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1. Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman has released the Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP)-2020 in New Delhi. Which of the following states has not been included in the seven 'Top Achievers; states?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Gujarat
- C. Haryana
- D. Karnataka
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Ans. E

Sol.

* Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman has released the Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP)-2020 in New Delhi.

* Top Achievers: Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Punjab, Telangana and Tamil Nadu.

* Achievers category: Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh

* Aspirers category: Assam, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand, Kerala, Rajasthan and West Bengal.

2. Which of the following sports company has become the official sponsor with the Indian Olympics Association (IOA) for the Birmingham Commonwealth 2022, Hangzhou Asian Games 2022, and Paris Olympic 2024?

- A. Adani Sportsline
- B. Adidas
- C. Nike
- D. ESPN
- E. Sky Sports

Ans. A

Sol.

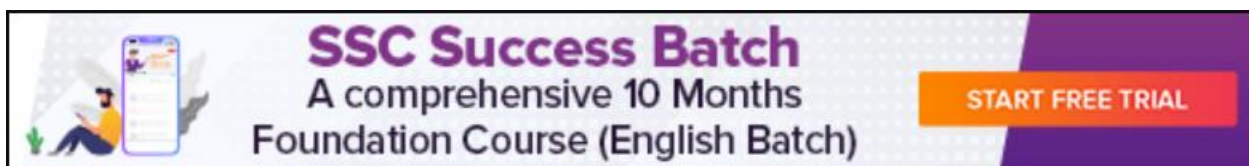
* Adani Sportsline has become the principal sponsor with the Indian Olympics Association (IOA) for the upcoming games, Birmingham Commonwealth 2022, Hangzhou Asian Games 2022, and Paris Olympic 2024.

* This is the second time that the Adani Group has collaborated with IOA after the Tokyo Olympics.

* Over 28 athletes have been supported by the Adani Sportsline's athlete support initiative, #GarvHai, across a variety of sports.

3. Who among the following Javelin throwers has won the gold medal with a best throw of 90.31 meters at the prestigious 2022 Diamond League meet in Stockholm?

- A. Anderson Peters



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- B. Keshorn Walcott
- C. Neeraj Chopra
- D. Kirani James
- E. Oliver Helander

Ans. A

Sol.

- * Javelin thrower, Neeraj Chopra has clinched silver medal with a massive throw of 89.94 meter, at the prestigious Diamond League meet in Stockholm.
- * He broke his own national record (89.30m) for the second time in a month.
- * Anderson Peters (Grenadian athlete) won gold medal with a best throw of 90.31 meter.
- * Earlier, he clinched silver at Paavo Nurmi Games in Turku (Finland).

4. Vivek Express holds the title of the longest train route in the country, in terms of distance and time, covers how many states of India?

- A. 10
- B. 15
- C. 9
- D. 14
- E. 8

Ans. C

Sol.

The Vivek Express, which runs from Dibrugarh in Assam to Kanyakumari in Tamil Nadu, holds the title of the longest train route in the country (both in terms of distance and time).

The train covers total of nine states: Assam, Nagaland, Bihar, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu.

The announcement of the Vivek Express was made in presentation of the railway budget for 2011-12 by Mamata Banerjee (then Railway Minister of India).

5. Who among the following has been crowned Femina Miss India World 2022?

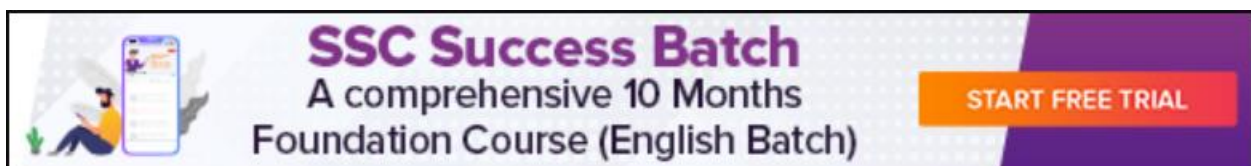
- A. Rubal Shekhawat
- B. Shinata Chauhan
- C. Sini Shetty
- D. Lekh Uthaiyah
- E. Angelia Baghi

Ans. C

Sol.

Sini Shetty from Karnataka has been crowned as the Femina Miss India World 2022 title at the grand finale of VLCC Femina Miss India.

Rubal Shekhawat from Rajasthan has emerged as Femina Miss India 2022 first runner-up and Shinata Chauhan from Uttar Pradesh was named Femina Miss India 2022 second runner-up.



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She will represent India at the prestigious 71st Miss World pageant.
She is a Bharatanatyam dancer represented Karnataka, though she was born in Mumbai.

6. Which of the following state governments has signed an MoU with National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) for the development of 10 GW Ultra Mega Renewable Energy Power Park in the state? (July 2022)

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Gujarat
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Tamil Nadu

Ans. C

Sol.

NTPC signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Rajasthan government for the development of 10 GW Ultra Mega Renewable Energy Power Park in Rajasthan.

The MoU was signed in the presence of Rajasthan Energy Minister Bhanwar Singh Bhati.

In addition to this, the NTPC REL is developing one UMREPP of 4.75 GW capacity in Rann of Kutch, Gujarat.

NTPC REL has entered into a JV agreement with DVC for developing RE Parks and projects.

7. Under the initiative Yamuna Ghat par Vriksharopan, which of the following organisations has planted 75 saplings at Kalindi Kunj Ghat on River Yamuna in New Delhi?

- A. National Mission for Clean Ganga
- B. Delhi Jal Board
- C. Ministry of Jal Shakti
- D. National Thermal Power Corporation Limited
- E. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation

Ans. A

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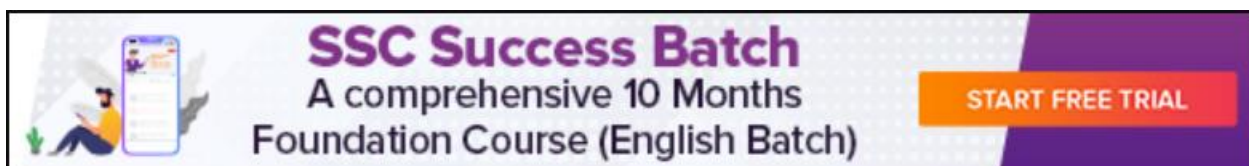
National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) has planted 75 sapling under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to create Namami Gange Amrit Vatika at Kalindi Kunj Ghat on River Yamuna in New Delhi.

This activity was carried out under the initiative Yamuna Ghat par Vriksharopan.

NMCG has also conducted the Cleanliness drive on River Yamuna in Delhi is a regular activity organized on the 4th Saturday of every month.

8. Which of the following states' chief ministers has launched 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme to provide 50 % concession on fares in state buses to women commuters within the state boundaries? (July 2022)

- A. Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy
- B. Pema Khandu



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- C. Himanta Biswa Sarma
- D. Jai Ram Thakur
- E. Manohar Lal Khattar

Ans. D

Sol.

- * Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh, Jai Ram Thakur has launched the 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme.
- * Aim: 50 % concession on fares in Himachal Road Transport Corporation (HRTC) buses to women commuters within the state boundaries.
- * He has also announced a reduction in the minimum bus fare from Rs 7 to Rs 5 to all passengers across the state.
- * The government will sanction 25 new posts of women drivers in the 'Ride With Pride' government taxi service.

9. Which of the following Indian cities has been ranked 103 in the QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2023?

- A. Delhi
- B. Chennai
- C. Pune
- D. Mumbai
- E. Bangalore

Ans. D

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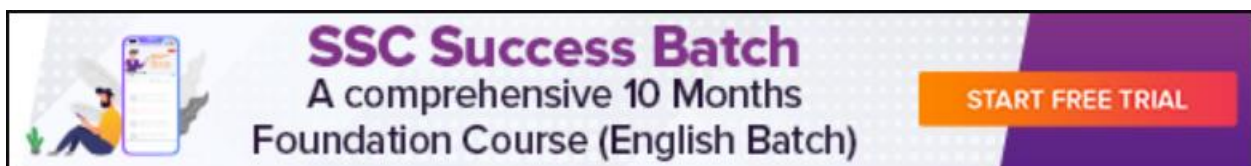
- * London has emerged as the best city for students, according to the QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2023.
- * Focus area of study: Affordable, student facilities, and university standards among other factors.
- * Top four (2nd to 5th): Seoul, Munich, Zurich and Melbourne
- * India's highest-ranked student city is Mumbai at 103 spots, followed by Bengaluru at 114 ranks.
- * Chennai and Delhi have made their entries to the list this year at 125 and 129, respectively.

10. Name the project which was launched by the ReNew Power in association with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Self-Employed Women's Association of India (SEWA) to train women salt pan workers as solar technicians?

- A. Project Women Work
- B. Project Surya
- C. Project Nari Shakti
- D. Project Ujjawal Nari
- E. Project Surya Shakti

Ans. B

Sol.



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- * ReNew Power has collaborated with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Self-Employed Women's Association of India (SEWA) to launch 'Project Surya'.
- * Aim: To train low-income women salt pan workers to work as solar technicians.
- * Women salt pan workers will be trained as solar panel and solar pump technicians at Dhokavada village in the Patan district of Gujarat.
- * The programme will be supported by the government's National Skill Development Corporation.

11. Who among the following has been awarded the CII Quality Ratna Award 2021 for his contribution to building the competitiveness of the Indian industry?

- A. Ashok Soota
- B. Subroto Bagchi
- C. Azim Premji
- D. Debashis Chatterjee
- E. Anjan Lahiri

Ans. A

Sol.

- * Ashok Soota has been conferred with CII Quality Ratna Award 2021 for his contribution to building the competitiveness of the Indian industry through quality Initiatives.
- * He is founder and Executive Chairman of Happiest Minds Technologies.
- * The Annual CII Quality Ratna Award was constituted in the year 2019 for outstanding leadership, contribution, and distinguished service to the Quality Movement in India.

