

1. Recently, which port in India emerged as the top cargo-handling port in India in 2023-24?

- A. Karaikal port
- B. Paradip port
- C. Kandla port
- D. Kochi port



- ✓ **Paradip Port Authority in Odisha surpassed Deendayal Port Authority in Kandla as India's top cargo-handling major port in 2023-24. Handling 145.38 MMT of cargo, it registered a 7.4% growth from the previous year. It's capable of handling 289 MMT. Established in 1962, it became India's 8th major port in 1966, now under the Ministry of Ports.**

2. Judith Suminwa Tuluka became the first woman Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Angola
- B. Zambia
- C. Congo
- D. Rwanda



- ✓ **Judith Suminwa Tuluka became the Democratic Republic of Congo's first female Prime Minister, succeeding Jean-Michel Sama Lukonde. This historic appointment by President Felix Tshisekedi fulfilled a campaign promise. Tuluka, former Planning Minister, and assumed office just a month after Lukonde resigned from the position, which he held for three years.**

3. REC Limited, recently won the SKOCH ESG Award 2024, comes under which ministry?

- A. Ministry of Power
- B. Ministry of Defence
- C. Ministry of Agriculture
- D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs



- ✓ **REC Limited, a Ministry of Power entity, clinched the SKOCH ESG Award 2024 in 'Renewable Energy Financing'. This accolade acknowledges REC's dedication to sustainable financing, driving the shift towards renewable energy. As a pivotal player in India's clean energy transition, REC spearheads numerous sustainable projects and engages in discussions with developers across various green sectors. The SKOCH ESG Awards highlight organizations' commitment to environmental, social, and governance factors, crucial for India's sustainable future.**

4. Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) initiative is related to which disease?

- A. Dengue
- B. HIV/AIDS
- C. Tuberculosis
- D. Malaria



- ✓ The completion of twenty years of the Free Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) initiative marks a significant milestone in HIV/AIDS treatment. Started on April 1, 2004, it provides vital treatment for Persons living with HIV (PLHIV). This initiative utilizes a combination of drugs to suppress HIV replication, drastically reducing HIV prevalence and new infections globally. In 2023, HIV prevalence in 15–49-year-olds dropped to 0.20%, with India's share in PLHIV decreasing to 6.3%.

5. Shigmo festival is celebrated in which state?

- A. Karnataka  
B. Madhya Pradesh  
C. Odisha  
D. Goa



- ✓ Spring has sprung in Goa, igniting the vibrant Shigmo Festival, celebrating Konkan tradition. Lasting from March 26 to April 8, 2024, it bids farewell to winter, welcoming spring's warmth. A fusion of Holi's energy and carnival's flamboyance, Shigmo showcases grand parades with folk performances and mythological floats.

6. Who won the 56<sup>th</sup> National Kho Kho Championship 2023-24?

- A. Uttar Pradesh  
B. Karnataka  
C. Maharashtra   
D. Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ The 56<sup>th</sup> National Kho Kho Championship 2023-24 saw Maharashtra dominating both men's and women's categories at Delhi's Karnail Singh Stadium and Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium. Maharashtra's men's team won against Indian Railways in a thrilling final, while the women's team led by Sampada Maurya triumphed over Airport Authority of India. The championship featured 37 teams in each category, organized by the Kho Kho Federation of India.

7. Recently, which institution established the Digital India Trust Agency (DIGITA) as a new tool to combat cybercrime?

- A. RBI   
B. CBI  
C. SEBI  
D. NABARD



- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) plans to establish the Digital India Trust Agency (DIGITA) to counter cybercrime, focusing on legal app approval and curbing illegal loan apps. DIGITA aims to centralize verification of digital lending apps, ensuring compliance with RBI regulations.

8. "A Decade of Documenting Migrant Deaths" report, recently released by which organization?

- A. International Labour Organization (ILO)
- B. World Trade Organization (WTO)
- C. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- D. International Organization for Migration (IOM)



- ✓ **The International Organization for Migration (IOM) published "A Decade of Documenting Migrant Deaths" marking ten years of its Missing Migrants Project (MMP), initiated in 2014. Key findings reveal over one-third of migrants from conflict zones, with two-thirds of deaths unidentified. Major causes include drowning, accidents, and suffocation.**

9. What is 'bridge fuel'?

- A. Natural gas
- B. Coal
- C. Wind energy
- D. Solar energy



- ✓ **Natural gas is often termed a 'bridge fuel' aiding country in transitioning from coal and oil to renewable energy. As society shifts towards cleaner energy, bridge fuels like natural gas aim to minimize environmental impact. While natural gas emits less greenhouse gases, its role as a bridge fuel also hinges on factors like enhancing energy independence and reducing pollution costs.**

10. Kodaikanal Solar Observatory is situated in which district of Tamil Nadu?

- A. Madurai
- B. Theni
- C. Dindigul
- D. Karur



- ✓ **The Kodaikanal Solar Observatory celebrating its 125th year, is an Indian Institute of Astrophysics facility in Tamil Nadu. Pioneering in solar physics, it gained fame with John Evershed's discovery of the Evershed Effect in 1909. Over centuries, it's been pivotal in studying solar eclipses, sunspots, and solar flares, crucial for understanding the Sun's impact on Earth's atmosphere.**

11. 'One Vehicle One FASTag' initiative is launched by which organization?

- A. IREDA
- B. BHEL
- C. NHAI
- D. NPCI



- ✓ The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) launched the 'One Vehicle One FASTag' initiative to boost the adoption of FASTags for toll collection on national highways. It aims to link each vehicle with a single FASTag, curbing misuse of multiple tags per vehicle. This move enhances toll collection efficiency and streamlines the process, contributing to smoother traffic flow.

12. Recently, who has become the sole Indian weightlifter who qualified for the Paris Olympics 2024?

- A. Mirabai Chanu
- B. Kunjarani Devi
- C. Gurdeep Singh
- D. Karnam Malleswari



- ✓ Mirabai Chanu, Tokyo Olympics medallist, secures her spot at the Paris Olympics, making history as the sole Indian weightlifter to qualify. At the IWF World Cup in Phuket, Thailand, the 29-year-old Olympic silver medalist finished third in Group B of women's 49kg, earning 11th place overall. After a six-month injury lay-off, Chanu lifted a total of 184kg at the event, solidifying her berth for the 2024 Paris Games.

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