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1. Pullampara panchayat has become first fully digital literate panchayat in India. It is located in which state?

- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Karnataka
(C) Kerala (D) Maharashtra
(E) Telangana

Ans.1 (C)

Kerala, Pullampara has become the first grama panchayat in India to attain full digital literacy.

The "Digi Pullampara" project was started on August 15, 2021.

Digital literacy was imperative for the public to get government services as well as connect with the global knowledge network.

2. Which state will get the world's largest jungle safari park in the Aravalli range?

- (A) Haryana (B) Rajasthan
(C) Bihar (D) Punjab
(E) Uttarakhand

Ans.2 (A)

Haryana will get the world's largest jungle safari park in the Aravalli range.

The park will be 10,000 acres and cover the Gurugram and Nuh districts.

This park will be the world's largest project.

Outside Africa, Sharjah is the home to the largest curated safari park covering an area of about 2,000 acres.

The park was opened in February 2022.

And the Aravalli park will be five times larger than the Sharjah park.

3. What is the rank of India ranks in the Global Innovation Index of the World Intellectual Property Organization?

- (A) 45 (B) 86
(C) 62 (D) 40
(E) 98

Ans.3 (D)

India has reached the 40th rank in the Global Innovation Index of the World Intellectual Property Organization. This is a great leap of 41 places in 7 years.

India was at 81 positions in 2015 and 40th in 2022.

India has also maintained 1st rank in ICT services exports over the years.

The last time when the GII ranking was done, India stood in the 45th position.

The country has come a long way and there are even more heights to scale.

4. International Translation Day has observed recently on which day of September?

- (A) September 28 (B) September 25
(C) September 30 (D) September 29
(E) September 27

Ans.4 (C)

The world celebrates International Translation Day every year on September 30 to recognize the work of the translators who help in connecting countries all over the world.

International Translation Day 2022 on September 30 is also the day that celebrates the feast of St Jerome, a Bible translator who is also considered to be the patron saint of translators.

International Translation Day 2022 theme also highlights the role of the language professionals and their contribution to building culture, understanding, and lasting peace.

5. Which company has launched "AmazeWIT Circles", to upskilling and providing meaningful career opportunities to women in the technology space?

- (A) Google (B) Microsoft
(C) Wipro (D) Amazon
(E) Reliance

Ans.5 (D)

Amazon India has launched "AmazeWIT Circles", to reiterate its commitment to upskilling and providing meaningful career opportunities to women in the technology space.

The "AmazeWIT Circles" is a dedicated networking event to educate women and make them industry ready for careers in technology.

The "AmazeWIT Circles" is curated for tenured Software Development Engineers and is led by technology leaders at Amazon who cover topics relevant to technical upliftment and sustained career development.

6. Which Indian industrialist has been named by TIME magazine in the TIME100 Next list?

- (A) MukeshAmbani (B) AkashAmbani
(C) Gautam Adani (D) Ratan Tata
(E) Shiv Nadar

Ans.6 (B)

Reliance Jio Chairman AkashAmbani, son of billionaire MukeshAmbani, has been named by TIME magazine in the TIME100 Next list that recognises "rising stars from across industries and around the world.

Significantly, he is the only Indian to be featured on the list this year.

However, there is another Indian-born American business leader, subscription social platform OnlyFans' Indian-origin CEO AmrapaliGan, on the list as well.

7. Jayanti Patnaik, who has passed away recently, was the first chairperson of which commission?

- (A) National Commission for Backward Classes
- (B) National Women's Commission
- (C) National Human Rights Commission
- (D) National Commission for Minorities
- (E) National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

Ans.7 (B)

JayantiPatnaik, the first chair of the National Women's Commission and a former member of parliament, passed away in Bhubaneswar, the capital of Odisha.

She was the wife of late Janaki BallavPatnaik.

President DroupadiMurmu has sent her condolences to her family, friends, and well-wishers, describing her as an accomplished social worker who won the hearts of the people of the state by her service and dedication.

8. Who has topped in "Hurun India 40 & under self-made rich list 2022"?

- (A) Nithin Singh
- (B) Ajay Chaudhary
- (C) Nikhil Kamath
- (D) KarthikRangappa
- (E) Pawan Kumar Tripathi

Ans.8 (C)

Nikhil Kamath, the cofounder of Zerodha, topped the "IIFL Wealth Hurun India 40 & Under Self-Made Rich List 2022" with a net worth of Rs 17500 crore.

Bhavish Aggarwal, the founder of Ola, came in second place (Rs 11700 crore), and DivyankTurakhia of Media.net in third place (Rs 11200 crore).

9. World Maritime Day 2022 has recently been observed on which day of September?

- (A) September 29
- (B) September 27
- (C) September 30
- (D) September 28
- (E) September 26

Ans.9 (A)

The International Maritime Organization observed World Maritime Day on the last Thursday of September.

This year, it will be observed on September 29.

The day focuses on drawing public attention to maritime safety and the marine environment.

The World Maritime Day 2022 Parallel Event will be organized in Durban, South Africa from 12th to 14th October 2022.

10. Which edition of FICCI Global Skills Summit 2022 has been inaugurated by Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan?

- (A) 17th
- (B) 14th
- (C) 15th
- (D) 13th
- (E) 16th

Ans.10 (D)

Union Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Minister, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan has inaugurated the 13th FICCI Global Skills Summit 2022.

The theme was "Education to Employability – Making It Happen".

The Summit would look through the NEP lens and focus on how India can become the "Skill Capital of the World," using the UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG4) as an underlying theme.

11. Reliance Industries will build India's first and world's largest Carbon Fibre Plant in which state?

- (A) Maharashtra
- (B) Gujarat
- (C) Rajasthan
- (D) Bihar
- (E) Telangana

Ans.11 (B)

Reliance Industries chairman MukeshAmbaniin 45th AGM announced the company's plan to build India's 1st and World's Largest Carbon Fibre Plant at Hazira, Gujarat.

The plant will be developed as part of the company's Oil to Chemical segment (O2C) in which RIL has committed an investment of Rs 75,000 crore in the next five years. The development of India's First Carbon Plant from the Industry Giant comes as part of their vision for new materials. Carbon Fibre is a new-age material which has found multiple uses in industry and automotive sector. It is a lightweight but strong material with high conductivity and has been growing in demand

as a substitute for steel in theautomobile, construction and military sectors.

12. Which ministry will celebrate the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 from 1st to 30th Sept 2022 as part of the POSHAN Abhiyaan?

- (A) Ministry of Minority Affairs
- (B) Ministry of Finance
- (C) Ministry of Culture
- (D) Ministry of Ayush
- (E) Ministry of Women and Child Development

Ans.12 (E)

The Ministry of Women and Child Development will celebrate the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 from 1st to 30th Sept 2022 as part of the POSHAN Abhiyaan. The Central Theme of Poshan Maah 2022 is "Mahila aur Swasthya" and "Bacha aur Shiksha".

Poshan Maah is being celebrated as part of the POSHAN Abhiyaan, the Central Government's flagship programme which aims to improve nutritional outcomes for children under 6 years of age, pregnant women and lactating mothers.

As part of the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah, the ministry plans to rope in the Gram Panchayats as Poshan Panchayats with the key focus on Women's Health and Children's Education.

The key objective of POSHAN (Prime Minister's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nutrition) Abhiyaan is to counter malnutrition in a mission mode.

On this front, the government has also launched Mission Poshan 2.0 as a support initiative to strengthen nutritional content, delivery, outreach and outcomes that nurture health, wellness and immunity to disease and malnutrition.

13. What amount has sanctioned for Tejas Mark-2 Project by PM Modi-led Cabinet Committee on Security?

- (A) Rs 5500 crore
- (B) Rs 6500 crore
- (C) Rs 7000 crore
- (D) Rs 8500 crore
- (E) Rs 8000 crore

Ans.13 (B)

Recently, Central Government approved the development of an indigenous fighter jet in the form of Tejas 2.0.

PM Modi-led Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) approved Tejas Mark-2 Project.

The Committee sanctioned Rs 6500 crore for design and development of the Tejas Mark-2 fighter jet with prototypes, flight testing and certification.

The allocation comes in addition to the existing Rs 2500 crore sanctioned to HAL.

14. Recently, which non-profit organization has launched "Save the Whale Shark Campaign" along Karnataka, Kerala and Lakshadweep in Mangaluru?

- (A) World Land Trust
- (B) Wildlife Alliance
- (C) Wildlife Trust of India
- (D) WWF-India
- (E) Save the Elephants

Ans.14 (C)

Recently, Delhi-based non-profit, Wildlife Trust of India (WTI) launched 'Save the Whale Shark Campaign' along Karnataka, Kerala and Lakshadweep in Mangaluru.

August 30, 2022 is International Whale Shark Day, this year's theme is "The Future of Sharks: Guardians of Our Seas."

15. Which international organisation has released a report titled "India Covid-19 procurement: challenges, innovations, and lessons"?

- (A) World Health Organisation
- (B) International Monetary Fund
- (C) World Trade Organization
- (D) Asian Development Bank
- (E) World Bank

Ans.15 (E)

Recently, the World Bank has released a report titled "India Covid-19 procurement: challenges, innovations, and lessons", saying India managed to get many things right in its management of the pandemic.

The report takes a close look at the initiatives taken by the government of India (GoI) to ensure sustained supply of essential medical commodities during the critical initial phase of the Covid pandemic.

16. What is the name of Cyber Security Exercise, which has recently been conducted by Computer Emergency Response Team - India for 13 Countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative?

- (A) Synergy
- (B) Harmony
- (C) Unity
- (D) Oneness
- (E) Coaction

Ans.16 (A)

Recently, Computer Emergency Response Team - India (CERT-In) successfully designed & conducted the Cyber Security Exercise "Synergy" for 13 Countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative.

The exercise was conducted as part of the International

Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group which is being led by India under the leadership of National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS).

17. Which state government has introduced "MahilaNidhi" to help women entrepreneurs?

- (A) Punjab (B) Rajasthan
(C) Bihar (D) Telangana
(E) Nagaland

Ans.17 (B)

Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has launched 'MahilaNidhi', a loan scheme for the social and economic development of women through loans.

Under the scheme, apart from everyday necessities, easy credit will be available to women for business expansion and starting new businesses.

In the budget 2022-23, the government said it will establish "MahilaNidhi" through Rajasthan Rural Livelihood Development Council.

18. Tata Steel has inked aMoU with which state government to establish steel facility in the state?

- (A) Bihar (B) Assam
(C) Kerala (D) Punjab
(E) Sikkim

Ans.18 (D)

The Tata steel company and the Punjabi government have agreed to establish a 0.75 million tonne per year (MnTPA) long products steel facility with an electric arc furnace (EAF) powered by scrap.

Tata Steel's decision to build the greenfield facility at KadianaKhurd in Ludhiana's Hitech Valley is a part of the company's commitment to investing in a circular economy and switching to low-carbon steel making through steel recycling.

19. Which state government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the "Parley for the Oceans", a plastic-waste management company?

- (A) Telangana (B) Andhra Pradesh
(C) Karnataka (D) Tamil Nadu
(E) Maharashtra

Ans.19 (B)

Andhra Pradesh government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the "Parley for the Oceans", a U.S.-based company that works for plastic-waste management.

The MoU was signed under the presence of Chief Minister of YS Jagan Mohan Reddy and an event was

held at the AU Convention Centre in Vishakhapatnam.

20. Who has been named as India's ambassador to Thailand?

- (A) Nagesh Singh (B) Shashi Kumar
(C) Ajai Saxena (D) Rushul Kemp
(E) Tarun Coomar

Ans.20 (A)

An Indian Foreign Service officer of the 1995 batch, Nagesh Singh has been appointed as India's next ambassador to Thailand.

He will replace the incumbent ambassador Suchitra Durai.

Bilateral relations between India and Thailand continued to strengthen during 2021, marked by cooperation at regional and sub-regional levels within the framework of ASEAN, Mekong Ganga Cooperation and BIMSTEC as well as at other multilateral fora.

21. Recently who has taken charge as the Secretary of the Department of Commerce?

- (A) Sunil Barthwal (B) Niranjana Sethi
(C) Samkit Shah (D) Akhilesh Kumar
(E) Harinder Preet Singh

Ans.21 (A)

Senior IAS officer Sunil Barthwal assumed charge as the commerce secretary.

Barthwal, a 1989-batch officer of the Bihar cadre, previously served as the labour and employment secretary.

Sunil Barthwal replaced Subrahmanyam, a 1987-batch IAS officer of the Chhattisgarh cadre, who was appointed as chairperson and managing director, India Trade Promotion Organisation on a contract basis for a period of two years following his superannuation.

22. Who has won her third straight gold medal in the women's sabre event at the National Games 2022 Gandhinagar?

- (A) Aditi Ashok (B) Manu Bhaker
(C) Manika Batra (D) Bhavani Devi
(E) Deepika Kumari

Ans.22 (D)

Olympian Bhavani Devi won her third straight gold medal in the women's sabre event at the National Games 2022 in Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar. Tamil Nadu's Bhavani Devi beat Jagmeet Kaur of Punjab 15-3 in the final.

Kerala's Christy Jose Josna and Manipuri Laishram Abi Devi won the bronze medals. Fellow Olympian ElavenilValarivan won the gold medal in the women's rifle shooting, edging out Karnataka's Tillotama Sen 16-10. West Bengal's Mehuli Ghosh took the bronze.

23. Recently, UNESCO has released a list of how many exclusive and iconic heritage textile crafts of the country?

- (A) 50 (B) 40
(C) 30 (D) 20
(E) 10

Ans.23 (A)

Recently, UNESCO released a list of 50 exclusive and iconic heritage textile crafts of the country.

One of the major challenges to the safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in South Asia is lack of proper inventory and documentation.

What are Some of the Important Textiles Crafts Listed?

Toda embroidery and Sungudi from Tamil Nadu

Himroo weaves from Hyderabad

Bandha tie and dye weaving from Sambalpur in Odisha

Kunbi weaves from Goa

Mashru weaves and Patola from Gujarat

Himroo from Maharashtra

Garad-Korial from West Bengal

Ilkal and Lambadi or Banjara embroidery from Karnataka

SikalnayakanpetKalamkari from Tamil Nadu

Khes from Haryana

Chambarums from Himachal Pradesh

Thigma or wool tie and dye from Ladakh

AwadhJamdani from Varanasi

24. Global Methane, Climate and Clean Air Forum 2022 is being held in which city?

- (A) New York (B) Washington DC
(C) Paris (D) Geneva
(E) London

Ans.24 (B)

Global Methane, Climate and Clean Air (GMCCA) Forum 2022 is being held in Washington, DC, USA to discuss opportunities to protect the climate and improve air quality with a special focus on methane by adhering to the Global Methane Pledge.

25. Recently, the 36th National Games was inaugurated by the Prime Minister in which state?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Karnataka
(C) Rajasthan (D) Gujarat
(E) Tamil Nadu

Ans.25 (D)

Recently, the 36th National Games was inaugurated by the Prime Minister in Gujarat.

National Games -

The Olympic movement, which garnered the attention of the nation in the 1920s, includes the National Games.

The National Games in India were first envisioned as the Indian Olympic Games with the goal of promoting Olympic sports in the nation.

26. Who has won "Changemaker" award 2022?

- (A) SrishtiBakshi (B) VijiPalithodi
(C) Manasi Pradhan (D) TejiBachchan
(E) Deepika Narayan

Ans.26 (A)

A women's rights activist from India, SrishtiBakshi has won the "Changemaker" award at the UN SDG (United Nations Sustainable Development Goals) Action Awards held at a ceremony in Bonn, Germany.

The award is given to recognise the efforts of SrishtiBakshi to raise awareness of gender-based violence and inequality.

27. Who has been named as the new chairman of ASCI?

- (A) Saugata Gupta (B) Shashidhar Sinha
(C) N S Rajan (D) Subhash Kamath
(E) Rajan Thakur

Ans.27 (C)

The election of N S Rajan, Director of August One Partners LLP, as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI) was done.

Of the board meeting that followed the 36th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of ASCI, Saugata Gupta, Managing Director & CEO, Marico Limited, was elected Vice-Chairman, and Shashidhar Sinha, Chief Executive Officer at IPG Mediabrands India, was named Honorary Treasurer.

28. The Hero MotoCrop has appointed whom as its new brand ambassador?

- (A) Ram Charan (B) Rama Rao Jr
(C) Chiranjeevi (D) Allu Arjun
(E) UpasanaKamineni

Ans.28 (A)

The Hero MotoCrop has appointed actor Ram Charan as the new brand ambassador.

Hero MotoCrop, the country's largest two-wheeler maker has launched the Hero GIFT Programme. The Hero GIFT stands for the Grand Indian Festival of Trust.

29. World Vegetarian Day 2022 has observed recently on which day of October?

- (A) 01st October (B) 02nd October
(C) 03rd October (D) 04th October
(E) 05th October

Ans.29 (A)

World Vegetarian Day is celebrated on the first day of October.

It also kickstarts Vegetarian Awareness Month.

This global day of advocacy and awareness celebrates the benefits of vegetarianism and encourages people to reduce their consumption of animal products.

The day is commemorated to create awareness about the benefits of vegetarianism like reducing the risks of heart diseases and other health complications.

30. Which company has launched "carbon calculator" for Indian consumers?

- (A) Visa (B) Mastercard
(C) American Express (D) JCB Co., Ltd.
(E) Credit One Bank

Ans.30 (B)

Mastercard, a global payment and technology company is set to launch Carbon Calculator features. Mastercard is in talks with Indian Banks to launch the Carbon Calculator feature which will offer the consumers an estimated carbon footprint for each of their purchases.

31. Recently, Svante Paabo has won the Nobel Prize 2022 in which field?

- (A) Anatomy (B) Physiology
(C) Histology (D) Morphology
(E) Genetics

Ans.31 (B)

Svante Paabo won the Nobel Prize 2022 in Physiology or Medicine for his achievements in concerning the genomes of extinct hominins and human evolution.

The winner was announced at Karolinska Institute in Stockholm.

Paabo's discovery and knowledge were derived mainly from paleontological and archeological findings, bones, and artifacts from extinct relatives at multiple sites around the world.

Svante Paabo was born in Stockholm in 1955 and has performed his prize-winning at the University of Munich in Germany and at Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology in Leipzig Germany.

32. Name the first indigenously developed Light Combat Helicopter of India which has recently inducted in Indian Air Force?