12. Which state government has signed an MoU with Tata Power for setting up a greenfield 4GW solar cell and 4 GW solar module manufacturing? (July 2022)

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

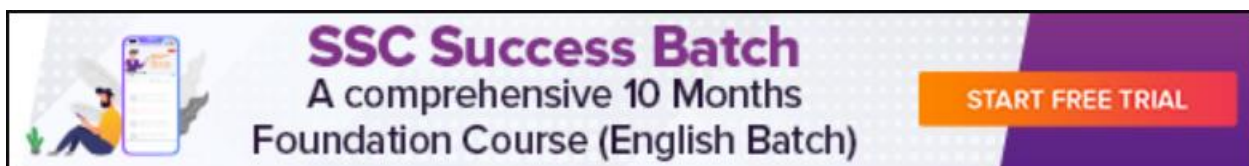
Ans. B

Sol.

- * Tata Power has signed an MoU with the Tamil Nadu government to invest Rs 3,000 crore for setting up a greenfield 4GW solar cell and 4 GW solar module manufacturing.
- * The plant will be set up in the Tirunelveli district of Tamil Nadu.
- * Tata Power has also built a manufacturing unit in Bangalore, which has a production capacity of 635 megawatts of modules and 500 megawatts of cells.

13. Which of the following electricity companies has developed the 'EV Mitra' mobile app to provide information about EV charging stations in the city?

- A. TATA NDPL
- B. BSES



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- C. BESCO
- D. NHPC Limited
- E. Damodar Valley Corporation

Ans. C

Sol.

- * The Bengaluru Electricity Company (BESCOM) has developed 'EV Mitra' mobile app with the aim to provide information about EV charging stations in Bengaluru.
- * Earlier, the BESCOM had introduced the EV Jagruthi Web portal, in a joint initiative of NITI Ayog and the United Kingdom.
- * This web portal gives state-specific information on the availability of electric vehicles, incentives, support mechanisms and initiatives of the state government regarding electric mobility.

14. Danish badminton player, Viktor Axelsen has won the the 2022 Malaysia Open title by defeating _____.

- A. Kento Momota
- B. Takuro Hoki
- C. Yugo Kobayashi
- D. Kanta Tsuneyama
- E. Hiroyuki Endo

Ans. A

Sol.

- * World number one, Viktor Axelsen (Danish badminton player) has clinched 2022 Malaysia Open title after defeating Japan's Kento Momota .
- * Women's singles: Ratchanok Intanon (Thailand)
- * Men's doubles: Takuro Hoki (Japan), Yugo Kobayashi (Japan)
- * Women's doubles: Apriyani Rahayu (Indonesia); Siti Fadia Silva Ramadhanti (Indonesia)
- * Mixed doubles: Zheng Siwei (China), Huang Yaqiong (China)

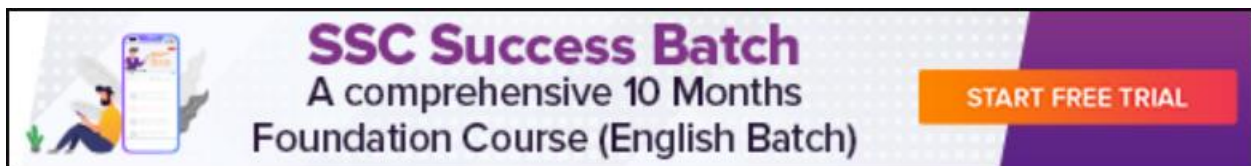
15. Which of the following FMCG companies has become the official promoter of Eveready Industries, after acquiring the 38.38% share of Eveready Industries?

- A. Burman Group
- B. HUL
- C. ITC
- D. Godrej
- E. Marico

Ans. A

Sol.

- * Dabur India promoter Burman family has now become official promoter of Eveready Industries.
- * The investment firms of the Burman family entities had acquired a 14.55% share of Eveready Industries from the open market and now collectively own a majority stake.



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- * Prior to this, the family had acquired a 23.83% stake in Eveready Industries.
- * Besides Dabur, the Burman family owns other businesses which include Aviva Life Insurance Co, Lite Bite Foods, Health Care at HOME (HCAH).

16.Name the first ALH Squadron, that has been commissioned by the Indian Navy at the INS Dega, Visakhapatnam?

- A. INAS 125
- B. INAS 532
- C. INAS 076
- D. INAS 324
- E. INAS 721

Ans. D

Sol.

- * Indian Navy has commissioned Indian Naval Air Squadron 324 in the presence of Vice Admiral, Biswajit Dasgupta at INS Dega, Visakhapatnam.
- * This is the first Naval Squadron on the Eastern Seaboard operating indigenously designed and built Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) MK III (MR) helicopters.
- * This has been named as 'Kestrels', after a bird species, that has good sensory capabilities, symbolising the role envisaged of the aircraft and the air squadron.

17.Michelle Poonawalla has received the prestigious Shiromani Award at NRI World Summit 2022, that was organised in which of the following countries?

- A. France
- B. Brazil
- C. USA
- D. United Kingdom
- E. Italy

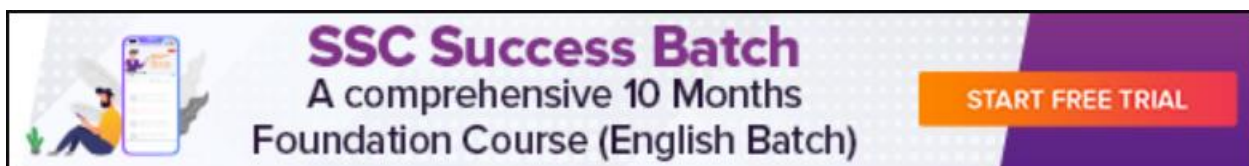
Ans. D

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- * Michelle Poonawalla has received the prestigious Shiromani Award from G. P. Hinduja, co-chairman of Hinduja Group at NRI World Summit 2022, United Kingdom.
- * She has been recognized for her contribution to the field of Art and was a speaker at the House of Lords, UK.
- * Other winners: Sadhu Bhramvihari, Lord Rami Ranger, Rita Hinduja Chhabria, Dr. Kamel Hothi OBE and Falguni Shane Peacock.

18.MoS, Jitendra Singh has launched a Testbed for Autonomous Navigation named TiHAN at IIT Hyderabad. What does 'H' stand for, in "TiHAN"?

- A. Heat
- B. Hub
- C. Hydro



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- D. Human
- E. Half

Ans. B

Sol.

- * Minister of State for Science, Jitendra Singh has launched the TiHAN, a Testbed for Autonomous Navigation for both ground and aerial vehicle testing, at IIT Hyderabad.
- * Aim: to promote collaborative research between academia, industry and R&D labs.
- * TiHAN refers to Technology Innovation Hub on Autonomous Navigation.
- * TiHAN has been recognised as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (SIRO) by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

19. Which of the following countries has signed a Memorandum of understanding with India on High Impact Community Development Projects in the country?

- A. Ukraine
- B. Armenia
- C. Georgia
- D. Azerbaijan
- E. Iran

Ans. B

Sol.

- * India has signed an MoU with Armenia on High Impact Community Development Projects in Armenia with financial and technical assistance from India.
- * The MoU was signed at the 8th India-Armenia Intergovernmental Commission on Trade, Economic, Scientific and Technological, Cultural and Educational Cooperation (IGC) held in Yerevan.
- * Later, Mahatma Gandhi Auditorium was inaugurated at the Yerevan State Medical University (YSMU).

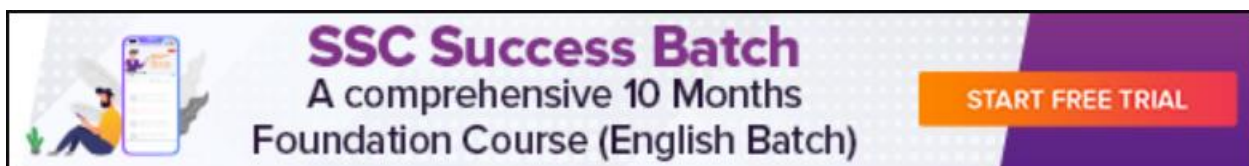
20. Which of the following states has been ranked third in the first edition of the State Ranking Index for the National Food Security Act?

- A. Odisha
- B. Meghalaya
- C. Chandigarh
- D. Uttar Pradesh
- E. Andhra Pradesh

Ans. E

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- * Three states, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh have emerged as the top states in the State Ranking Index for National Food Security Act (NFSA).



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- * The first edition of State Ranking Index for NFSA has been released by Consumer Affairs Minister Piyush Goyal.
- * Special Category: Tripura, followed by Himachal Pradesh and Sikkim.
- * Last: Ladakh (34), Meghalaya (33), Manipur (32)

21. Which of the following country has signed a five years agreement to pay equally to the male and female cricketers at both international and domestic level?

- A. Australia
- B. New Zealand
- C. West Indies
- D. India
- E. England

Ans. B

Sol.

- New Zealand Cricket and the players' association have signed a five-year deal, that shows, the women's players at both international and domestic level receive the same match fees as men across all formats and competitions.
- The deal will come into effect from August 1.
- As per the deal, professional women's players will receive equity in matters such as travel, accommodation, and the wider playing and training environment.

22. Name the Mahotsav that will be organised by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change on 8th July, 2022 at Talkatora Stadium, New Delhi?

- A. Vriksharopan Mahotsav
- B. Harit Mahotsav
- C. Hariyali Mahotsav
- D. Taru Mahotsav
- E. Green Clean Mahotsav

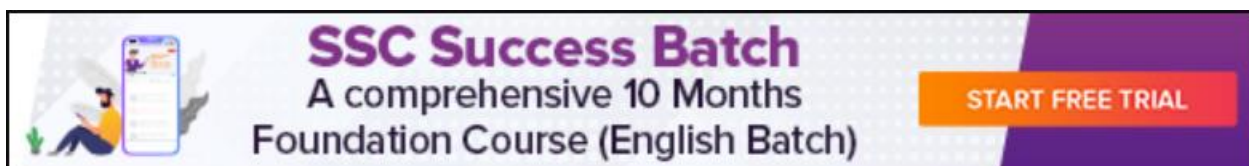
Ans. C

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- Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change will organize "Hariyali Mahotsav" on 8th July, 2022 at Talkatora Stadium, New Delhi.
- Aim: To create awareness about the importance of trees in the life.
- This is being organized by Ministry of Environment in association with the State Governments, Police Institutions and Schools of Delhi for undertaking plantation drives.
- Union Minister of Environment: Bhupender Yadav

23. Shinzo Abe, who passed away recently, was a former Prime Minister of which of the following countries?

- A. South Korea
- B. Japan



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- C. South Africa
- D. Myanmar
- E. Cambodia

Ans. B

Sol.

