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1. In which state Social activists have built a temple for Mahatma Gandhi and freedom fighters?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Gujarat
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Chhattisgarh
- E. Rajasthan

Ans. C

Sol.

- Social activists have built a temple for Mahatma Gandhi and freedom fighters' Smrithi Vanam at the Municipal Park in Srikakulam, AP.
- Aim: to inculcate patriotism among the youth by remembering the sacrifices of freedom fighters.
- Statues of freedom fighters and social activists were erected in the park with the help of donors.
- Arrangements have been made to unveil the Gandhi temple as well as Smrithi Vanam on the eve of Gandhiji's death anniversary.

2. India defeated which country to win bronze medal at 2022 Women's Hockey Asia Cup tournament?

- A. Thailand
- B. South Korea
- C. China
- D. Japan
- E. Pakistan

Ans. C

Sol.

- \* India has defeated China by 2-0 to win bronze medal at 2022 Women's Hockey Asia Cup tournament.
- \* Sharmila Devi and Gurjit Kaur scored goals from India's side.
- \* 2022 Women's Hockey Asia Cup was the 10th edition of quadrennial Women's Hockey Asia Cup.
- \* It was held from 21st to 28th Jan 2022 at the Sultan Qaboos Sports Complex in Muscat, Oman.
- \* Meanwhile, Japan defeated South Korea to win gold at Women's Hockey Asia Cup tournament.

3. Who assumed charge as the new Vice Chief of the Indian Army staff?



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- A. C P Mohanty
- B. Upendra Dwivedi
- C. Rana Pratap Kalita
- D. Manoj Pande
- E. Nav Kumar Khanduri

Ans. D

Sol.

- \* Lt Gen Manoj Pande took charge as the new Vice Chief of the Indian Army, succeeding Lt Gen C P Mohanty.
- \* Lt Gen Pande was serving as the Eastern Army Commander before assuming the new role.
- \* Lt Gen RP Kalita has been appointed as the new chief of Kolkata-headquartered Eastern Army Command.
- \* Lt Gen Pande was commissioned in the Bombay Sappers in Dec1982.
- \* Lt Gen Pande will be the senior-most Army commander when Army Chief Gen MM Naravane retires from service in April.

4.Services e-Health Assistance and Teleconsultation (SeHAT) is scheme implemented by which ministry under which home delivery of medicines has been started?

- A. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- B. Ministry of Defence
- C. Ministry of Home Affairs
- D. Ministry of Rural Development
- E. None of the above

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* Defence Ministry has started the home delivery of medicines under Services e-Health Assistance and Teleconsultation, SeHAT.
- \* Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had launched SeHAT scheme in May 2021.
- \* SeHAT is the tri-services teleconsultation service of the Ministry of Defence designed for all entitled personnel and their families.
- \* Home Delivery was started with Base Hospital Delhi Cantt from 1st Feb and it will be extended to more and more stations in coming times.

5.Which state government has promulgated an ordinance to enhanced the retirement age for its employees by 2 years to 62?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Karnataka
- E. Rajasthan



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Ans. B

Sol.

\* The Andhra Pradesh govt enhanced the retirement age for its employees by 2 years to 62.

\* Governor Biswabhusan Harichandan promulgated the AP Public Employment (Regulation of Age of Superannuation) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022 to this effect.

\* On January 21, the state Cabinet approved the proposal to amend the AP Public Employment (Regulation of Age of Superannuation) Act, 1984 in line with the announcement made by Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy.

6.11th meeting of India and which country's Joint Military Cooperation Committee (JMCC) was held in New Delhi?

A. Russia

B. USA

C. UAE

D. Oman

E. Sri Lanka

Ans. D

Sol.

\* 11th meeting of India-Oman Joint Military Cooperation Committee (JMCC) was held in New Delhi.

\* The meeting was co-chaired by Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar and Mohammed Bin Nasser Bin Ali AL Zaabi, Secretary-General of the Ministry of Defence of Oman.

\* The JMCC is the highest forum of engagement between India and Oman in the field of defence.

\* It evaluates and provides guidance to the overall framework of defence exchanges between the two sides.

7.Name the Indian hockey player who won the prestigious World Games Athlete of the Year 2021 for his 2021 performances?

A. Manpreet Singh

B. Harmanpreet Singh

C. Rupinder Pal Singh

D. PR Sreejesh

E. Birendra Lakra

Ans. D

Sol.

\* India hockey goalkeeper PR Sreejesh won the prestigious World Games Athlete of the Year 2021.

\* He becomes 1st Indian man and only the second Indian to receive the accolade.

\* In 2020, Indian women's hockey captain Rani Rampal became the first Indian to win the honour.



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- \* Sreejesh was part of the Tokyo Olympics-bronze medal winning side.
- \* In the FIH Stars Awards in October 2021, Sreejesh was named the goalkeeper of the year for 2021.

8. India's first 'geological park' will be set up in which state?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Odisha
- E. Jharkhand

Ans. C

Sol.

- The first 'geological' park of country will be built in Lamheta in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh.
- Approval for the park has been granted by Geological Survey of India, under ministry of mining, Government of India for construction of the park with an investment of Rs 35 crores.
- The geological park will be built in Lamheta, because this place is among significant places in the world, from the geological point of view.

9. Spitik Gustor is an annual celebration of culture and traditional heritage of which state/union territories?

- A. Sikkim
- B. Ladakh
- C. Arunachal Pradesh
- D. Manipur
- E. Himachal Pradesh

Ans. B

Sol.

- Spitik Gustor Festival has been celebrated in Leh and Ladakh Union Territory.
- It is a two-day annual celebration of Ladakhi culture and traditional heritage celebrated every year.
- The main attraction of the festival was the colourful mask dance locally called Chams performed by the monks of the monastery in their best robes depicting different deities such as Mahakala (Gonbo), Paldan Lhamo (Shridevi), White Mahakala, Protector Deity.

10. Which Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise have become the first-ever sports Unicorn in the country?

- A. Chennai Super Kings
- B. Delhi Capitals
- C. Kolkata Knight Riders
- D. Mumbai Indians



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### E. Royal Challengers Bangalore

Ans. A

Sol.

- Chennai Super Kings (CSK) have become the first-ever sports Unicorn in the country to have a market share of Rs 7,600 crore.
- CSK is four-time Indian Premier League (IPL) winners.
- MS Dhoni-led Chennai Super Kings (CSK) defeated mighty Kolkata Knight Riders last year to win their record-extending fourth IPL title in Dubai
- The market value of Chennai Super Kings has become higher than that of its parent entity India Cements.

