. In the Congress presidential election, he defeated another candidate Shashi Tharoor by securing 7,897 votes out of the 9,385 votes.

- 8. Who has been named as the new Revenue Secretary, as of October 2022?
- A. Pankaj Chaudhary
- B. Sanjay Malhotra 🗹
- C. Ajay Seth
- D. Tuhin Kanta Pandey



- ✓ Secretary in the Department of Financial Services Sanjay Malhotra has been named as the new Revenue Secretary. Road Transport and Highways Secretary Aramane Giridhar has been named the new Defence Secretary as part of a top−level bureaucratic reshuffle effected by the Centre.
 - 9. 'Great Indian Bustard' is the state bird of which Indian state/ UT?
 - A. Punjab
 - B. Andaman & Nicobar Islands
 - C. Rajasthan 🗹
 - D. Haryana



- ✓ The 'Great Indian Bustard' (GIB), which is the State bird of Rajasthan, is also considered India's most critically endangered bird. GIB is protected under the Wildlife Protection Act. Its population of about 150 in Rajasthan accounts for 95% of its total world population. Recently, some birds are spotted in Pakistan and the environmentalists suspect of migration of the birds. The was added to the world list of protected species of the 'Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals'.
 - 10. Which state has set up a committee for conservation of vultures?
 - A. Tamil Nadu 🗹
 - B. Rajasthan
 - C. Kerala
 - D. Karnataka



✓ The Tamil Nadu Government has formed a State-level Committee to set up an institutional framework for the effective conservation of vultures. Vultures almost went extinct in the country at the beginning of the 21st century. A decline of 96% has been registered in India's vulture population between 1993 and 2003. The Central government introduced two action plans to protect the species at the national level.

- 1. Which institution announced the Infrastructure Resilience Accelerator Fund (IRAF)?
- A. WEF
- B. CDRI ☑
- C. ISA
- D. BIMSTEC



- ✓ The Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) announced Infrastructure Resilience Accelerator Fund (IRAF), a CDRI Multi-Partner Trust Fund. It was launched at the India Pavilion, Conference of Parties COP−27, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. Around USD 50 million in financial commitments have already been announced for IRAF, over an initial duration of five years.
 - 2. Which country is the leading producer of millets with 41 per cent of global production?
 - A. China
 - B. India ☑
 - C. Bangladesh
 - D. Indonesia



- ✓ India is one of the leading producers of millets in the world with an estimated share of 41 per cent of the global production. The Indian government has formulated a strategy to involve Indian missions abroad as well as global retail supermarkets to promote exports of millets. Major international retail supermarkets like Lulu group and Walmart, would also be roped in to establish millet corner for branding and promotion of millets.
 - 3. Which institution is ranked at the top spot from India in the QS Asia University rankings?
 - A. IIT Delhi
 - B. IIT Madras
 - C. IIT Bombay ☑
 - D. IISc Bengaluru



- ✓ A total of 118 Indian universities have figured in 2023 edition of Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) Asia University Rankings. IIT Bombay has been placed at 40th rank this year. It is the top–ranking institution from India. IIT–B is followed by IIT Delhi (46), Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore (52) and IIT Madras (59). In the top 10, five universities are from China.
 - 4. Which Asian country is named as the host of 2023 IBA Women's World Boxing Championship?
 - A. Sri Lanka
 - B. Pakistan
 - C. India 2
 - D. Nepal



✓ India has been named as the host country for the 2023 IBA Women's World Boxing Championship. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) regarding the event was signed between the International Boxing Association (IBA) and the Boxing Federation of India (BFI). It will be the third Women's World Championships to be conducted in India and the second event within a span of six years.



- A. Oman
- B. UAE
- C. Saudi Arabia 2
- D. Bahrain



✓ Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman said the kingdom would contribute USD 2.5 billion to 'Middle East Green Initiative' over the next ten years, and host its headquarters. The Middle East Green Initiative was launched by the crown prince in 2021 as part of efforts to reduce regional carbon emissions. The initiative aims to reduce carbon emissions from regional hydrocarbon production by more than 60%.

6. Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)-III has been launched in which state?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Himachal Pradesh 🗹
- C. Sikkim
- D. Kerala



✓ The Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)—III in Chamba, Himachal Pradesh. It is for the upgradation of around 3125 kilometres of roads in the state. More than Rs 420 crores has been sanctioned by the Central Government under this phase for the upgradation of 440 kilometres of roads in 15 border and far—flung blocks of the state.

7. Which state was ranked first in the 'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U) Awards 2021?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Andhra Pradesh



✓ Uttar Pradesh bagged the first position in the 'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana– Urban (PMAY–U) Awards 2021. It is followed by Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu at second and third place, respectively. Gujarat saw five special category awards while Jammu and Kashmir was adjudged the 'Best Performing UT' alongside Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.1.23 crore houses

were sanctioned under the scheme of which 64 lakh have already been completed and delivered while the rest were at various stages of completion.

8. Launch Vehicle Mark 3 (LVM3) mission is associated with which country?

A. USA

B. India ☑

C. China

D. Israel



- ✓ Indian Space Research Organisation's Launch Vehicle Mark 3 (LVM3) mission will launch 36 OneWeb Gen−1 satellites, from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota. LVM3 is the dedicated commercial satellite mission of New Space India Limited (NISL), a central public sector enterprise under the Department of Space. This is the first LVM3 dedicated commercial launch on demand through NSIL.
 - 9. Which organisation has released a report titled 'Using Technology to Improve a Billion Livelihoods'?
 - A. Asian Development Bank
 - B. World Economic Forum ☑
 - C. International Monetary Fund
 - D. World Bank



- ✓ A new report titled 'Using Technology to Improve a Billion Livelihoods' was written by the World Economic Forum's Centre for Fourth Industrial Revolution, India, in collaboration with Adani Group, was released in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. As per the report, putting drones at the centre of a technology−led transformation of Indian agriculture can boost the country's GDP by 1−1.5 per cent. It will create at least five lakh jobs in the coming years in India.
 - 10. Which country has sought Geographical Indication (GI) tag for Nihonshu/Sake in India?
 - A. China
 - B. Japan 🗹
 - C. Singapore
 - D. Indonesia



✓ The Embassy of Japan, New Delhi, has filed an application seeking Geographical Indication (GI) tag for Nihonshu/Japanese sake, an alcoholic beverage. This is the first time a product from Japan has filed for a tag at the Geographical Indication Registry. in Japan, nihonshu is regarded as a special beverage made from fermenting rice. The three main raw materials used are rice, koji−kin (a type of fungal spore) and water.

- 1. 'Indian Biological Data Center' (IBDC) has been inaugurated in which state?
- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Haryana 🗹
- C. Sikkim
- D. Kerala



- ✓ Union Minister of state for Science and Technology, Jitendra Singh inaugurated India's first national repository for life science data 'Indian Biological Data Center' (IBDC) at Faridabad, Haryana. IBDC is established at Regional Centre of Biotechnology (RCB), Faridabad with a data 'Disaster Recovery' site at National Informatics Centre (NIC), Bhubaneshwar. It has a data storage capacity of about 4 petabytes and the 'Brahm' High Performance Computing (HPC) facility.
 - 2. As per the Amendment in Aadhar Rules, supporting documents need to be updated once in how many years?
 - A. 5
 - B. 10 ☑
 - C.20
 - D. 25



- ✓ As per a recent notification by the Ministry of Electronics and IT, supporting documents need to be updated at least once by Aadhaar holders on completion 10 years from enrolment date. The government has amended Aadhaar regulations and the updation would ensure accuracy of Aadhaar–related information in the Central Identities Data Repository (CIDR).
 - 3. Bihari Puraskar, which was seen in the news, is associated with which field?
 - A. Administration
 - B. Sports
 - C. Literature
 - D. Culture



✓ The Bihari Puraskar is given every year for an outstanding work published in the last 10 years by
a Rajasthani author in Hindi or Rajasthani. Veteran writers Madhu Kankariya and Dr Madhav
Hada were awarded the 31st and 32nd Bihari Puraskar. It is one of the three literary awards
instituted by KK Birla Foundation in 1991 and is named after the famous poet Bihari.

- 4. Public Service Broadcasting Day is observed to commemorate the visit of which leader to All India Radio?
- A. 'Netaji' Subhash Chandra Bose
- B. 'Mahatma' Gandhiji
- C. 'Annal' Ambedkar ☑
- D. Jawaharlal Nehru



- ✓ Public Service Broadcasting Day is being observed on November 12 every year. The day is celebrated to commemorate the only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to the studio of All India Radio, Delhi in the year 1947. Mahatma Gandhi delivered an address to the displaced people, who had temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition.
 - 5. Which Indian state observed 10th November 2022 as 'Millet Day'?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Odisha 🗹
 - C. Kerala
 - D. Karnataka



- ✓ The Odisha government observed 10th November this year as 'Millet Day' in the state. The primary aim of celebrating the day is to promote millets as a highly nutritive and eco−friendly food product. The Odisha government launched the Odisha Millet Mission (OMM) in 2017 and the Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaik announced Rs.100 crore government support under OMM in 2019–20.
 - 6. Nallamala forest range, which was seen in the news, is located in which state?
 - A. Gujarat
 - B. Andhra Pradesh
 - C. Sikkim
 - D. Kerala



✓ The central government has approved construction of an iconic cable stayed–cum–suspension bridge across Krishna River connecting Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. The bridge is set to pass through the picturesque Nallamala forest range, in the Eastern Ghats in Andhra Pradesh. The three–km long bridge will reduce the distance between Hyderabad and Tirupati by 80 km.