- * Former prime minister of Japan, Shinzo Abe has been passed away, after being shot while campaigning for a parliamentary election in Nara.
- * He was the longest-serving prime minister of Japan, who held office in 2006 for one year and again from 2012 to 2020.
- * In 2020, he resigned from the PM post due to the debilitating bowel condition ulcerative colitis.
- * He was the first Japanese PM to be chief guest at India's Republic Day parade in 2014.

24. Who among the following has been appointed as Force Commander of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)?

- A. Lt Gen Shailesh Tinaikar
- B. Lt Gen Gurbirpal Singh
- C. Lt Gen Satish R Iyer
- D. Lt Gen Mohan Subramanian
- E. Lt Gen Mandip Singh

Ans. D

Sol.

- UN Secretary-General, António Guterres has appointed India's Lt Gen Mohan Subramanian as Force Commander of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS).
- He succeeds Lt Gen Shailesh Tinaikar (India).
- Presently, he is serving as the Commandant of Defence Services Staff College, Wellington.
- Indian Army is active in UN Missions in Congo, Lebanon, South Sudan, Golan Heights, Syria, Western Sahara, Abyei and Cyprus.

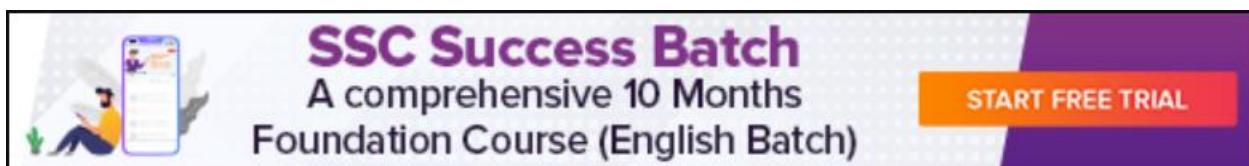
25. Which of the following railway companies will become the world's first Intermodal Partner of Star Alliance to make the long journey of passengers comfortable?

- A. Indian Railways
- B. FlixTrain
- C. Swiss Federal Railways
- D. Trainline
- E. Deutsche Bahn

Ans. E

Sol.

- * Deutsche Bahn (DB) is ready to become the world's first Intermodal Partner of Star Alliance.
- * Under the new partnership, the DB customers and passengers of Star Alliance member airlines will be able to start or end their journey comfortably on the climate-friendly train.



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- * Germany is the first market and DB is the world's first partner in the new Star Alliance initiative.
- * This partnership between DB and Star Alliance builds on the Lufthansa Express Rail programme.

26. Which company has announced the launch of Startup School India (SSI) as part of its Startups initiative?

- A. Flipkart
- B. Amazon
- C. Google
- D. Facebook
- E. LinkedIn

Ans. C

Sol.

- * Google has announced the launch of Startup School India (SSI) as part of the Google for Startups initiative.
- * Through this platform, Google will bring together investors, successful entrepreneurs and programmers.
- * Aim: To reach out to at least 10,000 startups with this programme.
- * This is a nine-week program, which will be delivered virtually.
- * India is the third-largest startup ecosystem in the world.

27. The First floating terminal of India for liquefied natural gas (LNG) is expected to be operational in which of the following states in 2022?

- A. Saurashtra, Gujarat
- B. Jaigarh, Maharashtra
- C. Kochi, Kerala
- D. Haldia, West Bengal
- E. Mormugao, Goa

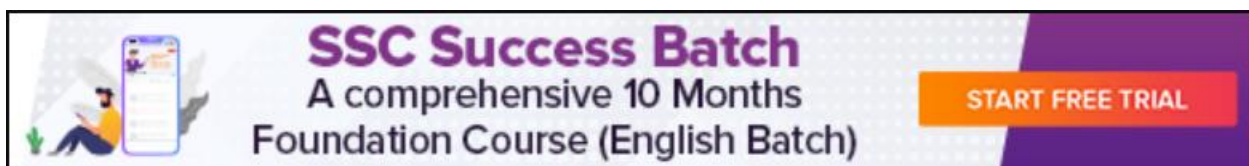
Ans. B

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- * First floating terminal of India for liquefied natural gas (LNG) at Jaigarh in Maharashtra is expected to be operational in the second half of 2022.
- * Floating storage and regasification units (FSRUs) of H-Energy Gateway at Jaigarh and the Swan Energy-led terminal at Jafrabad are cumulatively expected to add 11 million tonnes per annum of regasification capacity.
- * The sixth LNG import terminals was Mundra LNG in 2020.

28. Which of the following states/UTs has launched the 'Mission Kushal Karmi' programme to upskill the labourers, through a skill development training course?

- A. Jammu & Kashmir
- B. New Delhi
- C. Punjab



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- D. Uttar Pradesh
- E. Maharashtra

Ans. B

Sol.

* The Delhi government has launched the 'Mission Kushal Karmi' programme to offer a skill development training course to labourers, who are registered with the Delhi Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board.

* The government will also compensate for the loss of work by providing ₹4,200 to those workers who take the course (15-day programme).

* The programme was conducted by the Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University, Simplex, NAREDCO and India Vision Foundation.

29. Who among the following is an author of the book titled, "Shinrin Yoku: The Rejuvenating Practice of Forest Bathing"?

- A. Hector Garcia and Francesc Miralles
- B. Arundhati Roy
- C. Richard Flanagan
- D. Yoko Ogawa and Osamu Dazai
- E. Amitav Ghosh

Ans. A

Sol.

- The authors Hector Garcia and Francesc Miralles has released another self-help book, titled "Shinrin Yoku: The Rejuvenating Practice of Forest Bathing".

- 'Shinrin Yoku', which translates as 'forest bathing', refers to taking mindful walks amidst nature to relieve stress and realign our energies.

- The term was coined by the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in 1982.

- The book was published by Tuttle Publishing.

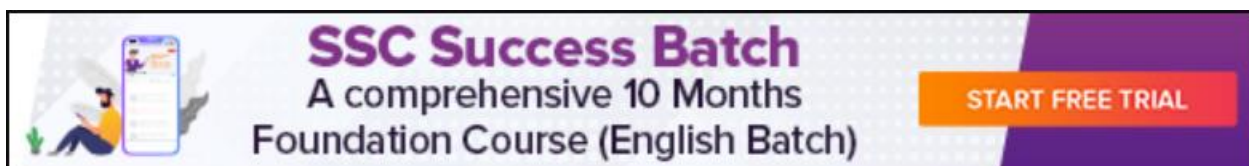
30. Which of the following ministries has launched the SVANidhi' Mahotsav from 9th -31st of July 2022 to celebrate the success of the PM SVANidhi Scheme?

- A. Ministry of Home Affairs
- B. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- C. Ministry of Labour and Employment
- D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- E. Ministry of Rural Development

Ans. B

Sol.

- Housing and Urban Affairs Minister, Hardeep Singh Puri has launched 'SVANidhi' Mahotsav to celebrate the success of PM SVANidhi Scheme.



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- This festival is organised by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs from 9th -31st of July 2022.
- PM SVANidhi (Prime Minister Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi) scheme was launched on June 1, 2020 to provide the working capital loans to street vendors.
- So, they can restart their businesses which were impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

31. Which of the following Aerospace Companies has signed an agreement with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to create a new joint venture intended to develop helicopter engines?

- A. Rolls-Royce Holdings
- B. GE Aviation
- C. CFM International
- D. Continental Aerospace Technologies
- E. Safran Helicopter Engines

Ans. E

Sol.

- Safran Helicopter Engines has signed an agreement with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to create a new joint venture intended to develop helicopter engines.
- The MoU was signed by Mr. R. Madhavan (HAL CMD) and Franck Saudo (Safran CEO).
- Aim: To meet the requirements of HAL and India's Ministry of Defence (MoD) future helicopters, including the future 13-ton IMRH (Indian Multi Role Helicopter).

32. India become the 68th country to join Interpol's international child sexual exploitation (ICSE) database. Which of the following organization is the nodal agency of India for Interpol?

- A. Intelligence Bureau
- B. Research and Analysis Wing
- C. Central Bureau of Investigation
- D. National Investigation Agency
- E. Central Reserve Police Force

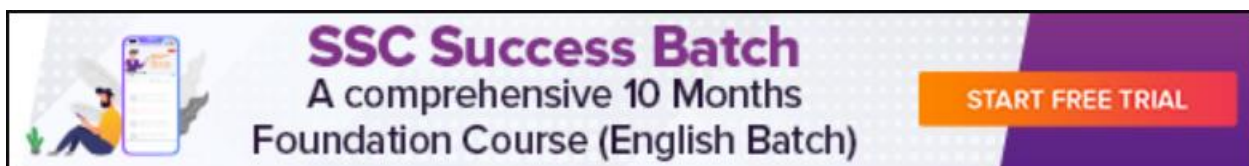
Ans. C

Sol.

- India becomes the 68th country to join the Interpol's international child sexual exploitation (ICSE) database.
- This allow to draw links between victims, abusers and crime scene using audio-visual data.
- The CBI (Central Bureau of Investigation) is the India's nodal agency for Interpol matters.
- As per the NCRB data (2021), Uttar Pradesh has topped the list of sexual offences against children followed by Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu.

33. Which of the following ministry has signed MoU with the Ministry of Health with an aim to eliminate TB in India by 2025?

- A. Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- B. Ministry of Minority Affairs



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- C. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- D. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- E. Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Ans. A

Sol.