- (A) Varun (B) Vishal
(C) Prakhar (D) Prabal
(E) Prachanda

Ans.32 (E)

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inducts the first developed Light Combat Helicopter into the Indian Air Force.

The ceremony was held at Air Force Station, Jodhpur in Rajasthan.

The helicopter has been named "Prachanda".

The minister at the induction said that LCH not only adds to the combat capability of the Air Force but is also a great leap towards the goal of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

The need for a combat helicopter was felt during the Kargil War and LCH is a culmination of two decades of effort to fulfill this need.

33. In which edition of India Mobile Congress 2022, the 5G services has launched recently?

- (A) 7th (B) 8th
(C) 4th (D) 6th
(E) 5th

Ans.33 (D)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi rolled out 5G service in India at the 6th edition of India Mobile Congress 2022(IMC-2022) at New Delhi's Pragati Maidan.

Telecom minister Ashwani Vaishnaw has announced to set up 100 5G technology labs in the country.

At least 12 of them will be used to train students and conduct experiments.

The minister further also asked the telecom companies participating in the Indian Mobile Congress to contribute their input to the new telecom bill through which the government aims to simplify the licensing regime.

The minister also noted that India will take a lead in 6G.

It is the planned successor to 5G and will likely be faster.

34. Which city has bagged the title of India's cleanest city as the results of the Central government's annual

cleanliness survey "SwachhSurvekshan Awards 2022"?

- (A) Rohtak (B) Lucknow
(C) Indore (D) Jabalpur
(E) Gurugram

Ans.34 (C)

Indore bagged the title of India's cleanest city for the sixth time in a row as the results of the Central government's annual cleanliness survey "SwachhSurvekshan Awards 2022" were announced. Madhya Pradesh secured the first position in the category of best performing states, followed by Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra.

35. Who has been awarded by the 32nd Bihari Puraskar?

- (A) Vikram Seth (B) MadhavHada
(C) Vikas Singh (D) Anita Nair
(E) Durjoy Dutta

Ans.35 (B)

Writer Dr MadhavHada will be awarded the 32nd Bihari Puraskar for his 2015 literary criticism book "PachrangCholaPaharSakhiRi", the KK Birla Foundation announced.

A literary critic and academic, Hada has written extensively on literature, media, culture and history. He has also been a member of the general council of the SahityaAkademi and the Hindi Advisory Board. He has been a recipient of the BhartenduHarishchandra Award for Media Studies and the DevrajUpadhyay Award for Literary Criticism.

36. Which two state has the highest number of foreign tourist visits in 2021?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Tamil Nadu
(C) Kerala (D) Karnataka
(E) West Bengal

Ans.36 (A)

As per a report by Union Tourism Ministry, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu had the highest numbers of foreign tourist visits, with 1.26 million and 1.23 million, respectively in 2021.

The over 280-page report titled "India Tourism Statistics 2022" was released by Vice-President JagdeepDhankhar on World Tourism Day at VigyanBhawan in New Delhi.

India received 677.63 million domestic tourist visits in 2021, an increase of 11.05 per cent from 610.22 million in 2020.

37. Which company has become the third iPhone manufacturer in India?

- (A) Pegatron (B) Wistron
(C) Foxconn (D) Sansui
(E) Hi Tech

Ans.37 (A)

With the opening of a factory in Mahindra World City in Chennai, Taiwan's Pegatron became the third Apple supplier to establish a production facility in India.

It will put about Rs 1,100 crore into the facility, which might lead to the creation of 14,000 employment.

The other two Apple suppliers with facilities in India are the Taiwanese companies Foxconn and Wistron.

38. Which company has unveiled a prototype of Optimus robot?

- (A) Tesla (B) Rivian
(C) Amazon (D) Google
(E) Apple

Ans.38 (A)

Elon Musk unveils Optimus robot's prototype: Elon Musk, the CEO of Tesla, unveiled a model of the humanoid "Optimus" robot, which uses some of the same Artificial Intelligence (AI) software and sensors as the Autopilot driving assistance system in Tesla vehicles. At Tesla AI Day 2022, which was held to show off how far the company's research into autonomous robots and vehicles had progressed, Optimus was unveiled.

39. Which scientist of Indian Space Research Organisation has been elected as the Vice President of IAF?

- (A) Rajat Gupta (B) Adi Godrej
(C) Vinod Khosla (D) Anil Kumar
(E) Tanya Dubash

Ans.39 (D)

Senior Indian Space Research Organization scientist Anil Kumar has been appointed as the Vice-President of the International Astronautical Federation (IAF). Dr. Anil Kumar is currently serving as the Associate Director, of ISRO Telemetry, Tracking, and Command Network (ISTRAC).

About International Astronautical Federation (IAF) - The International Astronautical Federation was founded in 1951.

IAF is one of the world's top space advocacy bodies with 433 members in 72 nations.

International Astronautical Federation Congress (IAC) is an annual space event and it is attended by

more than 6000 participants, IAC is organized by the IAF.

The International Astronautical Federation Congress includes networking events, talks, and a technical program on advances in science and exploration, applications, and operations, technology, infrastructure, and space and society.

40. Recently, Telangana state government hiked Scheduled Tribes reservation from 6% to what percent?

- (A) 11% (B) 10%
(C) 09% (D) 12%
(E) 17%

Ans.40 (B)

The Telangana government issued an order to increase the reservation for the Scheduled Tribe communities from 6 percent to 10 percent. The order issued by the Tribal Welfare Department informed that the enhanced reservations would apply in the educational institutions and to services under the state government with immediate effect.

41. Alain Aspect, John F Clauser and Anton Zeilinger has won Nobel Prize 2022 in which field?

- (A) Physics (B) Chemistry
(C) Biology (D) Geology
(E) Astronomy

Ans.41 (A)

The Royal Swedish Academy has decided to honour Alain Aspect, John F Clauser, and Anton Zeilinger with Nobel Prize 2022 in Physics.

They'll be awarded the prize for their experiments with entangled photons, establishing the violation of Bell inequalities and pioneering quantum information science.

About Alain Aspect, John F. Clauser, and Anton Zeilinger -

Alain Aspect was born on June 15, 1947. He is a French physicist, known for his experimental work on quantum entanglement.

Aspect is a graduate of the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan.

John Francis Clauser was born on December 1, 1942. He is an American theoretical and experimental physicist.

Clauser is known for his contributions to the foundations of Quantum mechanics in particular the Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt inequality.

Anton Zeilinger was born on May 20, 1945. He is an Austrian quantum physicist.

Zeilinger received the Inaugural Isaac Newton Medal of the Institute of Physics for his conceptual and experimental contributions to the foundations of quantum physics.

Anton's contribution has become the cornerstone for the rapidly-evolving field of quantum information.

42. Indian Navy has recently signed a pact on White Shipping Information Exchange with which navy?

- (A) Israeli Navy (B) New Zealand Navy
(C) Italian Navy (D) Japan Maritime Force
(E) Republic of Korea Navy

Ans.42 (B)

Indian navy signed an agreement with the Royal New Zealand navy on White Shipping Information Exchange.

The agreement was signed between R Hari Kumar, Navy Chief Admiral, and Rear Admiral David Proctor, Chief of the New Zealand Navy.

The agreement was signed to promote greater transparency in the Maritime Domain.

CNS Hari Kumar visited New Zealand from September 29 to October 1, 2022.

Closer collaboration for enhancing shared Maritime Domain Awareness is in keeping with convergent views of both countries to promote greater transparency in the maritime domain.

43. Which bollywood actor has been honoured by "national icon" of election commission of India?

- (A) Manoj Bajpayee (B) Piyush Mishra
(C) Rajkummar Rao (D) Pankaj Tripathi
(E) Nawazuddin Siddiqui

Ans.43 (D)

Mirzapur actor Pankaj Tripathi has been named the "National Icon" of the election commission of India.

At an event organized on October 4, 2022, the award-winning actor was made a "national icon" on the basis of his association with ECI in creating awareness among voters.

The announcement was made by Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar.

44. Who has won gold medal in women's 53kg wrestling at the National Games 2022?

- (A) Vinesh Phogat (B) Sakshi Malik
(C) Antim Panghal (D) Kavita Devi
(E) Divya Karan

Ans.44 (C)

Antim Panghal, the World under-20 champion, made an impressive debut at the National Games 2022 as she won the gold medal in women's 53kg wrestling.

Haryana's Antim Panghal, who made history in August by becoming the first Indian to become U20 world champion in women's wrestling, beat Priyanshi Prajapati of Madhya Pradesh by fall in the final.

The National Games 2022 is being held across six cities, Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot and Bhavnagar, in Gujarat. The National Games 2022 will conclude on the 12th of October.

45. India has signed an agreement with which country to export missiles, rockets & ammunition?

- (A) Armenia (B) Iran
(C) Azerbaijan (D) Turkey
(E) Yerevan

Ans.45 (A)

India will export missiles, rockets, and ammunition to Armenia after the recent clashes between Armenia and Azerbaijan. The missiles will also include Indigenous Pinaka Multi-Barrel Rocket Launcher. India has signed this deal with Armenia to help them to depend on the country against their neighboring country Azerbaijan.

46. Which Indian American has received Lifetime Achievement award in US?

- (A) Har Gobind Khorana
(B) S Chandrasekhar
(C) Subramanyan N
(D) Vivek Lall
(E) Abhijit Banerjee

Ans.46 (D)

Vivek Lall, an Indian-origin General Atomic Global Corporation Chief Executive is honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by US President Joe Biden with the citation of "With Grateful Recognition".

This citation was given to Vivek Lall, who has done a Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering from Wichita State University in Kansas, by the AmeriCorps and the office of the President.

AmeriCorps is a part of the US Government.

The organization aims to foster activities that bring Americans closer together to "serve communities".

47. How many laboratories for 5G technology will be set up across India by government?

- (A) 100 (B) 110
(C) 120 (D) 130
(E) 140

Ans.47 (A)

The government now intends to establish 5G laboratories around the nation, a day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the start of 5G services in India at the Indian Mobile Congress.

The Indian government intends to establish 100 5G laboratories around the nation, according to Ashwini Vaishnaw, the Union Minister for Communications, Electronics, and Information Technology.

48. Book "Tagore & Gandhi" has won the Valley of Words Book Awards in English non-fiction. Who is the writer of the book?

- (A) Shashi Tharoor (B) Anees Salim
(C) Anita Nair (D) Annie Zaidi
(E) Devdutt Pattanaik

Ans.48 (B)

Anees Salim's The Odd Book of Baby Names (English fiction) and Rudrangshu Mukherjee's Tagore & Gandhi: Walking Alone, Walking Together (English non-fiction) were among the eight that were adjudged the best books of the year at the 'Valley of Words Book Awards. The PFC-VoW Book Awards, currently in its sixth edition, is considered one of the most comprehensive independent literary award programmes in India.

49. Who has been appointed as Deputy Election Commissioner?

- (A) Anup Pandey (B) Ajay Bhadoo
(C) Punit Sharma (D) Nitesh Kumar
(E) Ritesh Gupta

Ans.49 (B)

Senior bureaucrat, Ajay Bhadoo has been appointed as the Deputy Election Commissioner as part of a senior-level bureaucratic reshuffle effected on Sunday by the Centre.

Bhadoo, a 1999 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Gujarat cadre, has been appointed to the post up to July 24, 2024.

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the senior bureaucrat's candidature.

His two-month extension as Joint Secretary in the President's Secretariat ended on September 25.

He was appointed as Joint Secretary to former President Ram Nath Kovind in July 2020.

Earlier, Bhadoo served as Gujarat's Vadodara Municipal Commissioner.

50. Which state government has launched "Aasara" pension for poor?

- (A) Karnataka (B) Odisha
(C) Telangana (D) Maharashtra

(E) Andhra Pradesh

Ans.50 (C)

The Telangana government has introduced 'Aasara' pensions as a part of the state's welfare measures and social safety net strategy. The 'Aasara' pensions aim to secure life for all the poor. It is a welfare scheme for the older section of the state, widows, physically disabled, and beedi workers to avail pension facilities. Under the Asif Nagar Mandal jurisdiction 10,000 new Aasara pensions have been sanctioned.

51. Who has become the first Native American woman in space?

- (A) Nicole Mann (B) Josh Cassada
(C) Anna Kikina (D) Kayla Barron
(E) Anne McClain

Ans.51 (A)

A US astronaut Marine Colonel Nicole Mann is set to become the first Native American woman in space. She is one of the four astronauts who blasted off from Florida at midday bound for the International Space Station.

Nicole Mann has scripted history by becoming the second Native American who traveled to space following John Herrington in 2002.

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(C) Biology (D) Geology
(E) Astronomy

Ans.52 (B)

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About Barry Sharpless, Morten Meldal and Carolyn Bertozzi -

K Barry Sharpless was born in 1941 in Philadelphia, PA, USA. Sharpless completed his PhD in 1968 from Stanford University, CA, USA.

53. Recently, The National Payments Corporation of India has decided no charge for RuPay credit cards using which payment method?

- (A) Merchant (B) NEFT
(C) UPI (D) RTGS
(E) Internet Banking

Ans.53 (C)

The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has said there will be no charge for RuPay credit card use on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for transactions up to Rs 2000.

The RuPay credit card has been operational for the last four years, and all major banks are enabled and are issuing incremental cards for both commercial and retail segments.

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- (A) Kuwait (B) Dubai
(C) Qatar (D) Oman
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Ans.54 (D)

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55. Who has won the UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award 2022?

- (A) Angela Merkel (B) Olaf Scholz
(C) Joachim Sauer (D) Gerhard Schröder
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Former German chancellor Angela Merkel won the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) prestigious Nansen award for her "leadership, courage and compassion" in ensuring the protection of hundreds of thousands of desperate people at the height of the Syria crisis.

Dr Angela Merkel is the 2022 Nansen Award global laureate for her political courage, compassion and decisive action as Federal Chancellor of Germany to protect people forced to flee.

The year 2022 marked a century (100 years) since Fridtjof Nansen was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1922.

It is also 100 years since the creation of the Nansen passport, an identity document for refugees that enabled its holders to move across borders in search of work.

The UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award selection committee also honoured four regional winners for 2022 -

The Nansen Award 2022 regional winner for Africa was given to The Mbera Fire Brigade, an all-volunteer firefighting group in Mauritania led by Ahmedou Ag Albohary.

The award for the Americas went to Vicenta González, a women's rights advocate and activist whose cacao cooperative in Costa Rica empowers local and asylum-seeking women.

56. Who has assumed charge as the chairman and managing director of GAIL India Limited?

- (A) Sandeep Kumar Gupta
- (B) Rakesh Kumar Jain
- (C) Deepak Gupta
- (D) Ayush Gupta
- (E) Navneet Mohan Kothari

Ans.56 (A)

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Gupta, who will replace Manoj Jain, has a wide experience of over 34 years in the oil and gas industry. Before joining GAIL, he was working with Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) since 2019.

Gupta, 56, is a commerce graduate and a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

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57. Who has been awarded by the "Devendra Lal Memorial Medal award 2022?

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(C) JagdeepDhankhar (D) Narendra Modi
(E) Jagat Prakash Nadda

Ans.71 (B)

President DraupadiMurmu will launch the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan virtually on 9th September 2022.

The Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan aims to eliminate tuberculosis from India by 2025.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has given a distinctive call to end TB in India giving years ahead of the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) of 2030.

Along with this Presentation, Murmu will also launch the Ni-KshayMitrainitiative which forms a vital component of the Campaign.

72. Recently inaugurated National Legal Services Authority Centre for Citizen Services is located in which city?

- (A) Rajkot (B) Junagadh
(C) Bhavnagar (D) Jamnagar
(E) Ahmedabad

Ans.72 (D)

The National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) Centre for Citizen Services, was inaugurated by Chief Justice of India UdayUmeshLalit.

The space at Jaisalmer House which was provided to NALSA would be utilised for the establishment of Legal Assistance Centre for Citizens, Legal Assistance Centre for NRIs, Training Centre, and Digital Command Centre for providing futuristic legal services across the country.

The NALSA office which was earlier placed at Jamnagar House was shifted to the Additional Building Complex of the Supreme Court of India on November 9, 2021.

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- (A) Kerala (B) Karnataka
(C) Maharashtra (D) Tamil Nadu
(E) Telangana

Ans.73 (D)

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin has launched the MoovalurRamamirthamAmmaiyar Higher Education Assurance scheme titled "Pudhumai Penn" at a function in Chennai, in the presence of Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal.

Mr Kejriwal also unveiled 26 schools of excellence and 15 model schools set up by the Tamil Nadu government emulating the model by his AAP government in Delhi.

74. Who has been appointed as next high commissioner of India to Canada?

- (A) Sanjay Verma (B) Manpreet Vohra

- (C) Rajesh Ranjan (D) Ajay Bisaria
(E) Rakesh Malhotra

Ans.74 (A)

Senior diplomat Sanjay Kumar Vermahas been appointed as India's next high commissioner to Canada.

He succeeds Acting High Commissioner Anshuman Gaur.

Verma is a 1988 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service and is currently the ambassador of India to Japan.

He is expected to take up the Canada assignment shortly.

Among other postings, Verma has served in Indian missions in Hong Kong, China, Vietnam and Turkey. He has also served as Consul General of India in Milan, Italy.

75. BirjuSah, who has passed away recently, was associated with which sport?

- (A) Karate (B) Tennis
(C) Boxing (D) Cricket
(E) Footballs

Ans.75 (C)

Indian boxer, BirjuSah has passed away recently, the first Indian boxer to win medals at both the Asian and Commonwealth Games.

He was 48.

76. Which state has been accredited the International Travel Award 2023?

- (A) West Bengal (B) Maharashtra
(C) Tamil Nadu (D) Telangana
(E) Uttar Pradesh

Ans.76 (A)

West Bengal has been accredited the International Travel Award 2023 for Best Destination for Culture by the Pacific Area Travel Writers Association (PATWA), an affiliate member of the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

The award will be presented at the World Tourism and Aviation Leaders' Summit in Berlin, Germany, on March 9, 2023.

For the second year in a row, World Travel Awards selected the Republic of Cuba as the Caribbean's Leading Cultural Destination in 2022.

77. What is the theme of "International Literacy Day 2022"?

- (A) Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces
(B) Literacy and Multilingualism
(C) Literacy and Skills Development

- (D) Literacy in a digital world
(E) Reading the past, Writing the future

Ans.77 (A)

International Literacy Day (ILD) is celebrated on 8 September every year all across the globe to make people aware of the meaning and importance of literacy for individuals and societies.

