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POWER OF POSITIVE ATTITUDE

“Nothing can stop the person with right mental attitude from achieving their goal.

Nothing on earth can help the person with wrong mental attitude”.

Thomas Jefferson

Attitude may be defined as the view point, perspective, reaction, or outlook towards the happenings /surrounding circumstances. A person with positive attitude knows where his strengths weaknesses and scope lays.

Almost all the religious texts, thinkers and modern age public motivators emphasize on development of a positive outlook towards adverse situations in particular and life in general.

Right attitude is developed as a result of culmination of much positivity over a period of time. It is something which can be felt by others. The value and importance of such a positive attitude can be gauged from a simple example;

The rescuer and the drowning man are in the same rough waters, under the fury of Mother Nature, but what differs them is the attitude which they have.

As a candidate for Civil Services Exams, not only the study material, but also good health is something of great importance. There is a direct relationship between a positive attitude and superior health which in turn guarantee's greater success.

According to the researches carried out in Mayo Clinic positive thinking not only reduces levels of distress but also provide greater resistance to common cold, Cardio circular issues and even cancer.

Some of the ways to develop such a vital aspect of life are:-

By modifying one's behavior by consciously discarding negative thoughts.

By being optimistic and thankful & grateful to the God for so many things which many others long for

By prioritizing the most important goals and setting achievable targets.

By turning challenges into opportunities for learning; (Rather than hitting the wall climbing the wall or just go around).

Thus we can easily conclude that a positive attitude brings positivity, along with good health which in turn brings success, which further brings happiness in life.

HIMACHAL PRADESH IN NEWS

WORLD'S HIGHEST POLLING STATION

A small Himachal Pradesh village has got the distinction of the highest polling station in the world.

Tashigang is located at an altitude of 15,256 feet. Tashigang Polling Station falls in Buddhist-dominated Lahaul-Spiti and forms part of the Mandi Lok Sabha seat, the second largest constituency in India.

Tashigang is situated at about 29 km from the India China border and the polling station covers two villages— Tashigang and Gete. The polling station has 48 voters, of which 30 are men and 18 women. Even though Tashigang has all necessary facilities like power and water supply but lacks mobile connectivity and election officials will use a satellite phone during polls on May 19.

Initially, election officials had intended to set up the polling booth at Gete village but shifted it to Tashigang as the government school building there was not found safe. Earlier the tiny settlement of Hikkim in Himachal Pradesh positioned at an altitude of about 14,400 ft, was the highest polling station in the country.

HIMACHAL PRADESH GOVERNMENT DECLARED MONKEYS AS VERMIN

Monkey's are declared as vermin by the Himachal Pradesh government again, in 11 districts, 91 tehsils and sub-tehsils for the next one year. Previously, monkeys were declared as vermin in 38 tehsils and sub-tehsils of 10 districts in the year 2016 and which was further extended to next year on December 20, 2017. Quick Facts

Wildlife laws divide species into 'schedules' ranked from I to V. Schedule I members are the best protected, in theory, with severe punishments meted out to those who hunt them. Wild boars, nilgai and rhesus monkeys are Schedule II and III members — also protected, but can be hunted under specific conditions. Crows and fruit bat fall in Schedule 5, the vermin category.

Section 11(1)a of the Wildlife Protection Act (WPA) authorizes chief wildlife warden to permit hunting of any problem wild animal only if it cannot be captured, tranquillized or translocated.

For wild animals in Schedule II, III or IV, chief wildlife warden or authorized officers can permit their hunting in a specified area if they have become dangerous to humans or property (including standing crops on any land).

Section 62 of Act empowers Centre to declare wild animals other than Schedule I & II to be vermin for specified area and period.

INDIA'S FIRST RAILWAY STATION INSIDE TUNNEL TO COME UP IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

Station named, the Keylong station, to be built inside a tunnel at a height of 3,000 metres in Himachal Pradesh.

This will be built along the Bilaspur-Manali-Leh line close to the Sino-India border.

The station will be at a height of around 3,000 metres and will be inside a 27-km-long tunnel.