11. World's-largest canal lock was unveiled in which country?

- A. The Netherlands
- B. Belgium
- C. France
- D. Finland
- E. Iceland

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* World's-largest canal lock unveiled in Netherlands.
- \* Canal lock was inaugurated by Dutch King Willen-Alexander.
- \* The 500-meter long and 70-meter wide sluice replaces a smaller, nearly 100-year-old one at Ijmuiden.
- \* Ijmuiden is a small port city connecting the North Sea Canal to the port of Amsterdam.
- \* The overall cost of constructing the project is \$338 million.
- \* The Ijmuiden lock was designed to allow large, modern cargo ships to reach the port of Amsterdam.

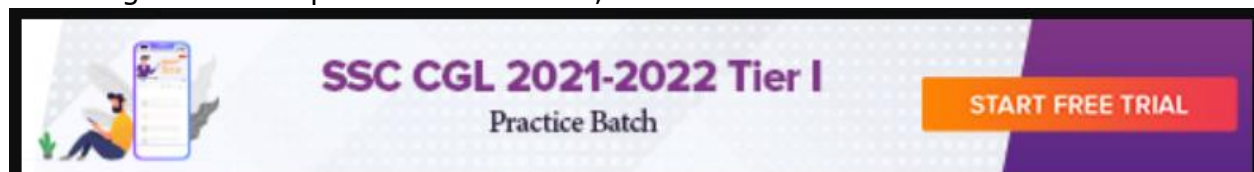
12. Who has been named the recipient of the ICC Spirit of Cricket Award?

- A. Daryl Mitchell
- B. Kane Williamson
- C. Stive Smith
- D. Rohit Sharma
- E. Babar Azam

Ans. A

Sol.

- New Zealand's Daryl Mitchell has been named the recipient of the ICC Spirit of Cricket Award after his gesture in the 2021 ICC Men's T20 World Cup semi-final against England in Abu Dhabi.
- As a result, Mitchell has become the fourth New Zealand player to win the award, following the footsteps of Daniel Vettori, Brendon McCullum and Kane Williamson.



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- Mitchell won the award for refusing to take a single in the high-pressure T20 World Cup semi-final against England in Abu Dhabi on November 10, 2021.

13. Which is set to become the first station to be ready between Mumbai – Ahmedabad Bullet Train route for India's first futuristic High Speed Rail project?

- A. Surat
- B. Vadodara
- C. Anand
- D. Ahmedabad
- E. Sabarmati

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* Surat to become the first station for India's upcoming Bullet Train Project.
- \* The upcoming station in Surat will become the first station to be ready between Ahmedabad – Mumbai Bullet Train route for India's first futuristic High Speed Rail project.
- \* The MAHSR corridor will cover 12 stations in total- Surat, Vadodara, Anand, Ahmedabad, Sabarmati, Bilimora, Bharuch, Mumbai, Thane, Virar, Boisar, Vapi stations.
- \* Once the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project is ready, the journey time between Mumbai and Ahmedabad will be 2.07 hours (limited stops), 2.58 hours (halting at stations) vis a vis existing train journey duration of seven-eight hours.
- \* The Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train will run on Japanese Shinkansen Technology, which is known for its safety as well as reliability and is proven for more than 50 years.
- \* The Maximum Design Speed- of the train would be 350 km per hour and the Maximum Operating speed would be 320 km per hour.

14. By defeating which country India has won the record fifth time ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup title?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. England
- C. Australia
- D. New Zealand
- E. South Africa

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* India lifted a record fifth ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup title after beating England by four wickets in the summit clash at Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in Antigua.
- \* Earlier, India had won the U19 World Cup in 2000, 2008, 2012, and 2018.



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15. Which IIT has launched the beta version of 'Swarajability', a job portal powered by AI that helps people with disabilities acquire relevant skills and find jobs?

- A. Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad
- B. Indian Institute of Technology, Madras
- C. Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur
- D. Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati
- E. Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

Ans. A

Sol.

\* The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-Hyderabad) has launched the beta version of 'Swarajability', a job portal powered by AI that helps people with disabilities acquire relevant skills and find jobs.

\* The project is funded by Kotak Mahindra Bank, while IIT-H provided AI expertise, Visual Quest developed the platform, and Youth4Jobs skilling services.

\* The platform will analyse the profiles of the job seekers and suggest the skills they would require to become eligible.

16. Legendary playback singer Lata Mangeshkar awarded the nation's highest civilian honour in which year, who passed away recently?

- A. 1999
- B. 2000
- C. 2001
- D. 2005
- E. 2010

Ans. C

Sol.

\* Legendary singer and Bharat Ratna recipient Lata Mangeshkar (92 years) passed away in Mumbai's Breach Candy hospital due to multiple organ failures.

\* Mangeshkar began singing in her teens, and in a career spanning 73 years sang more than an estimated 15,000 songs in 36 languages.

\* She is known as the 'Nightingale of India'.

\* She was awarded the nation's highest civilian honour, the Bharat Ratna in March 2001.

17. Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the 'Statue of Equality' to commemorate the 11th-century Bhakti saint Sri Ramanujacharya in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Rishikesh
- C. Badrinath
- D. Hyderabad
- E. Varanasi

Ans. D



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Sol.

- \* Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the 'Statue of Equality' to commemorate the 11th-century Bhakti saint Sri Ramanujacharya in Hyderabad.
- \* The statue will encourage youth and will be a symbol of knowledge, detachment, and ideals.
- \* PM Modi landed in the city earlier this afternoon where he also attended the 50th-anniversary celebrations of ICRISAT.
- \* This statue of Ramanujacharya ji is a symbol of his knowledge, detachment, and ideals
- \* The 216-foot tall Statue of Sri Ramanujacharya who promoted the idea of equality in all aspects of living including faith, caste and creed in the 11th century. It is made of 'panchaloha', a combination of five metals gold, silver, copper, brass, and zinc and is among one of the tallest metallic statues in sitting position, in the world.

18. Who is the author of the graphic novel titled 'Atharva - The Origin', in which Cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni has been portrayed as the superhero Atharva?

- A. Ramesh Thamilmani
- B. Shamik Dasgupta
- C. B. N. Goswamy
- D. Navdeep Singh Gill
- E. Jagreet Kaur

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* MS Dhoni stars as a warrior named Atharva in an upcoming 'new age' sci-fi graphic novel Atharva-The Origin.
- \* Dhoni unveiled the first look of his upcoming graphic novel Atharva - The Origin.
- \* The project is created by Virzu Studios in association with MIDAS Deals.
- \* The graphic novel has been written by Ramesh Thamilmani.