- Union Health Ministry and Panchayati Raj Ministry have signed an MoU to eliminate TB in India by 2025.
- The MoU was signed by Dr. Bijaya Kumar Behera, Economic Adviser on behalf of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Dr. P Ashok Babu, Joint Secretary on behalf of the Ministry of Health.
- This MoU will shape the inter-Ministerial collaboration and strategic partnerships to achieve the Prime Minister's ambitious target of eliminating TB in India.

34. Novak Djokovic has won his 7th Wimbledon 2022 and 21st Grand Slam title after defeating _____.

- A. Matthew Ebden
- B. Max Purcell
- C. Nikola Mektić
- D. Nick Kyrgios
- E. Robert Farah

Ans. D

Sol.

- Serbian tennis player, Novak Djokovic has clinched the Wimbledon 2022 title after beating Australian Nick Kyrgios by 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 in London.
- He became the fourth player in the open era after Roger Federer, Pete Sampras, and Bjorn Borg won four titles in a row.
- It is the 21st Grand Slam title of Djokovic.
- Kazakhstan tennis player, Elena Rybakina has clinched the Women's Singles title.

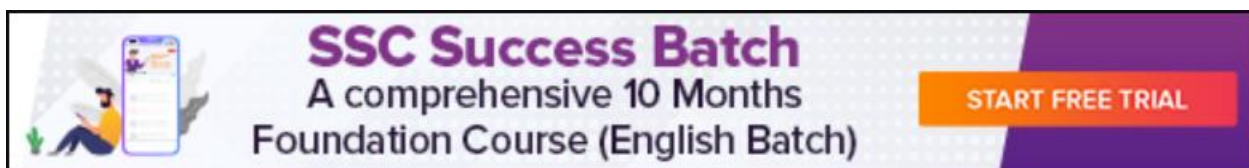
35. As per Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) data, which of the following states has recorded the maximum number of government-recognized startups?

- A. Delhi
- B. Karnataka
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Gujarat
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Ans. C

Sol.

- Maharashtra has the maximum number of government-recognized startups, followed by Karnataka and Delhi, as per Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) data



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- As many as 13,541 active DPIIT recognized startups were from Maharashtra, out of the total 73,205 govt-approved new age companies
- Maharashtra has a share of 18% with respect to the total number of startups
- Karnataka has 8,902 startups and Delhi is home to 8,670 enterprises as of 5th July

36. Which of the following states has ranked first in the Delta Ranking of June 2022 under the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission?

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

Ans. B

Sol.

- Jharkhand has been ranked first in the Delta Ranking for the month of June under the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission.
- The report was released by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.
- The State Government led by CM Hemant Soren is moving forward with the mantra of “Jeevika Bhi, Jeevan Bhi”.
- Aim: To strengthen the rural economy and provide employment to the villagers.
- The state has earned 8th place in the country.

37. Who among the following has clinched the title of F1 Austrian Grand Prix 2022?

- A. Charles Leclerc
- B. Carlos Sainz Jr.
- C. Max Verstappen
- D. Lewis Hamilton
- E. George Russell

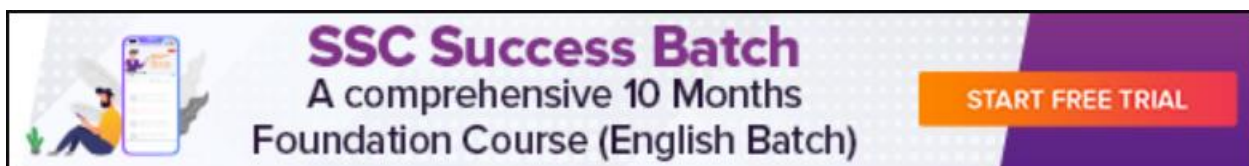
Ans. A

Sol.

- Ferrari's Charles Leclerc has clinched the title of F1 Austrian Grand Prix 2022.
- Max Verstappen (Red Bull) and seven-time world champion, Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes) settled for second and third place respectively.
- The 2022 Austrian Grand Prix was a F1 motor race held on 10 July 2022 at the Red Bull Ring in Spielberg, Austria.

38. Who among the following has bagged the Mrs Universe Divine Crown in South Korea 2022?

- A. Ana Siradze
- B. Zhuldyz Abdugarimova
- C. Honey Cho
- D. Julia Gershun



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E. Pallavi Singh

Ans. E

Sol.

- Pallavi Singh from India has bagged the Mrs Universe Divine Title at the finals held at Yeosu City, South Korea.
- She hails from Kanpur, and was the only contestant from Asia in the Mrs Universe contest.
- Pallavi Singh has won the title of Mrs India held in Jaipur in 2020 and Mrs Indo-Asia Universe in the Asia-level competition.
- She was also awarded the women in Insurance award at the Indian Business Women Summit 2021.

39. Narayanan Kumar, who has received the 'Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star' award from the government of Japan, is a Vice-Chairperson of which organization?

- A. Tamilnadu Petroproducts Limited
- B. Sanmar Group
- C. Tata Chemicals
- D. Manali Petrochemical
- E. National Mineral Development Corporation

Ans. B

Sol.

- The government of Japan has conferred the 'Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star' award to Narayanan Kumar, Sanmar Group Vice Chairman.
- He received this honour for his contribution towards strengthening economic relations between Japan and India.
- He was honoured by Taga Masayuki (Consul General of Japan) in Chennai.

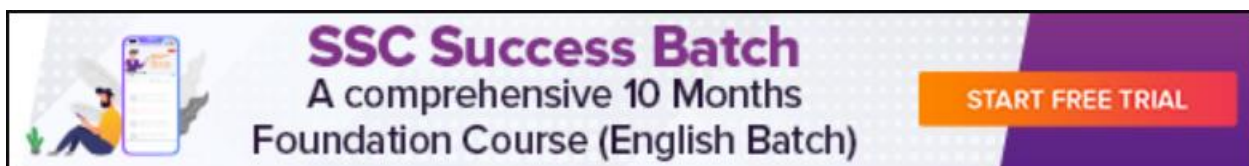
40. BK Syngal, has passed away who was known as the Father of _____.

- A. Pink Revolution
- B. English Poetry
- C. Indian Internet
- D. Indian Psychology
- E. Indian Ecology

Ans. C

Sol.

- Former Chairman of Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd (VSNL), Brijendra K Syngal has passed away at 82.
- He has been acknowledged as the father of the Indian Internet.
- Syngal has written his memoir "Telecom Man: Leading From the Front in India's Digital Revolution".



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• Under his leadership, on August 15, 1995, VSNL had formally launched the Internet for the Indian public.

41. PM Modi has unveiled the 6.5 metre-tall National Emblem on top of the new triangular parliament building, which was created by _____.

- A. Bimal Patel and Sunil Deore
- B. Poonam Chaudhary and Manoj Sharma
- C. Vinay Lokhande and Rahul Rajput
- D. Sunil Deore and Laxman Vyas
- E. Prajakta Karkande and Reshma Ghadge

Ans. D

Sol.

- PM Narendra Modi has unveiled the 6.5 metre-tall National Emblem on top of the new Parliament building (under construction).
- The emblem is made of bronze, and weighs 9,500 kg.
- A supporting steel structure of 6,500 kg was made to support the emblem.
- The emblem was created by Sunil Deore (Aurangabad) and Laxman Vyas from (Jaipur).
- Bimal Patel of HCP Designs, Ahmedabad, is the architect in charge of the building (new Parliament).

42. Name the Indian shooter who won the men's 10m air rifle gold medal at ISSF World Cup in South Korea?

- A. Arjun Babuta
- B. Paarth Makhija
- C. Divyansh Singh Panwar
- D. Saurabh Chaudhary
- E. Abhishek Verma

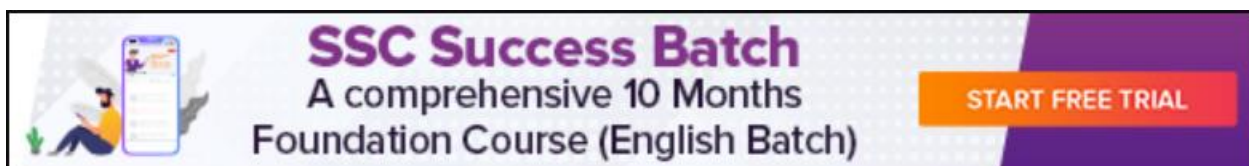
Ans. A

Sol.

- Indian shooter, Arjun Babuta has won his first gold medal at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup stage at Changwon in South Korea.
- He defeated Lucas Kozeniesky (USA), who won the silver medal in Tokyo 2020.
- Sergey Richter from Israel settled for bronze with a score of 259.9 and Paarth Makhija from India finished at the fourth position.
- This was India's first medal under new national foreign rifle coach Thomas Farnik.

43. Name the web geo-portal, developed by the National Informatics Centre (NIC) for NCR, with the purpose of effective utilization of Remote Sensing and GIS technology?

- A. PARIWEB
- B. PARINCR
- C. PARIMAN



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D. PARIMAP
E. PARIGIS

Ans. C

Sol.

- * National Informatics Centre (NIC) has developed web geo-portal for NCR, known as 'PARIMAN' for the purpose of effective utilization of Remote Sensing and GIS technology
- * It will be initially used by NCR Participating states and Office of National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB)
- * It will help to improve decentralized planning and management in NCR region
- * It can be accessed through NCRPB website <https://ncrpb.nic.in/> and also through weblink <https://ncrpbgis.nic.in/>

44. Which of the following companies has unveiled India's first indigenously developed lithium-ion cell?

- A. Ather Energy
- B. StoreDot
- C. Hero MotoCorp
- D. Mahindra Electric
- E. Ola Electric

Ans. E

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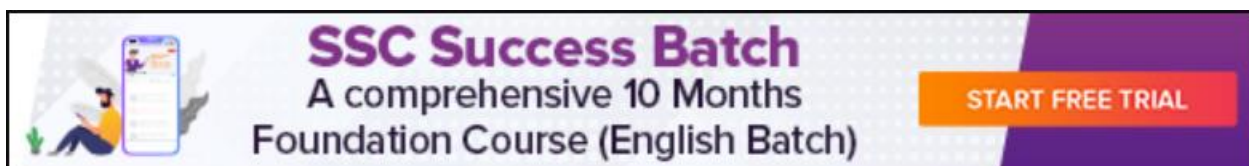
- * Ola Electric has unveiled India's first indigenously developed lithium ion cell.
- * The company will begin mass production of the cell (NMC 2170) from its Chennai-based Gigafactory by 2023.
- * The company was recently allocated 20GWh capacity under the ACC PLI scheme by the govt for developing advanced cells in India.
- * The Ola Electric had launched its first electric vehicle in August 2021 and has also set up the world's largest two-wheeler manufacturing facility in India.