The day spread awareness about the importance of literacy for individuals, communities, and societies and the need for intensified efforts towards more literate societies.

78. Which edition of Bengaluru Space Expo 2022 held in Bengaluru?

- (A) 6th (B) 7th
(C) 8th (D) 9th
(E) 5th

Ans.78 (B)

The 7th Edition of BSX 2022, is organized in association with the Indian Science and Research Organization (ISRO), Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACE), and NewSpace India Limited (NSIL).

The 7th Edition of BSX 2022 is scheduled from 5th September to 7th September 2022 at BIEC in Bengaluru.

Over 100 companies and organizations from around 15 countries participate in the exhibition to showcase advanced technologies and products for the space sector.

79. Indian airline company IndiGo has appointed whom as the new Chief Executive Officer?

- (A) MarjanRintel (B) Pieter Elbers
(C) Benjamin Smith (D) Rono Dutta
(E) MarjoleinElbers

Ans.79 (B)

PeiterElbers assumed the charge of Indigo's chief executive officer, over three months after he was announced as the replacement for outgoing CEO Ronojoy Dutta. Elbers, the former chief executive of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, was named as the next CEO by IndiGo on May 18, 2022. He has been at the helm of KLM since 2014. The 52-year-old is also a member of the executive committee of the Air France – KLM Group.

80. The Standing Committee of the National Board of Wildlife has given its approval to the Indian Air Force to setup a new airbase in which state/UT?

- (A) Chandigarh (B) Ladakh
(C) Rajasthan (D) Bihar

(E) Sikkim

Ans.80 (B)

The Standing Committee of the National Board of Wildlife has given its approval to the Indian Air Force to setup a new airbase in Ladakh.

The new IAF airbase is expected to come up in the Changthang sanctuary area, right off the Line of Actual Control. New IAF Base of 500 hectares in Changthang Sanctuary - The new airbase that is being setup in the Ladakh region will be spread across 500 hectares of land within the reserve.

The project proposal has sought the use of 508.187 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for the creation of the IAF Airbase within the Union Territory of Ladakh.

81. Recently, National Health Authority has introduced QR Code based rapid OPD registration in the hospital under which scheme?

- (A) Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission scheme
(B) Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana
(C) Atal Health Insurance Scheme
(D) Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram
(E) Universal Immunisation Programme

Ans.81 (A)

The National Health Authority under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission scheme has introduced QR Code based rapid OPD registration in the hospital.

The service allows old and new patients to simply scan a QR Code and share their demographic details such as name, age, address, gender, father name, and mobile number with the hospital.

82. Recently, Tourism department of Jammu & Kashmir has inaugurated Bird Festival in which district?

- (A) Kathua (B) Kulgam
(C) Poonch (D) Rajouri
(E) Pahalgam

Ans.82 (E)

Jammu and Kashmir have inaugurated Bird Festival 2022 in Pahalgam in South Kashmir.

It is a first-of-its-kind bird festival in the Union Territory.

Jammu and Kashmir are all set to welcome tourists from all around the world for the Bird Festival 2022.

The festival will be organized in collaboration with the Department of Tourism in the Sanctuary Foundation.

The inaugural ceremony of the six-day Bird Festival was attended by a large number of nature enthusiasts and bird lovers from across the country.

1200 species of birds are found all over India, out of which Kashmir has about 600 species.

Bird Tourism is a new concept in India and Kashmir being a paradise of nature, has much more potential than any other state in India.

83. Which state has won gold in the women's diving 1-meter springboard event in the National Games 2022?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Karnataka
(C) Kerala (D) Rajasthan
(E) West Bengal

Ans.83 (A)

Maharashtra won gold in the women's diving 1-meter springboard event in the National Games 2022.

In women's hockey Haryana qualified for the semi-finals by defeating Karnataka by 6-0.

Olympian ShrihariNataraj of Karnataka set a new national record in Swimming in the 100-meter backstroke event.

Nina Venkatesh made a new record by clocking 28.38 seconds in 50 meters women's butterfly event.

84. 5th Assembly of International Solar Alliance will be held in which city between October 17–20, 2022?

- (A) Athens (B) New Delhi
(C) Berlin (D) Stockholm
(E) Rome

Ans.84 (B)

The curtain raiser for the 5th Assembly of International Solar Alliance and associated side activities, which will take place in New Delhi from October 17–20, 2022.

India currently holds the position of President of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) Assembly.

85. What is the theme of World Cerebral Palsy Day 2022?

- (A)Millions of Reasons
(A) Brings together
(C) Embrace Diversity
(D) Change My World
(E) Living with cerebral palsy

Ans.85 (A)

World Cerebral Palsy Day is observed on October 6. Cerebral Palsy is a lifelong disability with no known cure.

In 2012, Cerebral Palsy Alliance created World Cerebral Palsy Day on October 6.

The day aims to ensure that children and adults with cerebral palsy have the same rights, access and opportunities as rest of the world.

86. Reserve Bank of India has approved the re-appointment of Prashant Kumar for 3 years as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of which bank?

- (A) HDFC Bank (B) Bandhan Bank
(C) YES Bank (D) Canara Bank
(E) ICICI Bank

Ans.86 (C)

Reserve Bank of India has approved the appointment of

Prashant Kumar as the MD & CEO of Yes Bank for a period of 3 years.

The appointment is effective from 6th October 2022 subject to the approval of shareholders.

Prashant Kumar was appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Yes Bank post the reconstruction in March 2020.

87. Who has been named as Chief Executive Officer of Bank of India Mutual Funds?

- (A) P R Rajagopal (B) SwarupDasgupta
(C) Bhushan Kumar (D) Mohit Bhatia
(E) Subrata Das

Ans.87 (D)

The appointment of Mohit Bhatia as CEO of Bank of India Investment Managers Private Ltd (Bank of India Mutual Funds) has been made public.

In the fields of sales and distribution, team development, marketing & branding, and the creation of digital eco-systems, Bhatia has more than 26 years of professional expertise.

Mohit Bhatia's most recent position was head of sales and marketing at Canara Robeco Asset Management Company Ltd.

The Bank of India Mutual Funds firm achieved 50,000 crores in assets under management (AUM) during his leadership.

Bank of India's wholly-owned subsidiary, Bank of India Investment Managers Private Ltd (Bank of India Mutual Funds)

For the quarter of July through September, Bank of India Mutual Funds had an average AUM of 3054.36 dollars according to industry estimates.

88. Who will be the head of the recently formed commission by Government of India to inquire into demand for SC status to non-Hindu Dalits?

- (A) HarilalJekisundas (B) KG Balakrishnan
(C) BijanMukherjea (D) SudhiRanjan Das
(E) Bhuvneshwar Prasad

Ans.88 (B)

The Union Government has appointed a three-member commission.

The commission will be headed by former Chief Justice of India KG Balakrishnan.

The commission has formed to consider the possibility of granting SC status to new persons, who have historically belonged to the Scheduled Castes but converted into religions other than Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism.

89. Government of India has named whom as presiding officer of UAPA Tribunal?

- (A) Siddharth Mridul (B) Dinesh Kumar Sharma
(C) Rajiv Shukla (D) Suresh Kumar Kait
(E) Mukta Gupta

Ans.89 (B)

The government of India has appointed Justice Dinesh Kumar Sharma of the Delhi High Court as the presiding officer of the tribunal for the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), related to the ban on the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its associates. Once an organisation is banned under the provisions of UAPA, a tribunal is set up by the government to adjudicate whether there are sufficient grounds for the decision.

Chief Justice SC Sharma of the Delhi High Court appointed Justice Sharma to head the tribunal that will examine the ban.

90. Which Indian Force has recently celebrated its raising day on 8th October 2022?

- (A) Indian Army (B) Indian Coast Guard
(C) Indian Air Force (D) Indian Navy
(E) Indian Security Guard

Ans.90 (C)

Indian Air Force was raised on October 8, 1932, and it is completing 90 years on that day.

The President of India is the Commander-in-chief of the IAF.

This time Air Force Day flypast is scheduled to take place over Sukhna Lake in Chandigarh.

91. Ben S Bernanke, Douglas W Diamond and Philip H Dybvig has won Nobel Prize 2022 in which field?

- (A) Economy (B) Medicine
(C) Literature (D) Peace
(E) Physiology

Ans.91 (A)

The Royal Swedish Academy of Science has announced to award the 2022 Sveriges Riksbank prize in Economic science in the memory of Alfred Nobel

to Ben S. Bernanke, Douglas W. Diamond and Philip H Dybvig. The laureates will be awarded with the Nobel prize for research on banks and financial crises. The announcement was made on October 10, 2022.

92. Government approved the making of new weapon system branch in which armed force?

- (A) Indian Air Force (B) Indian Army
(C) Indian Armed Forces (D) Indian Navy
(E) Indian Coast Guard

Ans.92 (A)

The government approved the creation of the New Weapon System branch in the Indian Air Force.

The announcement was made by the Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhary on October 8, 2022.

VR Chaudhary said that this was the first time a new operational branch has been created in the Indian Air Force, since Independence.

He announced the news in Chandigarh at the Air Force Day parade.

93. Politician Mulayam Singh Yadav has passed away recently. In which year he was became the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for the first time?

- (A) 1971 (B) 1992
(C) 1990 (D) 1989
(E) 1998

Ans.93 (D)

Mulayam Singh Yadav, a veteran politician and the founder of the Samajwadi Party passed away on October 10, 2022, at the age of 82.

Mulayam Singh Yadav had emerged as the socialist leader and had established himself as an OBC stalwart.

In 1989, Yadav took oath as the 15th Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, which also marked a year when the Congress was voted out from one of the largest states of the country.

Mulayam Singh Yadav as the Chief Minister of UP - Mulayam Singh Yadav first became the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh in 1989.

94. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared which village in Gujarat as first 24x7 solar powered village in India?

- (A) Madhapur (B) Modhera
(C) Khavda (D) Waghai
(E) Ajrakhpur

Ans.94 (B)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared Modheravillage of Gujarat's Mehsana district as first 24x7 solar powered villages in India.

Modhera was only famous for Sun temple but now it'll be also known as a solar-powered village.

Prime Minister Modi prayed in Modheshwari goddess Temple at Modhera and witnessed the wonderful 3d projection mapping and heritage light and sound show at the iconic Modhera Sun temple.

A ground-mounted solar power plant and more than 1,300 rooftop solar systems on government and residential buildings have been installed to make Modhera the first 24x7 solar-powered villages in India.

95. Which International organization has released "Education 4.0 Report" 2022?

- (A) Young Global Leaders
- (B) World Wide Fund for Nature
- (C) World Economic Forum
- (D) Water Environment Federation
- (E) American Water Works Association

Ans.95 (C)

Titled "Education 4.0 Report", the report explains how technology can address learning gaps and make education accessible to all.

The information was published under Education 4.0 India initiative, launched in May 2020 and has convened over 40 partners from the education technology, government, academic and start-up communities.

96. Which female Indian Cricketer has named as Gulf Oil India ambassador?

- (A) Smriti Mandhana
- (B) Harmanpreet Kaur
- (C) Mithali Raj
- (D) Jhulan Goswami
- (E) Deepti Sharma

Ans.96 (A)

Indian cricket star Smriti Mandhana has signed on as a brand ambassador of lubricant manufacturer Gulf Oil India.

India women's vice-captain joins current men's cricket ace Hardik Pandya and former captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni as an ambassador for the company.

Through the partnership, Gulf Oil stated that it aims to "celebrate women power" and "inspire female audience in the country", while also honouring the achievements of Indian women cricketers.

With this association, Gulf Oil claims to have become the first company in the lubricant space to appoint a

woman cricketer as ambassador to represent the organisation and its ethos.

97. Indian Foreign Service Day has recently celebrated on which day of October?

- (A) October 07
- (B) October 08
- (C) October 09
- (D) October 10
- (E) October 11

Ans.97 (C)

October 9 is celebrated as Indian Foreign Service Day.

On 9 October 1946, the Indian government established the Indian Foreign Service for India's diplomatic, consular and commercial representation overseas.

The history of the Service and this day goes back to September 1946, when, on the eve of India's Independence, the Government of India decided to create a service called the Indian Foreign Service for India's diplomatic, consular and commercial representation overseas.

According to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), the

origin of the Indian Foreign Service can be traced back to British rule when the Foreign Department was created to conduct business with the "Foreign European Powers".

98. Which Indian cueist has won his record 25th World title in Kuala Lumpur?

- (A) Kamal Chawla
- (B) Manan Chandra
- (C) Rishabh Thakkar
- (D) Pankaj Advani
- (E) Shayaan Razmi

Ans.98 (D)

Indian cueist, Pankaj Advani defended his World Billiards Championships (150-up) title for the 5th time, beating compatriot Sourav Kothari in the best-of-7 frames final at the High End Snooker Club in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia for a record 25th title at the global level.

Pankaj's last world title came over 12 months ago in Qatar where he won the IBSF Six-Red Snooker World Cup.

99. Who has been declared as Formula One world champion after winning Japanese Grand Prix?

- (A) Charles Leclerc
- (B) Max Verstappen
- (C) Lewis Hamilton
- (D) Sergio Pérez
- (E) Kelly Piquet

Ans.99 (B)

Red Bull driver Max Verstappen was declared Formula One world champion after winning a dramatic rain-shortened Japanese Grand Prix.

This was the 25-year-old Dutchman's second championship in a row, which he won with four races to go.

Red Bull's Verstappen crossed the line first and he was then awarded the title when second-place finisher Charles Leclerc was given a five-second penalty, dropping him to third.

100. What is the theme of this year's World Post Day 2022?

- (A) Write A Letter
- (B) Post for Planet
- (C) Innovation, Integration
- (D) Postal Businesses
- (E) Travelling Through Time

Ans.100 (B)

World Post Day is celebrated each year on 9 October, the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union in 1874 in the Swiss Capital, Bern.

This day celebrates the role of the post in people's and businesses' everyday lives.

It was declared World Post Day by the UPU Congress held in Tokyo, Japan in 1969.

Since then, countries across the world participate annually in the celebrations.

The Posts in many countries use the event to introduce or promote new postal products and services.

101. Recently, PM Modi has inaugurated MahakalLok corridor project. The Mahakaleshwar Temple is located in which city?

- (A) Varanasi
- (B) Ayodhya
- (C) Ujjain
- (D) Haridwar
- (E) Konark

Ans.101 (C)

Prime Minister Modi will inaugurate Shri MahakalLok at Shri Mahakaleshwar Temple in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.

It has been built in the Mahakaleshwar temple of Ujjain, one of the 12 Jyotirlingas of India.

Shri MahakalLok is a place where all the mythological stories of Lord Shankar will be witnessed at one place.

102. Who has become the first Indian woman player to bag the ICC player of the month award?

- (A) Pooja Vastrakar
- (B) Harmanpreet Kaur
- (C) Sneha Rana
- (D) Smriti Mandhana
- (E) Mithali Raj

Ans.102 (B)

Indian captain Harmanpreet Kaur becomes the first Indian woman player to bag the ICC player of the month for September.

Pakistan wicketkeeper batter MDRizwan gets the award in the men's category.

The players will receive gold medallions from the ICC.

103. Which Indian cricketer has launched a "made-in-India camera drone" named "Droni"?

- (A) Hardik Pandya
- (B) Virat Kohli
- (C) Rohit Sharma
- (D) MS Dhoni
- (E) Yuvraj Singh

Ans.103 (D)

Mahendra Singh Dhoni, Indian cricket star launched a 'made-in-India camera drone' named 'Droni'.

The drone has advanced features manufactured by Garuda Aerospace.

It has moved into the consumer drone market with 'Droni'.

MS Dhoni is the brand ambassador of Garuda Aerospace, a company that has attempted to offer drone solutions for agricultural pesticide spraying, solar panel cleaning, industrial pipeline inspections, mapping, surveying, public announcements, and delivery services. The event was organized in Chennai.

The event also included the launch of a new "Kisan Drone", focused at the agricultural sector, mainly in spraying applications.

Kisan Drone is a battery-powered drone capable of carrying out agricultural pesticide spraying over a land area of 30 acres per day.

104. Recently, China has launched Kuafu-1 satellite to look into which celestial body?

- (A) Venus
- (B) Sun
- (C) Mars
- (D) Saturn
- (E) Jupiter

Ans.104 (B)

China has launched a new observatory that will look into the Sun.

It has launched the satellite after successfully integrating its under-construction Space Station and approving the next phase of its lunar missions.

The Advanced Space-based Solar Observatory (ASO-S) was launched onboard a Long March-2D rocket.

The satellite has been named Kuafu-1, after a giant in Chinese mythology who chased the sun.

105. Nitin Gadkari has launched first flex fuel car in India. Which fuel is majorly used in flex fuel cars?

- (A) Ethanol (B) Petrol+
(C) Hydrogen (D) Electricity
(E) CNG

Ans.105 (A)

The Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari launched India's first flex fuel car, "Toyota Corolla Altis".

The Indian government has started the production of flex fuel vehicles called E85, E90 and E95 according to the ratio of petrol to ethanol.

The pilot project aims to check feasibility of hybrid vehicles in India that can use ethanol-powered flex fuel vehicles to decrease pollution and increase the use of ethanol in electric-hybrid vehicles to reduce the dependency on diesel and petrol.

106. World Migratory Bird Day has recently celebrated on which day of October?

- (A) 08 October (B) 09 October
(C) 10 October (D) 11 October
(E) 12 October

Ans.106 (A)

World Migratory Bird Day was recently celebrated on 08 October 2022.

World Migratory Bird Day -

It is a bi-annual global campaign organised to raise awareness about migratory birds, the need for their conservation, and the importance of the preservation of their habitat.

It is celebrated on the second Saturday in May and then in October. This year it was celebrated on 14 May and 8 October 2022.

WMBD is organized by a collaborative partnership among two UN treaties - the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) and the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbird Agreement (AEWA), and the non-profit organization, Environment for the Americas (EFTA). The 2022 global campaign is also being actively supported by other dedicated organizations, including the East Asian Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP) and Bird Life International (BLI).

107. Recently, Indian Army has celebrated 73rd Raising Day of Territorial Army on which day?

- (A) 08 October (B) 09 October
(C) 10 October (D) 11 October
(E) 12 October

Ans.107 (B)

Indian Army celebrated the 73rd Raising Day of Territorial Army on 9th October 2022.

The Raising Day of the Territorial Army is celebrated to commemorate its raising by the first Governor General Shri C Rajagopalachari on this day in 1949.