It will connect all important locations between Bilaspur and Leh like Sundernagar, Mandi, Manali, Keylong, Koksar, Darcha, Upshi and Karu and other towns of Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir.

After completion, the line will halve the duration taken to cover the distance between Delhi and Leh, from 40 hours to 20 hours.

PGI SATELLITE CENTRE IN UNA DISTRICT

Union Health Minister laid the foundation stone of a PGI satellite centre at Malahat village, 3 km from Una city. A sum of Rs 500 crore will be spent on the project. The 300-bed hospital will have various specialist departments like internal medicine, surgery, gynecology, ENT, pediatrics, radiology and radio therapy besides dentistry. The health institution would be developed as a Regional Research Institute so as to provide a platform to study and research on the health issues which were more prevalent in the region. A mother and child healthcare centre estimated at Rs 20 crores and a level-3 trauma centre estimated at Rs 45 lakh had also been sanctioned for Una district.

Quick Facts:

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he Union Health Minister initiated work on 14 new AIIMS in the country, including the Rs 1,352 crores AIIMS hospital at Bilaspur.

uper specialty wings were being set up at the IGMC, Shimla, and Tanda medical college.
A cancer hospital was being developed at the IGMC Shimla.

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other and child health care centres were being developed in each district.

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~~even new trauma centers had been sanctioned by the Union government in Himachal Pradesh.~~

HIMACHAL PRADESH WILL BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE MOST OF SDG TARGETS BY 2022

Himachal Pradesh has been ranked as Sustainable Development Goals and Policies the top performing State in the report - SDG India Index – Base Line Report, 2018, in making efforts to achieve SDGs in the entire Country. This report had ranked all the States and Union Territories of India, based on 62 priority indicators.

STATE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES “LOKTANTRE PRAHARI” SAMMAN RASHI OF RS.11,000

During emergency, a large number of people in Himachal Pradesh were also arrested without assigning any reason. They were sent to jail and tortured. As a token of respect for such persons, an annual “Loktante Prahari” Samman Rashi of Rs.11,000 to all such persons. The Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA) was a controversial law passed by the Indian parliament in 1971 giving the administration of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and Indian law enforcement agencies super powers - indefinite preventive detention of individuals, search and seizure of property without warrants.

INTRODUCTION OF COFFEE PLANTATION IN STATE

To diversify agriculture, Coffee plants were distributed on trial basis for cultivation in 30 hectare land spread over 5 districts ie; Kangra, Mandi, Una, Bilaspur and Hamirpur districts.

HIMACHAL PRADESH BECAME FIRST STATE TO LAUNCH SINGLE EMERGENCY NUMBER '112' UNDER ERSS

Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)

Himachal Pradesh became the first Indian state to launch a single emergency number “112”, connecting police, fire, health and other helplines through an Emergency Response Centre (ERC) in the state. Central government provided financial assistance of Rs. 4.71 crore and 13 vehicles for the implementation of the project in the state. (To implement the ERSS project across the country, the Central government allocated Rs. 321.69 crore under Nirbhaya fund.)

One ERC has been established in Shimla and 12 District Command Centres have been made available across the state.

The ERC has been integrated with police (100), fire (101), health (108) and women helpline (1090) services via single emergency number 112.

The service is part of the Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) under which '112 India' mobile

app is available and has been integrated with panic button of smartphones and ERSS state website. Additionally, a 'SHOUT' feature has been introduced in '112 India' mobile app, exclusively for women, to seek immediate assistance.

PRESIDENT GAVE HIS ASSENT TO A BILL FROM HIMACHAL PRADESH

The Himachal Pradesh Early Childhood Care and Education Centers (Registration and Regulation) Bill 2017.

It aims to bring the early childhood care and education centres in the state under government monitoring.

This will enable equal access, quality and commercialisation to childcare centres that are controlled by trusts, societies, religious groups or international funding agencies.

Quick Facts:

As per the 86th Constitutional Amendment Act of 2002, Article 45 of the Directive Principles of State Policy states that "the State shall endeavour to provide early childhood care and education for all children until they complete the age of 6 years".

Under Article 200, the Governor can reserve a bill passed by the legislature for the consideration of the President.