- 7. When is the 'Police Commemoration Day' observed in India?
- A. October.21 ☑
- B. November.21
- C. December.21
- D. January.21



- ✓ 'Police Commemoration Day' is observed on October 21 every year, which commemorates the
 sacrifices of ten CRPF personnel who lost their lives in the line of duty. On October 21, 1959, ten
 Indian policemen were killed during an attack by Chinese troops in the Hot Springs region close to
 Ladakh.
 - 8. Which neighbouring country of India has been removed from FATF Grey List?
 - A. Sri Lanka
- B. Pakistan 2
- C. Myanmar
- D. Nepal



- ✓ Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recently announced its decision to remove Pakistan from its Grey list. FATF welcomed Pakistan's significant progress in improving its anti–money laundering and combating financial terrorism (AML/CFT) regime.
 - 9. Who is the first President to serve for three terms in China?
 - A. Mao Zedong
 - B. Hu Jintao
 - C. Xi Jinping 🗹
 - D. Shinzo Abe



- ✓ China's President Xi Jinping has secured a historic third term as the Communist Party's leader, creating his place as the country's most influential ruler since Mao Zedong. Chinese communist revolutionary and founder of the People's Republic of China, Mao Zedong ruled the country from 1949 to 1959 for two terms. The former President Hu Jintao also ruled for two terms from 2003 to 2013. Xi has been the paramount leader of China since 2012.
 - 10. Aman Sehrawat, who was seen in the news, plays which sports?
 - A. Wrestling
 - B. Cricket
 - C. Hockey
 - D. Badminton



✓ Teenager Aman Sehrawat made history as he became the first Indian wrestler to win a gold medal at the U−23 World Wrestling Championships in Pontevedra, Spain. India finished with six medals – one gold, one silver, and four bronze at the U−23 World Wrestling Championships 2022.

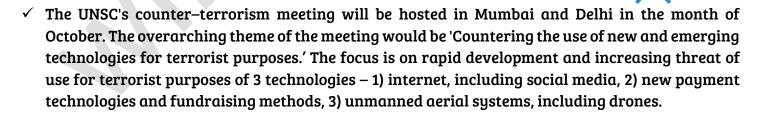
- 1. Which city is the host of the Engineers Conclave-2022 (EC-2022)?
- A. Chennai
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Thiruvananthapuram 🗹
- D. Hyderabad



- ✓ Engineers Conclave—2022 (EC—2022) of the Indian National Academy of Engineering was organized jointly with Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) at Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC—ISRO), Thiruvananthapuram. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has proposed dedicated satellites for supporting the country's agriculture sector. ISRO is also discussing with Department of Agriculture on the proposed 'Bharat Krishi Satellite' programme.
 - 2. 'HAWK air defence equipment' is a flagship equipment of which country?
 - A. Russia
 - B. Ukraine
 - C. Israel
 - D. USA 🗹



- ✓ The United States is set to retrieve its older HAWK air defence equipment to send to Ukraine which is facing a heavy attack from Russian drone–fired and cruise missiles. HAWK, short for 'Homing All the Way Killer,' entered service with the US Army in 1959, during the Vietnam war. The HAWK interceptor missiles would be an upgrade to the Stinger missile system. The US sent the shoulder–fired anti–aircraft Stingers to Ukraine early in the war.
 - 3. Which country is the host of the UNSC's counter–terrorism meeting in 2022?
 - A. USA
- B. India 2
- C. China
- D. Japan

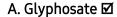


- 4. How many lifestyle practices has been published by the Union government of India under Mission LiFE?
- A. 50
- B. 75 🗹
- C. 100
- D. 200



✓ The Union government published a list of 75 lifestyle practices that can be taken up as climate—friendly behaviour under the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment). The list of 75 actions are under the seven categories — energy, water saving, single—use plastic, sustainable food systems, waste reduction, healthy lifestyle, and e—waste. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and UN Secretary—General Antonio Guterres launched Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment).

5. Which herbicide has been recently restricted by the Indian Government, fearing risk to human and animal health?



- B. Atrazine
- C. Glufosinate
- D. Carbofuran



✓ The Indian Government has officially restricted the use of the widely used herbicide, glyphosate, fearing risk to human and animal health. After this announcement, glyphosate will be applied only through Pest Control Operators (PCOs). Glyphosate has been majorly used in tea plantations in India. They are also licensed to use deadly chemicals for treating pests such as rodents.

6. Which country is the host of the "No Money for Terror" conference?

- A. Russia
- B. India 🗹
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Bangladesh



✓ India is set to host the "No Money for Terror" conference, after the meeting of Interpol and the UN Counter–Terrorism Committee. The Ministry of Home Affairs under the Indian government is organising the third ministerial conference on 'No Money for Terror' in New Delhi. The aim of the conference is to take forward the discussions related to combating the financing of terrorism in the previous two conferences.

7. India's multi-modal logistics park (MMLP) is set to be developed in which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu 🗹
- B. Gujarat
- C. Karnataka
- D. Maharashtra



✓ Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) has been awarded the work to develop the first multi-modal logistics park (MMLP) at Mappedu, near Chennai in Tamil Nadu. Under the 'PM GatiShakti National Master Plan (NMP)', the road transport ministry is developing 35 multi-modal logistics parks. MMLP Chennai is being developed in an area of 184.27 acres.

- 8. What is the name of India's first privately developed rocket?
- A. Akash
- B. Vikram-S ☑
- C. Vikrant-S
- D. Surya



- ✓ India's first privately developed rocket, named Vikram—S is set to be launched on a sub—orbital mission with three payloads. Hyderabad—based space startup Skyroot Aerospace will become the first private space company in India to launch a rocket into space. The mission named 'Prarambh' will carry payloads of two Indian and one foreign customer and is set for launch from ISRO's launchpad at Sriharikota.
 - 9. Prime Minister inaugurated ONGC's U-field onshore facilities in which state?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Andhra Pradesh 🗹
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. West Bengal



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited's U-field onshore facilities in B R Ambedkar Konaseema district of Andhra Pradesh. U-field is situated in Krishna Godavari basin block in Bay of Bengal. Natural gas from the field will be brought to the onshore facility through undersea pipelines before being dispatched to the users.
 - 10. Tashigang, world's highest polling booth, is located in which state/ UT?
 - A. Himachal Pradesh ☑
 - B. Assam
 - C. Sikkim
 - D. Bihar



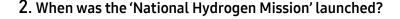
✓ Around 98.08 per cent voter turnout was recorded in the world's highest polling station booth in Tashigang, in Himachal Pradesh. Of the 52 registered voters of the station, 51 stepped out to elect a new state government. Tashigang is situated at a height of 15,256 feet and was made a Model Polling station to make voting easy for senior citizens and disabled voters.

1. India recently announced a contribution of USD 5 million to the Science and Technology fund of which bloc?

- A. SAARC
- B. ASEAN
- C. G20
- D. ISA



✓ India announced an additional contribution of USD 5 million to the ASEAN–India science and technology fund. The contribution aims to enhance cooperation in sectors of public health, renewable energy and smart agriculture. ASEAN–India Science & Technology Collaboration started in 1996 with the establishment of the ASEAN India S&T working group (AIWGST).



- A. 2002
- B. 2007
- C. 2010
- D. 2021 🗹



✓ India recently submitted its Long—Term Low Emission Development Strategy to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) at COP 27. The National Hydrogen Mission, which was launched in 2021, aims to make India a green hydrogen hub. India also aspires to maximize the use of electric vehicles, ethanol blending to reach 20% by 2025.

3. Which state has ordered complete ban on public display of weapons and songs glorifying violence?

- A. Kerala
- B. Punjab 🗹
- C. Jharkhand
- D. West Bengal



Punjab's Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government ordered a complete ban on public display of weapons and songs glorifying violence. The order also directed that a complete ban will be imposed in carrying or showing off weapons in public gatherings, religious places, functions or other events.

- 4. Which team won the 'Twenty20 World Cup title 2022'?
- A. England
- B. Australia
- C. India
- D. Pakistan



✓ England claimed their second Twenty20 World Cup title with a five—wicket win over Pakistan at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. Ben Stokes scored an unbeaten half—century as the country won the title. Sam Curran was named the player of the match and the player of the tournament.

5. Which state is the host of the '53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India'?

A. West Bengal

B. Goa ☑

C. Karnataka

D. Odisha



✓ The '53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India' will be hosted in the state of Goa in November 2022. Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement award is to be given to Spanish film director Carlos Saura. France is the 'Spotlight' country of the event. The second edition of '75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow', an initiative by the Ministry of Broadcasting and Information will also be organised.

6. SIMBEX is a Maritime Bilateral Exercise held between India and which country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Sweden
- C. Switzerland
- D. Singapore



- ✓ The Navies of India and Singapore are participating in the Singapore–India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX) at Visakhapatnam. The Indian Navy is hosting the 29th edition of SIMBEX–2022 in two phases Harbour Phase at Visakhapatnam followed by the Sea Phase in Bay of Bengal. SIMBEX series of exercises began in 1994 and were initially known as Exercise Lion King.
 - 7. Which state recently achieved 100% tap water connections in rural areas under the Jal Jeevan Mission?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Gujarat 2
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. Maharashtra



✓ The Gujarat government has achieved 100% tap water connections in rural areas under the Jal Jeevan Mission. The Mission, which was launched by Prime Minister Modi in 2019, targets to make available 55 litres of water per person every day to each rural household through household tap connections by 2024. Haryana, Goa, Telangana, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu, Puducherry, Andaman, and Nicobar Island have already achieved 100 per cent tap water in households.