19. Which state's tableau selected as the best state tableau at the Republic Day parade in 2022?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Karnataka
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Jammu and Kashmir
- E. Meghalaya

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* Uttar Pradesh has been selected as the best state tableau at the Republic Day parade this year.
- \* The tableau of Uttar Pradesh was based on the theme 'One District One Product' and Kashi Vishwanath Dham'.



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\* The second place went to Karnataka for its tableau based on 'Cradle of Traditional Handicrafts'. The third position went to Meghalaya for its tableau on 'Meghalaya's 50 years of Statehood and its tribute to women-led cooperative societies & SHGs'.

20. Bollywood actor Akshay Kumar has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of which state?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Uttarakhand
- D. Haryana
- E. Himachal Pradesh

Ans. C

Sol.

- Bollywood star Akshay Kumar has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Uttarakhand.
- In 2017, Akshay Kumar was also named Uttarakhand's brand ambassador for 'Swachhata Abhiyan'. The actor did not charge any fee for the same and added that it was an honour for him to be associated with the campaign.
- Apart from Akshay Kumar, cricketer Rishabh Pant was also appointed as Uttarakhand's brand ambassador in December 2021.

21. "Winter Camp" is a joint military exercise of which multilateral groups?

- A. BRICS
- B. QUAD
- C. NATO
- D. SCO
- E. SAARC

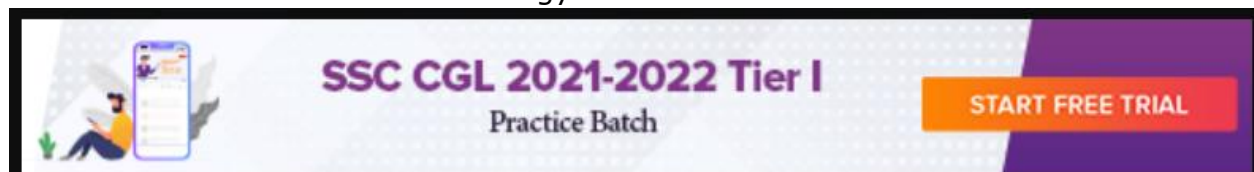
Ans. C

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- In an icy landscape of birches and pines on NATO's eastern border, this year's regular military exercises by the alliance have come at a time of spiralling tensions between Russia and the West.
- The "Winter Camp" exercise in northeast Estonia, just 100 kilometres (62 miles) from the Russian border, included some 1,300 British, Estonian and French troops operating in extreme conditions.

22. What is the theme of the ASEAN-India High Level Conference on Renewable Energy, being organized by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and the Ministry of External Affairs of Government of India?

- A. Experience and Innovations for Integrated Renewables Market
- B. Innovations for Renewable Energy Transition
- C. Investment for Sustainable Energy Transition
- D. Innovations for Sustainable Energy Transition



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## E. Renewable Energy is Future of Energy Transition

Ans. A

Sol.

- The ASEAN-India High Level Conference on Renewable Energy, was organized by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and the Ministry of External Affairs of Government of India on 7-8 February 2022.
- The High Level Conference focused on the theme: "Experience and Innovations for Integrated Renewables Market".
- The ASEAN-India High-Level Conference featured five technical sessions, which would facilitate peer-to-peer discussions between experts from India and ASEAN on themes of mutual interest.

23. An igloo cafe named 'Snowglu', claimed to be world's largest cafe of its kind has been opened in\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Ladakh
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Jammu & Kashmir
- D. Arunachal Pradesh
- E. Uttarakhand

Ans. C

Sol.

- An igloo cafe named 'Snowglu' in Kashmir's Gulmarg has become a new tourist attraction recently.
- The cafe has been set up at the famous ski resort of Gulmarg.
- Syed Wasim Shah, the creator of the igloo, claimed the structure to be the world's largest cafe of its kind.

24. Who has been appointed as the new Director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), for five years?

- A. Dinesh Prasad Saklani
- B. Rahul Bhatia
- C. M Jagadesh Kumar
- D. Ravi Mittal
- E. Madan Mohan Tripathi

Ans. A

Sol.

- Dinesh Prasad Saklani has been appointed as the new Director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), for five years.
- He is currently a professor of history at the HNB Garhwal University, in Uttarakhand.
- Saklani succeeds Hrushikesh Senapaty, whose five-year term ended in November 2020.



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- Sridhar Srivastava has been holding the position on interim charge since then.

25. Which state government has launched 'Paray Shikshalaya', an open-air classroom for students from class 1 to 7?

- A. Bihar
- B. Odisha
- C. Jharkhand
- D. West Bengal
- E. Assam

Ans. D

Sol.

- The West Bengal government has launched 'Paray Shikshalaya' – an open-air classroom in the neighbourhood programme – for students from class 1 to 7.
- The aim of this initiative is to encourage students who dropped out of schools during the Covid-19 pandemic to continue their education.
- The initiative has been started by the Bengal government keeping in mind the ongoing COVID pandemic situation, which has forced the students to stay back home and attend online classes.
- However, it was found that students remain absent from their classes and do not take their studies seriously in online classes.

26. Which has become the first country in the world to administer a DNA vaccine against COVID-19?

- A. USA
- B. India
- C. Germany
- D. England
- E. China


Ans. B

Sol.

- India has become the first country in the world to administer a DNA vaccine against COVID-19.
- The ZyCoV-D which is the World's first plasmid DNA vaccine has been produced by Ahmedabad-based vaccine manufacturer Zydus Cadila and it was administered for the first time in Patna On February 05, 2022.
- It is a Painless and Needleless vaccine given at intervals of 28 days and 56 days.
- It is the second India-made vaccine to get emergency authorization in India after Bharat Biotech's Covaxin.

27. Which operation has been launched by the Railway Protection Force (RPF) to curb human trafficking?

- A. Operation SHAELI
- B. Operation AAHT



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- C. Operation Thirst
- D. Operation Dhanush
- E. None of the above

Ans. B

Sol.

- Railway Protection Force has launched a nationwide operation to curb human trafficking. As part of "Operation AAHT", special teams will be deployed on all long-distance trains/routes with focus on rescuing victims, particularly women and children, from the clutches of traffickers.
- The RPF that rescued more than 2,000 women and children between 2017-21 from the clutches of traffickers intensified the crackdown on human trafficking with the increasing number of cases.
- The National Crime Records Bureau registers about 2,200 cases of Human Trafficking cases on an average each year.

28. World Oil Outlook 2021 is a flagship publication by which organization?

- A. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- B. World Economic Forum (WEF)
- C. Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- D. World Bank
- E. None of the above

Ans. C

Sol.

