

1. What is the name of new scheme announced under station redevelopment drive of Ministry of Railways?

- A. Atmarirbhar Bharat Station Scheme
- B. Amrit Bharat Station Scheme ☒
- C. Bharat Rail Station Scheme
- D. Atal Station Scheme



- ✓ The Ministry of Railways has formulated a new scheme to modernise over 1,000 small stations over the coming years. Amrit Bharat Station Scheme is a part of its station redevelopment drive. The key features of the proposed stations include provisions for roof top plazas, longer platforms, ballast-less tracks, and 5G connectivity.

2. Home Affairs Ministry and which state signed cessation of operations agreement with ZUF armed group?

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



- ✓ The Union government and the Manipur government have signed a cessation of operations agreement with the Zeliangrong United Front (ZUF). ZUF is a Manipur-based Naga armed group, which has been demanding a separate State for the Zeliangrong Naga tribe. The agreement seeks rehabilitation and re-settlement of the armed cadres.

3. Mangdechhu Hydroelectric Power Project, which was seen in the news, was handed over by India to which country?

- A. Nepal
- B. Bangladesh
- C. Bhutan ☒
- D. Maldives



- ✓ India-assisted 720 Megawatts Mangdechhu Hydroelectric Power Project has been recently handed to Druk Green Power Corporation (DGPC) in Bhutan. With this project, India and Bhutan have successfully completed four mega hydroelectric power projects. The commissioning of the project has increased Bhutan's Electrical Power Generation Capacity by 44 per cent.

4. Which Union Ministry launched the 'City Finance Rankings 2022'?

- A. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs ☒
- B. Ministry of Finance
- C. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- D. Ministry of MSME



- ✓ Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs has recently released the draft guidelines for a new ranking system of cities based on their financial performance and beautification. The 'City Finance Rankings 2022' aims to evaluate and reward urban local bodies on the basis of their strength across resource mobilisation, expenditure performance and fiscal governance systems. The 'City Beauty Competition' initiative aims to recognise efforts made by the cities and wards towards creating beautiful, innovative and inclusive public spaces.

5. The 'National Mobile Monitoring System (NMMS)' is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

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



- ✓ National Mobile Monitoring Software (NMMS) App was launched by the Ministry of Rural Development in 2021. Digitally capturing the attendance of workers employed under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) has been made universal from January 1, 2023. The attendance is captured through National Mobile Monitoring Software (NMMS) mobile application.

6. Which institution developed an 'Ocean Wave Energy Converter' that can generate electricity from sea waves?

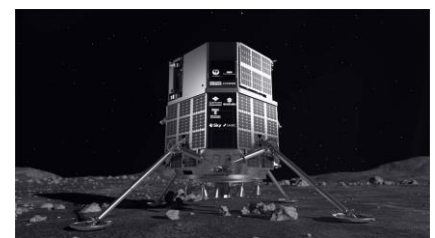
- A. IIT Madras ☒ B. IIT Bombay  
C. IIT Delhi D. NIT Warangal



- ✓ Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) Researchers have developed an 'Ocean Wave Energy Converter' that can generate electricity from sea waves. The Device was deployed at a location about 6 KM off the coast of Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu. The device targets generating 1MW of power from ocean waves in the next three years.

7. Hakuto-R lander is the first-ever moon Mission of which country?

- A. South Korea  
B. Japan ☒  
C. Singapore  
D. UAE



- ✓ A Japanese start-up ispace Inc launched the country's first-ever Moon mission with the help of SpaceX. A Japanese lunar lander carrying two rovers and payload lifted off via a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. It also became the first commercial spacecraft to land on the moon. The launch of Hakuto-R lander was originally scheduled for late November 2022.

8. What is the short code of the 24x7 Multilingual Tourist Info–Helpline set up by the Ministry of Tourism?

- A. 1091
- B. 1098
- C. 1363 ☒
- D. 1585



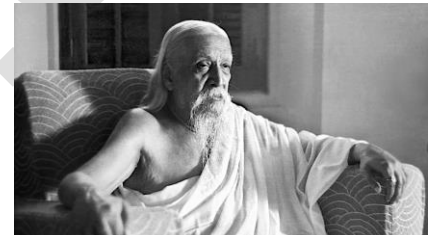
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- ✓ The Ministry of Tourism has set up a 24x7 Multi–Lingual Tourist Info–Helpline on the toll free number 1800111363 or on a short code 1363. The helpline has been set up in 12 Languages including 10 international languages (German, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Arabic), Hindi and English for domestic and foreign tourists to provide information relating to Travel in India and guidance to tourists in distress while travelling in India.

9. Prime Minister released a commemorative coin and stamp on which leader's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary on 13<sup>th</sup> December at Puducherry?

- A. 'Mahakavi' Subramanya Bharathiyar
- B. Sri Aurobindo ☒
- C. Gopala Krishna Gokhale
- D. Annie Besant



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually participated in a programme commemorating Sri Aurobindo's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary, on 13<sup>th</sup> December. The programme is being held in Kamban Kalai Sangam, Puducherry, under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. The Prime Minister also released a commemorative coin and postal stamp in honour of Sri Aurobindo. He was an Indian nationalist and editor of newspapers such as Vande Mataram. He later became a spiritual reformer and established Aurobindo Ashram in Puducherry.

10. Which country has the highest number of broadband users, as of December 2022?

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



- ✓ The Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar announced that India is the largest connected nation in the world today with more than 800 million broadband users. The announcement was made during 'India Internet Governance Forum 2022', held on the theme 'Leveraging Techade for Empowering Bharat'. It is an initiative associated with the UN Internet Governance Forum (UN–IGF).