- 8. When is the 'Shaurya Diwas' celebrated in India?
- A. October.27 🗹
- B. October.28
- C. October.29
- D. October.30



- ✓ 'Shaurya Diwas' is being celebrated in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir on October 27. The day aims to commemorate the 75th year of air landed operations of Indian Army at Budgam Airport in 1947. Indian Army also celebrates the Infantry Day on October 27. On October 27, 1947, the Indian Army was inducted by the Indian Air Force at Budgam Airport to evict Pakistan's forces from Jammu and Kahmir, after the 'Instrument of Accession' was signed.
 - 9. 'Lakshmir Bhandar scheme' is an initiative of which state government?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Andhra Pradesh
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. West Bengal 🗹



- ✓ The West Bengal government's Lakshmir Bhandar scheme has bagged the SKOCH award in the women and child development category. The West Bengal government launched the scheme in August 2021 to provide financial support to a woman head of a family in the age group of 25−60 years. Under the scheme, Rs 500 is given every month to women in the general caste category and around Rs 1,000 per month to women in the SC and ST categories.
 - 10. India recently observed 'Innovation Day 2022' with which country in October 2022?
 - A. Australia
 - B. Sweden 🗹
 - C. Switzerland
 - D. France



✓ The 9th annual India–Sweden Innovation Day 2022 concluded successfully. The event was organised in association with the Embassy of India to Sweden and Latvia, Sweden–India Business Council (SIBC), and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). The event was themed 'Accelerating India Sweden's Green Transition' and it was attended by over 1,000 participants from across the globe. India Sweden Innovation Day 2022 was hosted by India Unlimited.

| 1. As per the V | Vorld Population I | Prospects 2022. | what is the world | d population. | as of November | 2022? |
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- A. 5 billion
- B. 8 billion ☑
- C. 10 billion
- D. 12 billion



✓ As per the 'World Population Prospects 2022' report, that the world's population will reach 8 billion on November 15, 2022. The UN also said global population growth fell below 1 per cent in 2020 for the first time since 1950. The world's population could grow to around 8.5 billion in 2030, 9.7 billion in 2050 and a peak of around 10.4 billion during the 2080s. India, with a current population of 1.412 billion, will surpass China, with a current population of 1.426 billion, next year.

| 2. w | hich country | signed the | Just Energy | Transition | Partnership | (JETP) i | n the G | 6–20 sum | mit 2022? |
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- A. India
- B. Indonesia 🗹
- C. China
- D. Japan



- ✓ Indonesia signed Just Energy Transition Partnership, or JETP, with international lenders and major nations on the sidelines of the G−20 summit in Bali. The USD 20 billion agreement will provide funding to help the country increase its use of renewable energy and reduce its reliance on coal.
 - 3. Which global group announced the 'Global Shield' insurance initiative?
 - A. G-7 and V20 ☑
 - B. WEF
 - C. UNEP
 - D. G-20 and V20



✓ The 'Global Shield' insurance initiative was officially launched by the G7 and the V20 group of 58 climate vulnerable nations at the COP27 climate summit in Egypt. Germany will provide USD 172 million to the initiative to help low–income and vulnerable countries to rebound in the event of climate calamities. Countries like Canada, Ireland and Denmark have so far pledged a further €40 million to the initiative. The US President also announced to support the initiative.

- 4. Which country is the frontrunner in climate mitigation, as per the Climate Change Performance Index?
- A. Norway
- B. Germany
- C. Denmark
- D. Australia



✓ As per the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI), the current frontrunner in climate mitigation continues to be Denmark. Denmark is the only country with a 'high' national and even 'very high' rated international climate policy. No country is ranked first to third while Denmark is ranked fourth followed by Sweden. India is ranked eighth.

- 5. Which Indian Armed Force conducts the 'Prasthan' structured exercise?
- A. Indian Army
- C. Indian Air Force
- D. Indian Coast Guard



✓ Indian Navy conducted 'Prasthan', structured exercise to evaluate organisational effectiveness in protecting offshore assets off Mumbai on an Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) platform. 'Prasthan' is conducted twice a year under the aegis of Western Naval Command. The Indian Navy is the lead agency and is entrusted with the responsibility of protecting the oil production platforms off the coasts of India.

- 6. Which country is the host of the first edition of India-Mozambique-Tanzania Trilateral Exercise?
- A. India
- B. Mozambique
- C. Tanzania 🗹
- D. Maldives



- ✓ The first edition of the India–Mozambique–Tanzania Trilateral Exercise has recently commenced at Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania. Indian Navy is represented by the guided missile frigate, INS Tarkash, a Chetak helicopter and MARCOS (Special Forces). The exercise has three objectives: capability development to address common threats through training and sharing of best practices, enhancing interoperability, and strengthening maritime cooperation.
 - 7. Which Union Ministry organises the 'SARAS Food festival'?

 - B. Ministry of Women and Child Development
 - C. Ministry of Culture
 - D. Ministry of Home Affairs



✓ Union Rural Development Ministry organises the 'SARAS Food festival'. Recently the Rural Development Minister inaugurated the 'Saras Food Festival, 2022 in New Delhi. The Minister also launched the e–commerce portal www.esaras.in for better marketing of Saras products prepared by women of self–help groups. Ministry of Rural Development is establishing Saras stalls by women SHGs in all State capitals, major cities and metros, airports and railway stations.

- 8. The Prime Minister inaugurated the 'Maze Garden and Miyawaki Forest' in which state?
- A. Gujarat 🗹
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Karnataka



- ✓ The Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently dedicated Maze Garden and Miyawaki Forest in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat. The Miyawaki Forest is named after the technique developed by a Japanese botanist and ecologist Dr Akira Miyawaki to plant saplings of various species close to each other which develops into a dense urban forest.
 - 9. The Ratle hydro–electric project is being constructed in which state/UT?
 - A. Tamil Nadu
 - B. Andhra Pradesh
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. Jammu and Kashmir



- ✓ The Ratle hydro–electric project is a project under construction on Chenab River in Kisthwar district in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. After landslides hit the hydropower plant, 4 people died and over 15 people were injured. In 2021, the Union Cabinet gave its approval for the investment of Rs.5281.94 crore for 850 MW Ratle Hydro Electric Project.
 - 10. Which Indian city hosts the 'Fourth Bangladesh Film Festival' in 2022?
 - A. Guwahati
 - B. Kolkata ☑
 - C. Kohima
 - D. Imphal



✓ The fourth edition of the Bangladesh Film Festival is being hosted in Kolkata. 37 films and documentaries from Bangladesh will be screened at the five—day event. This will be the fourth year, that the Bangladesh Film Festival is being organised in Kolkata. The Cultural Events like book fairs and film festivals strengthen the bond between India and Bangladesh as well as West Bengal and Bangladesh.

1. India hosted the 'LeadIT Summit' on the side-lines of COP27, along with which country?

- B. Japan
- C. Australia
- D. Denmark



✓ India and Sweden hosted the LeadIT Summit, on the side—lines of COP27. The LeadIT (Leadership for Industry Transition) initiative was launched by the governments of Sweden and India at the UN Climate Action Summit in September 2019 and is supported by the World Economic Forum. It focuses on low carbon transition of the hard to abate industrial sector. The summit was followed by the public launch of the LeadIT Summit Statement 2022 in the India Pavilion at COP27.



- A. Israel
- B. UAE
- C. USA 🗹
- D. China



- ✓ American space agency NASA has launched its most powerful rocket 'Artemis' to the Moon. The 100m-tall Artemis vehicle has an objective to send an astronaut capsule in the direction of the Moon. The spacecraft, comprises the Space Launch System (SLS) rocket and Orion capsule.
 - 3. What is the theme of India's G20 Presidency in 2022?
 - A. One Earth, One Family, One Future ☑
 - B. Data Privacy
 - C. Atmanirbhar G-20
 - D. International Trade



- ✓ India will assume G20 Presidency for one year, beginning December 1, 2022, taking over from Indonesia. 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' has been selected as India's theme of G−20 Presidency. The Indian Prime Minister announced that principle of 'Data for development' will be an integral part of overall theme of our Presidency.
 - 4. Which country is the host of the 19th Conference of the Parties to CITES?
 - A. Norway
- B. Germany
- C. Panama
- D. Australia

✓ The 19th Conference of the Parties to CITES is being held in Panama, a Central American country. CITES is an agreement regulating the movement across international borders of certain wild animal and plant species. India has proposed to protect a species of freshwater reptile called the red−crowned roofed turtle under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES). The turtle, native to India and Bangladesh, is at a high risk of extinction.

- 5. When is the 'World Thrift Day' observed in India?
- A. October.30 ☑
- B. November 01
- C. November.10
- D. November.15



- ✓ The 98th year celebration of World Thrift Day is marked on 30th October in India. The first International Thrift Congress which was held in Milan, Italy in 1924 had declared October 31 as the World Thrift Day. The aim of celebrating this day is to change our behaviour towards the saving and constantly reminds us the importance of wealth. This year the theme is 'Saving prepares you for the future.'
 - 6. Lula da Silva has been elected as the new President of which country?
 - A. Australia
 - B. Brazil 🗹
 - C. United Kingdom
 - D. New Zealand



- ✓ Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva has won Brazil's presidential election by a small margin of 2 million votes thereby defeating incumbent Jair Bolsonaro. Although the Left—wing former leader Lula wins presidency, incumbent far—right contender Jair Bolsonaro has not conceded his defeat yet. The election marked the first time that the sitting president failed to win re—election.
 - 7. Which Union Ministry signed MoU with FIFA and AIFF to implement 'Football4Schools' initiative in India?
 - A. Ministry of Education

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 - B. Ministry of Women and Child Development
 - C. Ministry of Culture
 - D. Ministry of Home Affairs



✓ Union Education Ministry has recently signed MoU with FIFA and AIFF for implementing 'Football4Schools' initiative in India. 'Football4Schools' program is expected to be a positive tool to inspire children and ensure their holistic development, by main–streaming sports along with studies.

- 8. What is the TB incidence of India (per 1 lakh population) for the year 2021, as per the Global TB Report 2022?
- A. 101
- B. 210 ☑
- C. 510
- D. 2100



- The World Health Organisation (WHO) released the Global TB Report 2022, which notes the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the diagnosis, treatment and burden of disease for TB. India's TB incidence for the year 2021 is 210 per 100,000 population, compared to the baseline year of 2015. There has been an 18% decline which is 7 percentage points better than the global average of 11%. India is placed at 36th position in terms of TB incidence rates.
 - 9. Pusa Narendra Kalanamak, which was tested recently, is a variety of which crop?
 - A. Wheat
 - B. Rice 🗹
 - C. Mango
 - D. Cotton



- ✓ Indian Agriculture Research Institute has successfully tested two new dwarf varieties: Pusa Narendra Kalanamak 1638 and Pusa Narendra Kalanamak 1652, in Uttar Pradesh. Kalanamak, a traditional variety of paddy with a black husk and a strong fragrance. It is considered a gift from Lord Buddha to the people of the Sravasti. It is grown in 11 districts of the Terai region of Uttar Pradesh and in Nepal. The crop was affected by 'lodging' condition, while the new dwarf variety seeks to give double the yield.
 - 10. Ranipur Tiger Reserve is located in which Indian state?
 - A. Uttar Pradesh
 - B. Assam
 - C. Bihar
 - D. Gujarat

- ✓ Uttar Pradesh's Ranipur Tiger Reserve has become the 53rd tiger reserve of India. The tiger reserve is spread across over 529.36 sq km. It is also the fourth tiger reserve in Uttar Pradesh and the three other tiger reserves being Dudhwa, Pilibhit and Amangarh. Ranipur tiger reserve is covered by northern tropical dry deciduous forests and is home to mammals like tiger, leopard, bear, spotted deer, sambhar, chinkara among others.