- Govt said that World Oil Outlook 2021 has projected that the oil demand in India is expected to reach around 11 million barrels per day by 2045 as compared to approximately 4.9 million barrels per day in 2021.
- It is a flagship publication by Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- Govt has been taking up the issue, bilaterally with crude oil-producing countries with OPEC to convey India's serious concerns over crude oil price volatility.


29. Who has been appointed as the new director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC)?

- A. S. Ramakrishnan
- B. S Unnikrishnan Nair
- C. S. Somanath
- D. Mylswamy Annadurai
- E. P. Kunhikrishnan

Ans. B

Sol.

- Unnikrishnan Nair S has been appointed as the new director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC).



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- He was previously serving as the director of the Human Space Flight Centre, Isro.
- He succeeds S Somanath, who recently took over as the chairman of Isro.
- VSSC is a key space research centre of the Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) and specialises in rocket and space vehicles for satellite programs.

30. India's first commercial-scale biomass-based hydrogen plant will come up in which state?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Haryana
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Telangana
- E. Andhra Pradesh

Ans. C

Sol.

- \* The country's first commercial-scale biomass-based hydrogen plant is coming up in the Khandwa district of Madhya Pradesh.
- \* The plant will produce a tonne of hydrogen per day, from 30 tonnes of biomass feedstock.
- \* It will also produce biochar and methane.
- \* The plant is being put up by a joint venture of Watomo Energies Ltd and Biezel Green Energy with an investment of ₹24 crore.

31. Atal Tunnel has officially been certified by the World Book of Records, as the 'World's Longest Highway Tunnel above 10,000 Feet', what is the length of the tunnel?

- A. 7.32 km
- B. 7.82 km
- C. 8.22 km
- D. 8.82 km
- E. 9.02 km

Ans. E

Sol.

- \* Atal Tunnel has officially been certified by the World Book of Records, as the 'World's Longest Highway Tunnel above 10,000 Feet'.
- \* Notably, Atal Tunnel was dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 3, 2020. The 9.02 km long, strategically significant, Atal Tunnel, that runs under the 'Rohtang Pass' was constructed on the Manali - Leh Highway under the challenging conditions of freezing temperatures in extremely difficult terrain.
- \* Prior to the construction of the tunnel, the highway remained closed during the winter season for six months, isolating Lahaul and Spiti from the mainland.

32. The Ahmedabad IPL franchise has been named as \_\_\_\_\_



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- A. Gujarat Titans
- B. Gujarat Warrior
- C. Gujarat Lions
- D. Gujarat Steelers
- E. None of the above

Ans. A

Sol.

- The Ahmedabad IPL franchise has been named "Gujarat Titans" by its owner CVC Capital. Hardik Pandya has been declared as the Captain of this team.
- Earlier in January 2022, Lucknow's IPL team was named as "Lucknow Super Giants" by its owner RPSG Group.

33. Which International Airport has been awarded the 'Voice of the Customer' award by the Airports Council International (ACI)?

- A. Mangaluru International Airport, Karnataka
- B. Chennai International Airport, Tamil Nadu
- C. Thiruvananthapuram International Airport, Kerala
- D. Bangalore International Airport, Karnataka
- E. Cochin International Airport, Kerala

Ans. A

Sol.

- The Airports Council International (ACI) has awarded Mangaluru International Airport with the 'Voice of the Customer' award.
- ACI is a trade association of the world airports.
- The airport was awarded for demonstrating relentless efforts in gathering passenger feedback on customer needs in 2021 and providing the best-in-class travel experience.
- Throughout the pandemic, Mangaluru International Airport complied with norms and protocols in line with the Central and State governments while prioritizing the health and safety of its passengers.

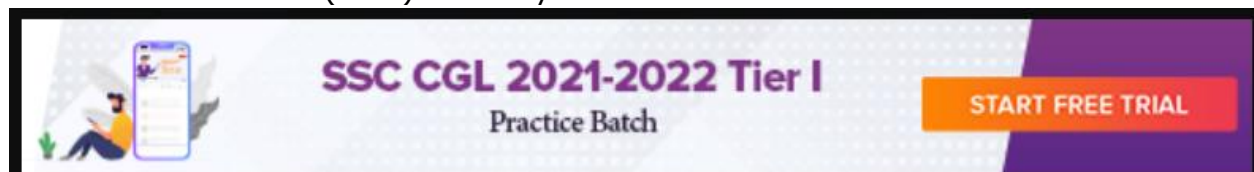
34. Who has been appointed as the President of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)?

- A. Debashis Mitra
- B. S Kishore
- C. Sanjay Malhotra
- D. Pardip Shah
- E. Dinesh Prasad Saklani

Ans. A

Sol.

- Debashis Mitra has been appointed as the President of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) for the year 2022-23.



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- Prior to this, he was serving as the Vice-President of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for 2021-22.
- After being part of Central Council for 2016-19, he is serving his 2nd consecutive term for 2019-22.
- Apart from him, ICAI appointed Aniket Sunil Talati as Vice President.
- ICAI was established in 1949 as a statutory body

35. Which country ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in the Economic Intelligence Unit's Democracy Index 2021?

- A. New Zealand
- B. Norway
- C. Finland
- D. Sweden
- E. Denmark

Ans. B

Sol.

- India ranked 46<sup>th</sup> in the Economic Intelligence Unit's Democracy Index 2021.
- The report described the state of democracy in 165 countries.
- The report was prepared based on five parameters viz. functioning of the government, electoral process and pluralism, political participation, civil liberties and political culture.
- Norway topped the list with a score of 9.75 followed by New Zealand and Finland.
- Afghanistan and Myanmar took the bottom two spots, just below North Korea.

36. Which country is the host of One Ocean Summit 2022?

- A. England
- B. USA
- C. France
- D. Germany
- E. Japan

Ans. C

Sol.

- One Ocean Summit 2022 was organised by France in cooperation with the United Nations and the World Bank.
- India supported the French initiative of a 'High Ambition Coalition on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction'.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the conference and said that India is committed to eliminating single-use plastic.
- The high-level segment of the summit was also addressed by several other heads of states and governments including Germany, the United Kingdom, South Korea, Japan and Canada.

37. Xinjiang region, which was seen in the news, is located in which country?



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- A. Myanmar
- B. Taiwan
- C. Bhutan
- D. China
- E. South Korea

Ans. D

Sol.