AGREEMENT FOR RENUKAJI MULTIPURPOSE DAM PROJECT SIGNED BY 6 STATES: MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

6 states include Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Delhi, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand, in the presence of Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Road Transport

Highways and Shipping Shri Nitin Gadkari, signed an agreement for Renukaji Multipurpose Dam Project in New Delhi.

Under Renukaji Dam Multipurpose Project:

3 storage projects are proposed to be constructed on the river Yamuna and two of its tributaries – Tons and Giri in the hilly regions of Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh of Upper Yamuna Basin. These include:

- Lakhwar project on river Yamuna in Uttarakhand,
- Kishau on river Tons in Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh and
- Renukaji on river Giri in Himachal Pradesh.

Seen as National Projects since 2008, 90% funding of the cost of irrigation & drinking water component will be provided by the Govt. of India as central assistance and the rest 10% would be borne by the beneficiary states.

The project will be executed by Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (HPPCL) and will generate 40 MW of power during peak flow.

This project will meet the drinking water needs of Delhi and the stored water of Renukaji Dam will be used by

- UP, Haryana & NCT of Delhi from Hathnikund Barrage,
- by NCT of Delhi from Wazirabad Barrage and
- by UP, Haryana and Rajasthan from Okhla Barrage.

HIMACHAL PRADESH CELEBRATES ITS 49TH FULL STATEHOOD DAY-25TH JANUARY

On 25th January, 2019 Himachal Pradesh celebrates its 49th full Statehood Day at Kunihaar in Solan, in lieu of 18th state of India with the sterling presence of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi. At this occasion,

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur encores for the speedy development along with an emphasis on backward classes and mass areas.

Government announced:

- 1 lakh 20 thousand people will get gas connections under the Ujjawala Yojana in the next 5 months.
- 5 lakh rupees health cover under the HIMCARE project having premium of Rs 1000.
- 10% reservation to general economically weaker sections.

1ST MEGA FOOD PARK OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

Union Minister for Food Processing Industries, Harsimrat Kaur Badal inaugurated Cremica Mega Food Park Pvt Ltd in Village Singhain, Una District of Himachal Pradesh. This is the first Mega Food Park operationalized in the State of Himachal Pradesh.

Quick Facts:

- This Mega Food Park has been set up in 52.40 acre of land at a cost of Rs. 107.34 crore.
- The park have a common administrative building for office and other uses at Solan, Mandi, and Kangra.
- Ministry of Food Processing Industries implemented Mega Food Park Scheme in the country, to give a major boost to the food processing sector by adding value and reducing food wastage.

HIMACHAL PRADESH ASSEMBLY PASSED A BILL TO MAKE SANSKRIT AS THE SECOND OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

A bill was passed in the Himachal Pradesh assembly to make Sanskrit the second official language of the state.

Quick Facts:

- Mahender Singh Thakur, the Irrigation and Public Health minister introduced the bill Himachal Pradesh Official Language Bill, 2019 (Amendment).
- The bill was introduced in the absence of Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur and was passed without discussion.
- With this, Himachal Pradesh became the second state to adopt Sanskrit as the second official language of the state after Uttarakhand.

VIDHAN SABHA SESSION PASSED TWO BILLS

- Himachal Pradesh University of Health Sciences Amendment Bill, 2019 to rename Himachal Pradesh University of Health Sciences as Atal Medical and Research University, Himachal Pradesh.
- Himachal Pradesh Bovine Breeding Bill, 2019 to promote indigenous species of cows in the state by setting up sperm stations and using frozen semen in artificial insemination.

CENTRE, HIMACHAL PRADESH AND WORLD BANK SIGNED \$40 MILLION LOAN AGREEMENT FOR SHIMLA WATER SUPPLY

A loan agreement of \$40 million (4 crore INR) was signed between the Government of India, Government of Himachal Pradesh and World Bank, for bringing clean and reliable drinking water to the citizens of Greater Shimla area, who have been facing severe shortages of water and water-borne epidemics in the last few years.

Quick Facts:

- The reason behind this agreement is not meeting the current requirement of 56 million litres daily (MLD), as the capacity of Shimla's water supply infrastructure is 40 MLD.