- 1. Which institution launched the 'Digital Shakti Campaign 4.0' Campaign?
- A. NITI Aayog
- B. National Commission for Women ☑
- C. Ministry of Women and Child Development
- D. World Economic Forum



- ✓ National Commission for Women (NCW) launched the fourth phase of Digital Shakti Campaign, to make women aware to stand against any illegal or inappropriate online activity. It is a pan—India project on digitally empowering and skilling women in cyberspace. Digital Shakti campaign was launched in 2018, in collaboration with CyberPeace Foundation and Meta. The third phase of the programme started in March 2021.
 - 2. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the National Pension System Trust (NPS Trust)?
 - A. Suraj Bhan 🗹
 - B. Subhash Chandra Garg
 - C. Urjit Patel
 - D. Arvind Subramanian
- ✓ Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority has appointed Suraj Bhan as the chairman of the National Pension System Trust (NPS Trust). The trust is responsible for managing funds under the National Pension System (NPS). He joined the Indian Economic Service in 1983 and retired as Director General of Labour Bureau, Chandigarh.
 - 3. Which state organised the silver jubilee edition of its Tech summit?
 - A. Odisha
 - B. Karnataka 🗹
 - C. Maharashtra
 - D. Gujarat



✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the silver jubilee edition of the Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS 22). To mark the silver jubilee celebration Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraja Bommai released a plaque. The inauguration ceremony was attended by French President Emmanuel Macron and ministers from UAE, Australia and Finland. The event was organised by the state Department of IT, Biotechnology and Science & Technology in association with Software Technology Parks of India (STPI).

- 4. Who has been recently appointed as the fourth full-time member of NITI Aayog?
- A. Raghuram Rajan
- B. Urjit Patel
- C. Arvind Virmani
- D. Arundhati Bhattacharya



✓ The government has appointed senior economist Dr Arvind Virmani as a full–time member of the NITI Aayog. He was the founder-chairman of the non-profit public policy organisation 'Foundation for Economic Growth and Welfare'. He has also served as the Chief Economic Advisor in the Ministry of Finance from 2007-09. At present, NITI Aayog has three members- Dr V K Saraswat, Professor Ramesh Chand and Dr V K Paul.

5. The maximum number of foreigners who visited India during extended period of COVID restrictions, was from which country?

A. UK

B. USA ☑

C. Canada

D. Australia

- As per the recent Home Ministry data, over 15 lakh foreigners, had visited India last year when the country was on an extended period of Covid restrictions and visa regulations. The maximum number of foreigners who visited India during this period were from the United States (4.29 lakh), followed by Bangladesh (2.4 lakh). Ten countries accounted for 74.39 per cent of the total arrival of foreigners during 2021.
 - 6. Yotta D1, North India's first hyper-scale data centre, has been inaugurated in which state?
 - A. Gujarat
 - B. Punjab
 - C. Uttar Pradesh
 - D. Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated North India's first hyper–scale data centre 'Yotta D1'. It was built at the cost of Rs 5,000 crore and spread over an area of 3,00,000 square feet. MoUs worth Rs 39,000 crore were also signed between the state Government and Hiranandani Group to be spent on projects. This data centre park will have a total of 6 data centres.
 - 7. Which Indian state presents the 'Rajyotsava Award' to eminent persons in various fields?
 - A. Kerala
- B. Karnataka 🗹
- C. Andhra Pradesh D. Telangana

✓ The Karnataka government has announced the names of the recipients of 'Rajyotsava Award', as the state celebrates 67th Kannada Rajyotsava this year. It is an annual award presented to eminent persons who have rendered significant service in various fields. Former ISRO Chairman K Sivan, Soligara Madamma who popularised cooperatives, Yakshagana artiste Dr M Prabhakar Joshi are among the 67 awardees.

8. Which city is the host of the 'World Cities Day 2022' celebrations?

A. Tokyo

B. Shanghai 2

C. New Delhi

D. Moscow



- ✓ World Cities Day is celebrated on October 31 every year to highlight the need for international cooperation to promote global urbanisation. A different city hosts the event each year and China's Shanghai is hosting the event this year. 'Better City, Better Life' has been the general theme of World Cities Day since its inception. The sub-theme this year is 'Act Local to Go Global.'
 - 9. North Eastern India's first 'Fish Museum' is set to be built in which state?
 - A. Assam
 - B. Sikkim
 - C. Arunachal Pradesh ☑
 - D. Meghalaya



- ✓ The first of its kind 'Fish Museum' in the Northeast India would be built in Arunachal Pradesh. The existing Tarin Fish Farm (TFF) in the state would be upgraded as the Integrated Aqua Park (IAP), where the museum would come up. One IAP has been sanctioned for each state and Union territory under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampad Yojana (PMMSY).
 - 10. Who is known as the 'Steel Man of India'?
 - A. O P Jindal
 - B. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
 - C. Jamshed J Irani
 - D. Lakshmi Mittal
- Jamshed J Irani, also known as the steel man of India, passed away recently in Jamshedpur in the age of 86. He served as the Managing Director of Tata Steel in 1992 before retiring in 2001. Irani retired from the board of Tata Steel in June 2011, leaving behind a legacy of 43 years. He was conferred the Padma Bhushan in 2007 for his contribution to industry. Dr Irani was also the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Government of India in 2008 for his services in metallurgy.



- 1. India is set to unveil 'Young Professionals Scheme' with which country?
- A. Japan
- B. South Korea
- C. UK 🗹
- D. USA



- ✓ India and the UK are set to unveil a new reciprocal visa arrangement whereby 3,000 degree—holding Indian nationals between the ages of 18 and 30 years will be allowed to come to Britain every year to live and work for up to two years. The UK–India Young Professionals Scheme will be reciprocal and open in early 2023. It is set to be launched during the first bilateral meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his British counterpart Rishi Sunak on the margins of the G20 Summit in Bali. India is the first country to benefit from such a scheme.
 - 2. 'Respect for Marriage Act' is associated with which country?
 - A. Germany
 - B. USA ☑
 - C. UK
 - D. France



- ✓ The US Senate advanced 'Respect for Marriage Act, that would provide federal protections for same—sex and interracial marriages. The Respect for Marriage Act repeals the previous Defense of Marriage Act and safeguards same—sex and inter—racial marriage by requiring the recognition of valid marriages regardless of sex, race, ethnicity or national origin.
 - 3. Donyi Polo Airport has been inaugurated in which state/ UT?
 - A. Sikkim
 - B. Arunachal Pradesh 🗹
 - C. West Bengal
 - D. Jharkhand



✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first greenfield airport in Arunachal Pradesh— Donyi Polo Airport in Hollangi, Itanagar. The foundation stone for the airport was laid by the Prime Minister in February 2019. The Donyi Polo Airport will be the third operational airport in Arunachal Pradesh, taking the total airport count in the northeast region to 16.

- 4. C V Ananda Bose has been appointed as the Governor of which state?
- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Kerala
- D. West Bengal 🗹



- ✓ Dr CV Ananda Bose was appointed as the new Governor of West Bengal. The appointment was announced by a notification from the Rashtrapati Bhavan. Manipur Governor La Ganesan has been holding the additional charge of West Bengal since July after his predecessor Jagdeep Dhankhar resigned after his nomination as the National Democratic Alliance's vice presidential candidate.
 - 5. Which state hosted the 2nd edition of North East Olympic Games in 2022?
 - A. Assam
 - B. Meghalaya 🗹
 - C. Manipur
 - D. Sikkim



- ✓ The 2nd edition of North East Olympic Games was hosted by Shilllong, Meghalaya in 2022. Manipur emerged as the overall team champion with a total of 240 medals. Assam took the second spot with a total of 203 medals followed by Arunachal Pradesh. In the week long event, about 3000 participants from all around the North East states competed in 18 disciplines. Nagaland will host the next edition of the Northeast Olympic Games.
 - 6. What is the theme of the 'Invest Karnataka 2022 Summit'?
 - A. Build for the World ☑
 - B. Global Supply Chain
 - C. Tradition and Technology
 - D. Nature and Culture





✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the inaugural function of 'Invest Karnataka 2022' Summit. This year's edition of the Karnataka's Global Investors Meet, is built under the theme 'Build for the World'. The three–day program will have more than 80 speaker sessions. The sessions are hosted by partner countries – France, Germany, Netherlands, South Korea, Japan & Australia.

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7. India signed a MoU with which country on cooperation in the field of Water Resources Development and Management?

A. Finland

B. Denmark ☑

C. Austria

D. Australia



✓ The Union cabinet approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Denmark on cooperation in the field of Water Resources Development and Management. Both the countries launched a Joint Statement on establishment of Green Strategic Partnership. A Centre of Excellence for Smart Water Resources Management and a smart Lab on Clean River waters in Varanasi is also planned.

8. Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) has demanded ban of which drug to be used on cattle?

B. Progestin

C. Erythromycin

D. Colistin



✓ The Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) has demanded a ban on using aceclofenac in cattle. This was announced after new research found that this drug metabolizes into diclofenac in water buffaloes as well as in cows. Such metabolisms pose a threat to vulture populations in the country. Diclofenac, an anti−inflammatory drug, was banned for veterinary use by the Government of India in 2006, after decline of vulture population.