- Xinjiang is a large central-Asian region within the People's Republic of China comprising numerous minority groups: 45% of its population are Uyghurs, and 40% are Han.
- The International Labour Organization has condemned China for racial and religious discrimination in the Xinjiang region.
- The report said that as a ILO member state, the Chinese government is firmly committed to provide decent work for all China's ethnic minority groups including Uyghurs in Xinjiang.

38. 'Operation Parivartan' has been initiated by which state to eliminate the cultivation of cannabis?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. Kerala
- C. Karnataka
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- E. Maharashtra

Ans. D

Sol.

- The Andhra Pradesh Police has initiated 'Operation Parivartan', a special operation undertaken to eliminate the cultivation of cannabis.
- Such an initiative was never been taken up before and it helps the state to fight against the drugs menace.
- This operation was led by the Andhra Pradesh Police with the Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) in Visakhapatnam.

39. First of its kind two-day Global Summit on 'Reimagining Museums in India' was held in which city?

- A. Bengaluru
- B. Ranchi
- C. Bhubaneswar
- D. Hyderabad
- E. Chennai

Ans. D

Sol.



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- \* A global, two-day summit on 'Reimagining Museums in India' was held in Hyderabad.
- \* Union Ministry of Culture is organized the first of its kind summit to celebrate the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements, as part of Azadi Ka Amritmahotsav marking 75 years of Independence of the Country.
- \* Over thousand museums from the country and abroad has showcased cultural heritage on the occasion to for educating future generations as part of the summit.

40. What is the theme of the Energy and Resources Institute's (TERI) World Sustainable Development Summit 2022?

- A. 'Towards a Resilient Planet: Ensuring a Sustainable and Equitable Future'
- B. Redefining our Common Future: Safe and Secure Environment for All
- C. Attaining the 2030 Agenda: Delivering on Our Promise
- D. Partnerships for a Resilient Planet
- E. Attaining Energy, Water and Food Security for All

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* World Sustainable Development Summit is the Energy and Resources Institute's (TERI) annual flagship event.
- \* This year the theme of the summit is 'Towards a Resilient Planet: Ensuring a Sustainable and Equitable Future'.
- \* It will discuss a wide range of issues including climate change, sustainable production, energy transitions, global commons and resource security.
- \* Prime Minister Narendra Modi delivered the inaugural address at the Energy and Resources Institute's (TERI) World Sustainable Development Summit 2022.

41. Which organization has organized a hackathon named Darkathon-2022 from February 15 to April 22 to find solutions to unravel the anonymity of darknet markets?

- A. National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)
- B. Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)
- C. Enforcement Directorate (ED)
- D. Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)
- E. None of the above

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* Narcotics Control Bureau, NCB, has organized the Darkathon -2022 to find solutions to counter drug trafficking through darknet across the globe.
- \* The initiative aims at involving students, youth and technical experts to find effective solutions to unravel the anonymity of darknet markets.
- \* This hackathon is being organised in three phases starting today and concluding on 22nd April.



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42. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has unveiled the much-awaited water taxi service in which city?

- A. Kochi
- B. Thiruvananthapuram
- C. Mumbai
- D. Guwahati
- E. Kolkata

Ans. C

Sol.

- The much-awaited water taxi service promising connectivity between Mumbai and Navi Mumbai has been unveiled by Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal
- The initiative will help in promoting tourism as well as reducing traffic congestion in the city.
- The WT services are expected to cut the commuting time between Mumbai and Navi Mumbai by almost 45 minutes to an hour.
- The service will begin from Domestic Cruise Terminal at ferry wharf in Mumbai to Navi Mumbai destinations.

43. The Ministry of Education (MoE) approved a new scheme "New India Literacy Programme" under which the term "Adult Education" will be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Literacy for All
- B. Education for All
- C. Common Education
- D. Ageless Education
- E. None of the above

Ans. B

Sol.

- The Union Govt. approved a new scheme "New India Literacy Programme" during the FYs 2022-2027 to cover all the aspects of adult education and also to align with national education policy 2020
- The scheme will cover non-literates of the age of 15 years and above in the country.
- Now, Govt. has replaced the term "Adult Education (प्रौढ़ शिक्षा)" as 'Education for All' in the country.
- It will be implemented through volunteerism through online mode.

44. G20 summit in 2022 will be held in which country?

- A. Indonesia
- B. India
- C. Saudi Arabia
- D. Malaysia



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E. Brazil

Ans. A

Sol.

- G20 is the premier forum for international economic cooperation that plays an important role in global economic governance.
- In 2021, the G20 summits was held in Rome, Italy. In 2022 the G20 summit will be held in Bali, Indonesia while in 2023 it will be held in New Delhi, India.
- India will hold the Presidency of the G20 from 1st December this year to 30th November 2023, culminating with the G20 Summit in India in 2023.
- As per practice, a G20 Secretariat is being established to handle work relating to knowledge, content, technical, media, security, and logistical aspects of India's G20 Presidency.

45. Asia's largest defence exhibition, DefExpo 2022, which will be held in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Gandhinagar
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Chandigarh
- D. Ranchi
- E. Nagpur

Ans. A

Sol.

- Asia's largest defence exhibition, DefExpo 2022, which will be held in Gandhinagar from March 10 to 13.
- More than 900 defence firms and 55 countries are expected to participate in it.
- A 1,000-drone display is expected to be one of the highlights of the exhibition.
- This will be the second time such a show is being organised in the country. It was first organised at the Beating Retreat in Delhi on January 29.
- DefExpo was traditionally held in Delhi until 2014 after which it has seen a string of new venues --- Goa (2016), Chennai (2018) and Lucknow (2020).

46. 'Cope South 22' is a joint tactical airlift exercise of which two airforce?

- A. US and Sri Lanka
- B. US and Bangladesh
- C. US and Pakistan
- D. US and Japan
- E. US and India

Ans. B

Sol.

- Air forces of the US and Bangladesh are set to take part in a Pacific Air Forces-sponsored, bilateral tactical airlift exercise.



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- Named as Cope South 22, the exercise will be conducted at Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) Kurmitola Cantonment, Dhaka; and Operating Location-Alpha, Sylhet, Bangladesh.
- It will witness the participation of nearly 77 airmen, along with two US Air Force C-130J Super Hercules from the US Air Force (USAF) 36th Airlift Squadron (AS) of the 374th Airlift Wing at Yokota Air Base in Japan.
- Around 300 members of the Bangladeshi Armed Forces and two C-130Js will join the US personnel.

47. Which country will be the first foreign country to adopt India's UPI system, paving the way for transforming the digital economy of the country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Bhutan
- C. Nepal
- D. Afghanistan
- E. Bangladesh

Ans. C

Sol.