45. Who among the following is the head of the task force of the Non-life insurance industries, which is formed by the IRDAI to study the issues non-life and life insurance industries face in reinsurance support? (July 2022)

- A. Bhargav Dasgupta
- B. Rama Mohan Rao Amara
- C. Mahesh Kumar Sharma
- D. Naveen Tahilyani
- E. Dipak Kumar De

Ans. A

Sol.



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- * The IRDAI has formed two task forces to study the issues non-life and life insurance industries face in reinsurance support.
- * Reinsurance support: It refers to insurance companies transferring a part of the risk they underwrite to other firms.
- * Non-life insurance: Headed by Bhargav Dasgupta (MD&CEO, ICICI Lombard General Insurance); Nine members
- * Life insurance: Headed by Naveen Tahilyani (MD&CEO, TATA AIA Life Insurance; seven-members

46. Name the 94-year-old sprinter who clinched the gold medal in the 100m sprint at the 2022 World Masters Athletics Championships in Tampere, Finland?

- A. Ingrid Meier
- B. Carol LaFayette-Boyd
- C. Kathy Bergen
- D. Crista Bortignon
- E. Bhagwani Devi Dagar

Ans. E

Sol.

- * Bhagwani Devi Dagar (94 years) has won gold in the 100m sprint at the 2022 World Masters Athletics Championships in Tampere, Finland.
- * She has clocked 24.74 seconds in the 100m sprint and also clinched the bronze medal in the shot put.
- * She hails from Khidka village in Haryana.
- * The World Masters Athletics Championships is an event for athletics (track and field) for athletes aged 35 years and over.

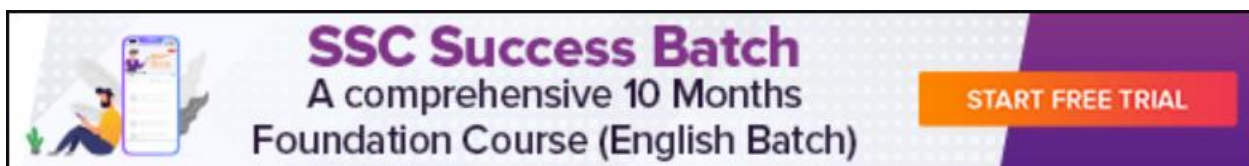
47. Who is the writer of the book titled 'The McMahon line: A century of discord', was released by the Himachal Governor, Rajendra Vishwanath?

- A. General JJ Singh
- B. General Nav Kumar Khanduri
- C. General Yogendra Dimri
- D. General Jai Singh Nain
- E. General Amardeep Singh Bhinder

Ans. A

Sol.

- * Governor of Himachal Pradesh, Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar has released a book titled, "The McMahon line: A century of discord".
- * This book is authored by former Governor of Arunachal Pradesh and former Chief of Army Staff General JJ Singh (Retd).
- * The book is based on the experiences and research on the India-China border dispute.



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* The book had laid emphasis on politics, history, structure and geography of the McMahon line and also uncovered many interesting aspects.

48. PM Narendra Modi has participated in the first-ever I2U2 Leaders' Summit Virtually. Name the four countries which have conceptualized the I2U2 Group?

- A. India- Iran- USA- UAE
- B. India- Israel- UAE- UK
- C. India- Israel- UAE- USA
- D. India-Italy -UAE- UK
- E. India- Indonesia- USA- UAE

Ans. C

Sol.

* PM Narendra Modi has participated in the first-ever I2U2 (India-Israel-UAE-USA) Leaders' Summit Virtually.

* The summit was attended by his Israeli counterpart Yair Lapid; UAE President, Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, and US President Joe Biden.

* The I2U2 Grouping was conceptualized during the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the four countries held on 18th October 2021.

* Aim: To discuss the common areas of mutual interest, to strengthen the economic partnership in trade and investment in respective regions and beyond.

49. Which pair of shooters has clinched the gold medal in the 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup stage in South Korea?

- A. Palak and Shiva Narwal
- B. Eszter Meszaros and Istvan Pen
- C. Mehuli Ghosh and Shahu Tushar Mane
- D. Irina Loktionova and Valeriy Rakhimzhan
- E. Ji Xiaojing and Wu Jiayu

Ans. C

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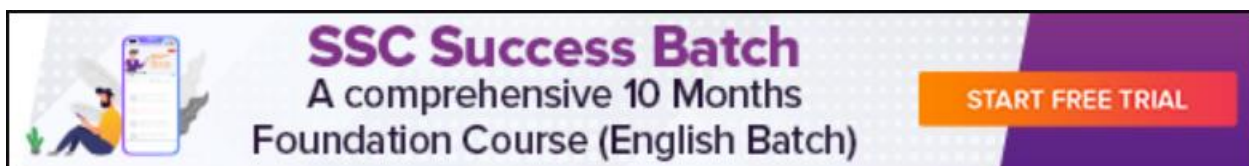
* The duo of Mehuli Ghosh and Shahu Tushar Mane bagged the second gold medal for India in the 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup staged in South Korea.

* Indian team defeated Eszter Meszaros and Istvan Pen from Hungary by 17-13.

* Another Indian duo of Palak and Shiva Narwal bagged bronze in the 10m Air Pistol mixed event after defeating Kazakhstan's Irina Loktionova and Valeriy Rakhimzhan.

50. Which of the following companies has acquired life sciences consulting and tech firm BASE life science?

- A. Infosys
- B. Wipro



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- C. Cognizant
- D. IBM
- E. HCL

Ans. A

Sol.

- * Infosys has signed an agreement to acquire life sciences consulting and tech firm BASE life science for up to \$110 million in an all-cash deal.
- * The BASE life science brings Infosys domain experts in commercial, medical, digital marketing, and clinical.
- * It will also help to deepen the life sciences domain capabilities and strengthen its footprint across Europe.
- * The BASE collaborates with software technology providers such as Veeva, IQVIA, and Salesforce.

51. Which of the following space-tech start-ups has inaugurated India's first-ever rocket facility, Rocket Factory-1, dedicated to 3D printed rocket engines?

- A. Dhruva Space
- B. Pixel
- C. Astrogate Labs
- D. Aryav AWG
- E. Agnikul Cosmos

Ans. E

Sol.

- * Agnikul Cosmos (Chennai-based space-tech start-up) has opened its Rocket Factory-1, India's first-ever rocket facility dedicated to 3D printed rocket engines at scale.
- * The facility at IIT Madras Research Park was unveiled by N Chandrasekaran, Chairman, TATA Sons with ISRO Chairman S Somanath being the Guest of Honour.
- * The IIT Madras incubated start-up became the first Indian company to sign an agreement with the Indian Space Research Organisation in December 2020.

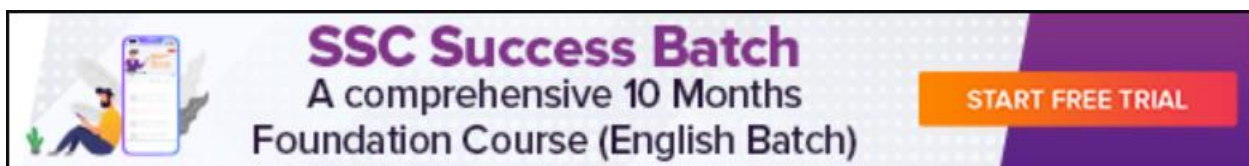
52. Name the mobile app developed by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) to perform face authentication through a mobile app from anywhere, anytime?

- A. UIDAI FaceRd
- B. Apna Aadhaar FaceRd
- C. Aadhaar FaceRd
- D. Digital FaceRd
- E. Digi FaceRd

Ans. C

Sol.

- * UIDAI has launched a new mobile app named "Aadhaar FaceRd".



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- * Aim: To perform face authentication through mobile app from anywhere and at any time.
- * Through this verification, an Aadhaar holder's real identity is validated and recorded in the databases of UIDAI which was captured at the time of Aadhaar enrolment.
- * Aadhaar Face Authentication technology has been developed inhouse by UIDAI.
- * Benefits of Aadhaar FaceRD: Jeevan Pramaan, Ration Distribution (PDS)

53. The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) has introduced the Paper Import Monitoring System (PIMS) by amending the import policy, which will come into effect on _____.

- A. September 1, 2022
- B. October 1, 2022
- C. November 1, 2022
- D. December 1, 2022
- E. January 1, 2023

Ans. B

Sol.

- * Paper Import Monitoring System will come into effect from 1st October 2022, an importer need to provide advance information online about the import of papers and obtain a registration number.
- * It is applicable on import by a Domestic Territory Area unit on a wide range of paper products covering 201 tariff lines, such as newsprint, handmade paper, tissue paper, toilet paper and cartons.
- * The automatic registration number shall remain valid for a period of 75 days.

54. INS Dunagiri has been launched into the Hooghly River on July 15th, 2022, belongs to which of the following class?

- A. Shivalik
- B. Talwar
- C. Brahmaputra
- D. Black Swan
- E. Leopard class

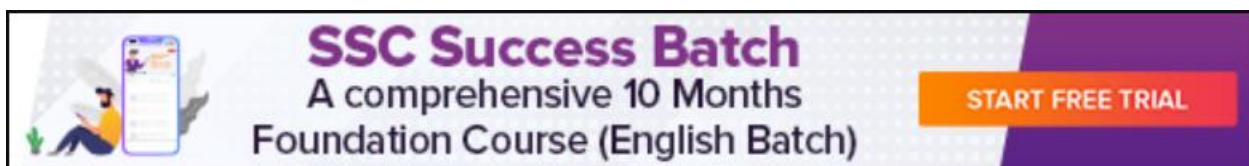
Ans. A

Sol.