On the 73rd Raising Day Lieutenant General PreetMohinder Singh, Director General of the Territorial Army paid tribute to the fallen heroes of the Territorial Army by laying a wreath at the National War Memorial.

108. Which two states have topped in worst state list in terms of child marriage?

- (A) Bihar and Chhattisgarh
(B) Chhattisgarh and Kerala
(C) Jharkhand and West Bengal
(D) Uttarakhand and Assam
(E) Uttar Pradesh and Bihar

Ans.108 (C)

Child marriage still remains a big problem in Jharkhand, which is one of the most backward states of the country.

According to the latest demographic sample survey by the Union Home Ministry, the survey was brought out by the office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner, Ministry of Home Affairs.

It was conducted in 2020 and the report was published late last month.

109. Who has become the first athlete to won Gold in Yogasana at 36th National Games?

- (A) Nipunika Mori (B) Pooja Patel
(C) Padma Sinha (D) Utkantha
(E) ShivamikaSahgal

Ans.109 (B)

At the 36th National Games, Pooja Patel of Gujarat has become the first athlete to win gold in Yogasana. Yogasana is one of the five sports to be played at the National Games this year for the first time.

This Indian indigenous sport made its debut at the Khelo India University Games earlier this year.

As far as the medal table of the 36th National Games is concerned, Services Sports Control Board is leading the chart with a total of 113 medals, including 51 gold, 33 silver, and 29 bronze.

Haryana is second on the table with 95 medals (31 gold, 29 silver, 35 bronze), followed by Maharashtra (119), Karnataka (84), and Tamil Nadu (67).

Maharashtra has fewer gold medals than Haryana, which is why it has been placed third on the table.

110. Which footballer has recently made history by making a record of 700 club career goals?

- (A) Cristiano Ronaldo (B) Lionel Messi
(C) Kevin De Bruyne (D) Neymar
(E) Robert Lewandowski

Ans.110 (A)

Cristiano Ronaldo reached another historic landmark in his extraordinary career by scoring his 700th club goal to seal Manchester United's comeback win over Everton.

The 37-year-old Portuguese forward becomes the first and only player in this present generation to score seven times a hundred goals in football history.

His 700th club goal extends his tally over Lionel Messi with Argentina forward scoring 691 goals for Fc Barcelona and Paris Saint Germain.

111. Recently, who has been appointed as the chief justice of the Rajasthan high court?

- (A) Pankaj Mithal (B) PrasannaVarale
(C) VikramNath (D) DipankarDatta
(E) Sanjay Karol

Ans.111 (A)

The central government has recently appointed the new Chief Justice for Karnataka, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir, and Ladakh high courts.

Justice Pankaj Mithal has been appointed as the chief justice of the Rajasthan high court.

Karnataka's high court chief justice is Justice B Varale, and Justice AM Magrey has been appointed the chief justice of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

112. International Monetary Fund has cut India's Gross Domestic Product Growth forecast to how much percent in 2022?

- (A) 9.6% (B) 6.8%
(C) 7.1% (D) 5.8%
(E) 8.4%

Ans.112 (B)

The International Monetary Fund cuts its projection of India's economic growth to 6.8% in 2022.

India had grown at 8.7 per cent in 2021-2022(April 2021 to March 2022).

The International Monetary Fund(IMF) projected a gross domestic product (GDP) growth of 7.4 per cent for India in the year that started in April 2022.

Even that forecast was less than 8.2% projected in January this year.

113. Who has won the top UAE award from Aligarh Muslim University?

- (A) Syed Mobashir Yunus

- (A) Firoz Mohammad
(C) Wazahat Husain
(D) Nesar Ahmad
(E) Mohammad Tahseen

Ans.113 (C)

Professor Wazahat Husain, a leading academic from the Aligarh Muslim University has won an international award for Traditional, Alternative and Complementary Medicine.

Professor Husain is a retired chairman of the Department of Botany at the Aligarh Muslim University(AMU) has received the second Sheikh Zayed International Award in an event arranged by the Zayed Charitable and Humanitarian Foundation. Wazahat Husain has been honoured Lifetime Achievement Awards twice, once jointly by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the AYUSH ministry and then by the Wildlife Institute of India and Department of Wildlife Sciences, AMU.

114. What is the name of AI-enabled device for screening cervical cancer in women developed by AIIMS?

- (A) Endoscope (B) Borescope
(C) Kinescope (D) Colposcope
(E) Fetoscope

Ans.114 (D)

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi has been developing an Artificial Intelligence enabled device named Colposcope for the screening of cervical cancer in women.

As per the Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, AIIMS, the image captured by the device will help in detecting the cancer of the cervix.

The device can also be carried out by healthcare workers in the field for the diagnosis of the disease.

Cervical Cancer occurs because of Human Papilloma Virus, HPV Infection.

Every year, an estimated one lakh 20 thousand women develop cervical cancer and over 77 thousand women die because of this disease in India.

115. Recently, Central Government has expanded which scheme to include skilled girls in non-traditional livelihood (NTL) options?

- (A) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
(B) One Stop Centre Scheme
(C) Nari Shakti Kendra
(D) Balika Samridhi Yojana
(E) Mahila Police Volunteers

Ans.115 (A)

The Central Government, expanding the mandate of its flagship scheme - "BetiBachaoBetiPadhao" (BBBP Scheme) announced the inclusion of skilling of girls in non-traditional livelihood (NTL) options.

New Changes in the BBBP Scheme -
Ensuring 1% increment in enrolment at the secondary level

particularly in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) subjects.

Skilling of girls and women every year (mainly in non-traditional livelihoods)

Raising awareness about safe menstrual hygiene

Promulgating elimination of child marriages

116. Recently, On which day of October nation has celebrated birth anniversary of LoknayakJayaprakash Narayan?

- (A) 09th October (B) 08th October
(C) 07th October (D) 10th October
(E) 11th October

Ans.116 (E)

The Prime Minister of India has paid tribute to LoknayakJayaprakash Narayan and NanajiDeshmukh on their birth anniversary on 11th October 2022.

About Jayprakash Narayan -

Birth: 11th October, 1902 in Sitabdiara, Bihar.

Influenced By: Marxist ideas in the USA and Gandhian ideology.

Contribution to Freedom Struggle:

In 1929, he joined the Indian National Congress.

In 1932, he was imprisoned for a year for participation in the civil disobedience movement.

In 1939, he was imprisoned again for his opposition to Indian participation in World War II on the side of Britain but escaped.

117. Which university has emerged as the best institute among 1,799 universities from 104 countries in Times Higher Education rankings 2023?

- (A) University of Cambridge
(B) University of Oxford
(C) Harvard University
(D) Stanford University
(E) Imperial College London

Ans.117 (B)

Recently, the Times Higher Education (THE) rankings 2023 were released.

Earlier, QS World University Ranking 2023 was released.

118. Recently, Home Minister Amit Shah unveils 14 feet high statue of LokNayakJayprakash Narayan in which state?

- (A) Jharkhand (B) Assam
(C) Bihar (D) Kerala
(E) Ladakh

Ans.118 (C)

Union Home Minister Amit Shah unveils 14 feet high statue of LokNayakJayprakash Narayan at Sitabdiara in Saran district, Bihar.He paid floral tribute to socialist icon Jayaprakash Narayan on his birth anniversary at his ancestral village at Sitabdiara.Home Minister Amit Shah highlighted the welfare schemes of the Union government.

119. Former chairperson of Nagaland State Commission for Women Dr TemsulaAo has passed away recently. In which year she was awarded by Padma Shri?

- (A) 2008 (B) 2007
(C) 2014 (D) 2020
(E) 2004

Ans.119 (B)

Former chairperson of Nagaland State Commission for Women, academician, renowned writer and Padma Shri Dr TemsulaAo passed away at a private hospital in Dimapur. She was 80.Dr TemsulaAo, who was known as a leading literary voice in the northeast, was awarded Padma Shri in 2007.She was a recipient of the Nagaland Governor's Award for Distinction in Literature, the Meghalaya governor's Gold Medal and the SahityaAkademi Award, among other recognitions.Dr TemsulaAo spent almost half of her life teaching at the North Eastern Hill University (NEHU).She retired from there in 2010 as a professor of English and dean of the School of Humanities and Education NEHU.Her literary works are reported to have been translated into German and French as well as Hindi, Assamese and Bengali.

120. Former banker Ananth Narayan Gopalakrishnan has taken charges as whole-time member of which government entity?

- (A) SEBI (B) RBI
(C) NHB (D) SIDBI
(E) NABARD

Ans.120 (A)

Former banker Ananth Narayan Gopalakrishnan took charge as the fourth whole time member (WTM) in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi).Narayan, who has been a member of various advisory committees of Sebi and RBI, has been

appointed for an initial period of three years. Before assuming charge, Narayan was an associate professor at SP Jain Institute Management & Research. He has over two and half decades of experience in the banking and financial markets, during which he held the position of Regional Head of Financial Markets for ASEAN and South Asia at Standard Chartered Bank.

He has strong expertise in foreign currency, interest rates, derivatives and debt capital markets. Narayan has also worked with Deutsche Bank and Citibank.

121. What is the name of the scheme recently approved by the union cabinet for the Development Initiative for North East Region?

- (A) PM-PDOT (B) PM-IISCs
(C) PM-DevINE (D) PM-JJBY
(E) PM-APY

Ans.121 (C)

The union cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved a new scheme, Prime Minister's Development Initiative (PM-DevINE) for North East Region. The scheme is for the remaining four years of the 15th Financial Commission from 2022-23 to 2025-26.

The PM-DevINE scheme is a Central Sector Scheme with 100% Central funding and will be implemented by the Ministry of Development of the North Eastern Region (DoNER). The scheme will have an outlay of Rs 6,600 crore from 2022-23 to 2025-26. PM-DevINE will be executed by the Ministry of DoNER through North Eastern Council or Central Ministries/agencies. While some of the projects under PM-DevINE to be approved for 2022-23 are part of the Budget announcement, projects with substantial socio-economic impact or sustainable livelihood opportunities for the general public may be considered in the future.

122. Recently, 2nd United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress was inaugurated in which city under the theme "Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No one should be left behind"?

- (A) Hyderabad (B) Bengaluru
(C) Chennai (D) Mumbai
(E) New Delhi

Ans.122 (A)

Recently, 2nd United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress was inaugurated in Hyderabad under the theme "Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No one should be left behind". India's geospatial

economy is expected to cross Rs. 63,100 crores by 2025 at a growth rate of 12.8%. About UN World Geospatial Information Congress - The first United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress was held in Deqing, Zhejiang Province, China in 2018. The United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) organizes the United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC) every four years. The objectives are enhancing international collaboration among the Member States and relevant stakeholders in Geospatial information management and capacities.

123. Who has become the first actor to film in outer space?

- (A) Val Kilmer (B) Tom Cruise
(C) James Bond (D) Lewis Wilson
(E) Chris Hemsworth

Ans.123 (B)

Hollywood Actor Tom Cruise, who is renowned for pulling off high-octane stunts in his projects, is taking things to the next level and may soon become the first actor to shoot in space. The Top Gun actor has reportedly partnered with director Doug Liman on a project that calls for him to perform a spacewalk.

The Hollywood actor and director have reportedly approached the Universal Filmed Entertainment Group (UFEG) with a proposal for Tom to launch himself up to the International Space Station.

The project was initially slated for 2020, but the Covid-19 outbreak put the project on hold.

The movie is currently in the conceptual stage and hasn't started shooting yet. Tom Cruise would be the first movie celebrity to film on the International Space Station if the film is successful, as was previously announced. Liman was asked about reports that the movie will cost around \$200 million but she insisted they are yet to work out the final budget. Presumably, a flight to space for Cruise and a film crew will cost a packet.

124. Which state government has launched "Football for All" in the state to take the culture of football to the grassroots?

- (A) Chhattisgarh (B) Jharkhand
(C) Rajasthan (D) Odisha
(E) Maharashtra

Ans.124 (D)

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has launched 'Football for All' in the state to take the culture of football to the grassroots. The Programme has been

initiated by FIFA in Odisha in partnership with the Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) & Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).

125. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of hydropower projects in which district of Himachal Pradesh?

- (A) Shimla (B) Dharamshala
(C) Chamba (D) Dalhousie
(E) Palampur

Ans.125 (C)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of two hydropower projects in Chamba Himachal Pradesh. He also flagged off the Vande Bharat Express from Una to New Delhi.

This is the fourth Vande Bharat train available in the country.

Narendra Modi also inaugurated the Indian Institute of Information Technology Una and laid the foundation stone of a bulk drug Park in Una.

He dedicated the IIT to the nation and is looking forward to launching Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana -3 in HP.

Hydropower projects launched by PM Modi - Prime Minister Modi laid the foundation of two hydropower projects in Chamba Himachal Pradesh.

The projects will produce over 270 million units of electricity every year.

Himachal Pradesh is also expected to gain approx one hundred ten crore rupees as annual revenue.

126. What is the rank of India among 12 Indo-Pacific nations in self-reliant arms production capabilities?

- (A) 4th (B) 5th
(C) 6th (D) 7th
(E) 8th

Ans.126 (A)

India ranks fourth among 12 Indo-Pacific nations in self-reliant arms production capabilities, according to a study released by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). The 12 countries in the study were selected because they have the highest military spending in the region — Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and Vietnam. China was the world's fifth-largest arms importer in 2016-20. Its self-reliance policies and its high economic growth in that period meant that the Chinese arms industry now increasingly fulfills the requirements of the People's Liberation Army (PLA).

Its high volume of imports in absolute terms accounts for only 8 percent of total procurement for the period, the lowest share for any of the 12 governments.

127. Who has been appointed as Secretary of the Science and Engineering Research Board?

- (A) Sandeep Verma (B) Akhilesh Gupta
(C) Madhu Wadhawan (D) Akhilesh Gupta
(E) Rajeev Kumar

Ans.127 (B)

Senior Adviser at the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Dr Akhilesh Gupta, has been appointed Secretary of the Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB). Dr Gupta replaced Dr Sandeep Verma. About Dr Akhilesh Gupta -

He joined the India Meteorological Department in 1985 & later the National Center for Medium-Range Weather Forecasting in 1994, both currently under the Ministry of Earth Sciences. He has been one of the authors of India's National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) and head of the Secretariat which drafted India's new Science, Technology, and Innovation Policy.

128. 53rd Capacity Building Programme in the Field Administration for the Civil Servants of Bangladesh has inaugurated in which city?

- (A) Dehradun (B) New Delhi
(C) Mussoorie (D) Lucknow
(E) Indore

Ans.128 (C)

53rd Capacity Building Programme in the Field Administration for the Civil Servants of Bangladesh was inaugurated at National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) at Mussoorie.

This institute is the only institute that has trained 1,727 field-level officers of Bangladesh Civil Service such as Assistant Commissioners, SDMs, and Additional Deputy Commissioners. In 2014, the National Center for Good Governance was established by the Government of India.

The center focuses on good governance, policy reforms, training, capacity building, and working as a think tank.

The center has taken up capacity building of civil servants of several foreign countries in partnership with MEA. Till now, it has imparted training to 15 countries including Bangladesh, Kenya, Tanzania, Seychelles, Gambia, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Laos, Vietnam, Bhutan, Myanmar, and Cambodia.

The Capacity Building Programme for developing countries' civil servants aims to equip them with cutting-edge knowledge, skills, and tools to deliver and design effective public policy.

The participants will also be taken to see various developmental works like Delhi Metro, Smart City, Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, Central Information Commission, and Election Commission of India.

129. International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2022 has recently observed on which day of October?

- (A) 14 October (B) 10 October
(C) 11 October (D) 12 October
(E) 13 October

Ans.129 (E)

October 13 is designated as International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction with a focus on encouraging a global culture of risk awareness and catastrophe preparedness.

The day is an opportunity to acknowledge the progress being made toward preventing and reducing disaster risk and losses in lives, livelihoods, economies and basic infrastructure in line with the international agreement for reducing global disaster risk and losses.

The International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction was started in 1989, after a call by the United Nations General Assembly for a day to promote a global culture of risk-awareness and disaster reduction.

Held every 13 October, the day celebrates how people and communities around the world are reducing their exposure to disasters and raising awareness about the importance of reining in the risks that they face.

In 2015 at the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai, Japan, the international community was reminded that disasters hit hardest at the local level with the potential to cause loss of life and great social and economic upheaval.

Sudden onset disasters displace millions of people every year.

Disasters, many of which are exacerbated by climate change, have a negative impact on investment in sustainable development and the desired outcomes.

130. Which vehicle manufacturer company has tied up with IIT Madras to develop hybrid EVS Using Turbine Tech?

- (A) Ashok Leyland (B) Tata Motors
(C) Eicher Motors (D) Force Motors
(E) BharatBenz

Ans.130 (A)

Ashok Leyland has joined hands with researchers at the National Centre for Combustion Research and Development (NCCRD) for the development and commercialization of a "swirl mesh lean direct injection (LDI) system" for developing hybrid electrical vehicles using turbine technology.

Ashok Leyland is a flagship company of the Hinduja group and a leading commercial vehicle manufacturer.

NCCRD is an arm of the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.

IIT Madras is developing an indigenously-designed micro gas turbine, whose core is a patented combustion technology called a "swirl mesh lean direct injection system". The main power train will be the electric motor, but the onboard power will be generated by the micro gas turbine.

These micro gas turbines will be developed jointly by NCCRD and AeroStroVilos Energy.

The micro gas turbine will replace the large battery systems. Ashok Leyland has signed a letter of support to develop it for heavy vehicles with NCCRD, IIT Madras.

Ashok Leyland has handed over to NCCRD a nine-meter passenger electric bus. Micro gas turbines have significant features as a technology that will extend fuel combustion beyond traditional IC engines and provide for more efficient performance and multi-fuel capability.

131. Recently Indo-US Vaccine Action Program joint statement has been extended till which year?

- (A) 2027 (B) 2026
(C) 2025 (D) 2029
(E) 2028

Ans.131(A)

Indo-US VAP Joint Statement extended till 2027

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) is implementing a focused bilateral collaborative programme (VAP) the Indo-US Vaccine Action Programme, in collaboration with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA, since July 1987. The present five-year VAP Joint Statement has been extended till 2027. The statement has been extended with the Science and Technology Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of India. It is extended with approval from the Minister of Science and Technology and the Ministry of External Affairs.

132.The President of India has inaugurated the 'PARAM KAMRUPA' supercomputer facility and a high-power active and passive component laboratory of SAMEER at which Indian Institute of Technology?