- NPCI announce that, Nepal will be the first country to adopt India's UPI system.
- This will play a pivotal role in transforming the digital economy of the neighbouring country.
- NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL), the international arm of NPCI, has joined hands with Gateway Payments Service (GPS) and Manam Infotech to provide the services in Nepal.
- GPS is the authorised payment system operator in Nepal and Manam Infotech will deploy Unified Payments Interface (UPI) in that country.

48. Who has been appointed as the India's first national maritime security coordinator (NMSC)?

- A. Karambir Singh
- B. G Ashok Kumar
- C. Ajit Kumar P
- D. Sunil Lamba
- E. DK Dewan

Ans. B

Sol.

- Former Navy vice chief G Ashok Kumar has been appointed as the first National Maritime Security Coordinator (NMSC) in the National Security Council Secretariat.
- G Ashok Kumar is an alumnus of Sainik School, Amravathi Nagar and National Defence Academy, Khadakvasla, Pune. He was commissioned into the executive branch of the Indian Navy on July 1, 1982.
- Ashok Kumar has held various challenging staff and command assignments during his distinguished career in the Navy for over three decades.



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49. Which public sector company has been awarded the 'India's Most Trusted Public Sector Company' award?

- A. NTPC Ltd
- B. Coal India Ltd
- C. ONGC
- D. Steel Authority of India Ltd
- E. Indian Oil Corporation

Ans. B

Sol.

- Coal India Ltd has been awarded the 'India's Most Trusted Public Sector Company' award.
- CIL received this honor at the "Energy Meet and Excellence Award" function organized by Industry Chamber "ASSOCHAM" in Kolkata.
- Minister of state for Coal, Mines and Railways Shri Raosaheb Patil Danve also complimented CIL for bagging the coveted award.
- CIL is a Maharatna company of the Government of India.

50. Who has been honoured with the Outstanding Contribution To Film Industry award at the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2022?

- A. Rakhi Gulzar
- B. Mumtaz
- C. Waheeda Rehman
- D. Asha Parekh
- E. Hema Malini

Ans. D

Sol.

- Legendary actor Asha Parekh has been honoured with Outstanding Contribution to Film Industry accolade at Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2022.

51. Who received the Best Actor (Female) award in the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF) Awards 2022?

- A. Deepika Padukone
- B. Kriti Sanon
- C. Alia Bhatt
- D. Kangana Ranaut
- E. Janhvi Kapoor

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF) Awards 2022 was held in Mumbai.



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- \* The award was presented by Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF) in memory of Dadasaheb Phalkeji 'Father of Indian Cinema'.
- \* It is India's only independent international film festival.
- \* Bollywood stars Ranveer Singh and Kriti Sanon received awards in the Best Actor and Best Actress category for their performances in movies '83' and 'Mimi'.

52. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has conducted sixth edition of Eastern Bridge-VI exercise with which country?

- A. UAE
- B. Oman
- C. Qatar
- D. Israel
- E. Singapore

Ans. B

Sol.

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) and the Royal Air Force of Oman conducted a five-day bilateral exercise at the Jodhpur air force station.
- The exercise named Eastern Bridge-VI is in its sixth edition.
- Exercise Eastern Bridge V was held in October 2019 at the Air Force Base Masirah, Oman.
- The IAF contingent comprised MiG-29 and C-17 aircraft. It was the first time that MIG-29 fighter aircraft participated in an International Exercise outside India.

53. India's first Biosafety level-3 containment mobile laboratory was launched in which place?

- A. Nashik, Maharashtra
- B. Hyderabad, Telangana
- C. Surat, Gujarat
- D. Jaipur, Rajasthan
- E. Indore, Madhya Pradesh

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare announced that India's first Biosafety level-3 containment mobile laboratory was launched in Nashik, Maharashtra.
- \* The mobile laboratory has been set up to investigate newly emerging and re-emerging viral infections that are highly infectious and of lethal potential to human beings.
- \* The laboratory has been designed and built by the Indian Council of Medical Research in collaboration with Mumbai based bio-safety equipment maker Klenzaid.

54. Which state government has launched India's first Night Navigation mobile application (app) for ferry services?



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- A. Kerala
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Assam
- E. West Bengal

Ans. D

Sol.

\* The first night navigation mobile application in rivers in the country was launched for ferries on Brahmaputra river in Assam.

\* The inaugural night journey of an Inland Water Transport ferry fitted with the system sailed between Guwahati and North Guwahati at 9 pm and completed the return journey also in about an hour.

\* The night navigation mobile application was developed by the transport department in association with K Raju, the principal scientist of IIT Madras.

55. Who has been conferred with 'Hilal-e-Pakistan' the second highest civilian honour in the country?

- A. Bill Gates
- B. Warren Buffet
- C. Elon Musk
- D. Jeff Bezos
- E. Larry Page

Ans. A

Sol.

\* Microsoft founder and philanthropist Bill Gates has been conferred with Hilal-e-Pakistan.

It is the second highest civilian honour in the country

\* He has been awarded for his efforts to help eradicate polio in Pakistan.

\* Gates is on a day-long visit to Pakistan and has met with Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan.

\* He also visited the National Command and Control Centre (NCOC) that oversees efforts to curb Covid-19.

56. 550-tonne capacity 'Gobar-Dhan' Bio-CNG plant has been inaugurated in which city by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Indore
- C. Gwalior
- D. Bhopal
- E. Nagpur

Ans. B

Sol.



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- \* PM Modi inaugurated 550-tonne capacity 'Gobar-Dhan' Bio-CNG plant in Indore.
- \* It is based on the concept of waste-to-wealth innovation.
- \* The municipal solid waste based Gobar-Dhan plant is in line with PM's vision of creating "garbage-free cities" under the Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0.
- \* The Gobar-Dhan plant will have the capacity to treat 550 tonnes of segregated wet organic waste and produce around 17,000 kg CNG and 100 tonnes of organic compost per day.

57. Which state police force has become the 1st police force in the country to introduce Smart Card Arms License?

- A. Delhi
- B. Haryana
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Gujarat

Ans. A

Sol.

\* Delhi Police has become the 1st police force in the country to introduce **Smart Card Arms License**.

\* **Aim:** to provide techno friendly digital services to the citizens of **Delhi**.

\* According to police, the smart card, with inherent security features, is easy to carry and handle.

\* It will be printed in-house after verification of data of the arms license holders.

\* Smart card arms license has also been integrated with e-beat book through mobile application '**Shastra App**'.

58. Who has composed the signature tune for "Vande Bharatam" that was released by Minister of State for Culture & External Affairs Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi?