- * Dunagiri, a Project 17A frigate has been launched into the Hooghly river at Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited, Kolkata.
- * The ceremony was attended by Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh as the chief guest.
- * It is christened after a 'Dunagiri', mountain range in the state of Uttarakhand.
- * It is the fourth ship of P17A Frigates (Shivalik Class) with improved stealth features, advanced weapons and sensors and platform management systems.

55. Which of the following cities of India has been named among the 50 extraordinary places in the 2022 World's Greatest Places by the TIME magazine?

- A. Jaipur
- B. Mumbai



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- C. Indore
- D. Ahmedabad
- E. Coimbatore

Ans. D

Sol.

- * The TIME magazine has listed Kerala and Ahmedabad among the 50 extraordinary destinations to explore in its list of the World's Greatest Places of 2022.
- * Kerala: It is one of India's most beautiful states. With spectacular beaches and lush backwaters, it's known as "God's own country" for good reason.
- * Ahmedabad: India's first UNESCO World Heritage City, Ahmedabad, boasts both ancient landmarks and contemporary innovations.

56. Who among the following is the head of the committee, set up by the Department of Consumer Affairs, for developing a framework for the 'Right to Repair'?

- A. Nidhi Khare
- B. Paramjeet Singh Dhaliwal
- C. G.S. Bajpai
- D. Ashok Patil
- E. Rajiv Kumar

Ans. A

Sol.

- * The Department of Consumer Affairs has set up a committee in developing a framework for the 'Right to Repair'.
- * The committee will be chaired by Nidhi Khare (Additional Secretary of Department of Consumer Affairs).
- * Aim: To empower consumers and product buyers in the local market, harmonize trade between the original equipment manufacturers and the third-party buyers and sellers.
- * Countries like the U.S.A, U.K, and European Union have already recognized the Right to Repair

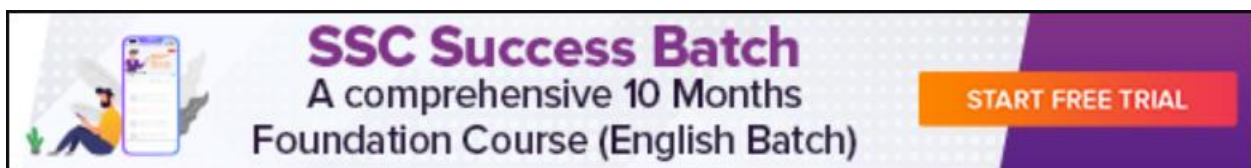
57. Which of the following institutes has been named as the Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya, upgraded to a central university?

- A. Indian Railway Institute of Transport Management
- B. National Rail and Transportation Institute
- C. National Academy of Indian Railways
- D. Zonal Railways Training Institute
- E. Indian Railway Institute of Civil Engineering

Ans. B

Sol.

- * The National Rail and Transportation Institute in Gujarat has been upgraded to a central university and will be known as the Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya.



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* The Union Cabinet approved to introduce a Bill in Parliament, namely, the Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2022 to amend the Central Universities Act, 2009 for setting up Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV).

* This is the second central university in the state following the Central University of Gujarat.

58. The National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM) has been awarded the Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institute Award 2021. Who among the following is the Director of NAARM?

- A. Jagdeesh C Kalla
- B. Dr. R. Kalpana Sastry
- C. S.L. Goswami
- D. G. Venkateshwarlu
- E. Ch. Srinivasa Rao

Ans. E

Sol.

* The National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM) has bagged the Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institute Award 2021 (in the Large Institute Category) for its overall performance.

* Ch Srinivasa Rao (Director of NAARM) has received the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Narendra Singh Tomar award.

* NAARM was set up in 1976, established by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

59. Which of the following Indian cities has been declared as the first Cultural and Tourism Capital of the SCO for 2022-23?

- A. Mathura
- B. Sarnath
- C. Varanasi
- D. Ayodhya
- E. Puri

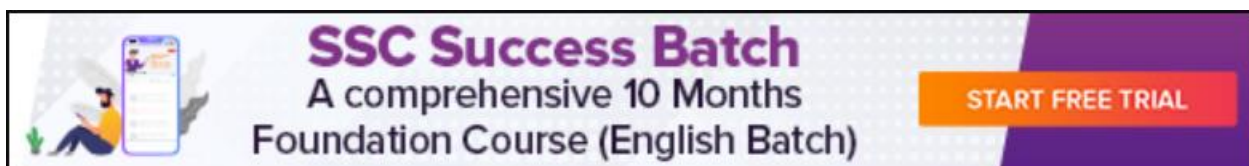
Ans. C

Sol.

- Varanasi will be declared the first Cultural and Tourism Capital of the SCO for 2022-23.
- It was announced by Secretary General of the bloc Zhang Ming.
- It is a new rotating initiative by the eight-member organisation to promote people-to-people contacts and tourism among the member states.
- The holy city of Varanasi is showcasing India's culture and traditions over the ages.

60. According to the latest report of the National Statistical Office, which of the following states/UTs has recorded the most number of unmarried youth in 2019?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir
- B. Uttar Pradesh



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- C. Delhi
- D. Punjab
- E. Gujarat

Ans. A

Sol.

- According to the National Statistical Office, more Indians prefer to stay unmarried.
- In about 8 years from 2011-2019, the proportion of unmarried persons within the age bracket of 15-29 years has increased from 17.2% to 23%.
- The report said that the most number of unmarried youth was observed in 2019 in Jammu & Kashmir.
- J&K was followed by Uttar Pradesh, Delhi and Punjab.
- In the National Youth Policy 2014, those aged 15 to 29 years are classified as youth.

61. Along with which of the following IIT, Syngenta India has launched the Biodiversity Sensor Project, a monitoring technology?

- A. IIT Madras
- B. IIT Ropar
- C. IIT Delhi
- D. IIT Bombay
- E. IIT Hyderabad

Ans. B

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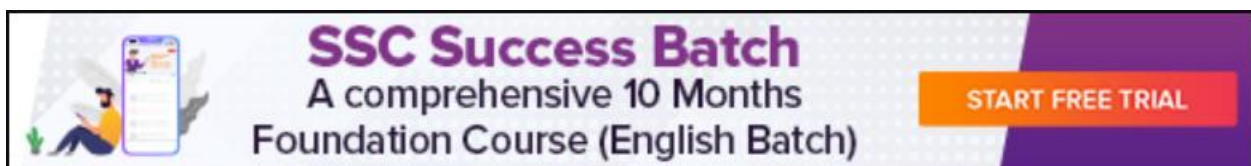
- Syngenta India announced a launch of Biodiversity Sensor Project, a biodiversity monitoring technology in association with IIT Ropar.
- Syngenta also flagged off India's first Drone Yatra that will travel 10,000 km to create awareness on drone spraying among 10,000 farmers.
- The Yatra will travel to 13 states to demonstrate and educate farmers on use of drones.
- For the Biodiversity Sensor Project, Syngenta India is working with IIT Ropar & Fraunhofer Institute.

62. Which of the following ministries has issued detailed guidelines for the 'Mission Shakti' scheme, that came into effect from April 1st, 2022?

- A. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- B. Ministry of Education
- C. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- D. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- E. Ministry of Women & Child Development

Ans. E

Sol.



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- Ministry of Women and Child Development has issued detailed guidelines for 'Mission Shakti' scheme, will be applicable with effect from April 1st, 2022.
- Mission Shakti is an integrated women empowerment programme for the safety, security and empowerment of women for implementation during the 15th Finance Commission.
- 'Mission Shakti' has two sub-schemes: 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya'.
- Sambal: Safety and security of women.
- Samarthya: Empowerment of women.

63. Name the mascot, launched by the Department of Consumer Affairs to empower and create awareness about consumer rights?

- A. Jaggu
- B. Jaggi
- C. Jagriti
- D. Jigyashaa
- E. Jeevan

Ans. C

Sol.

- The Department of Consumer Affairs has launched "Jagriti" (mascot) for empowering consumers and generating awareness about their rights.
- Themes includes: Consumer Protection Act 2019, Hallmarking, National Consumer Helpline no. 1915, provisions of weights and measures Act, decisions of the Central Consumer Protection Authority and grievance redressal.
- Tagline "Jago Grahak Jago" in all its media campaigns.

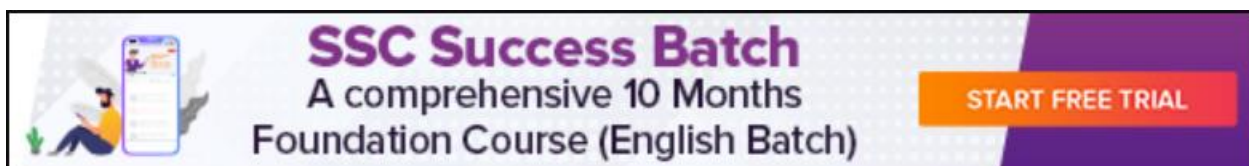
64. Which of the following Indian organizations has joined hands with the World Food Programme to launch the Mapping and Exchange of Good Practices initiative for mainstreaming millets in Asia and Africa?

- A. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
- B. Indian Space Research Organisation
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. National Institute of Nutrition
- E. Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry

Ans. C

Sol.

- NITI Aayog to launch the Mapping and Exchange of Good Practices initiative for mainstreaming millets in Asia and Africa in association with the World Food Programme.
- Both organisations will jointly prepare a compendium of good practices for scaling up the production and consumption of millets in India and abroad.
- The event will be inaugurated by NITI Aayog Vice Chairman, Suman Bery.
- International Year of Millets: 2023



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65. Which of the following port has become first 100% Landlord Major Port of India to be operated on public-private partnership (PPP) model?

- A. Kandla Port
- B. Mumbai Port
- C. Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- D. Chennai Port
- E. Mormugao Port

Ans. C

Sol.