9. As per a new study, which species may swallow roughly 10 million microplastic pieces daily?

A. Turtle

B. Blue Whale 2

C. Cattle

D. Frog



✓ As per a new study, blue whales may swallow roughly 10 million microplastic pieces daily, or up to about 95 pounds (43.5 kg) of plastic. Krill–favoring humpbacks may ingest about 4 million microplastic pieces (up to 38 pounds of plastic) daily, while those favoring fish may take in roughly 200,000 pieces (up to a couple of pounds of plastic).

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10. Which Union Ministry organised 'Unity Runs' on the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel?

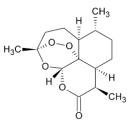
- A. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

 ☑
- B. Ministry of Education
- C. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- D. Ministry of Home Affairs



✓ Department of Youth Affairs and Sports and its affiliate organizations namely Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) and National Service Scheme (NSS) organized Unity Runs on the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel in all districts. Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur flagged off the Run for Unity from Mohali, Punjab. Across the country, 90,122 Runs for Unity were organized with participation of 55.32 Lakh, to generate awareness among citizens about the essence of national unity.

- 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?
- 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 15th 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
- 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.

1. As per the Global Information Technology Report (GITR) 2022, which country tops the Network Readiness Index?

- A. USA 🗹
- B. Singapore
- C. India
- D. Sweden



- ✓ USA, Singapore, Sweden, Netherlands and Swiss are the most network ready countries as per Network Readiness Index 2022. The Index was launched in 2002 by the World Economic Forum as part of the Global Information Technology Report (GITR). It is a key metric of the use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for development and competitiveness. This year's theme is 'Stepping into the new digital era: How and why digital natives will shape the world'.
 - 2. Who was honoured with the Indian Film Personality of the Year 2022 award in the 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI)?
 - A. Rajinikanth

 - C. Kamal Hassan
 - D. Mohanlal



- ✓ At the opening ceremony of the 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI), Telugu superstar Chiranjeevi was honoured with the Indian Film Personality of the Year 2022 award. IFFI Goa began with an opening ceremony attended by Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur, Goa Governor PS Sreedharan Pillai, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant.
 - 3. Which forum launched the "Loss and Damage fund" to support poorer countries?
 - A. COP-27 ☑
 - B. G–20 Annual Summit
 - C. ASEAN Annual Summit
 - D. WEF Annual Summit



✓ Nearly 200 countries at the UN climate summit COP-27 agreed to set up a "loss and damage fund" to support poorer countries which are affected by climate impacts. 'Loss and damage' refer to costs being incurred from climate-fuelled weather extremes or impacts, like rising sea levels. The fund covers the cost of damage that poorer countries cannot avoid or adapt to.

- 4. Which is the first Indian table tennis player to win a medal in the ITTF-ATTU Asian Cup?
- A. Sharath Kamal
- C. Sreeja Akula
- D. Sathiyan Gnanasekaran



- ✓ Manika Batra became the first Indian table tennis player to win a medal in the ITTF-ATTU Asian Cup Table Tennis Tournament, held in Bangkok, Thailand. She has won a bronze medal by defeating world No. 6 Hina Hayata of Japan. Chetan Baboor, with silver in 1997 and bronze in 2000, was the only Indian table tennis player to win a medal at the Asian Cup before this.
 - 5. Which country is the chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI) in 2022?
 - A. Sri Lanka
 - B. Bangladesh
 - C. India ☑
 - D. United Kingdom



- ✓ India assumed the Chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI) from the outgoing chair France. GPAI is an association of 25 member countries, including the US, the UK, EU, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, and Singapore. India joined GPAI in 2020 as a founding member.
 - 6. As per the UN-FAO joint report, eight million people of which country is at the risk of hunger?

 - B. Israel
 - C. Sri Lanka
 - D. Egypt



✓ As per a recent report released by Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), the UN children's fund UNICEF and the World Food Programme, almost eight million people in South Sudan, or two thirds of the population in the deeply troubled country, are at risk of hunger. As per the report, proportion of people facing high levels of food insecurity and malnourishment is at the highest level ever, surpassing levels seen even during the conflict in 2013 and 2016.

- 7. India's largest wind turbine has been recently installed in which state?
- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Gujarat 2
- D. Karnataka



- ✓ Adani New Industries has installed India's largest Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) at Mundra in Gujarat. The turbine is said to be taller than Statue of Unity (182 meters). The turbine has been installed by Mundra Windtech Ltd (MWL), a wholly–owned subsidiary incorporated by Adani Enterprises Ltd (AEL).
 - 8. Which Indian chess players won the open and women's titles in the Asian Continental Chess championship?
 - A. R Praggnanandhaa and P V Nandhidhaa ☑
 - B. B Adhiban and Koneru Humpy
 - C. R Praggnanandhaa and Koneru Humpy
 - D. B Adhiban and P V Nandhidhaa



- ✓ Top—seeded Indian Grandmaster, R Praggnanandhaa and compatriot P V Nandhidhaa won the titles in the Open and women's sections respectively in the Asian Continental Chess championship. Praggnanandhaa drew with compatriot B Adhiban in the ninth and final round to win the title with seven points. The victory also earned Praggnanandhaa a ticket to the next FIDE World Cup. In the women's event, Nandhidhaa remained unbeaten throughout to finish first with 7.5 points.
 - 9. Ela Bhatt, who passed away recently, was the founder of which flagship institution?
 - A. SEWA 🗹
 - B. AICTU
 - C. China
 - D. Indonesia



✓ Renowned women's rights activist Ela Bhatt, who is also the founder of SEWA (Self Employed Women's Association), passed away recently. SEWA was formed as a trade union of women working in the unorganized sector, which now has two million members. The 89-year-old, also a Padma Bhushan recipient, was a pioneer in the field of women empowerment and received international recognition.

10. Which country's President will be the Chief Guest at the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention?

- A. Australia
- B. Israel
- C. Guyana 🗹
- D. Brazil



✓ Guyana President Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali will be the chief guest at the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention. It will be held in January 2023 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The External Affairs Ministry also said that Zaneta Mascarenhas, Member of Parliament of Australia, will be the guest of honour at the Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas. The theme of the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is – Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal.

- 1. 'Karmayogi Prarambh' is a course prepared for which segment of people?
- A. Non-Resident Indians
- C. MSMEs
- D. Unorganised Sector Employees



- ✓ The Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Karmayogi Prarambh Module, an online orientation course prepared for government employees. He also launched the programme of providing appointment letters to more than 71,000 youth, under the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Mela.
 - 2. 'Sangai Festival' is a cultural festival celebrated in which state?
 - A. West Bengal
 - B. Odisha
 - C. Manipur 🗹
 - D. Assam



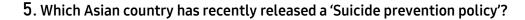
- ✓ Union Tourism Minister G Kishan Reddy inaugurated the 'Manipur Sangai Festival 2022' at the Sangai Ethnic Park. The 10-day-long festival will be held in 13 venues across the north-eastern state till November 30. The festival is celebrated as the Festival of Oneness to achieve unity through the participation of all indigenous communities of the state.
 - 3. Which city is the host of the Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue in 2022?
 - A. Colombo
 - B. New Delhi
 - C. Dhaka
 - D. Islamabad



- ✓ The 4th edition of Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue (IPRD) has been inaugurated in New Delhi on the theme of "Operationalising the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative". IPRD is an apex level international annual conference of the Indian Navy. The National Maritime Foundation is the knowledge partner and chief organizer of the event.
 - 4. Which Indian was conferred the UNEP 'Champions of the Earth' award in 2022?
 - A. Purnima Devi Barman 🗹
 - B. Narendra Modi
 - C. K K Shailaja
 - D. Piyush Goyal



✓ Purnima Devi Barman, an Assam-based wildlife biologist, was awarded the 'Champions of the Earth' award this year. It is presented by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). Barman won the award in the 'Entrepreneurial Vision' category, for her work in protecting the 'Greater adjutant stork', called 'hargila' in Assamese.



A. Sri Lanka

B. Bangladesh

C. India ☑

D. United Kingdom



✓ India's Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare announced a National Suicide Prevention Strategy. The country's first of its kind policy has time-bound action plans and multi-sectoral collaborations to achieve reduction in suicide mortality by 10% by 2030. It seeks to establish effective surveillance mechanisms for suicide within the next three years, establish psychiatric outpatient departments in all districts within the next five years, and to integrate a mental wellbeing curriculum in all educational institutions within the next eight years.

6. In which month, the 'World Tsunami Awareness Day' observed?

A. January

B. May

C. September

D. November ☑



- ✓ In 2015 the United Nations declared that each year 5 November would be observed as World Tsunami Awareness Day. It is a reminder that when a tsunami strikes, everyone must be ready to get to high ground. As per the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction, Early warning and early action are effective tools to protect people and preventing the hazard from becoming a disaster.
 - 7. Which city is the host of 'Agro Tech India Agri and Food Technology Fair' in 2022?

A. Mumbai

C. Mysuru

D. Gandhinagar

✓ The 15th edition of the Agro Tech India organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) is scheduled to be held in Chandigarh from November 4 to 7. The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, and Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) are partners for CII Agro Tech India −Agri and Food Technology Fair'. This year's theme is 'Digital Transformation for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security'.