- (A) IIT Kanpur (B) IIT Guwahati
(C) IIT Mumbai (D) IIT Delhi
(E) IIT Kharagpur

Ans.132(B)

President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu, inaugurated 'PARAM KAMRUPA' Supercomputer facility and a high-power active and passive component laboratory of SAMEER at Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati on the first day of her visit to the State.

The Param Kamrupa, one of its kind supercomputers in the North East region, installed under the National Supercomputing Mission. In the same function, the President virtually inaugurated Dhubri Medical College and Hospital, and laid foundation stone for Zonal Institutes of National Institute of Virology at Dibrugarh in Assam and Jabalpur of Madhya Pradesh. The Super Computer Param Kamrupa will provide advance computing, healthcare techniques along with solutions for many issues to this region.

133.Defense Minister Rajnath Singh will launch ___ website, which will enable citizens to contribute towards Armed Forces War Casualty Welfare Fund, AFBCWF?

- (A) Maa Bharati Ke Yodhha
(B) Maa Bharati Ke Ladaku
(C) Maa Bharati Ke Sapoot
(D) Maa Bharati Ke Veer Jawan
(E) Maa Bharati Ke Rakshak

Ans.133(C)

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will launch a website 'Maa Bharati Ke Sapoot' enabling citizens to contribute for the Armed Forces Battle Casualties Welfare Fund, AFBCWF.

It will be launched at a function being organised at the National War Memorial Complex in New Delhi.

Eminent Actor Amitabh Bachchan has accepted to be the Goodwill Ambassador.

AFBCWF is a Tri service fund, utilised for grant of immediate financial assistance of ex-gratia, to the Next of Kin and dependents of Battle Casualties. While the Government of India has initiated a large number of Welfare Schemes for the soldiers killed or disabled during active military operations in the line of duty, there has been a strong public sentiment and requests from patriotic citizens, corporate heads or

industry captains, to contribute to the cause of welfare of the soldiers and their families. This website is being launched to facilitate patriotic Indians to partner in this noble cause.

134. The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Athlete Biological Passport Symposium – 2022 has started in which city?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Kolkata
(C) Bengaluru (D) New Delhi
(E) Ahmedabad

Ans.134(D)

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Anurag Singh Thakur launched the World Anti-doping Agency (WADA) Athlete Biological Passport Symposium - 2022 in New Delhi.

The event is being jointly organized by National Anti-Doping Agency and National Dope Testing Laboratory for the first time in the country.

The measures taken by the government to address the challenge of doping, Mr Thakur said that at the anti-doping front, the government has tied up with the National Forensic Science University and Food Safety and Standards Authority of India so that nutrition supplements can be tested and its information can be shared with the athletes. He said, the symposium will not only benefit the country but the world also.

The World Anti-Doping Agency, WADA has a major role to play in making the sports ecosystem more transparent and NADA executes the same process in the country.

135.What is the name of the offshore security exercise recently conducted by Eastern Naval Command in the Offshore Development Area (ODA) off Kakinada?

- (A) Arambh (B) Milaan
(C) Agaaj (D) Prahar
(E) Prasthan

Ans.135(E)

The Offshore Security Exercise, 'Prasthan' in the Offshore Development Area (ODA) off Kakinada was conducted by Eastern Naval Command.

The Half Yearly Exercise was conducted in the KG basin to validate SOPs, address various contingencies and strengthen the command & control organisation towards Maritime Security.

Led by the Navy, the exercise saw participation from the various oil operators, like ONGC, RIL, Vedanta and other stakeholders in the domain of maritime security including AP Marine Police, AP fisheries department and the Coast Guard. The exercise was

conducted onboard Drill rigs Platinum Explorer and DDKG- of ONGC and RIL located about 40 nm south of Kakinada.

Contingencies such as terrorist intrusion, bomb explosion, casualty evacuation, search and rescue, man overboard, major fire, oil spill and mass evacuation were exercised. According to the Defence Ministry, the exercise provided all stakeholders with a realistic opportunity to assess their response and preparedness as well as combat contingencies. It was also targeted as bringing about operation in a coordinated and synergised manner.

136. Recently India started its ISSF World Championship campaign with a bronze medal in which women's event in Cairo, Egypt?

- (A) 25m Pistol Team Junior competition
- (B) 30m Pistol Team Junior competition
- (C) 35m Pistol Team Junior competition
- (D) 20m Pistol Team Junior competition
- (E) 32m Pistol Team Junior competition

Ans.136(A)

India began their ISSF World Championship campaign with a bronze in the women's 25m pistol team junior competition in Cairo, Egypt. The trio of Esha Singh, Naamya Kapoor, and Vibhuti Bhatia demolished team Germany 17-1 in the bronze medal match to get India on the medal tally on day one of the competition.

Esha, Naamya, and Vibhuti finished fourth in the first round of qualification with a score of 856 to make it to the next stage in third position. In the next round, they shot 437 to finish behind the Germans in fourth position to qualify for the bronze medal match.

China won the gold in the event while Korea bagged silver.

137. Who has been elected as the new President of Iraq?

- (A) Mustafa Al-Kadhimi
- (B) Abdul Latif Rashid
- (C) Mirza Nasrullah Khan
- (D) Wael Nader al-Halqi
- (E) Adel Safar

Ans.137(B)

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.

The newly-elected Rashid was later sworn in as the President of Iraq, the fifth President of the country since 2003. After the parliament session, Rashid tasked Mohammed Shia' al-Sudani with forming a

new government as al-Sudani was nominated by the Coordination Framework (CF), the largest parliamentary alliance and an umbrella group of Shia parliamentary parties.

Al-Sudani, now as the Prime Minister-designate, will have 30 days to form the new government, according to the constitution.

Rashid, 78, is a veteran Kurdish politician born in the city of Sulaimaniyah in northeastern Iraq. He worked as Minister for Water Resources from September 2003 to December 2010.

He is an active member of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK) under the leadership of Jalal Talabani, who became President of Iraq in 2005.

Rashid was formerly a spokesperson for the PUK in Britain, where he received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering in 1968 from Liverpool University, a Master's degree in 1972, and a doctorate in Engineering from Manchester University in 1976.

138. What is the name of a new scheme launched by the state government of Himachal Pradesh to provide irrigation facilities to the farmers?

- (A) HIMSMI SCHEME
- (B) HIMAIBP SCHEME
- (C) HIMCAD SCHEME
- (D) HIMGWD SCHEME
- (E) HIMPKVY SCHEME

Ans.138 (C)

The state government of Himachal Pradesh has started a new scheme named 'HIMCAD', to provide irrigation facilities to farmers.

According to the latest data, about 80% of the agricultural area of Himachal Pradesh is rain-fed.

The scheme will provide end-to-end connectivity of farmers' fields for better water conservation, crop diversification and integrated farming.

139. How much loan has been given by the World Bank to support Andhra's Learning Transformation (SALT) project in appreciation of the path-breaking reforms implemented by the state government?

- (A) \$240 million
- (B) \$230 million
- (C) \$260 million
- (D) \$250 million
- (E) \$225 million

Ans.139(D)

The World Bank has extended an unconditional loan of \$250 million to the Supporting Andhra's Learning Transformation (SALT) project in appreciation of the path-breaking reforms implemented by the state government. The reforms initiated under the SALT

project have brought about a paradigm shift in the way education was imparted and the outcomes had been encouraging according to Special Chief Secretary B. Rajasekhar (School Education).

140. Worlds Standards day 2022 has recently observed on which day of October?

- (A) 14 October (B) 10 October
(C) 11 October (D) 12 October
(E) 13 October

Ans.140(A)

Inception: 1946

1st Observed: -1970

Motto: -To raise awareness Among regulators, Industry and consumers as to the importance of standardization to the global Economy.

Taking place every year on 14 October, World Standards Day (WSD) offers an opportunity to raise awareness and increase understanding of the importance of standardization. It is a collaborative initiative of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), who each year develop campaign elements to empower the global community.

141. The Cabinet has granted the status of ST to the Hattee community. The Hatteecommunity belongs to which state?

- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Karnataka
(C) Chhattisgarh (D) Uttar Pradesh
(E) Himachal Pradesh

Ans.141 (E)

The Union Cabinet approved the inclusion of some castes of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, and Uttar Pradesh in the list of Schedules Tribes. Arjun Munda stated that the move will help them availing welfare benefits. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was the chairperson of the cabinet.

Regions of the five states' tribes are included in the ST category -

The Cabinet in its latest decision granted the status of ST to the Hattee community of Himachal Pradesh's Sirmaur district.

Since Himachal goes to the Assembly polls later this year, thus the decision is important.

The Cabinet approved the inclusion of 'Gonds' along with its five sub-castes in the Bhadohi district of Uttar Pradesh in the Scheduled Tribes list of Uttar Pradesh.

The inclusion of 'Narikoravan along with the Kurivikkaran' community in respect to the State of Tamil Nadu was also approved by the Cabinet through the introduction of a Bill in Parliament to amend the Constitution Order, 1950.

The inclusion of the 'Betta-Kuruba' community in respect to the State of Karnataka was also approved by the Cabinet.

Chhattisgarh's 12 caste communities were included in the Scheduled Tribes.

Process for including tribes in the ST list -

The Tribal Affairs Minister explained that the tribes are included in the ST list with the recommendation from the respective State governments.

They are then sent to the Tribal Affairs Ministry, which reviews and sends them to the Registrar General of India for approval.

142. Who has become the first Indian women wrestler to win two medals at World wrestling championship 2022?

- (A) Babita Kumari (B) Sakshi Malik
(C) Vinesh Phogat (D) Ritu Phogat
(E) Anshu Malik

Ans.142(C)

Vinesh Phogat won a bronze medal at the ongoing World Wrestling Championships 2022 in the women's 53kg category in Belgrade, on September 14 in Siberia.

She has become the first Indian women wrestler to win two medals at the World Championship.

She defeated the European champion, Emma Malmgren, from Sweden.

Vinesh Phogat is also the first Indian women wrestler to win a gold medal at both the Commonwealth and Asian games.

She won the gold medal in the women's 53kg freestyle wrestling category at Birmingham 2022.

Medals that have been won by Vinesh Phogat till now -

Vinesh had won first bronze at the 2019 edition at Nur-Sultan.

At the world championships, this is Vinesh's second bronze medal. Her win is also India's first medal of the 2022 edition.

143. Military camp in Kibithu has recently named after whom?

- (A) Bipin Rawat (B) Narendra Modi
(C) Vijay Kumar Singh (D) Vikram Batra
(E) Manoj Mukund Naravane

Ans.143 (A)

The strategically key Kibithu military garrison has named after India's first Chief of Defence Staff Gen BipinRawat. Rawat commanded his Battalion 5/11 Gorkha Rifles at Kibithu from 1999-2000 as a young Colonel and contributed immensely to strengthening the security structure in the area.

The 22km Kibithu-Wallong Road was also renamed General BipinRawat Road along with the renaming of the military camp.

Besides the unveiling of a life-size mural of Rawat, a gate to the garrison built in the traditional style was also inaugurated.

144. Every year 15th September is celebrated as National Engineer's Day to mark the birth anniversary of whom?

- (A) Krishna Raja Wadiya
- (B) MokshagundamVisvesvaraya
- (C) ChandrasekharaVenkata Raman
- (D) SarvepalliRadhakrishnan
- (E) A P J Abdul Kalam

Ans.144 (B)

Every year 15th September is celebrated as National Engineer's Day to mark the birth anniversary of Sir MokshagundamVisvesvaraya.

Engineer's Day is celebrated to pay tribute to Bharat Ratna Sir MokshagundamVisvesvaraya.

145. The International Day of Democracy also known as World Democracy Day is observed every year on which day of September?

- (A) 11 September
- (B) 13 September
- (C) 12 September
- (D) 15 September
- (E) 14 September

Ans.145 (D)

The International Day of Democracy also known as World Democracy Day is observed every year on 15 September.

It is a day that highlights the importance of the participation of all members for the proper functioning of a democracy.

According to the United Nations (UN), the International Day of Democracy provides an opportunity to review the state of democracy in the world.

146. With which country India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the training of diplomats?

- (A) Madagascar
- (B) Mauritius
- (C) Seychelles
- (D) Mozambique

(E) Maldives

Ans.146 (A)

India and Madagascar signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the training of diplomats between India and Madagascar.

147. Minister PiyushGoyal has appointed whom as a member of the FCI Consultative Committee?

- (A) Kuldeep Rai
- (B) Abhishek Mishra
- (C) Midhun Reddy
- (D) GuttaAdinarayana
- (E) GorleSrinivasa

Ans.147 (B)

The Minister of Textiles, Commerce and Industry, and Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Shri PiyushGoyal has appointed Abhishek Mishra, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of DadasahebPhalke International Film Festival (DPIFF) as the Member of the Consultative Committee, Food Corporation of India (FCI), Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India.

148. Who has been named as the managing director of the CSC e-Governance India SPV?

- (A) Sanjay Kumar Rakesh
- (B) RushabhAshwin Gandhi
- (C) Alok Pandey
- (D) Sanjay Kumar Dora
- (E) Alok Kumar

Ans.148 (A)

Sanjay Kumar Rakesh, a former IAS officer, has been named managing director of the CSC e-Governance India SPV, which is run by the central government.

The appointment follows Dinesh Tyagi's resignation from the position, who was instrumental in increasing the number of CSCs from 60,000 in 2014 to over 5 lakh at the moment.

149. The world's largest museum of Harappan culture has established in which state?

- (A) Punjab
- (B) Uttarakhand
- (C) Haryana
- (D) Rajasthan
- (E) Ladakh

Ans.149 (C)

The world's largest museum of Harappan culture is coming up in Rakhigarhi in Haryana to showcase about 5,000-year-old Indus Valley artefacts.

The village of Rakhigarhi was part of the Indus Valley Civilisation from 2600-1900 BC.

Haryana is slated to host the world's largest museum dedicated to the Harappan civilization.

Rakhigarhi is a hamlet in Haryana's Hisar district, some 150 kilometres from Delhi.

The settlement is also a well-known archaeological site from the time of the Indus Valley civilization.

150. A new book "Rajini's Mantras" has been authored by whom?

- (A) David Klenerman (B) PC Balasubramanian
(C) Stephen Neidle (D) Chris Abell
(E) Richard Zare

Ans.150(B)

The entrepreneurcumauthor, PC Balasubramanian (PC Bala) authored a new book "Rajini's Mantras: Life lessons from India's mostloved Superstar" in English.

It was published by Jaico Publishing House (India). PC Bala's 1st book was Rajini's Punctantra and Raja Krishnamoorthy, which became a national bestseller. Grand Brand Rajini and Ram N Ramakrishnan were published on December 2022.

151. Which country has won Women Asia Cup 2022?

- (A) Sri Lanka (B) Pakistan
(C) Bangladesh (D) India
(E) Hong Kong

Ans.151 (D)

India defeated Sri Lanka by 8 wickets in the finals of the Women's Asia Cup 2022. India has bagged the position for the 7th time.

Sri Lanka won the toss and opted to bat first.

Sri Lanka made 65 runs in 20 overs losing 10 wickets. India chased the target in 8.3 overs making 71 runs with a loss of only 2 wickets.

Smriti Mandhana made 51 runs not out in 25 balls.

Renuka Singh Thakur take three wickets against Sri Lanka while Rajeshwari Gayakwad and Sneh Rana taken two wickets each.

152. Recently, Ministry of External Affairs has named Dr Adarsh Swaika as India's next ambassador to which country?

- (A) Bahrain (B) Kuwait
(C) Qatar (D) Oman
(E) Iraq

Ans.152 (B)

Dr Adarsh Swaika, a joint secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, has been appointed India's next Ambassador to Kuwait.

Dr Adarsh Swaika (IFS: 2002), is presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs.

He is expected to take up his assignment shortly.

Swaika will succeed Sibi George as the Indian envoy in Kuwait.

There has been a significant upswing in ties between India and Kuwait in the last few years.

153. President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated "PARAM KAMRUPA" supercomputer facility in which Indian Institute of Technology?

- (A) IIT Kanpur (B) IIT Chennai
(C) IIT Guwahati (D) IIT Delhi
(E) IIT Dhanbad

Ans.153 (C)

President of India, Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated a supercomputer facility at the Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati and launched several other projects during her maiden visit to Assam since assuming office.

This supercomputer facility called "Param-Kamrupa", the facility will be able to conduct advanced research in various scientific fields.

She also inaugurated a high-power active and passive component laboratory called SAMEER at the institute.

154. Recently, PM Modi has inaugurated Indian Institute of Information Technology in which district of Himachal Pradesh?

- (A) Una (B) Solan
(C) Shimla (D) Kangra
(E) Kullu

Ans.154 (A)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) in Una, Himachal Pradesh. During the occasion, Himachal Pradesh Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar, Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur, Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav, and Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur were present. PM Modi also inaugurated the fourth Vande Bharat Express Train of India at the event.

155. International Day of Rural Women 2022 observed on which day of October?

- (A) 15 October (B) 16 October
(C) 17 October (D) 14 October
(E) 13 October

Ans.155 (A)

October 15 is celebrated as the International Day of Rural women across the world.

The day focuses to promote gender quality and highlight the important role played by women in rural areas.

The International Day of Rural Women is a time to celebrate the important role that rural women play in society.

It is also an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges faced by rural women and to call for action to address these issues.

We hope that this day will help empower rural women and give them the recognition they deserve.

156. What is the rank of India in Global Hunger Index 2022?

- (A) 104th (B) 107th
(C) 87th (D) 98th
(E) 85th

Ans.156 (B)

India ranks 107 out of 121 countries on the Global Hunger Index in which it fares worse than all countries in South Asia barring war-torn Afghanistan. India's score of 29.1 places it in the "serious" category.

India also ranks below Sri Lanka (64), Nepal (81), Bangladesh (84), and Pakistan (99). Afghanistan (109) is the only country in South Asia that performs worse than India on the index.

China is among the countries collectively ranked between 1 and 17 having a score of less than five.

India's child wasting rate (low weight for height), at 19.3%, is worse than the levels recorded in 2014 (15.1%) and even 2000 (17.15%), and is the highest for any country in the world and drives up the region's average owing to India's large population.

157. Abdul Latif Rashid has been elected as the President of which country?

- (A) Iran (B) Qatar
(C) Dubai (D) Iraq
(E) Bahrain

Ans.157 (D)

The Iraqi Parliament chose Kurdish politician, Abdul Latif Rashid to lead the country.