* Jawaharlal Nehru Port has become the first 100% Landlord, Major Port of India, all berths is being operated on public-private partnership (PPP) model.

* Aim: Improve the utilization in crane and berth productivity of the terminal and reduce transit time, and logistics cost.

* With this the total handling of JNPT has increased to 1.8 million Twenty-foot Equivalent Units (TEUs) from the present capacity of 1.5 million TEUs.

66. According to the Forbes' Real-Time Billionaires List, who among the following has replaced the cofounder of Microsoft, Bill Gates to become the fourth richest person in the world? (July 2022)

- A. Bernard Arnault & family
- B. Steve Ballmer
- C. Mark Zuckerberg
- D. Warren Buffett
- E. Gautam Adani

Ans. E

Sol.

* As per the Forbes' Real-Time Billionaires List, Chief of Adani Group, Gautam Adani has become the world's 4th richest person (net worth: \$115.5 billion).

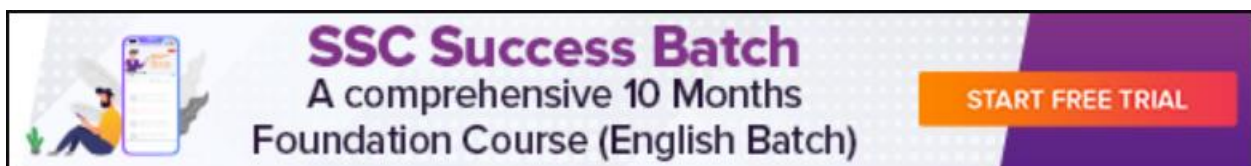
* Adani's wealth has been surged by \$2.9 billion due to sharp run-up in Adani Group stocks.

* He has surpassed Microsoft cofounder, Bill Gates, who has announced to donate \$20 billion of his wealth to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

* Mukesh Ambani was placed at 10th on the Forbes list (net worth: \$87.7 billion).

67. To boost the usage of indigenous technology, PM Modi has inaugurated 'SPRINT challenges' for which of the following armed forces?

- A. Indian Navy
- B. Indian Army
- C. Indian Air Force
- D. Sashastra Seema Bal
- E. Central Reserve Police Force



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Ans. A

Sol.

* PM Modi has unveiled 'SPRINT challenges' with an aim to boost the usage of indigenous technology in the Indian Navy.

* This was unveiled at a naval seminar, which is organised by the Naval Innovation and Indigenisation Organisation (NIIO) and Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers.

* SPRINT: Supporting Pole-Vaulting in R&D through iDEX (Innovations for Defence Excellence), NIIO and TDAC (Technology Development Acceleration Cell).

68. Name the person, who will be chaired the Committee on Minimum Support Price for effective implementation of MSP and transparency?

A. Takhat Singh Ranawat, Agriculture Secretary

B. Ramesh Chand, NITI Aayog member

C. Sukhpal Singh, Agriculture economist

D. Sanjay Agrawal, Former Agriculture Secretary

E. Bharat Bhushan Tyagi

Ans. D

Sol.

* The Centre has set up a Committee on Minimum Support Price under the chairmanship of Former Agriculture Secretary, Sanjay Agrawal.

* Aim: The minimum support price (MSP) more effective and transparent.

* The committee will also suggest measures to promote zero-budget natural farming and crop diversification to fulfil the changing needs of the nation.

69. Which of the following states has topped the Niti Aayog's third innovation index in the major states category, for the third year in a row?

A. Karnataka

B. Telangana

C. Haryana

D. Uttar Pradesh

E. Uttarakhand

Ans. A

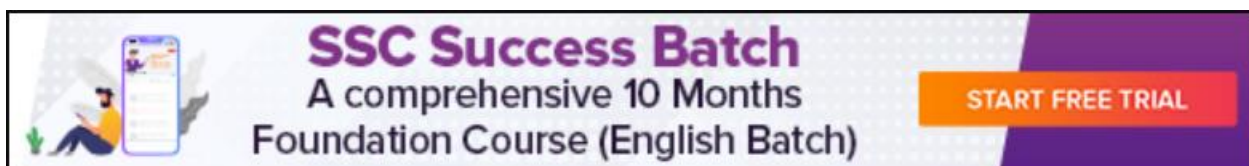
Sol.

* Karnataka, Telangana and Haryana have been ranked as the top three states among major states in Niti Aayog's third innovation index.

* This index examines the innovation capacities and ecosystems at the sub-national level.

* Karnataka topped the index for the third year in a row.

* States and UTs were divided into 17 Major States, 10 North-East and Hill States, and 9 Union Territories and City States, for effectively compare their performance.



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70. Which of the following IT companies will launch the 'Viva Engage' app in its product Team to build community and connection?

- A. Amazon
- B. Microsoft
- C. IBM
- D. HCL
- E. Intel

Ans. B

Sol.

* Microsoft has announced that it will introduce a new app named, 'Viva Engage' in Teams, aiming to build community and connection and provide tools for personal expression.

* This platform is designed to give employees across multiple roles and functions, what they need to feel connected.

* This social app builds on the existing capabilities of the Communities app for Teams and Microsoft 365.

* Microsoft CEO: Satya Nadella

71. Which of the following countries has been placed second in the 2022 Henley Passport Index?

- A. South Korea
- B. Germany
- C. Spain
- D. Japan
- E. Singapore

Ans. E

Sol.

* According to the 2022 Henley Passport Index from Henley & Partners (an immigration consultancy), India has been ranked 87th on the list of world's most powerful passports.

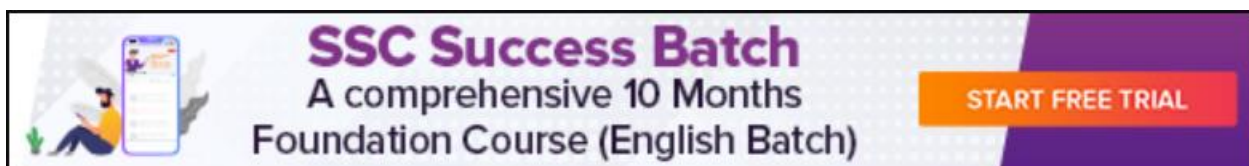
* Top 10: Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Germany, Spain, Finland, Italy, Luxemburg, Austria, Denmark

* India's neighbouring countries: Bhutan (93rd), Myanmar (99th), Sri Lanka (103rd), Bangladesh (104th) and Pakistan (109th), China (69th)

* Worst passport in the world: Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria

72. Rajarshi Gupta, who has recently been appointed as the Managing Director of which of the following organisations?

- A. SAIL
- B. GAIL
- C. IOC
- D. ONGC Videsh
- E. NTPC



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Ans. D

Sol.

- Rajarshi Gupta, has appointed as MD of ONGC Videsh Ltd, is an overseas investment arm of state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC).
- He has replaced Alok Gupta who was superannuated in June 2022.
- He has more than 33 years of experience in supervisory, managerial and strategic planning capacities in domestic and international operations of ONGC and ONGC Videsh.
- He has also served as Executive Director - Chief of Corporate Strategy & Planning in ONGC.

73. NITI Aayog, along with COP 26 President Alok Sharma, launched E-AMRIT to raise awareness of electric mobility. What does 'A' stand for in E-AMRIT?

- A. Accelerated
- B. Accessible
- C. Absolute
- D. Active
- E. Advanced

Ans. A

Sol.

- Alok Sharma (COP 26 President) and NITI Aayog have launched two significant initiatives — E-AMRIT and the Report on Advanced Chemistry Cell Battery Reuse and Recycling Market in India.
- E-AMRIT refers to Accelerated e-Mobility Revolution for India's Transportation, which is a mobile application, that will raise awareness on electric mobility.
- India is among 42 leaders to back and sign up to the UK's Glasgow Breakthroughs, which was launched at the COP26 climate summit.

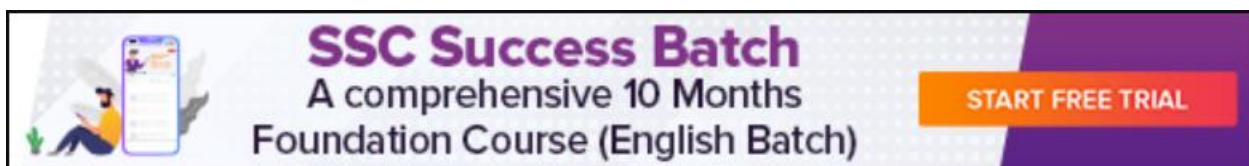
74. The Savner-Dhapewada-Goundkhairi section of which National Highway, has been inaugurated by the union minister for Road Transport, Nitin Gadkari in Nagpur?

- A. National Highway 7
- B. National Highway 530
- C. National Highway 547-E
- D. National Highway 55
- E. National Highway 16

Ans. C

Sol.

- * Union Minister for Road Transport, Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated the Savner-Dhapewada-Goundkhairi section of National Highway 547-E in Nagpur.
- * The length of this section is 28.88 km.
- * The four-laning of the Savner - Dhapewada - Goundakhairi section will provide better connectivity to the pilgrims like Ganesha Temple at Adasa and the Vitthal-Rukmini Temple at Dhapewada in the area.



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* The bridge is over the Chandrabhaga river will relieve traffic jams in Dhapewada .

75. India has conducted Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) with which country's defense force in the Andaman Sea?

- A. Bangladesh
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. Japan
- D. South Korea
- E. Australia

Ans. C

Sol.

- A Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) has been conducted between the Maritime Self Defense Force of Japan and Indian Navy in the Andaman Sea.
- INS Sukanya (offshore patrol vessel) and JS Samidare (Murasame class destroyer) undertook various exercises, which include seamanship activities, aircraft operations and tactical manoeuvres as part of the operational interaction.
- Aim: Enhancing interoperability and streamlining seamanship and communication procedures.