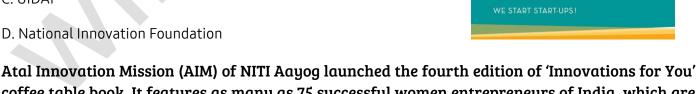
- 8. When is the 'National Cancer Awareness Day' observed in India?
- A. August.07
- B. November.07 ☑
- C. December.07
- D. January.07



- ✓ 'National Cancer Awareness Day' is observed on November 7 every year in India, to highlight the risks of cancer. National Cancer Awareness Day was announced in September 2014. It also coincided with the birth anniversary of Nobel laureate Marie Curie, whose contributions led to the development of radiotherapy for cancer treatment.
 - 9. Who is the first recipient of the Kerala Jyothi award instituted by the Kerala State Government?
 - A. Adoor Gopalakrishnan
 - B. M T Vasudevan Nair 🗹
 - C. Kanayi Kunhiraman
 - D. Vaikom Vijayalakshmi



- ✓ Veteran writer M.T. Vasudevan Nair has been named the recipient of the first Kerala Jyothi award instituted by the State Government. The jury was chaired by the renowned film-maker Adoor Gopalakrishnan. Actor Mammootty, former civil servant, social activist T. Madhava Menon among others are selected for the Kerala Prabha award while sculptor Kanayi Kunhiraman, scientist and educationist M.P. Parameswaran and singer Vaikom Vijayalakshmi among others will be presented Kerala Sree award.
 - 10. Which institution launched the fourth edition of 'Innovations for You' coffee table book?
 - A. NITI Aayog
 - B. Reserve Bank of India
 - C. UIDAI



✓ Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) of NITI Aayog launched the fourth edition of 'Innovations for You' coffee table book. It features as many as 75 successful women entrepreneurs of India, which are supported by Atal Incubation Centres (AICs) of AIM, NITI Aayog. The 'Innovations for You' series capture how start-ups are innovating to create a sustainable future.

- 1. Which country has recently passed its Free trade Agreement (FTA) with India?
- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Australia 2
- C. France
- D. Germany



- ✓ Australian Parliament has passed the country's Free trade Agreement (FTA) with India, announced Prime Minister Anthony Albanese. Once implemented, the trade agreement will provide duty—free access to the Australian market for over 6,000 sectors of India, including textiles, leather, furniture, jewellery and machinery. Australia offers zero—duty access to India for about 96.4% of exports from day one.
 - 2. 'Arittapatti' has been notified as the first Biodiversity Heritage Site of which state?
 - A. Tamil Nadu 🗹
 - B. Kerala
 - C. Telangana
 - D. Odisha



- ✓ Arittapatti village in Madurai district has been notified as the first Biodiversity Heritage Site in Tamil Nadu. It has a rich biological and historical significance with the presence of around 250 bird species including 3 Raptor species Laggar Falcon, Shaheen Falcon, Bonelli's Eagle. It also has wild—life like Pangolin, Python, and Slender Loris. The notification comes under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.
 - 3. Article 324 of the Constitution, which was seen in the news, is related to the appointment of which position?
 - A. President
 - B. Governor
 - C. Election commissioner

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 - D. Supreme Court Judge
- ✓ The Supreme Court noted the absence of a law governing the appointments of election commissioners and chief election commissioners a disturbing trend. The court flagged Article 324 of the Constitution, which talks about the appointment of election commissioners, and said it does not provide the procedure for such appointments. Since 2004, no chief election commissioner has completed the six—year tenure.



- 4. As per the recent OECD report, what is the GDP forecast for India for FY23?
- A. 6.1%
- B. 6.6% ☑
- C. 7.2%
- D. 7.5%



- ✓ The Organisation for Economic Co−operation and Development (OECD) cut its gross domestic growth forecast for India for FY23 to 6.6 per cent from 6.9 per cent. The reasons are higher medium−term global uncertainty and slowing domestic economic activity. India is set to be the second−fastest growing economy in the G−20 in FY23, despite decelerating global demand and the tightening of monetary policy.
 - 5. Which institution issued a working paper on decline of India's rankings on global indices?
 - A. NITI Aayog
 - B. Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister ☑
 - C. Department of Economic Affairs
 - D. Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances



- ✓ The Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister, EAC−PM has issued a working paper titled 'Why India does poorly on global perception indices: Case study of three opinion–based indices'. It says that the decline in India's rankings on a number of global indices is due to the problems with the methodology used in these opinion–based indices. The Paper has analysed − Freedom in the World Index, V−DEM indices, and EIU Democracy Index.
 - 6. As per a recent global study on snake bites, the number of deaths due to snakebite was the highest in which country?
 - A. Ghana
 - B. Sri Lanka
 - C. India 🗹
 - D. Egypt



✓ A new global study has found that over 63,000 people died across the world due to snakebites in 2019, and out of this the number of deaths was the highest in India at more than 51,000. In the study authored by the 'Global Burden of Disease (GBD),' snakebite envenoming is the deadliest neglected tropical disease (NTD).

- 7. Which state is the host of the 'National Tribal Dance Festival' in 2022?
- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Chhattisgarh
- D. Jharkhand



- ✓ The 'National Tribal Dance Festival' has been recently hosted by Chhattisgarh's Raipur. The festival is attended by nearly 1 lakh people. As many as 1,500 dancers from across India and countries like Mozambique, Mongolia, Tonga, Russia, Indonesia, Maldives, Serbia, New Zealand and Egypt participated in the festival.
 - 8. Which institution releases the State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA)?
 - A. UNEP
 - B. UNFCCC
 - C. FAO ☑
 - D. World Economic Forum



- ✓ The State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA) is one of the flagship reports produced each year by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The 2022 edition of the report looks at how automation in our agrifood systems can contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. It also offers recommendations to policy makers on how to maximize the benefits and minimize the risks.
 - 9. 'Pushkar Mela' is the flagship cultural fair held in which Indian state?
 - A. Rajasthan 🗹
 - B. Punjab
 - C. Assam
 - D. Goa



✓ 'Pushkar Mela' is one of the greatest tourist attractions of the state of Rajasthan. It includes cultural performances, nature walks, a sand art festival, kite festival, annual five—day camel and livestock fair held in the town of Pushkar between the months of October and November. Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the 'Pushkar Mela' fair in Jaipur. This year, the eight—day event will not include the famous cattle fair, owing to the spread of lumpy skin disease.

10. What is the name of the new chatbot launched by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)?

- A. UIDAI Bharat
- B. Aadhaar Mitra 🗹
- C. Aadhaar Disha
- D. Aadhaar Prashna



✓ The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has topped the 'Grievance Redressal Index' published by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG). This is the third month in a row when UIDAI has topped the rankings. The UIDAI also launched a new AI/ML based chatbot named 'Aadhaar Mitra'. The new Chatbot comes with enhanced features like − checking Aadhaar enrollment status, information on enrollment centre location among others.

- 1. Which is the first state to create the role of Director General of Audit?
- A. Tamil Nadu 🗹
- B. Odisha
- C. Kerala
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ Tamil Nadu is the first State to create the role of Director General of Audit in India. The state has appointed an officer from the Indian Audit and Accounts Service on deputation, for this role. The officer's responsibility will be to strengthen and streamline the functioning of internal audit departments in the state.
 - 2. 'Chin-Kuki-Mizo Ethnic Communities' are associated with which country?
 - A. China
 - B. Russia
 - C. Bangladesh 🗹
 - D. Thailand



- ✓ Following the fights between Bangladeshi security forces and the Kuki–Chin National Army (KNA), tribals of Chin–Kuki ethnic community are fleeing Bangladesh. Mizoram government announced to provide temporary shelter, food and relief to as many as 274 Bangladeshi tribal nationals who fleed Bangladesh.
 - 3. Operation Turtshield was launched by which country?
 - A. China
 - B. India 🗹
 - C. Russia
 - D. Indonesia



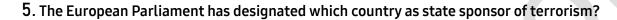
✓ The 19th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP 19) to the Convention on International Trade
in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) is being held at Panama City. India's
proposal for induction of fresh water turtle 'Batagur kachuga' earned support of the parties in
CoP 19 of CITES. CITES also lauded the result achieved by the country in operations initiated by the
Wildlife Crime Control Bureau namely Operation Turtshield, to eliminate poaching and illegal
trade of fresh water turtles.

| 4. | Which | country | launched | the 'O | rion s | pacecraft'? |
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- A. Japan
- B. USA 🗹
- C. UAE
- D. Israel



✓ NASA's Orion spacecraft has successfully performed its first Moon flyby as part of the uncrewed Artemis I mission. It has passed within 130 kilometres of the lunar surface. Orion will travel about 57,287 miles beyond the Moon at its farthest point from the Moon, passing the record set by Apollo 13. Orion will enter a distant retrograde orbit beyond the Moon.



- A. China
- B. Russia 2
- C. Afghanistan
- D. Pakistan



✓ The European Parliament has designated Russia a state sponsor of terrorism. It has argued that its military strikes on Ukrainian civilian targets such as energy infrastructure, hospitals, schools and shelters violated international law. Though the European Union does not have a legal framework in place to back it up, the bloc has already imposed unprecedented sanctions on Russia over its invasion of Ukraine.

6. World's First Vedic Clock is being constructed in which city?

- A. Kanchipuram
- B. Jaipur
- C. Ujjain ☑
- D. Dwaraka



✓ The foundation stone of the construction work of the World's First Vedic Clock has been done in the city of Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh. The 'Vedic Clock' will be constructed at Jantar Mantar Government Jiwaji Observatory at a cost of Rs 1.62 cr. This clock will be fixed on the basis of the principles of Vedic time calculation. The application of the Vedic Clock will be used for moon position, festival, auspicious time, birth anniversary, fast, festival major holidays among others.