Rashid won more than 160 votes against 99 for the incumbent Saleh.

Rashid, 78, is a British-educated engineer and was the Iraqi minister of water resources from 2003-2010.

Outgoing President Saleh reportedly walked out of the parliament building as the votes were tallied.

Rashid was born in 1944 in the northeastern Sulaymaniyah region of Iraq. He

graduated as a civil engineer from the University of Liverpool in 1968. He went on to complete his engineering doctorate in 1976 from the University of Manchester.

Rashid has a long history in Iraqi politics. He served as the minister of water resources from 2003 to 2010 and then as the senior adviser to the President. He can speak speaks Kurdish, Arabic and English.

158. The birth anniversary of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam has celebrated on 15th October. Which President of India was he?

- (A) 10th (B) 11th
(C) 12th (D) 13th
(E) 14th

Ans.158 (B)

AvulPakirJainuladbeen Abdul Kalam born on 15th October 1931 was an Indian aerospace scientist and the 11th president of India. He served as the President of India from 2002 to 2007. He was known as the Missile Man of India for his works and development of ballistic missiles and launch vehicle technology.

159. Recently, the Minister of Civil Aviation has inaugurated the 4thHeli-India Summit 2022 in which state/Union Territory?

- (A) Himachal Pradesh
(B) (B)Andhra Pradesh
(C) Jammu and Kashmir
(D) Lakshadweep
(E) Madhya Pradesh

Ans.159 (C)

Recently, the Minister of Civil Aviation has inaugurated the 4thHeli-India Summit 2022 in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Theme: Helicopters for Last Mile Connectivity.

160. Under the "Bharat Krishi Satellite programme", a minimum of how many satellites will be required to cover the entire agricultural area of India?

- (A) 2 (B) 3
(C) 4 (D) 5
(E) 6

Ans.160 (A)

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has proposed dedicated satellites for supporting the country's agriculture sector.

Key Points -

Minimum of two satellites are stipulated to guarantee adequate coverage of the entire agricultural area of the country.

They will aid a gamut of farm-related activities related to crop forecasting, pesticide application, irrigation, soil data, and generation of critical data related to drought.

The satellites will be owned by the Department of Agriculture and not by ISRO. The ISRO will provide the technical support.

161. Who has inaugurated India's First aluminium Freight Rake (61 BOBRNALHSM1) in Odisha?

- (A) AshwiniVaishnaw
- (B) Nirmala Sitharaman
- (C) PiyushGoyal
- (D) Narendra Singh Tomar
- (E) Rajeev Chandrasekhar

Ans.161 (A)

Union Minister of Railways AshwiniVaishnaw has inaugurated India's First aluminium Freight Rake (61 BOBRNALHSM1) at Bhubaneswar Railway Station in Odisha. The rake's destination is Bilaspur. It is also the first-time aluminium rake that has been manufactured in India with the property of fully lock-bolted construction with no welding on the superstructure. The iron and steel industry uses a lot of imported nickel and cadmium. The proliferation of aluminium wagons will gradually result in less import and at the same time, it is also good for the domestic aluminium industry.

162. Who has won the "World Green City Award" 2022 at the International Association of Horticulture Producers 2022?

- (A) Bengaluru
- (B) Mumbai
- (C) Hyderabad
- (D) Chennai
- (E) Gadwal

Ans.162 (C)

Hyderabad won the "World Green City Award" 2022 at the International Association of Horticulture Producers 2022, organized in Jeju, South Korea.

The city also won another award in the category "Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth". Hyderabad not only won the category award but also the overall "World Green City 2022" award. It has been the best across all six categories.

The city beats cities like Paris, Montreal, Fortaleza, Mexico City, and Bogota.

Categories and winners at AIPH 2022 -

- Living Green for Biodiversity - Columbia
- Living Green for Climate Change - Mexico
- Living Green for Health and Wellbeing - Brazil
- Living Green for Water - Canada
- Living Green for Social Cohesion - France

Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth - India

163. Recently, sixth edition of "East Asia Summit of Education Minister's" Meeting has been held in which country?

- (A) India
- (B) Thailand
- (C) Cambodia
- (D) Vietnam
- (E) Philippines

Ans.163 (D)

Recently, India participated in the 6th East Asia Summit Education Minister's Meeting held in Hanoi, Vietnam. About East Asia Summit -

Established in 2005, it is a forum of 18 regional leaders for strategic dialogue and cooperation on the key political, security, and economic challenges facing the Indo-Pacific region.

The concept of an East Asia Grouping was first promoted in 1991 by the then Malaysian Prime Minister, Mahathir bin Mohamad.

164. Which state has become first to achieve Jal Jeevan Mission target for 2022?

- (A) Tamil Nadu
- (B) Kerala
- (C) Karnataka
- (D) Telangana
- (E) Gujarat

Ans.164 (A)

Tamil Nadu has emerged as the only state in India which has achieved the target for 2022 Q1 and Q2 for Jal Jeevan Mission, with 69.57 lakh households provided with tap connections.

Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat visited Chennai and reviewed the progress of the work on the Jal Jeevan Mission for assured portable Tap water supply to every rural household by 2024.

165. Which state will host 9th World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo?

- (A) Bihar
- (B) Goa
- (C) Assam
- (D) Kerala
- (E) Sikkim

Ans.165 (B)

The 9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) and Arogya Expo, will be held in Panaji, Goa from 8th to 11th December 2022.

The 9th World Ayurveda Congress aims to transformationally push Ayurveda to bring it into global focus.

The theme for the 9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) this year is 'Ayurveda For One Health'.

The event is going to be a four-day event that is supported by both central and state governments.

The four-day event will have seven plenary sessions, 16 themes for oral presentation, a string of associated events, and a public outreach programme. The plenary will be addressed by eminent scientists, academicians, policy makers and Ayurveda practitioners.

There will also be a session on Ayurveda and media. A short film festival on Ayurveda has also been planned.

166. The International Cricket Council has partnered with which international organisation promote gender equality through Cricket?

- (A) UNESCO (B) UNICEF
(C) UNHCR (D) UNICEF
(E) UNDP

Ans.166 (B)

The International Cricket Council (ICC) and UNICEF have launched a global partnership to empower women and girls and promote inclusion and gender equality through cricket.

167. Recently, Government of India has approved first suspension bridge across which river?

- (A) Godavari (B) Krishna
(C) Kaveri (D) Tungabhadra
(E) Mahanadi

Ans.167 (B)

The central government has approved the construction of an iconic cable stayed-cum-suspension bridge across the Krishna river connecting Telangana and Andhra Pradesh and passing through the Nallamala forest range.

The decision was announced by the union minister for road transport and national highways Nitin Gadkari.

The two-storeyed cable bridge with a four-lane carriageway across the Krishna river was approved last week by the standing committee on finance for the union ministry of road transport and national highways.

168. Which state has topped the Public Affairs Index 2022 in big states?

- (A) Haryana (B) Rajasthan
(C) Uttarakhand (D) Karnataka
(E) Maharashtra

Ans.168 (A)

Haryana has bagged the 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 followed by Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Punjab and Karnataka among many other states.

169. Recently, Union Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated "Gatha Swaraj Ki" gallery in city?

- (A) Gwalior (B) Lucknow
(C) Noida (D) New Delhi
(E) Imphal

Ans (A)

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated a gallery-cum-exhibition depicting the history of prominent Maratha commanders at the sprawling Jai Vilas Mahal of Scindias, the erstwhile rulers of Gwalior.

Shah visited the museum in the palace and inaugurated the "Gatha Swarajki-Maratha Gallery" depicting the history of the main Maratha rulers including the Scindias, Gaikwads, Holkars, Nevalkars, Bhosales and the Pawar.

170. "International Day for the Eradication of Poverty" is observed every year on which day of October globally?

- (A) 13 October (B) 14 October
(C) 15 October (D) 16 October
(E) 17 October

Ans.170 (E) International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed every year on October 17 globally.

171. Who has been elected as the 36th president of Board of Control for Cricket in India?

- (A) Roger Binny (B) Madan Lal
(C) Arun Singh (D) Rajeev Shukla
(E) Jay Shah

Ans.171 (A)

Roger Binny, the highest wicket-taker of India's triumphant 1983 World Cup campaign, has been officially elected as the 36th Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) president.

172. Who has won Booker Prize for "The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida"?

- (A) ShyamSelvadurai (B) Ashok Ferrey
(C) Ameena Hussein (D) Dominic Jeeva
(E) ShehanKarunatilaka

Ans.172 (E)

Shehan Karunatilaka, a Sri Lankan author has won the Booker prize for "The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida".

Booker Prize is one of the most prestigious rewards in the world. Karunatilaka is the second Sri Lankan to get the award.

The Booker prize consists of 50,000 pounds.

The award was given on October 17, 2022.

The first Sri Lankan to win the prize was Michael Ondaatje in 1992.

The Booker Prize is honoured annually for a book published in English in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

173. Justice DY Chandrachud has been appointed as the Chief Justice of India -

- (A) 52nd (B) 51st
(C) 50th (D) 49th
(E) 48th

Ans.173 (C)

President Droupadi Murmu appointed Justice DY Chandrachud as the new chief justice of India.

Justice Chandrachud will be the 50th CJI and will succeed Justice UU Lalit.

Justice Chandrachud will take his official oath on November 9, 2022.

His service will be effective from November 9, 2022, to November 10, 2024.

Justice Chandrachud will be the 50th CJI and will succeed Justice UU Lalit.

Chandrachud is also the second most senior judge of the Supreme Court.

174. Recently, how many new varieties of Neelakurinji Flowers have been identified in the Kallippara hills in Santhanpara region of Western Ghats?

- (A) 8 (B) 7
(C) 4 (D) 6
(E) 2

Ans.174 (D)

Recently, 6 new varieties of Neelakurinji Flowers have been identified in the Kallippara hills in Santhanpara region of Western Ghats.

Neelakurinji Flowers are in full bloom on a vast area on the Kallippara hills in Idukki, Kerala.

175. Recently, which international organisation has released Global Multidimensional Poverty Index 2022?

- (A) UNDP (B) UNICEF
(C) UNEP (D) UNESCO

(E) UNSC

Ans.175 (A)

Recently, the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) 2022 was released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI).

176. Adani Airports has appointed whom as Chief Executive Officer?

- (A) Vinay Prakash (B) Hemant Nerurkar
(C) Arun Bansal (D) V Subramanian
(E) Vijaylaxmi Joshi

Ans.176 (C)

Adani Airport Holdings has again rejigged its top management, naming Ericsson veteran Arun Bansal its chief executive officer.

Bansal, who spent 25 years at the Swedish telecom network company, was most recently its president for Europe and Latin America.

177. India-Africa Defence Dialogue has been held on the sidelines of DefExpo 2022 in which city?

- (A) Ahmedabad (B) Gandhinagar
(C) Gandhidham (D) Rajkot
(E) Vadodara

Ans.177 (B)

India-Africa Defence Dialogue to be held on the sidelines of DefExpo 2022 in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

The dialogue aims to explore new areas of convergence for mutual engagement, including areas like capacity building, training, cyber security, maritime security, and counter-terrorism.

178. Who has become the first Indian woman to run 100m sub-13s hurdles?

- (A) Manjeet Kaur (B) Anu Raghavan
(C) Saraswati Saha (D) Neelu Mishra
(E) Jyothi Yarraji

Ans.178 (E)

Jyothi Yarraji, an Indian Sprinter made history in the women's 100m hurdles as she became the first Indian woman to run a sub-13s time to win the gold medal at the Nation Games 2022.

Jyothi Yarraji broke her national record representing Andhra Pradesh by running the final in 12.79s.

Earlier, Jyothi Yarraji won the women's 100m gold, leaving behind Sprinters lime Dutee Chand and Hima Das.

179. Which country will host 90th General Assembly of INTERPOL?

- (A) India (B) New Zealand
(C) Germany (D) Thailand
(E) Qatar

Ans.179(A)

The 90th General Assembly of Interpol is going to be held in New Delhi from 18th October to 21st October 2022.

The 90th General Assembly of Interpol will have the world's largest police body with 195 members.

The General Assembly is the International policing organization's top governing body and meets once a year to take important decisions.

180. Apoorva Srivastava has named as India's Ambassador to which country?

- (A) Slovenia (B) Czechia
(C) Bratislava (D) Slovak
(E) Hungary

Ans.180 (D)

Indian Foreign Service, Apoorva Srivastava has been appointed to serve as India's Ambassador to the Slovak Republic.

An officer of the 2001 batch, she currently serves as Consul-General at the Consulate of India in Toronto. Prior to this, she served in various positions in the Ministry of External Affairs and has been posted in Kathmandu and Paris, among other locations.

181. Which country has been elected as President of International Solar Alliance?

- (A) India (B) France
(C) Australia (D) Japan
(E) Oman

Ans.181 (A)

India and France have been re-elected as the President and Co-President of the International Solar Alliance. General Ajay Mathus, director of ISA said that Union Power and New and Renewable Energy Minister R K Singh has been re-elected as the President of International Solar Alliance. Chrysoula Zacharopoulou, France Minister of State for Development has been re-elected as Co-President.

The four-day International Solar Alliance began on October 17, 2022 under the presidentship of India.

182. Who has won the Men's Ballon d'Or award 2022?

- (A) Robert Lewandowski
(B) (B) Karim Benzema
(C) Cristiano Ronaldo
(D) Mohamed Salah

(E) Kylian Mbappe

Ans.182 (B)

Karim Benzema won the men's Ballon d'Or 2022 award in Paris.

The Real Madrid striker also became the first Frenchman to claim the award since Zinedine Zidane did in 1998.

Benzema led Madrid to the Champions League and La Liga titles last season.

He was named UEFA Player of the Year in August this year. Cristiano Ronaldo finished a poor 20th, along with Tottenham's Harry Kane (21st).

Last year's Ballon d'Or Lionel Messi wasn't even nominated this time after a disappointing debut season with PSG.

Meanwhile, Riyad Mahrez came in 12th place and Luis Diaz ranked 17th in the standings.

Also, young Phil Foden finished in 22nd position, with

Manchester City teammate Bernardo Silva in 22nd.

183. Living Planet Report 2022 has been released by which Institution?

- (A) UNEP (B) FAO
(C) World Wide Fund (D) UNESCO
(E) UNSC

Ans.183 (C)

World Wide Fund has released the latest "Living Planet Report 2022".

There has been a 69% decline in the wildlife populations of mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles and fish, across the globe in the last 50 years, according to the Living Planet Report 2022 by World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF).

This report is released every two years.

The highest decline in the wildlife populations (94%) was in the Latin America and the Caribbean region.

Africa recorded a 66% fall in its wildlife populations from 1970-2018 whereas the Asia-Pacific recorded a decline of 55%.

184. Board of Control for Cricket in India has approved to conduct Women's Indian Premier League by which year?

- (A) 2023 (B) 2024
(C) 2025 (D) 2026
(E) 2027

Ans.184 (A)

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has approved to conduct the Women's Indian Premier League.

The decision was made at the 91st annual general meeting held in Mumbai.

The women's Indian Premier League is set to begin as a five-team tournament in 2023 after the conclusion of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup on February 26, 2023.

Although BCCI has not decided on the schedule of the WIPL, it will end before the men's IPL.

Recently, Roger Binny has been officially elected as the 36th Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) president. Binny succeeded former Indian captain Sourav Ganguly.

185. Astronaut James McDivitt who has passed away recently, was the commander of which lunar mission?

- (A) Apollo 7 (B) Apollo 8
(C) Apollo 9 (D) Apollo 10
(E) Apollo 11

Ans.185 (C)

James McDivitt, the Commander of Apollo 9 mission which tested the first complete set of equipment to go to the moon, has died at 93.

He was also the commander of 1965's Gemini 4 mission, where his best friend and colleague Ed White made the first US Spacewalk.

186. The Kati Bihu is a festival of which state, celebrated on 18th October 2022?

- (A) Kerala (B) Assam
(C) Bihar (D) Tripura
(E) Mizoram

Ans.186 (B)

The Kati Bihu is an auspicious festival of Assam which is a harvest festival.

It is celebrated on 18th October 2022 and the day is marked on the first day of Kati month according to the Assamese Calendar.

The Kati Bihu generally falls in October every day.

Kati Bihu is also known as Kongali Bihu which marks the crucial phase in farmers' lives in Assam.

It marks the fresh start of the harvest season and the relocation of the rice saplings.

The Kati Bihu is celebrated by lighting lamps and candles in the different parts of the house and the main lamp is lit near the Tulsi plant.

The Tulsi plant is cleaned and kept on an earthen platform known as Tulsi Bheti.

During the Kati, Bihu people make offerings and pray to goddess Tulsi for the well-being of their family and friends to have a good harvest.

187. Who has been appointed as head of John Pierpont Morgan Chase & Corporation India?

- (A) Rajnikant Parekh (B) Sanjay Mookim
(C) Aditya Shyam (D) Kaustubh Kulkarni
(E) Vijay Kochhar

Ans.187 (D)

JP Morgan has announced the appointment of its new Country Head of India, Kaustubh Kulkarni.

Madhav Kalyan the current country head of India will be serving in the Asia Pacific Payments Division from 1st November 2022.

Kaustubh Kulkarni is currently serving as the head of investment banking in JP Morgan India and also as the Vice-chair of Asia Pacific for the bank and also as the co-head of investment banking for Southeast Asia.

188. 22nd World Blockchain Summit has begun in which City?

- (A) Dubai (B) Abu Dhabi
(C) Sharjah (D) Doha
(E) Paris

Ans.188 (A)

World Blockchain Summit in Dubai is taking place on October 17 and 18, 2022 at Atlantis, The Palm.

It is one of the most elite gatherings of the global crypto and blockchain ecosystem.

189. Who has authored the book "A confused Mind story"?

- (A) Ashish Verma (B) Neeraj Kumar
(C) Sahil Seth (D) Nidhi Verma
(E) Richa Rastogi

Ans.189 (C)

Indian Revenue Service (IRS) Joint Commissioner GST, Custom & Narcotics and youth influencer, Sahil Seth launched his book titled "A confused Mind story".

The book was launched and the first look was unveiled in the presence of Union Health Minister Sh Mansukh L Mandaviya.

190. Who has been appointed as the Independent Chairman of the Yubi board?

- (A) Atanu Chakraborty
(A) (B) Gaurav Kumar
(C) Saachi Gupta
(D) Siya Reddy
(E) Rajendra Sinha

Ans.190 (A)

Atanu Chakraborty has been appointed as the Independent Chairman of the Yubi board.