- A. Kailash Kher
- B. Prasoon Joshi
- C. Ricky Kej
- D. Bickram Ghosh
- E. C and D both

Ans. E

Sol.

\* Minister of State for Culture & External Affairs Meenakshi Lekhi has released signature tune for 'Vande Bharatam'

\* The tune is composed by Grammy Award winner Ricky Kej and Oscar contender Bickram Ghosh

\* It was produced for Vande Bharatam, Nritya Utsav of Ministry of Culture presented at Rajpath, New Delhi for Republic Day event 2022.

\* It was followed by the fascinating live performance by composers of Vande Bharatam song Ricky Kej and Bikram Ghosh.



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59. Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways and AYUSH Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated Nikarshan Sadan" - The Dredging Museum in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Visakhapatnam
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Guwahati
- E. Jaipur

Ans. B

Sol.

- Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has inaugurated Nikarshan Sadan – The DCI (Dredging Corporation of India) Dredging Museum at DCI campus in Vishakhapatnam.
- It displayed models of different types of dredgers, vintage photos, and historical milestones of this dredging behemoth from the Eastern Port City of Vizag.
- He also inaugurated skill development facility - Centre of Excellence in Maritime and Shipbuilding (CEMS) in Visakhapatnam, improving employability.

60. The 'Kisan Drone Yatra' which was inaugurated virtually by PM Modi, was organised at which place?

- A. Bhopal
- B. Dehradun
- C. Amritsar
- D. Patna
- E. Manesar

Ans. E

Sol.

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually launched 100 'Made in India' agricultural drones across the country, which carried out farm operations in unique simultaneous flights in Manesar, Haryana.
- The PM labelled it a "milestone" for Indian agriculture.
- A raft of recent policy relaxations and incentives, including proposals in the Union Budget 2022-23, has opened up India's vast agriculture sector for commercial use of drones, or unmanned aerial vehicles.

61. Multinational 'Exercise Cobra Warrior 22' will be organized by which country, in which Indian Air Force will also participate with a fleet of five Tejas light combat aircraft (LCA)?

- A. France
- B. Germany
- C. USA
- D. England



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E. Israel

Ans. D

Sol.

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) will participate in a three-week-long multilateral exercise at Waddington in the UK with a fleet of five Tejas light combat aircraft (LCA).
- Besides the Royal Air Force of the UK, the US, Saudi Arabia, Sweden and Belgium will also participate in the exercise. The multi-nation air exercise named "Ex Cobra Warrior 22" will be conducted at Waddington, UK, from March 6 to March 27.
- The IAF's C-17 aircraft will provide the necessary transport support for induction and de-induction. The Tejas that uses a US-made engine is made by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited.

62.The biennial exercise multilateral Naval Exercise "Milan 2022" is being organized in which place?

- A. Kochi
- B. Momugao
- C. Vishakhapatnam
- D. Chennai
- E. Gulf of Khambhat

Ans. C

Sol.

- \* Indian Navy's multilateral exercise 'Milan-2022' has been organized in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- \* It will be conducted over a duration of nine days in two phases with the harbour phase scheduled from February 25 and the Sea Phase from 1st March to 4th March
- \* Theme: 'Camaraderie - Cohesion - Collaboration'
- \* It is a biennial multilateral naval exercise incepted by Indian Navy in 1995 at the Andaman and Nicobar Command
- \* More than 40 countries are participating in Milan 22.

63.Who is present union minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Minister?

- A. Dharmendra Pradhan
- B. Mansukh Mandaviya
- C. Pashupati Nath Paras
- D. Giriraj Singh
- E. Piyush Goyal

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* Presently Chemicals and Fertilizers Minister, Mansukh Mandaviya.
- \* He inaugurated a seminar titled 'Industry Connect 2022', in New Delhi



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- \* It is being organized by Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals in association with Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering and Technology and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry.
- \* Focus: R&D Laboratory, skill gap analysis for human capital in petrochemicals sector, providing indigenous technology, etc.

64. Which edition of joint military exercise 'EX DHARMA GUARDIAN-2022' was conducted between India and Japan at Belagavi (Belgaum), Karnataka?

- A. second
- B. third
- C. fourth
- D. fifth
- E. sixth

Ans. B

Sol.

- \* Third edition of joint military exercise 'EX DHARMA GUARDIAN-2022' between India and Japan has begun at Belagavi (Belgaum), Karnataka.
- \* It will be conducted from 27th February to 10th March 2022.
- \* It is participated by the 15th Battalion of 'Maratha Light Infantry Regiment of the Indian Army' and 30th Infantry Regiment of Japanese Ground Self Defence Forces (JGSDF).
- \* Aim: at enhancing the inter-operability and foster mutual understanding between the two Armies.

65. Who became the first Indian to win a silver in an individual section of the Para World Championships?

- A. Pooja Jatyan
- B. Muskan Kirar
- C. Raj Kaur
- D. Krishna Das
- E. Trisha Deb

Ans. A

Sol.

- \* Para-archer Pooja Jatyan scripted history as she became the first Indian to win a silver in an individual section of the Para World Championships.
- \* Pooja lost to Italy's Patrilli Vincenza in the final to be content with the silver medal.
- \* The compound mixed pair of Shyam Sundar Swamy and Jyoti Baliyan had earlier opened India's account by winning a silver medal.
- \* India ended its campaign with two silver medals, a first for the country.

66. Name the operation launched by Indian government for the evacuation of Indian Nationals from Ukraine due to Russia-Ukraine war.



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- A. Operation Yamuna
- B. Operation Ganga
- C. Operation Vandhe Bharat
- D. Operation Rahat
- E. Operation Insaniyat

Ans. B

Sol.

\* India has launched an evacuation mission named Operation Ganga to evacuate Indian nationals from Ukraine due to the Russia-Ukraine tension.

\* Due to the ongoing tension between Ukraine and Russia, Ukraine has been declared as a no-fly zone by the authorities for the safety and security of the nations. Due to this many Indian nationals were left stranded in Ukraine.

\* To help the Indian citizens come back to the country, the government of India decided to conduct a special evacuation mission named Operation Ganga. The government will bring back Indian nationals via flight.

67. Name the world's first airport fully powered by solar energy, that is set to become power-positive?

- A. Chennai International Airport
- B. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport
- C. Thiruvananthapuram International Airport
- D. Cochin International Airport
- E. Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel International Airport

Ans. D

Sol.

\* The Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL), the world's first airport fully powered by solar energy, is to become power-positive with the commissioning of its new solar power plant near Payyannur in Kannur district of Kerala.

\* CIAL's solar plants together generate two lakh units of power a day whereas the daily consumption of power in the airport stands at 1.6 lakh units.