HIM CARE ON THE LINES OF AYUSHMAN BHARAT IN STATE

State govt. announces “HIM CARE Yojna” for families not covered under “Ayushman Bharat” by providing health insurance cover up to Rs. 5 lakhs. Those families of persons, who work for more than 50 days under MNREGA during the year, will be provided health insurance cover of Rs.5 lakhs, without any insurance premium. This insurance cover shall be extended to all outsourced employees for a meagre sum of Re.1 per day.

AIIMS- BUDGET RS. 1351 CRORES AT BILASPUR

It is Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Surksha Yojna 750 beds, Trauma Centre and 1000 MBBS seats and 60 seats for B.Sc. Nursing.

GUDIA HELPLINE: 1515

To report crimes against woman
3 crime cells: Mandi, shimla and Kangra

HOSHIYAR HELPLINE 1019 TO REPORT AGAINST MAFIAS OF FOREST, MINING

ETC. ZERO BUDETING NATIONAL FORMING PROJECT

Acharya Dev Vrat insisted that 5 scientists should adopt a village and should encourage farmers to go for natural farming

SHAKTI APP

Women safety developed by NIC, HP.
Medicinal Plant loaud Centre, under Ministry of Ayush, at joginder nagar Mandi

ALL INDIA 46TH POLICE SCIENCE CONGRESS AT SHIMLA

Organized by H.P Police Deptt and Bureau of Police Research and Development

INDIA SIGNS \$80 MILLION LOAN WITH ADB

To boost youth employability
It will mordernise Technical and vocational training institution in H.P
it will improve the employment proceeds of nearly 65000 youth by nearly 2022

MAHILA SURAKSHA HANDBOOK

For women safety
Brought by shimla administration
Heli- Ambulance service:
It will for operated by Heli mission Switzerland with assistance of lady wellington Hospital, Manali

KANDA PATTAN SARKAGHAT WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

Inaugurated by CM at cholthara in Mandi (Sarkaghat)
Development cost: 39.65 cr.
Will benefit 30000 people

UNDER NON BIO DEGRADABLE GARBAGE CONTROL ACT, 1995 HP GOVT. ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WILL BAN USE OF PLASTIC AND THERMOCOL IN STATE.

H.P was 1st state in a country to bags use of Polythene bags in 2009

SCHEME

SAUBHAGYA :- 100% electrification of household by Dec 2018

UDAY:- Power for all 24*7

BANTONY CASTLE, SHIMLA, H.P

Summer palace of erstwhile rulers of Sirmaur.

Now, the Prime property is under the name of the Department of language art and culture in the revenue record.

H.P Govt. Sanctioned Rs 25 crore for the renovation of Bantony Castle.

69TH VAN MAHOTSAV WAS INAUGURATED BY GOVERNOR DEV VRAT AT GANEVAG, NEAR SHIMLA

The Campaign was organized forest Department and state Red cross society

H.P GOVT. RECEIVED NATIONAL AWARD FOR BEST PERFORMANCE UNDER PRADHANMANTRI SURAKSHIT MATRITAV ABHIYAN IN WHICH ANTE-NATAL CHECK-UPS WERE CONDUCTED BY DOCTORS.

FIRST PHASE OF 'HORN NOT OK' AWARENESS CAMPAIGN WAS LAUNCHED WITH AN APP CALLED 'SHOR NAHIN' IN MANALI AND SHIMLA

It is an initiative of the Department of Environment, Science and Technology.

NAROPHA FESTIVAL

Ladakhi Dance in which 299 women dressed up in Traditional wedding attire danced together to make it to the list of Guinness world record. It is also known as Kumbh of Himalayas.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPROVED BY THE WORLD BANK

For Shimla water crisis of Rs. 929.89 crores.

It will augment Gumma water source from Satluj river. Construction of storage dams on the Giri River.

Installation of fifth units in 13 Bauris of Natural water bodies.