Atanu Chakraborty serves as HDFC Bank's board chairman at the moment.

Atanu Chakraborty served as the Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Finance and a member of the Central Board of Directors of the Reserve Bank of India.

191. Who has been appointed as New Defence Secretary?

- (A) Aramane Giridhar (B) Rajesh Verma
(C) Rajiv Gauba (D) Manoj Ahuja
(E) Trilochan Mohapatra

Ans.191 (A)

Aramane Giridhar, the Road Transport and Highways Secretary have been named the new defence secretary as part of a top-level bureaucratic reshuffle effected.

Alka Upadhyaya, the chairperson of the National Highways Authority of India, has been appointed after Giridhar as the new Road and Transport Secretary.

Sanjay Malhotra, Financial Services Secretary will be the new Revenue Secretary.

He has been chosen as an Officer on Special Duty in the Revenue Department.

Malhotra will be succeeding as the Revenue Secretary after Tarun Bajaj completes his term on November 20, 2022.

192. Who has won India's first Greco Roman medal in 77 kg at U-23 World Wrestling C'ship?

- (A) Rinku Singh (B) Sajan Bhanwala
(C) Saurav Gurjar (D) Dilsher Shanky
(E) Jinder Mahal

Ans.192 (B)

India's Greco-Roman wrestler Sajan Bhanwala won a historic Bronze in the 77kg division.

Bhanwala bagged the award at the U-23 World Wrestling Championship. Sajan bagged India's first Greco-Roman medal in U-23 Wrestling World Championship. The wrestler defeated Ukraine's Dmytro Vasetskyi in the repechage round to win the honour. Bhanwala secured a 10-10 victory by points over his Ukrainian counterpart.

193. Ulf Kristersson has been elected as the Prime Minister of which country?

- (A) Finland (B) Switzerland
(C) Norway (D) Sweden
(E) Denmark

Ans.193 (D)

The Swedish parliament on Monday elected Ulf Kristersson the conservative Moderate Party leader as the Prime Minister.

The election was held at the head of a coalition that is being supported by a once radical far-right party.

Kristersson, 59, was elected by 176-173 votes.

Kristersson's three-party coalition does not gain a majority, but in Sweden, prime ministers can govern as long as there is no parliamentary majority against them.

194. Recently, Prime Minister Modi has launched "Mission LiFE" in which state?

- (A) Uttar Pradesh (B) Gujarat
(C) Bihar (D) Telangana
(E) Maharashtra

Ans.194 (B)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched Mission LiFE movement (Lifestyle for the Environment) at the Statue of Unity in Gujarat.

Envisaged by PM Modi, Mission LiFE is expected to be an India-led global mass movement.

It will nudge individual and collective action to protect and preserve the environment.

195. The draft of the National Credit Framework Framework for Public Consultation has been launched under which ministry?

- (A) Ministry of Statistics
(A) Ministry of Defence
(C) Ministry of Finance
(D) Ministry of Education
(E) Ministry of Home Affairs

Ans.195 (D)

Union Minister of Education Dharmendra Pradhan has launched the draft of National Credit Framework (NCF) for public consultation under Ministry of Education.

The Government has developed it to enable the integration of academic and vocational domains to ensure flexibility and mobility between them.

It will also enable students who have dropped out of mainstream education to re-enter the education ecosystem.

196. 14th World Spice Congress will be held in which city from February 16 to 18, 2023?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Chennai
(C) Bengaluru (D) Hyderabad
(E) Dispur

Ans.196 (A)

The world's largest exclusive business platform for the spice sector, 14th World Spice Congress is organized by Spices Board India under Ministry of

Commerce and Industry is scheduled to be held at CIDCO Exhibition and Convention Centre, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra on 16 to 18 February 2023.

More than 1000 delegates from over 50 countries are expected to participate in the event.

This biennial event organized by Spices Board India remains the premier platform that brings the global spice industry together to deliberate on the problems and prospects in the spices sector.

197. As part of the first phase of the "Swadesh Darshan 2", how many states has identified to promote as part of India's new domestic tourism policy?

- (A) 15 (B) 14
(C) 13 (D) 18
(E) 20

Ans.197 (A)

Recently, as part of the first phase of the 'Swadesh Darshan 2' (beginning from January 2023), the government has identified 15 States across the country to be promoted as part of India's new domestic tourism policy.

This policy moves away from theme-based tourist circuits and focuses on reviving up destination tourism.

Some of the prominent places identified are Jhansi and Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh, Gwalior, Chitrakoot and Khajuraho in Madhya Pradesh and Ajanta and Ellora in Maharashtra.

198. Asia's largest Compressed Bio Gas plant has been inaugurated in which state?

- (A) Haryana (B) Punjab
(C) Rajasthan (D) Kerala
(E) Gujarat

Ans.198(B)

Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri has inaugurated Asia's largest Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) plant in Lehrogaga, in Sangrur, Punjab. The plant has been commissioned with a foreign direct investment of approximately Rs 220 crores by Verbio AG, one of Germany's leading bio-energy companies.

199. Google has partnered with which state government to power digital learning?

- (A) Meghalaya (B) Nagaland
(C) Assam (D) Manipur
(E) Mizoram

Ans.199 (C)

In order to help and expedite the Assam government's objective to foster digital growth and development in the State, Google inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

As part of this new initiative, Google will work with the Assam Government's Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship Department (SEED) to strengthen school digitization efforts with digital tools and solutions to support teaching and learning, as well as to promote the fundamentals of online safety and digital citizenship to schoolchildren through the "Be Internet Awesome" programme.

200. Deependra Singh Rathore has recently named as Interim Chief Executive Officer of which company?

- (A) Bharti Airtel (B) BookMyShow
(C) Axis Bank (D) Air India
(E) Paytm Payments Bank

Ans.200 (E)

Paytm Payments Bank has appointed Deependra Singh Rathore as the interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in addition to his role as Chief Product & Technology Officer.

CEO Satish Gupta is retiring this month.

The bank will announce the new full-time CEO after receiving regulatory approvals.

The bank has also appointed Sunil Chander Sharma, a former IRS officer as Chief Operating Officer (COO).

As the COO, he would oversee the functions of customer support, retail operations, legal and Law Enforcement Agencies (LEA) and Human Resources and Administration.

About the Paytm Payments Bank:

Paytm Payments Bank (PPBL) is an Indian payments bank, founded in 2015 and headquartered in Noida.

In the same year, it received the license to run a payments bank from the Reserve Bank of India and was launched in November 2017.

201. Recently, which district in Odisha has adopted a unique initiative- "Aliva" to eradicate child marriage?

- (A) Nayagarh (B) Cuttack
(C) Sambalpur (D) Dhenkanal
(E) Jagatsinghpur

Ans.201 (A)

Recently, Nayagarh, a district in Odisha, has adopted a unique initiative- Aliva to eradicate child marriage.

As per Odisha's child marriage prevention strategy, the State aims to eradicate child marriage by 2030.

202. The first Asian Palm Oil Alliance meet has been held in which city of India?

- (A) New Delhi (B) Agra
(C) Mumbai (D) Rajkot
(E) Chennai

Ans.202 (B)

The apex edible oil industry associations from five major palm oil importing countries of Asia -- India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Nepal -- have come together to form the Asian Palm Oil Alliance (APOA).

APOA held its first general body meeting on the sidelines of the Globoil Summit being held at Agra, India and the next meeting is expected to be held in Indonesia early next year 2023.

Globoil Summit is one of the World's Leading Edible Oils and Agri Trade Conference, Exhibitions & Awards.

2022 also marks the 25th year celebration of Globoil India.

203. Recently, which company has been accorded by the status of a "Maharatna" Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE)?

- (A) Rural Electrification Corporation
(B) Rajasthan Pharmaceuticals
(C) National Fertilizers Limited
(D) Airports Economic Authority
(E) Coal Controller

Ans.203 (A)

Recently, Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) has been accorded the status of a 'Maharatna' Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE).

204. What is the name of recently launched e-learning platform for Oriental and South Asian studies?

- (A) Bharat iVidya (B) Bharat Tutors
(C) Bharat Gyan (D) Bharat Vidya
(E) Bharat Demy

Ans.204 (D)

Union Finance Minister Smt Nirmala Sitharaman launched an e-learning platform, Bharat Vidya.

Bharat Vidya is an e-learning platform for Oriental and South Asian studies.

This e-learning platform has been designed and developed by the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute (BORI).

It is the first-of-its-kind online platform to provide free and paid courses covering various aspects of Indology related to art, architecture, philosophy, language, and science.

205. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the National Conference of Environment Ministers in which state?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Karnataka
(C) Bihar (D) Kerala
(E) Gujarat

Ans.205 (E)

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has inaugurate the National Conference of Environment Ministers in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat.

The aim of the Conference was to create further synergy between the Central and State Governments to implement policies for the elimination of plastic pollution and climate change.

The conference has promoted cooperative federalism for resolving environment-related challenges.

The two-day Conference was organized on September 23-24.

India's per capita plastic consumption is 11 kg while the global average of plastic per capita consumption is 28 kg.

206. What is the theme of this year's LokManthan program?

- (A) Lokparampara (B) Lokpratha
(C) Lokchalan (D) Lokreeti
(E) Loktour

Ans.206 (A)

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurated the third edition of the LokManthan program at Srimanta Sankardeva Kalakshetra in Guwahati.

The theme for this year's program is Lokparampara (Lok traditions).

This will emphasize how Lok traditions have kept our cultural consciousness intact and strengthened our feeling of National Selfhood.

207. Recently, Government has signed a MoU with which banks to expand the reach of "SPARSH" initiative?

- (A) HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank
(B) ICICI Bank and Axis Bank
(C) Bank of Baroda and HDFC Bank
(D) Axis Bank and HDFC Bank
(E) Bank of Baroda and Axis Bank

Ans.207 (C)

The Defence Accounts Department (DAD) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bank of Baroda (BoB) and HDFC Bank, to onboard them as Common Service Centres (CSC) under the System for Pension Administration (Raksha) (SPARSH)

initiative, across more than 14,000 branches throughout India.

The MoU will onboard more than 7900 branches of BoB and 6300 branches of HDFC Bank as Service Centres to provide last-mile connectivity to pensioners, especially those who live in remote areas of India.

208. Sedapatti Muthiah, who has passed away recently, was the former assembly speaker of which state?

- (A) Andhra Pradesh (B) Tamil Nadu
(C) Uttar Pradesh (D) Telangana
(E) Nagaland

Ans.208 (B)

Former Union Minister and Tamil Nadu Assembly Speaker Sedapatti R Muthiah passed away at the age of 77.

About Sedapatti R Muthiah -

Sedapatti R. Muthiah was an Indian politician of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK).

He was popularly known by the name Sedapattiar.

He was one of the leaders of the All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) from its creation and was second in command in AIADMK until 1998.

He became the Speaker of the Assembly in 1991 and continued in office till 1996, during the late Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa's period.

He was TN Assembly Speaker from 1991 to 1996 when the AIADMK was in power.

He secured consecutive victories from the Sedapatti segment four times in 1977, 1980, 1984, and 1991, which earned him the moniker Sedapattiyar.

He became an MP from the Lok Sabha constituency of Periyakulam in Theni twice, in 1989 and

He also became a Union Minister for Surface Transport in the Cabinet of then Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

He kept away from politics for some time, but later joined the DMK in 2008 and went on to become a member of the party's electoral wing.

209. In India, "Antyodaya Diwas" observed on 25th September annually to mark the birth anniversary of whom?

- (A) Syama Prasad Mukherjee
(B) Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya
(C) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
(D) Nanaji Deshmukh
(E) Vinayak Damodar Savarkar

Ans.209 (B)

Antyodaya Diwas is celebrated annually on 25th September in India. It marks the birth anniversary of Indian leader Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya and is celebrated in his honour to remember his life and legacy.

He was one of the most prominent personalities in the history of Indian politics. This year, the Antyodaya Diwas marks the 105th birth anniversary of Upadhyaya.

He was the co-founder of Bharatiya Jana Sangh (BJS) and a Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) thinker.

210. Which Indian author and poet has been announced as this year's recipient of the Hermann Kesten Prize by the PEN Centre in Germany's Darmstadt?

- (A) Yashica Dutt (B) Suraj Yengde
(C) Kanchallaiah (D) Kavita Krishnan
(E) Meena Kandasamy

Ans.210 (E)

Indian author and poet Meena Kandasamy has been announced as this year's recipient of the Hermann Kesten Prize by the PEN Centre in Germany's Darmstadt.

The Hermann Kesten Prize honours personalities who, in the spirit of the charter of the PEN association, stand up for the rights of persecuted authors and journalists.

The PEN Center, Germany, will present the award to the Indian author at a ceremony in Darmstadt on November 15 this year. The winner will receive an amount of €20,000 (\$19,996) as prize money.

211. What is the strike range of recently tested next-generation Agni-prime ballistic missile?

- (A) 1,000 to 2,000 km
(A) 1,500 to 2,000 km
(C) 1,000 to 1,500 km
(D) 2,000 to 3,000 km
(E) 2,500 to 3,500 km

Ans.211 (A)

India successfully test-fired the next-generation Agni-Prime ballistic missile.

The missile was test fired from a mobile launcher from the APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha.

The strike range of the solid-fuelled canisterised missile is between 1,000 to 2,000 km.

It has passed all mission parameters during the test.

Its navigation was tracked and examined by radars and telemetry equipment positioned along several points.

Previously the missile's trail was done on December 18, 2021, from the same base and it was also successful.

212. Who has become the first Indian-origin Prime Minister of the UK from Britain's Conservative Party?

- (A) Liz Truss (B) Sajid Javid
(C) Rishi Sunak (D) Priti Patel
(E) Suella Braverman

Ans.212 (C)

Rishi Sunak becomes the first Indian-origin Prime Minister of UK from Britain's Conservative Party.

Sunak succeeded the throne after Liz Truss resigned within 45 days of her appointment, becoming the shortest ruling PM.

Rishi has been the former UK Chancellor of the Exchequer and became the PM.

Sunak will be the fifth Prime Minister of the UK in the last 5 years.

213. Who has become the first Indian wrestler to win Gold medal in U-23 World Wrestling Championships?

- (A) Ravi Kumar (B) Yogeshwar Dutt
(C) Rinku Singh (D) Aman Sehrawat
(E) Maruti Mane

Ans.213 (D)

Aman Sehrawat creates history by winning a gold medal at the U-23 World Wrestling Championships in wrestling.

He became the first Indian wrestler to win the gold medal in Pontevedra, Spain.

Aman Sehrawat beat a 16-year-old junior European silver-medallist Ahmet Duman of Turkey 12-4 in the finals to bag the award.

Olympic medallists Bajrang Punia and Ravi Kumar Dahiya had made the final in their categories in early editions but could only win the silver medal.

214. Which neighbouring country of India has recently added to "Black List" by FATF?

- (A) Afghanistan (B) Myanmar
(C) Bangladesh (D) Pakistan
(E) Sri Lanka

Ans.214 (B)

Financial Action Task Force has included Myanmar on the list of high-risk countries called as "Black List"

with strategic deficiencies in regimes to counter money laundering, terrorist financing and proliferation financing.

Myanmar is the third to be listed along with North Korea and Iran.

The city was added to the FATF list of high-risk nations for its failure to mark strategic deficiencies as committed by it in February 2020.

215. Recently launched ISRO's heaviest rocket LVM3 M2 has placed how many satellites in orbit?

- (A) 35 (B) 36
(C) 31 (D) 32
(E) 30

Ans.215 (B)

Indian Space Research Organization launched its first commercial mission of Launch Vehicle Mark 3 (LVM3) M2 satellite successfully from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh.

216. Which state has won the first position in Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) Awards 2021?

- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Madhya Pradesh
(C) Rajasthan (D) Uttar Pradesh
(E) Gujarat

Ans.216 (D)

In the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) awards 2021, Uttar Pradesh bagged the first position followed by Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu at second and third place, respectively.

Gujarat also saw five special category awards while MP got three special category awards.

Odisha has been felicitated with the prestigious PMAY-U Awards 2021 by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) for the best policy initiative under a special category.

About Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) -

217. Recently, which state government has launched Lok Adalat in jails for the speedy disposal of cases for the prisoners of the state?

- (A) Chhattisgarh (B) Madhya Pradesh
(C) Rajasthan (D) Uttar Pradesh
(E) Haryana

Ans.217 (A)

Recently, the Chhattisgarh government has launched Lok Adalat in jails for the speedy disposal of cases for the prisoners of the state.

218. Recently, the World has celebrated the which anniversary of the United Nations(UN) on 24th October 2022?

- (A) 77th (B) 70th
(C) 82nd (D) 79th
(E) 81st

Ans.218(A)

Recently, the World has celebrated the 77th anniversary of the United Nations(UN) on 24th October 2022.

About United Nations -

The United Nations (UN) is an international organization founded on 24 October 1945. It is currently made up of 193 Member States.

219. The revival of Sukapaika River has recently started by Odisha government. It is the tributary of which river?

- (A) Baitarani (B) Bhargavi
(C) Chitroptala (D) Krishna
(E) Mahanadi

Ans.219 (E)

The SukapaikaRiver which stopped flowing 70 years ago, will be revived by Odisha government.

The government has started working on its revival plan following a recent direction from the National Green Tribunal (NGT).

220. Which ministry will organize "Kashi Tamil Sangamam" programme in November 2022?

- (A)Ministry of Culture
(A) Ministry of Defence
(C) Ministry of Education
(D) Ministry of Railways
(E) Ministry of Communications

Ans.220(C)

"Kashi Tamil Sangamam" will be organized by the Ministry of Education next month.

The "Kashi Tamil Sangamam" is a month-long program that will be held from the 16th of the next month.

The "Kashi Tamil Sangamam" aims to rediscover the centuries-old bond of knowledge and ancient civilizational linkage between Varanasi and Tamil Nadu.

221. The people of which country have been awarded by Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought 2022 by the European Parliament?

- (A) Ukraine (B) France
(C) India (D) Russia

(E) Germany

Ans.221 (A)

The people of Ukraine have been awarded its annual Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought by the European Parliament on October 19, 2022.

The award is given to honour their fight against Russia's invasion.

The award consists of prize money of 50,000 euros (\$49,100), which is distributed among the representatives of Ukrainian civil society.