\* The airport became the first in the world in 2015 to be fully powered by solar energy.

68. Under which scheme the central government has launched a doorstep distribution drive 'Meri Policy Mere Hath'?

- A. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
- B. Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)
- C. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY)
- D. Life Cover under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)
- E. Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY)

Ans. A

Sol.



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- \* The center will launch a doorstep distribution drive 'Meri Policy Mere Hath' to deliver crop insurance policies to farmers.
- \* The doorstep campaign aims to ensure all farmers are well aware and equipped with all information on their policies, land records, the process of claim and grievance redressal under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana.
- \* The campaign will be launched in all implementing states in the upcoming Kharif season.
- \* PMFBY was launched in Feb 2016.

69. Who has authored the book titled, "A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Construction"?

- A. Uma Das Gupta
- B. Sagrika Ghose
- C. RO Khanna
- D. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- E. Navdeep Singh Gill

Ans. A

Sol.

- The book, "A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Construction", is written by historian and Tagore biographer Uma Das Gupta.
- It is published under Niyogi Book's 'Paper Missile' imprint.
- Tagore's work in 'village reconstruction' at Sriniketan is not as widely known as his work at Santiniketan, popularly known today as a university town.
- The idea of doing something to redeem the neglected village came to Tagore when he first went to live in his family's agricultural estates in East Bengal during the 1890s.

70. The 12th edition of President's Fleet Review was conducted at which place as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav?

- A. Chennai
- B. Mormugao
- C. Visakhapatnam
- D. Tuticorin
- E. Balasore

Ans. C

Sol.

- President Ram Nath Kovind reviews the Indian Naval Fleet comprising over 60 ships and submarines, and 55 aircraft.
- The 12th edition of President's Fleet Review is being conducted at Visakhapatnam as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was also present at the event.
- This is the second time that Visakhapatnam has been hosting the PFR, the first being in the year 2006 by the then President of India A P J Abdul Kalam.



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71. Which Indian city will host the 2023 International Olympic Committee (IOC) session?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Guwahati
- D. Kolkata
- E. Hyderabad

Ans. B

Sol.

- Mumbai (India) has been officially elected as the host of 2023 International Olympic Committee (IOC) session.
- It will be held at Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai.
- The last of IOC session was hosted by India in 1983 in New Delhi.
- IOC session for 2022 was held in Beijing, China.
- IOC Session is the annual meeting of the members of the IOC, which has 101 voting members and 45 honorary members.

72. International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) is located in which city where two new new Centres called 'Centre of Demography of Gender' and 'Centre for Ageing Studies' are inaugurated recently?

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

Ans. D

Sol.

- International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) is located in Deonar, Mumbai.
- Here two new Departments and two new Research Centres were inaugurated by Union Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya and Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Dr. Bharati Pawar.
- The newly inaugurated departments are 'Department of Survey Research and Data Analytics' and the 'Department of Family and Generations'. The new Centres are called 'Centre of Demography of Gender' and 'Centre for Ageing Studies'.
- The new departments and centres will work in line with the vision of taking Indian institutions to global level and making the country self-reliant.

73. Which state will soon get a motor racing track, which will be the first of its kind in eastern and northeastern India?

- A. Manipur
- B. Assam



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- C. Mizoram
- D. Tripura
- E. Meghalaya

Ans. C

Sol.

- Mizoram will soon get a motor racing track, which will be the first of its kind in eastern and northeastern India.
- The proposed project worth Rs 10 crores will be constructed at Lengpui, about 31 km north of Aizawl, where the lone state's airport is located.
- Mizoram State Sports Council (MSSC) and Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) had inked a pact for the construction of REC Motosports Racing Tract and Sports Complex.

74. In February 2022, Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a virtual summit with Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed al Nahyan the Crown Prince of which country to firm up Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Oman
- C. UAE
- D. Bahrain
- E. Qatar

Ans. C

Sol.

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of UAE Armed Forces, Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed al Nahyan, held a virtual summit.
- Both leaders were discussed bilateral cooperation and international issues of mutual interest.
- In recent years, bilateral relations between India and the UAE have strengthened in all areas, and both sides have embarked upon a comprehensive strategic partnership.
- The Prime Minister visited UAE in 2015, 2018, and 2019 while the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi visited India in 2016 and 2017.
- Ministerial visits between the two sides have also continued, including three visits of External Affairs Minister and a visit of Commerce and Industry Minister, to UAE in 2021.
- A major initiative in bilateral relations is the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA). Negotiations for CEPA were launched in September 2021 and have been completed.

75. The Ministry of Education (MoE) approved a new scheme "New India Literacy Programme" to be implemented from 2022 to \_\_\_\_\_.



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- A. 2024
- B. 2025
- C. 2026
- D. 2027
- E. 2028

Ans. D

Sol.

- The Ministry of Education (MoE) on Wednesday approved a new scheme "New India Literacy Programme" for the next five years to cover all the aspects of adult education to align with the new National Education Policy (NEP).
- The ministry has also decided to use "Education For All" instead of "Adult Education" as the previous term did not appropriately represent all non-literates in the 15 years and above age group.
- The scheme will be implemented through volunteerism via online mode. The training, orientation, workshops of volunteers, maybe organized through face-to-face mode.
- The scheme will cover non-literates of the age of 15 years and above in all state and union territories.

76. Which of the following organization has launched 'Quit Tobacco App' to help people to quite tobacco in all forms?

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Medical Council of India
- C. World Health Organization
- D. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- E. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation


Ans. C

Sol.

- The World Health Organization (WHO) launched the 'Quit Tobacco App' to help people quit tobacco use in all forms, including smokeless and other newer products.
- The 'WHO Quit Tobacco App' is the latest tobacco control initiative by the WHO South-East Asia Region.
- It was launched during WHO's year-long 'Commit to quit' campaign.
- A first-of-its-kind by the WHO, the app targets all forms of tobacco, and helps users identify the triggers, set their targets, manage cravings, and stay focused on quitting tobacco.

77. In which state the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has launched the 'Waste to Wealth Creation' programme for women?

- A. West Bengal
- B. Karnataka
- C. Odisha
- D. Andhra Pradesh



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E. Tamil Nadu

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- SIDBI launched the 'Waste to Wealth Creation' programme in which women will make ornaments and showpieces from fish scale in the Sundarbans in West Bengal's South 24 Parganas district.
- Under this programme, SIDBI will extend benefits to 50 women in directly generating revenues from alternate livelihoods.
- Later, each of them is expected to become a trainer for replicating and disseminating the knowledge among other aspirants.



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