76. How much amount has been contributed by India to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) for Palestine Refugees? (July 2022)

- A. USD 2.5 million
- B. USD 1.5 million
- C. USD 1.0 million
- D. USD 3.5 million
- E. USD 5.0 million

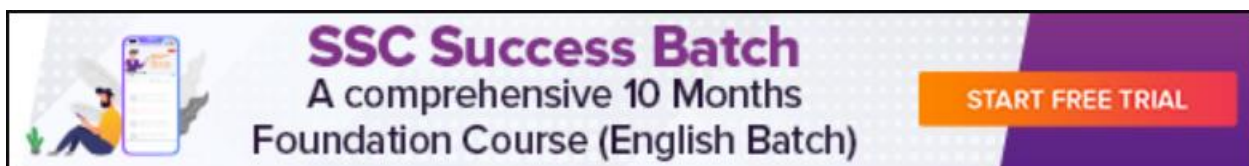
Ans. A

Sol.

- India has contributed USD 2.5 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).
- India is a dedicated donor to UNRWA and donated USD 20 million in support of core UNRWA services to Palestine refugees across the Middle East since 2018.
- The UNRWA was established as a humanitarian agency in 1949.
- This agency is fully funded through voluntary contributions and grants from donor countries.

77. Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying has launched NDDDB MRIDA Limited to provide structured impetus to manure management efforts. Who is the minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying?

- A. Narendra Singh Tomar
- B. Bhupender Yadav
- C. Parshottam Rupala
- D. Giriraj Singh



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E. Dharmendra Pradhan

Ans. C

Sol.

- Parshottam Rupala (Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying) has launched NDDDB MRIDA Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB).
- Aim: To provide structured impetus to manure management efforts.
- NDDDB has established NDDDB MRIDA Limited (Unlisted Public Limited Company) under the Companies Act, 2013 on July 1, 2022.
- This will help in savings to the farmers by virtue of the replacement of cooking fuel with biogas.

78.As per the World Health Organisation report, which of the following countries has become the largest source country for remittances in 2020 of India?

- A. United Arab Emirates
- B. Saudi Arabia
- C. United States
- D. Singapore
- E. Switzerland

Ans. C

Sol.

- According to a World Health Organisation report, India has received \$87 billion in remittances in 2021 and becomes the top remittance recipient.
- The United States was the largest source country for remittances in 2020, followed by the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Switzerland.
- In 2021, the top five remittance recipients in current US dollars were India, China, Mexico, the Philippines (36 billion dollars) and Egypt (33 billion dollars).

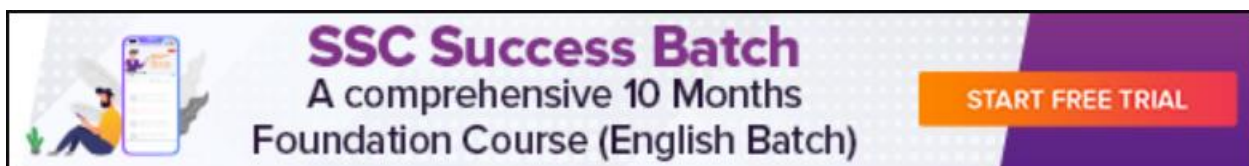
79.Who among the followings are covered in the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya State Employees Cashless Medical Scheme, was recently launched by the Uttar Pradesh government?

- A. State employees & their dependents
- B. Pensioners
- C. State employees only
- D. State employees and Pensioners
- E. Both A and B

Ans. E

Sol.

- Uttar Pradesh CM, Yogi Adityanath has launched a scheme Deen Dayal Upadhyaya State Employees Cashless Medical Scheme.
- Aim: To provide cashless medical facility to state government employees, pensioners and their dependents.



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- The eligible people will receive cashless medical facilities at government-run institutions, medical colleges and hospitals without any financial limit.
- Also, this facilities up to Rs 5 lakh will be available under the Ayushman Bharat Scheme.

80. Which of the following districts of India has become the first certified Har Ghar Jal district in India, where all people access safe drinking water through taps?

- A. Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Soreng, Sikkim
- C. Gomati, Tripura
- D. Burhanpur, Madhya Pradesh
- E. Alipurduar, West Bengal

Ans. E

Sol.

- Burhanpur, Madhya Pradesh becomes the first certified Har Ghar Jal district in India, where all people have access to safe drinking water through taps.
- At the time of the launch of Jal Jeevan Mission, the district had only 36.54% households can accessed the potable drinking water through tap connections.
- Jal Jeevan Mission:
- Launched: 15th August 2019
- Aim: Supply 55 liters of water per person per day to every rural household through Tap by 2024.

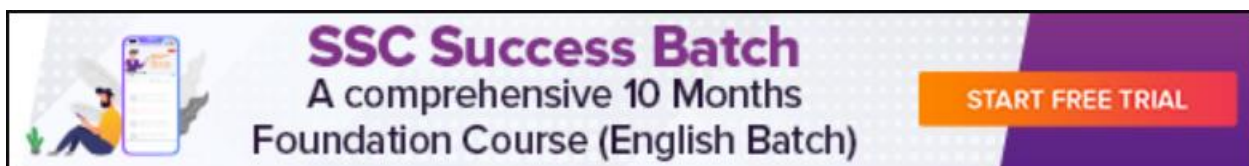
81. Name the male actor who has shared the 68th National Film Award 2022 for the best actor with Ajay Devgan?

- A. Karthik Sivakumar
- B. Vijay Sethupathi
- C. Kamal Haasan
- D. Dhanush
- E. Suriya

Ans. E

Sol.

- Actor Suriya (Soorai Potru) and Ajay Devgn (Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior) have won the 68th National Film Awards 2022 for the best actor.
- Aparna Balamurali has been named as the best actor in the female category for her film 'Soorai Potru.'
- Best Feature Film: Soorai Potru
- Best Director: Sachidanandan KR, Ayyappanum Koshiyum
- Best Feature Film in Hindi: Toolsidas Junior
- Most Film-Friendly State: Madhya Pradesh
- Best Audiography: Dollu (Kannada)



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82. According to the World Airport Traffic Dataset 2021, which of the following Indian airports, has been placed 13th on the list of the world's busiest airports for 2021?

- A. Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport
- B. Rajiv Gandhi International Airport
- C. Indira Gandhi International Airport
- D. Kempegowda International Airport
- E. Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport

Ans. C

Sol.

- The Airports Council International has published World Airport Traffic Dataset, in which Delhi Airport placed 13th on the list of the world's busiest airports for 2021.
- IGIA has witnessed 3.7 crore passenger footfall in 2021.
- The Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) has topped the 2021 ranking with 7.6 crore footfall of passengers.
- Airports Council International HQ: Montreal, Canada

83. Karikili Bird Sanctuary, is among five new Indian wetlands that has been added to the India Ramsar sites, is located in which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Karnataka
- D. Manipur
- E. Mizoram

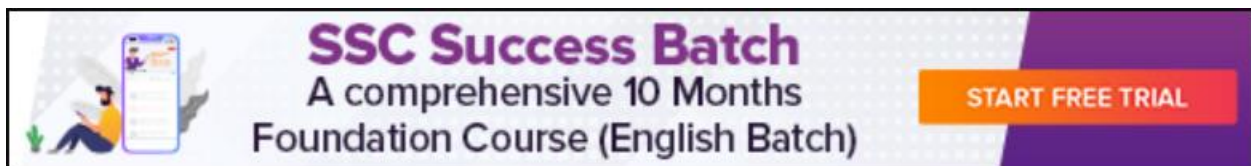
Ans. A

Sol.

- India has designated five new wetlands of international importance, increase the total number of Ramsar sites in the country to 54 from 49.
- Five new wetland sites are:
 - Tamil Nadu: Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest & Pichavaram Mangrove
 - Mizoram: Pala wetland
 - Madhya Pradesh: Sakhya Sagar
- The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands (international treaty) aims at the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands.

84. Which of the following group of countries have received the status of International Cricket Council (ICC) membership status?

- A. Ghana, Uzbekistan, and Cote D'Ivoire
- B. Cambodia, Uzbekistan, and Sudan
- C. Cambodia, Guinea, and Cote D'Ivoire
- D. Cambodia, Uzbekistan, and Cote D'Ivoire



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E. Cambodia, Uzbekistan, and Morocco

Ans. D

Sol.

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has given membership status to three countries, Cambodia and Uzbekistan (Asia), and Cote D'Ivoire (Africa), during the ICC Annual Conference in Birmingham.
- With this addition, the total number of ICC members take to 108 countries which includes 96 Associates.
- The total count of Asian countries reached to 25 while Cote D'Ivoire is the 21st country from Africa.

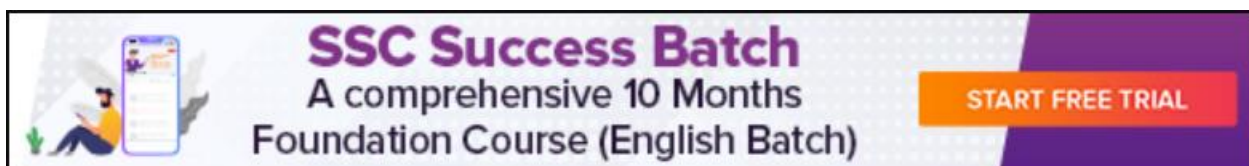
85. According per the 'Leading Wealthy Women 2021' report, published by Hurun India with Kotak Private Banking, who among the following has been listed as the wealthiest woman in India?

- A. Falguni Nayar, founder and CEO of Nykaa
- B. Vandana Luthra, founder of VLCC Health Care Ltd
- C. Aditi Gupta, Author
- D. Roshni Nadar Malhotra, chairperson of HCL Technologies
- E. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Chairperson of Biocon

Ans. D

Sol.

- As per the Kotak Private Banking-Hurun list, the chairperson of HCL Technologies, Roshni Nadar Malhotra has been crowned as the wealthiest woman in India with a fortune of Rs 84,330 cr in 2021.
- Falguni Nayar (founder and CEO of Nykaa) has ranked second richest women in India with a net worth of ₹57,520 cr.
- Falguni Nayar has also emerged as the richest self-made woman.
- Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw (founder and CEO of Biocon) placed on third with the net worth of ₹29,030 cr.



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