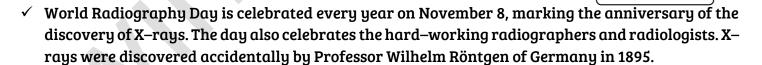
- 7. Which state is the host of 'Rising Sun Water Fest–2022' event?
- A. Meghalaya 🗹
- B. West Bengal
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ The Rising Sun Water Fest–2022 was held in the state of Meghalaya at Umiam Lake. The three day water sports and cultural fair was a first of its kind in the North East. It is aimed at encouraging the youth of North East to take up water sports like Rowing and Sailing. It also aimed at promoting tourism in the North East. It was an initiative by the Indian Army's Eastern Command with the governments of Assam and Meghalaya.
 - 8. India's first voter Master Shyam Saran Negi was from which state?
 - A. Assam
 - B. Himachal Pradesh 🗹
 - C. West Bengal
 - D. Gujarat



- ✓ The country's first voter 106-year-old Master Shyam Saran Negi passed away, after a prolonged illness. He was a resident of Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh. His last rites were performed with full honours by the district administration. Mr. Negi had cast his vote for the Himachal Pradesh assembly elections through postal ballot three days ago through postal ballot.
 - 9. When is the 'World Radiography Day' observed across the world?
 - A. November.05
- C. November.15
- D. November.25

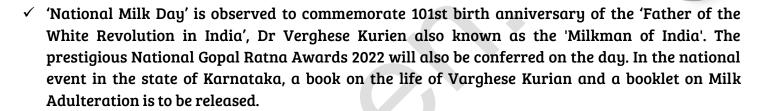


- 10. UNGA has designated which date as the 'World Day for the prevention of and healing from child sexual exploitation, abuse and violence'?
- A. November.15
- B. November.18 ☑
- C. November.25
- D. November.27
- ✓ The UN General Assembly has adopted a resolution to designate November 18 every year as the World Day for the prevention of and healing from child sexual exploitation, abuse and violence. It encourages commitments to raise awareness of those affected by child sexual abuse and the need to prevent child sexual exploitation, abuse and violence.

- 1. 'Sonzal-2022' is an annual youth festival held in which state/UT?
- A. Jammu and Kashmir 🗹
- B. Odisha
- C. Kerala
- D. Rajasthan



- ✓ Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha inaugurated the annual youth festival 'Sonzal–2022' at the University of Kashmir. The festival is an opportunity for young artists to showcase their talents and 'Sonzal' provides them with a platform to achieve the dream of 'Ek Bharat, Shreshta Bharat'.
 - 2. 'National Milk Day' is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of which personality?
 - A. M S Swaminathan
- C. Charan Singh
- D. Morarji Desai



- 3. India's first-ever Night Sky Sanctuary is located in which state/UT?
- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. Sikkim
- C. Uttarakhand
- D. Ladakh 🗹



- ✓ India's first—ever Night Sky Sanctuary is being set up by Council of Scientific & Industrial Research under Union Ministry of Science & Technology, in Ladakh's Hanle. The proposed Dark Sky Reserve will be located at Hanle as a part of Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary. It will boost Astro—tourism in India and will be one of the world's highest—located sites for optical, infra—red, and gamma—ray telescopes.
 - 4. Which country has partnered with China for a 27-year natural gas supply deal?
 - A. UAE
 - B. Qatar **☑**
 - C. Iran
 - D. Russia



- ✓ Qatar Energy announced a 27–year natural gas supply deal with China. It is the longest such gas agreement signed till date. The state energy company will send four million tonnes of liquefied natural gas annually from its new North Field East project to China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Sinopec).
 - 5. When is the 'Constitution Day' celebrated in India?
 - A. November.24
- B. November.26 ☑
- C. November.30
- D. December.01



- ✓ Since 2015, November 26 is observed as Constitution Day to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly in 1949. Earlier, the day was observed as Law Day. During the programme, the prime minister will launch new initiatives under the e−court project including the 'virtual justice clock', 'JustIS' mobile app 2.0, digital court and 'S3WaaS' websites.
 - 6. Which country is the host of 26th International Malabar Naval Exercise in 2022?
 - A. Australia
 - B. Japan 🗹
 - C. India
 - D. USA



- ✓ India is participating in 26th International Malabar Naval Exercise beginning in Yokosuka of Japan. Australia, Japan and the USA are also participating in the Malabar Naval Exercise. The MALABAR Exercise was initiated in 1992 between the navies of India and the United States. India is participating in the exercise with Indian Naval Ships (INS) Shivalik and Kamorta.
 - 7. 'Nankana Sahib' is a Sikh pilgrimage place located in which country?
 - A. India
 - B. Pakistan 🗹
 - C. Nepal
 - D. Bangladesh



✓ The Union Home Ministry has facilitated the visit of Indian Sikh pilgrims to Nankana Sahib in Pakistan on the occasion of Gurupurab. A total of 2420 Indian Sikh pilgrims departed for Pakistan to participate in the Guru Nanak Jayanti celebrations with a ten−day Pakistani Pilgrim Visa. A total of 433 pilgrims from India visited Sri Kartarpur Sahib Gurdwara in Pakistan on the occasion of Gurupurab.

- 8. Anamalai Tiger Reserve is located in which state?
- A. Tamil Nadu 🗹
- B. Kerala
- C. West Bengal
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ The Anamalai Tiger Reserve has launched an elephant adoption programme, under which nongovernmental organisations, institutions, trusts or individuals can sponsor the expenses of Forest Department's camp elephants. The sponsor will bear expenses of the feeds, medicines, health supplements and other incidental expenses. Any donor who is willing to adopt the elephants will get an exemption under section 80 G of the Income Tax Act 1961.
 - 9. Mathura–Vrindavan is a pilgrimage centre in which state?
 - A. Gujarat
 - B. Uttarakhand
 - C. Uttar Pradesh
 - D. Punjab



- ✓ Mathura–Vrindavan, one of India's major pilgrimage centres, aims to become a 'net zero carbon emission' tourist destination by 2041. As per the Uttar Pradesh government, the draft redevelopment plan calls for ban on tourist vehicles and switch to electric vehicles for public transport. Annual tourist footfall to Mathura–Vrindavan is expected to grow to 6 crores by 2041.
 - 10. Which state/UT has launched 'Mukhyamantri Devdarshan Yatra Yojana'?
 - A. Goa ☑
 - B. New Delhi
 - C. Uttar Pradesh
 - D. Gujarat



✓ Goa government has formally launched a state—sponsored pilgrimage scheme for people named 'Mukhyamantri Devdarshan Yatra Yojana'. Under the scheme, people over the age of 50 years are eligible to apply and the state government funds the meals and boarding of pilgrims during the tours. Chief Minister Pramod Sawant flagged off a bus carrying passengers to Tirupati under the scheme.

1. 'World Intellectual Property Indicators' is a report released by which institution?

- A. World Economic Forum
- B. Asian Development Bank
- C. NITI Aayog





✓ Geneva—based World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) released the World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) report. As per the report, global intellectual property filings of patents, trademarks, and designs—reached record levels in 2021 are driven largely by increases from Asian countries of India, China, and South Korea.

2. Which year is declared as the 'International Year of Millets'?

A. 2021

B. 2022

C. 2023 🗹

D. 2025

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✓ Union External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar attended the pre-launch celebration of International Year of Millets (IYM) 2023. In 2018, India proposed to the United Nation to declare 2023 as the International Year of Millets. It was approved by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) in 2018.

3. As per GST Act, states are assured for compensation for loss of revenue regarding GST, up to how many years?

- A. Three
- C. Seven
- D. Ten



✓ Goods and Services Tax was introduced in the country with effect from July 1, 2017. The states were assured for compensation for loss of any revenue arising on account of implementation of GST as per the provisions of the GST (Compensation to States) Act, 2017 for a period of five years. Centre has recently released Rs 17,000 crore to States and Union Territories as balance compensation for goods and services tax (GST) for the period, April−June 2022.

4. Which satellite was launched aboard the PSLV-C54 rocket by ISRO?

- A. OceanSat-3 ☑
- B. ICRISat-3
- C. AstroSat-3
- D. RISAT-3



✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched successfully PSLV-C54 carrying Oceansat-3 also known as Earth Observation Satellite-6, and 8 nano-satellites. The satellite was launched from Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh. The eight nanosatellites include ISRO Nano Satellite-2 for Bhutan (INS-2B), Anand, Astrocast (four satellites), and two Thybolt satellites.

- 5. Who has been named as the national ambassador for TB Mukt Bharat Campaign?
- A. Virat Kohli
- B. Deepika Padukone
- C. Deepa Malik 🗹
- D. PV Sindhu



- ✓ Padma Shri Khel Ratna and Arjuna Awardee Deepa Malik has been named Ni–Kshay Mitra and national ambassador for TB Mukt Bharat Campaign. Deepa Malik is India's First Woman Paralympic Medalist and President of the Paralympic Committee of India. Ni–Kshay Mitra is an initiative launched by the President of India Droupadi Murmu which seeks to provide aid to TB afflicted patients on three levels of nutritional, additional diagnostic, and vocational support.
 - 6. Who has sworn in as the 50th Chief Justice of India?
 - A. Justice D Y Chandrachud
 - B. Justice U U Lalit
 - C. Justice Ranjan Gogoi
 - D. Justice Sanjay Kishan Kau



- ✓ Justice D Y Chandrachud took charge as the 50th Chief Justice of India. He was recommended for the top post by former CJI UU Lalit recently. The senior—most judge of the apex court—Justice Chandrachud is set to serve as CJI for a period of two years, succeeding Uday Umesh Lalit, who had a brief tenure of 74 days. Justice Chandrachud will serve as Chief Justice till November 2024.
 - 7. When is the 'National Legal Services Day' observed in India?
 - A. November.03
- B. November.05
- C. November.09 ☑
- D. November.11



✓ 'National Legal Services Day' is observed across the country annually on 9 November. It aims to commemorate the enactment of the Legal Services Authorities Act and to create awareness about the provisions related to the act. The Legal Services Authorities Act was enacted in 1987 to provide a "statutory base to legal aid programmes" in India on a uniform pattern. The Act came into existence on 9 November 1995. The purpose of the Act is to provide competent and free legal aid to people who belonged to marginalised socio–economic communities in the country.