222. Which two Indian Beaches have recently added to the coveted list of Blue Beaches?

- (A)Gorai and Dabhari
(A) Suvali and Diveagar
(C) Umbharat and Bassein
(D) Dandi and Guhagar
(E) Minicoy Thundi and Kadmat

Ans.222 (E)

Two more Indian Beaches, Minicoy Thundi and Kadmat have entered the coveted list of Blue Beaches according to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

India now has 12 Blue Flag beaches, an eco-label honoured as the cleanest beaches in the world.

The recognition is marked to be India's commitment to safeguarding and preserving the pristine coastal and marine environment through holistic management of the resources.

223. Which international organisation has released "World Energy Outlook 2022" report stated that global emissions would peak in 2025?

- (A) International Atomic Energy
(B) International Energy Agency
(C) International Renewable Energy
(D) International Energy Forum
(E) Energy Information Administration

Ans.223 (B)

The International Energy Agency released its World Energy Outlook 2022 report stated that global emissions will peak in 2025.

This year's WEO opens various questions related to the crisis, such as setbacks for clean energy transitions, government responses on energy markets, and available risks ahead on the path to net zero emissions.

224. Who has been named as chairperson of United Nation's Air Transport Committee?

- (A) Albert Roper (B) ShefaliJuneja
(C) Assad Kotaite (D) Roberto Kobeh

(E) BenardAliu

Ans.224(B)

India's representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), ShefaliJunejahas been elected as the chairperson of the United Nations' specialized aviation agency's Air Transport Committee (ATC).

Juneja, a 1992 batch officer of the Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax cadre), served as a Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) before joining the ICAO.

India secured this position in ICAO after 28 years when Junejawas unanimously elected to the post on Monday.

She is the first woman to represent India in the ICAO. ATC is a standing committee of the ICAO created by the Chicago Convention in 1944.

225. The government of India has appointed whom as the acting chairperson of the Competition Commission of India?

- (A) AshwinBishnoi (B) SangeetaVerma
(C) Ashok Gupta (D) Bhagwant Singh
(E) RajanHiranandani

Ans.225 (B)

The government of India appointed SangeetaVerma as the acting chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI).

The appointment follows full-time Chairperson Ashok Kumar Gupta demitting office.

Verma is currently a member at the regulator.

Her appointment will be effective for a "period of three months or till the appointment of regular Chairperson or till any further orders, whichever is the earliest,".

Ashok Kumar Gupta had taken over as the CCI chairperson in November 2018.

226. International Federation of Film Critics has declared which movie as best Indian movie?

- (A) PatherPanchali (B) Aparajito
(C) AshaniSanket (D) Charulata
(E) The World of Apu

Ans.226 (A)

Legendary filmmaker Satyajit Ray's feature "PatherPanchali" has been declared the best Indian film of all time by the International Federation of Film Critics (FIPRESCI).

The 1955 film has received the number one slot in the top ten films in the history of Indian cinema list, which was declared after a poll conducted by the India chapter of FIPRESCI.

227. Which Indian Institute of Technology has collaborated with NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory to study the interactions between microbes in the International Space Station?

- (A) IIT Bombay (B) IIT Delhi
(C) IIT Roorkee (D) IIT Madras
(E) IIT Kanpur

Ans.227 (D)

The Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT) and NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory researchers studied the interactions between microbes in the International Space Station (ISS).

The study aims to help devise strategies for the disinfection of space stations to minimize any potential impact of microbes on the health of astronauts.

The collaboration was under Dr Karthik Raman, Associate Professor at the Bhupat and Jyoti Mehta, School of Biosciences and a core member of the Robert Bosch Centre of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence (RBCDSAI), IIT Madras.

228. The Accession Day of Jammu and Kashmir has recently celebrated on which day of October?

- (A) 24th October (B) 25th October
(C) 26th October (D) 27th October
(E) 28th October

Ans.228 (C)

The Accession Day of Jammu and Kashmir on 26th October with the Union of India is being celebrated across the Union Territory.

Accession Day carries great significance as it was on this day in 1947 that the then Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir, Hari Singh signed the Instrument of Accession to become part of the greatest democracy of the world.

Several functions are being organized to mark the day. Accession Day is a public holiday in the Union Territory.

229. Which IIT has won National Intellectual Property Award for 2021 and 2022?

- (A) IIT Kanpur (B) IIT Dhanbad
(C) IIT Bangalore (D) IIT Madras
(E) IIT Hyderabad

Ans.229 (D)

National Intellectual Property Award: The national award for intellectual property was given to the Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M) for 2021 and 2022. The prize was established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

230. Pinaki Chaudhuri, who has passed away recently, was associated with which field?

- (A) Cinema (B) Politics
(C) Sports (D) Medical
(E) Journalism

Ans.230 (A)

Bengali film Director and National award recipient Pinaki Chaudhuri, has passed away at the age of 82. He died due to lymphoma, a cancer of the lymphatic system.

He was born on 19th September 1940 and had a varied interest in the arts and music.

He made his debut in the world of films in 1983, directing "Chena Achena".

At a young age, he was a tabla player, trained by UstadKaramatullah Khan.

After some time he gave up playing the Tabla and began producing films in 1977.

231. Recently, Union Home Minister Amit Shah has laid the foundation stone of the Orbital Rail Corridor Project in which state?

- (A) Rajasthan (B) Bihar
(C) Haryana (D) Gujarat
(E) Punjab

Ans.231 (C)

Union Home Minister Amit Shah laid the foundation stone of the Orbital Rail Corridor Project in Faridabad, Haryana.

Haryana Orbital Rail Corridor (HORC) project is part of the Transport Infrastructure Corridor in Haryana in the approved Master Plan for the National Capital Region.

The project received in-principle approval from the Haryana Government back in 2018 and the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs gave its approval for the project in September 2022.

232. Who has taken charge of Twitter after resigning Parag Agarwal as CEO?

- (A) Jack Dorsey (B) Noah Glass
(C) Evan Williams (D) Elon Musk
(E) Morgan Stanley

Ans.232 (D)

Tesla CEO Elon Musk has become new in charge of Twitter after finalizing a \$44 billion deal.

The decision came after the rising doubts about his intentions of following through with the mentioned acquisition deal.

233. Under the "Make in India" campaign Tata and Airbus will start manufacturing of transport planes for the military in which state?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Gujarat
(C) Uttar Pradesh (D) Haryana
(E) Chhattisgarh

Ans.233 (B)

Tata and Airbus will soon manufacture transport planes for the military in Gujarat.

The state has landed a massive deal and the cost of the project is Rs 22,000 crore or 2.66 billion dollars.

The total expense of the project is Rs 21,935 crore.

The Tata-Airbus plan is seen as a remarkable gain for the PM's "Make-In-India" campaign to decrease the country's dependence on buying from abroad military technology and equipment.

PM Modi will inaugurate the manufacturing plant at Vadodara. The new projects establish the promise of thousands of jobs.

234. Recently, which international organisations has released a report titled "Coldest Year of the Rest of Their Lives - Protecting children from the escalating impacts of heatwaves"?

- (A) UNESCO (B) FAO
(C) UNICEF (D) WFP
(E) UNSC

Ans.234 (C)

Recently, UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) released a report titled "Coldest Year of the Rest of Their Lives - Protecting children from the escalating impacts of heatwaves", showing that nearly all the children across the world will be exposed to more frequent and severe heat waves by 2050.

UNICEF is a special program of the United Nations (UN) devoted to aiding national efforts to improve the health, nutrition, education, and general welfare of children.

235. According to Official Airline Guide report, which airport of India is the 10th busiest airport in the world in terms of seat capacity?

- (A) Indira Gandhi International Airport
(B) ChhatrapatiShivajiMaharaj International Airport
(C) Kempegowda International Airport
(D) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport
(E) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport

Ans.235 (A)

According to Official Airline Guide (OAG) report, the Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi is the 10th busiest airport in the world in terms of seat

capacity and frequency of domestic and international flights as of October 2022.

According to OAG, there were 34,13,855 seats at the Delhi airport, popularly known as the Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA).

236. Which city will host 3-day "Akash for Life" Space Conference in November?

- (A) Dehradun (B) Indore
(C) Lucknow (D) Mumbai
(E) New Delhi

Ans.236 (A)

The "Akash for Life" a 3-day space conference will showcase the blending of traditional and modern knowledge through an extended integration of all schools of thought.

The event is scheduled to be held at Dehradun from 5th November to 7th November 2022.

237. Which state has been declared as a 100 percent "HarGhar Jal" state recently?

- (A) Gujarat (B) Goa
(C) Punjab (D) Kerala
(E) Nagaland

Ans.237 (A)

Gujarat has been declared as a 100 percent "HarGhar Jal" state.

In Gujarat, households in rural areas have access to safe drinking water through taps under the "HarGhar Jal" mission.

About 91,73,378 houses in the state have water connections according to the government record.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated the state and people of Gujarat who has shown their enthusiasm for the Jal Shakti mission.

Gujarat has achieved this milestone on the occasion of the Gujarati New year.

238. United Nation Security Council's two-day meeting on counter-terrorism has recently conducted in which country?

- (A) China (B) Russia
(C) India (D) USA
(E) Britain

Ans.238 (C)

The United Nation Security Council's (UNSC) two-day meeting in India on counter-terrorism is focused on dealing with use of internet, new payment mechanism and drones by terrorists.

The meeting was hosted in Mumbai and Delhi on 28 and 29 October, respectively.

India took over the chairmanship of the CTC as US troops left Afghanistan in as much of a mess.

An unfinished war that has left hundreds of thousands of Afghan civilians at the mercy of a conservative, militant Taliban government; an unabated persecution of women and minorities; and continued, frequent terror strikes.

India has served as chair of the CTC twice since the Committee was established; first taking over in 2011, less than three years after the horrific Mumbai terror attacks, when the then Permanent Representative and now central minister Hardeep Puri appealed to the world community for a new 'zero tolerance' paradigm in the International fight against terrorism.

239. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation has granted the aerodrome license to Jeypore airport. The airport is located in which state?

- (A) Assam (B) Kerala
(C) Bihar (D) Tripura
(E) Odisha

Ans.239 (E)

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) granted the aerodrome license to Odisha's Jeypore airport.

Jeypore became the "first" state-owned airport to get the license. The airport will now be able to handle scheduled commercial flights under the government's regional connectivity scheme UDAN. The airport is 33 km northwest of Koraput town and around 500 km southwest of Bhubaneswar would boost tourism and development of the region. Under UDAN, 68 underserved/unserved destinations which include 58 Airports, 8 heliports, and 2 water aerodromes have been connected. The license would be liable to suspension, modification, or withdrawal if the provisions of the Aircraft Act and the Aircraft Rules were violated.

240. Which regional command has won the Air Force Lawn Tennis Championship 2022-23 held at Nagpur?

- (A) Eastern Air Command
(A) Southern Air Command
(C) Western Air Command
(D) Northern Air Command
(E) Indian Coast Guard

Ans.240 (C)

The Indian Air Force (IAF) Western Air Command won the Air Force Lawn Tennis Championship 2022-23, which was held at Head Quarter MC, Vayu Sena Nagar, Nagpur. The final team Championship match was played between Western Air Command and

Training Command, and Western Air Command won. Corporal Pradeep of Training Command and Sergeant Manolin of Western Air Command competed in the open singles final, and Corporal Pradeep won. Air Marshal Vibhas Pande, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, HQ MC, officially launched the Championship. The Championship included eight teams comprised of 48 players from the Indian Air Force's seven commands.

241. With which country India has participated in a bilateral exercise "Garuda VII" at Air Force Station Jodhpur?

- (A) France (B) Indonesia
(C) Sri Lanka (D) Russia
(E) Japan

Ans.241 (A)

Indian Air Force and French Air and Space Force have participated in a bilateral exercise, named "Garuda VII", from Oct 26 to Nov 12, 2022 at Air Force Station Jodhpur. In this exercise, FASF will participate with four Rafale fighter aircraft, one A-330 Multi Role Tanker Transport (MRTT) aircraft and a contingent of 220 personnel. The IAF is participating with Su-30 MKI, Rafale, LCA Tejas and Jaguar fighter aircraft, as well as the Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) and Mi-17 helicopters. This is the seventh edition of the bilateral exercise. The first, third and fifth editions were conducted in India in 2003, 2006 and 2014 at Air Force Stations Gwalior, Kalaikunda and Jodhpur, respectively.

The second, fourth and sixth editions were conducted in France in 2005, 2010 and 2019.

242. Which institute has been designated as best educational institution in India, according to "QS World University Rankings: Sustainability 2023"?

- (A) IIT Kanpur (B) IIT Bombay
(C) IIT Dhanbad (D) IIT Madras
(E) IIT New Delhi

Ans.242 (B)

According to the QS World University Rankings: Sustainability, IIT-Bombay is the best educational institutions in India.

A total of 15 Indian universities ranked in the list with the IIT Bombay featuring in the 281-300 rank range, followed by IIT-Delhi (321-340 rank) and Jawaharlal Nehru University at the third rank (361-380).

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IITK) is on the fifth spot (451-500).

Jadavpur University became the only state-run varsity from India to feature in the QS Sustainability World Ranking 2023.

QS World University Rankings: Sustainability ranking is a new framework to evaluate how universities are taking action to tackle the world's most pressing environmental and social issues.

243. Which edition of high-level dialogue on migration and mobility between India and European Union has recently conducted?

- (A) Fifth (B) Seventh
(C) Sixth (D) Ninth
(E) Tenth

Ans.243 (C)

India and the European Union co-chaired the 6th High-Level Dialogue on Migration and Mobility (HLDMM) in Brussels on October 27 on issues related to the promotion of safe, orderly and regular migration.

The 5th edition of the Dialogue was held in New Delhi in July 2019.

Besides the two delegations led by the co-Chairs, the 6th HLDMM was attended by representatives of the Diplomatic Missions of EU Member States in Brussels who were invited as Observers.

As India and EU celebrate 60 years of diplomatic ties, the Dialogue is an important dimension of the strategic partnership between India and EU, the MEA said.

244. Recently launched book "Delhi University – Celebrating 100 Glorious Years" authored by whom?

- (A) Nitin Gadkari (B) Rameswar Teli
(C) Ratan Tata (D) Vijay Kumar
(E) Hardeep Singh Puri

Ans.244 (E)

Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India Hardeep Singh Puri has authored a new book titled "DELHI UNIVERSITY: Celebrating 100 Glorious Years".

Amitabh Bachchan, Indian Actor, has written the foreword of the book.

This Book Highlights the viewpoints of Universities most distinguished alumni and faculty of 15 contributors.

Celebrating 100 Glorious Years is an eclectic collection of personal narratives and reflections of some of the University's most distinguished alumni and faculty—Amitabh Bachchan, Kiren Rijju, Dinesh Singh, Meenakshi Gopinath, Shashi Tharoor, Bibek Debroy, Imtiaz Ali, Raian Karanjawala, Sanjeev

Sanyal, Arnab Goswami, Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud, Lakshmi Puri, Namita Gokhale and Vijay Shekhar Sharma.

245. Who has been appointed as the chairperson of union government's engagement group Civil 20 (C20)?

- (A) Gail Amritaswarup
- (B) Swami Swarupananda
- (C) Anandamayi Ma
- (D) P VenkatRangan
- (E) Mata Amritanandamayi

Ans.245 (E)

Spiritual leader Mata, Amritanandamayi Devi (Amma) has been appointed the Chair of the country's Civil 20 (C20) by the union government. It is an official engagement group of the Group of 20 (G20).

246. Which state government has launched a "Women-Friendly Tourism" project?

- (A) Assam
- (B) Bihar
- (C) Tripura
- (D) Kerala
- (E) Goa

Ans.246 (D)

The Kerala state tourism department has launched a "Women-Friendly Tourism" project to ensure safe and hygienic destinations for women.

The all-women tour packages, which include food, accommodation, transportation and community guides, will be controlled and operated by women.

Launching the state Responsible Tourism (RT) Mission's initiative, Tourism Minister Mohamed Riyas said Kerala already enjoys the reputation as the safest destination for women tourists.

UN Women will sign an MoU with RT Mission regarding gender-inclusive tourism.

Through the project, RT Mission aims to create a network of women's units and tourism centres manned by women.

247. A new IIFT campus has recently inaugurated by Nirmala Sitharaman in which state?

- (A) Madhya Pradesh
- (B) Uttar Pradesh
- (C) Andhra Pradesh
- (D) Tamil Nadu
- (E) Maharashtra

Ans.247 (C)

New IIFT campus inaugurated: Nirmala Sitharaman, the nation's finance minister has opened the third campus of the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)

at the Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU) -K campus in Kakinada.

248. What is the height of Shiva statue called "ViswasSwaroopam", which has been built in Nathdwara, Rajasthan?

- (A) 369 – foot
- (B) 254 - foot
- (C) 412 – foot
- (D) 278 - foot
- (E) 301 - foot

Ans.248 (A)

A 369-foot-tall Shiva statue called "ViswasSwaroopam" that has been built in Nathdwara, Rajasthan's Rajsamand district, will be dedicated.

The ViswasSwaroopam statue was built by Tat PadamSansthan and is located 45 kilometres from Udaipur.

The ViswasSwaroopam monument, which is positioned on a mountaintop over a region of 51 bighas and is designed in a meditative pose, is believed to be visible from 20 kilometres away.

Its construction, which took ten years to complete, involved the usage of three thousand tonnes of steel, iron, concrete, and sand, as well as 2.5 lakh cubic tonnes of concrete.

The area surrounding the statue will provide visitors the chance to partake in sports including bungee jumping, zip lining, and go-karting as well as a food court, an adventure park, and a jungle cafe.

249. Which country has launched the first 'Inhalable Vaccine' against Covid?

- (A) India
- (B) China
- (C) Japan
- (D) USA
- (E) Russia

Ans (B)

China has started dispensing an inhalable COVID-19 vaccine to its people.

The free booster dose of the vaccine is being made available to those who have already had vaccinations.

It comprises of a mist that is breathed in via the lips.

The "needle-free" vaccines are expected to increase vaccination rates in countries with weak health systems.

250. India recently marked 30th anniversary of relations with which regional bloc in 2022?

- (A) SAARC
- (B) ASEAN
- (C) G-20
- (D) G-8
- (E) ISA

Ans.250 (B)

The 7th ASEAN-India Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and Forestry was held recently under the co-chairmanship of Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar.

The meeting also welcomed the 30th anniversary of ASEAN-India relations.

The progress in activities under the Medium-Term Action Plan of ASEAN-India Cooperation (Year 2021-2025) was reviewed.

Agriculture Ministers of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam also participated in the meeting.

