

1. The Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) has 23 targets that the world needs to achieve by which year?

- A. 2025
- B. 2030 ☒
- C. 2035
- D. 2040



- ✓ The COP15 to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity adopted the Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. The framework has 23 targets that the world needs to achieve by 2030. In 2020, the world had failed to meet the last set of targets, the Aichi Targets. COP15 had representatives of 188 governments on site and agreed on the framework.

2. Which institution released the report titled 'Coal 2022: Analysis and forecast to 2025'?

- A. UNEP
- B. FAO
- C. UNFCC
- D. IEA ☒



- ✓ International Energy Agency (IEA) released a report titled 'Coal 2022: Analysis and Forecast to 2025'. As per the report, the global coal demand is set to increase to an all-time high in 2022, mainly driven by coal power growth in India, the European Union (EU) and to a smaller extent by China. The largest increases in coal burn are forecast for China, India and Southeast Asia. The global coal use is set to rise by 1.2% in 2022, surpassing 8 billion tonnes in a single year for the first time.

3. Which Union Ministry launched the country's first-ever surety bond insurance product?

- A. Union Finance Ministry
- B. Union Road Transport and Highways Ministry ☒
- C. Union Corporate Affairs Ministry
- D. Union Commerce and Industry Ministry

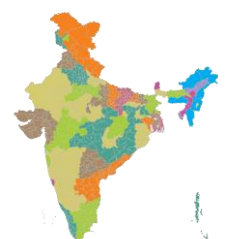


सड़क परिवहन
एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF
**ROAD TRANSPORT
AND HIGHWAYS**

- ✓ Union Road, transport, and highways minister Nitin Gadkari launched the country's first-ever surety bond insurance product. Unlike a bank guarantee, the Surety Bond Insurance does not require large collateral from the contractor, resulting in freeing up funds for the contractor, which they can utilise for the growth of the business.

4. Which country has launched 'Group of Friends' to promote accountability for crimes against peacekeepers?

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



- ✓ India has recently launched a 'Group of Friends' to promote accountability for crimes against peacekeepers, during its current presidency of the UN Security Council. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar announced that New Delhi will soon have a database that will record all crimes against the peacekeepers. India, Bangladesh, Egypt, France, Morocco and Nepal are co-chairs of the group. India, among the largest troop-contributing countries to UN peacekeeping, has lost 177 of its peacekeepers in the line of duty.

5. Which country has partnered with PTC India for supply of power from Indian power market?

- A. Nepal
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Bhutan ☒



- ✓ Bhutan, through Druk Green Power Corporation, has entered into an agreement with PTC India, for purchase of power from Indian power market, to meet its power requirement during the dry winter season. With all approvals, Bhutan will now start procuring up to 600 MW of power, through PTC, from the Indian power market.

6. Which state increased the monthly aid for Persons with disabilities from ₹1,000 to ₹1,500?

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



- ✓ Tamil Nadu Government has raised the monthly pension amount of differently-abled persons from Rs. 1000 to Rs. 1500 from January 2023. An expert committee has been formed by the state to identify vacancies in all the departments where differently abled can be employed.

7. Which state recently got over ₹10.5 lakh cr investment proposals during its state-organised conclave?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka
- C. Gujarat
- D. Odisha ☒



- ✓ Odisha received over ₹10.5 lakh cr investment proposals during Make in Odisha (MIO Conclave 2022). During the three-day (MIO Conclave 2022), the state received an overall investment proposal worth ₹10.5 lakh crores. UK-based Sram and Mram Group announced Rs 2-lakh crore investment for a semiconductor unit in Odisha at the 'Make in Odisha Conclave'.

8. Estonia, which was seen in the news recently, is a country in which continent?

- A. Asia
- B. Europe ☒
- C. Oceania
- D. Africa



- ✓ Estonia is a country in Northern Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea and Gulf of Finland. The Union Cabinet of India approved the proposal of the Ministry of External Affairs to open three new missions. In 2021, three new missions of India were opened in Estonia (Europe), Paraguay (South America) and the Dominican Republic (North America). This move would strengthen political relations and promote growth of bilateral trade and investment.

9. Unnati Hooda, who was seen in the news, is associated with which sports?

- A. Tennis
- B. Squash
- C. Badminton ☒
- D. Hockey



- ✓ Unnati Hooda becomes first Indian to enter U-17 women's singles final in Asia Junior Badminton Championships. She clinched the silver medal in the Championships held in Nonthaburi, Thailand. Men's doubles pair of Arsh Mohammad and Sanskar Saraswat and U-15 men's singles shuttler Anish Thoppani also won silver medals.

10. Which state launched the 'One District One Sport' scheme?

- A. Odisha
- B. Uttar Pradesh ☒
- C. Gujarat
- D. Himachal Pradesh



- ✓ Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has launched One District One Sport (ODOS) on the lines of the One District One Product (ODOP) scheme of the government. The aim of the scheme includes promoting sports culture, keeping the younger generation healthy and providing a platform for sportspersons to nurture their talents. Under ODOS, one sport will be identified in each of the 75 districts of Uttar Pradesh.