- 8. Which Asian country is named as the host of 2023 IBA Women's World Boxing Championship?
- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Pakistan
- C. Nepal
- D. India ☑



- ✓ India has been named as the host country for the 2023 IBA Women's World Boxing Championship. The Memorandum of Understanding regarding the event was signed between the International Boxing Association (IBA) and the Boxing Federation of India (BFI). It will be the third Women's World Championships to be conducted in India and the second event within a span of six years.
 - 9. How many countries are part of Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC), as of November 2022?
 - A. Three
 - B. Five **☑**
 - C. Seven
 - D. Nine



- ✓ India is among the first five countries to join the MAC, at the 27th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP27) at Sharm el–Sheikh in Egypt. The other countries are Australia, Japan, Spain, and Sri Lanka. The move is in line with India's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to create an additional carbon sink of 2.5–3 billion tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO2) equivalent.
 - 10. The 'International Drought Resilience Alliance (IDRA)' was launched in which year?
 - A. 2022 ☑
 - B. 2010
 - C. 2015
 - D. 2020



✓ Spain and Senegal led 30 countries and 20 global organisations to launch the 'International Drought Resilience Alliance (IDRA)'. It was launched at the 27th Conference of Parties (COP27) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC) at Sharm El−Sheikh. The alliance is seen as a specific solution for the United Nations to the impacts of climate change, as it will help each other to be better prepared for future droughts.

1. CITES COP19 has recently accepted the proposal to downgrade the status of which animal?

- A. Himalayan Yak
- B. Indian Soft Turtle
- C. Southern white rhinos ☑
- D. Great Indian Bustard



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✓ CITES COP19 has recently accepted the proposal to downgrade the status of southern white rhinos from Appendix I to Appendix II. The COP−19 accepted the proposal by Botswana and Namibia to degrade the status. Wild animal species listed in Appendix I include those threatened with extinction.

2. 'I have Electric Dreams', which won the Golden Peacock Award, is a movie made in which language?

- A. English
- B. Chinese
- C. Spanish
- D. German



✓ The 53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) concluded recently. Spanish film 'I have electric dreams' directed by Valentina Maurel won the Golden Peacock award. Vahid Mobasseri, the lead actor of No End, was honoured with Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Male), while Daniela Marin Navarro, lead Actor of Best Film I Have Electric Dreams was honoured with Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Female). Iranian writer and director Nader Saeivar got Silver Peacock for Best Director for No End. France was the 'Spotlight' country this year.

3. India has sent a team to which country to assess potential lithium deposits?

- A. Australia
- B. Brazil
- C. Argentina
- D. Egypt



✓ India has sent a team of three geologists to Argentina to assess potential lithium deposits and possible acquisition opportunities in the country. The team comprises of one geologist each from Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd (MECL), KABIL (Khanij Bidesh India Ltd) and the Geological Survey of India (GSI). India does not have any lithium resource and the mineral is primarily imported. Lithium is the key component of rechargeable batteries used in EVs.

4. Which country's President has been named as the Chief Guest at Republic Day celebrations?

- A. UAE
- C. Australia
- D. Japan



✓ India has invited Egyptian President Abdel Fattah Al Sisi as the chief guest on Republic Day 2023, as per the Ministry of External Affairs. This would be the first time that an Egyptian president would be the chief guest at the Indian Republic Day celebrations. Egypt is one of the nine guest countries to the G20 summit under India's presidency. Both countries are celebrating the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations this year.

5. Which city's museum restoration project has been conferred with 'Award of Excellence' at UNESCO?

A. Bengaluru

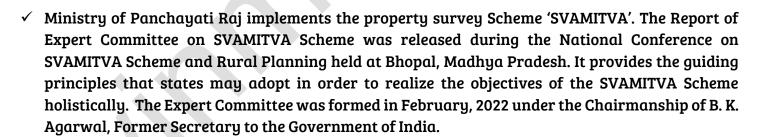
B. Mumbai 🗹

C. Cochin

D. Panaji



- ✓ Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS) of Mumbai was conferred with the 'Award of Excellence' at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Asia−Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation−2022. The Award of Distinction is given to Stepwells of Golconda, Hyderabad while the award of Merit − Domakonda Fort, Telangana, and Byculla Station, Mumbai.
 - 6. Which Union Ministry implements the 'SVAMITVA' scheme?
 - A. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
 - B. Ministry of Panchayati Raj 🗹
 - C. Ministry of Rural Development
 - D. Ministry of Science and Technology



- 7. Which metro city has reported a sudden outbreak of Measles?
- A. Chennai
- B. Mumbai 🗹
- C. New Delhi
- D. Kolkata



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✓ The Central Government has deputed a high-level multi-disciplinary team to Mumbai to assess the situation and manage the measles outbreak in the city. Mumbai's civic body- Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation detected 15 suspected cases of measles in Govandi. Measles is a contagious

disease caused by a virus, which infects the respiratory tract and then spreads throughout the body.

- 8. What is the theme of 'World Science Day for Peace and Development' 2022?
- B. Growth and World Peace
- C. Science and Society
- D. Learning and Teaching



- ✓ World Science Day for Peace and Development is observed annually on November 10. It aims to create awareness on how important science is to society and in our everyday life. 'Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development' is the focus of this year's World Science Day for Peace and Development.
 - 9. Which state is the host of 'Khelo India National University games' in 2023–24?
 - A. Karnataka
 - B. Odisha
 - C. Uttar Pradesh
 - D. West Bengal



- ✓ Uttar Pradesh will host the Khelo India National University games in 2023–24in four cities of the state namely Lucknow, Gorakhpur, Varanasi and Noida. After Odisha and Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh is hosting the National University Games for the first time. Athletes below 26 years will participate in the National University Games. The government also appointed 12 former athletes as coaches in different disciplines.
 - 10. Which country recently hosted the 2nd BIMSTEC Agriculture Ministers meeting?
 - A. Sri Lanka
 - B. India 🗹
 - C. Maldives
 - D. Taiwan



✓ India hosted the 2nd BIMSTEC Agriculture Ministers meeting under the chairmanship of Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar, in New Delhi. Agriculture Ministers of Bhutan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, and Thailand participated in the meeting. BIMSTEC stands for Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi–Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation.

1. 'Samanvay 2022' is a Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Exercise organised by which armed force?

A. Indian Army B. Indian Navy

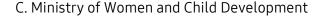
C. Indian Air Force

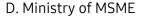
☑ D. Indian Coast Guard

✓ Indian Air Force conducted the Annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Exercise 'Samanvay 2022' at Air Force Station Agra. With this exercise, the Indian Air Force aims to assess the efficacy of institutional disaster management structures and contingency measures. The exercise witnessed participation by representatives from the ASEAN countries.



B. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare







- ✓ The Union Ministry of Rural Development launched the month—long campaign named 'Nai Chetna', as a people's movement. The campaign is launched by the Ministry of Rural Development to make women, especially in rural areas, aware of their rights and mechanism available to help redress their grievances. It was launched on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on 25th November 2022.
 - 3. Who is the head of the panel set up to revamp Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA)?

A. Amarjeet Sinha 🗹

B. A K Sikri

C. Ranjan Gogoi

D. V V Ramana



- ✓ A panel headed by former Rural Development Secretary Amarjeet Sinha, has been set up to recommend structural and other reforms required under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA). The panel is to suggest measures to reduce regional imbalance by offering more opportunities to the most deserving states.
 - 4. Which is the first north—eastern state to launch its 'Mental Health and Social Care Policy'?

A. Assam **B. Meghalaya ☑**

C. Sikkim D. Manipur



✓ Meghalaya has become the first state in the Northeast and the third state in India to have 'Mental Health and Social Care Policy'. The vision of the policy is to promote overall mental health and well−being and facilitate appropriate access and care pathways. Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma informed that this policy will ensure proper attention to mental health, especially for children, adolescents, and youths.



- A. Maharashtra
- C. Gujarat
- D. Assam



Ministry of External Affairs is organising the 'International Lusophone Festival' in partnership with the Indian Council of Cultural Relations and the Goa government. Lusophones are people that speak Portuguese as a native or as a common second language. As part of the festival, workshops on Lusophone music, exhibitions of Goan architecture, Goan handicrafts and Goa furniture, Food and Spirits Festival are being organised.

6. 'Pseudohelice annamala', which was recently discovered, belongs to which species?

- A. Turtle
- B. Spider
- C. Crab ☑
- D. Butterfly



Researchers have discovered a new species of estuarine crab at the mangroves near the Vellar River estuary in Tamil Nadu. The species has been named Pseudohelice annamalai in recognition of Annamalai University's 100 years of service in education and research. This is the first ever record of this genus, Pseudohelice, collected from high intertidal areas. Pseudohelice annamalai is distinguished by dark purple to dark grey colouring.

7. What is the theme of the 'World Usability Day' 2022?

- A. Our Health ☑
- B. Make things easier
- C. Better Design
- D. Inclusivity



✓ Every year on the second Thursday of November, the world observes World Usability Day. It is also known as 'Make Things Easier' day. 'Usability' is a quality that evaluates how efficiently and effectively a person can use a product. The theme of World Usability Day 2022 is "Our Health".

8. Which Indian sportsperson has been appointed as the 'Friendship Ambassador' by the Switzerland Tourism?

- A. P V Sindhu
- B. Neeraj Chopra
- C. Mary Kom
- D. Virat Kohli



✓ Switzerland Tourism has appointed Olympic Gold medalist Neeraj Chopra as the 'Friendship Ambassador'. In his new role, the javelin thrower will showcase and promote the adventurous outdoors of Switzerland to Indian travellers.

9. Which state has been conferred the India Agribusiness Award–2022 in the category of "Best State"?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Odisha
- D. West Bengal



✓ Haryana has been conferred with the India Agribusiness Award–2022 in the category of 'Best State' for its contribution in the areas of policies, programmes, production, inputs, technologies, marketing, value addition, infrastructure and exports in the agriculture sector. National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad, under Ministry of Fisheries, has been awarded the 'India Agribusiness Awards 2022' for the best Agribusiness Award. The India International Agro Trade and Technology Fair 2022 was organised by the Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture (ICFA).

10. What is the theme of 'National Education Day 2022'?

- A. Changing Course, Transforming Education ☑
- B. Education and Scientific Research
- C. Shaping Country's Education System
- D. Culture and Education



✓ The National Education Day is being celebrated on November 11 every year since 2008 to commemorate the birth anniversary of the first Education Minister Maulana Abul Kalam Azad. Azad played a significant role in shaping the country's education system and contributed to set up several academic institutes UGC, AICTE and other bodies. This year the theme is 'Changing Course, Transforming Education'.