NAIK AASHISH KUMAR.(WINNER)

1st Inter services Paragliding competition held at Bir Billing, Kangra

2nd Hawaldar Kuppuswamy

PRATAP CHAND SHARMA (PRATAPU)

Celebrated folk singer of Himachal, village Naleti, Dehra, Kangra

Famous Songs:- "Thandi Thandi Hawa Jhuldi, Jhulde chila de Daalu, Jeena Kangra Da"

KINKIRI DEVI

environmentalist

Memorial to be constructed at Simour, Madholi Village.

She was invited by 1st lady Hilary Clinton to attend international women conference in Beijing and was given an honour to light the lamp.

HIMACHAL BUDGET (2019-2020)

INTRODUCED BY: JAI RAM THAKUR

Total Estimated Expenditure: Rs 44,388 crore.

No New Taxes has been proposed.

Total Expenditure has been increased by 7% from previous allocation (2018-19) i.e. By 2948 cr.

Fiscal Deficit 4.3% (7, 352 crore) for 2019-2020.

7100 crore for rural and agricultural activities which is 800 crore more than 2018-19

15 new schemes has been introduced:

Navdharna: Skill development centers for differently abled.

Pong Area Development: Development of tourism and Local culture.

Mukhya Mantri Gram Kaushal yojana: To promote rural crafts and artisanship

Yuva Navjeevan Board: To tackle drug menace

Breeding farm for Sahiwal and Red Sindhi cows, farm for Murrah Buffaloes and Gokul Gram to be set up.

5000 Poly houses will be set up under New Scheme: Mukhyamantri Nutan Polyhouse Yojana-150 crore.

It is a way of protected cultivation in agriculture.

100 Trout Farms and 2 trout hatcheries to be set up (related to Fish Farming)

This Scheme will replace Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kissan Bagwan yojana.

11,000 p.a. to those who were arrested during 'Loktantra Prahari' Samman', it will be given as Loktantra Prahari Samman.

It is related to MISA Act 1971 (Maintenance of Internal Security Act.)

During Emergency of (1975-1977) under Indra Gandhi Govt.

Mukhya Mantri Khumb Vikas Yojana.

Ek Buta Beti ke Naam:

New scheme launched to sensitize people about the importance of daughter and forest conservation.

Mukhya Mantri Green Technology Transfer Scheme (New)

To provide support for green technologies to farmers.

Globe investor summit will take place in Dharamshala-2019

M.M. Dustkar Sahayata Yojana

To help artisans/craftsmen

Rural artisans will be given 75% subsidy on purchase of tools of upto Rs 30,000

M.M. Roshni Yojana: New – 475 crore No

charges for new electricity connection

SAHARA YOJANA: EWS patients suffering from : Parkinson-(Breakdown of neurons of Brain), Cancer, Paralysis, Muscular Dystrophy i.e. (Breakdown of skeletal Muscles), Hemophilia (Blood Clots), thalassemia (abnormal haemoglobin Production) and Renal failure

All of them Will get Rs 2,000/month

15. Shiva scheme to promote cultivation of sub-tropical fruits in lower hills and plain areas.

SHIVA - HP sub-tropical horticulture irrigation and value addition – 1688 crore (Funded by ADB)

AGRICULTURE

Share in GSDP=9% (2018-19)

Target for food Grain Production: 16.69 lakh Metric Tonnes

OTHER:

One Helipad in each assembly constituency of

H.P. CPI for H.P. – 2.31% (Nov, 2018)

DATA FACTS (2019-2020):

Revenue Receipts: 33,747 cr.

Revenue Expenditure: 36,089 cr.

Capital expenditure: 8299 cr.

Total tax revenue of Himachal Pradesh is estimated to be Rs 7,921 crore in 2019-20

Total Fiscal deficit: 7,352 crore, out of this 5069 crore is scheduled to come from Borrowings

GSDP: 7.3% (2019-2020)-projected

2018-19- 6.5% i.e 1,51,835 cr.(11% higher than last financial Year 2017-18)

Per Capita GDP: Rs 158,462

Share of Expenditure for 2019-2020 in terms GDP for various sectors:

Education: 18.2% of total expenditure

Health: 6.4% of its total expenditure

Agriculture and allied activities: The state has allocated 6.1% of its total budget towards agriculture and allied activities

Rural development: Himachal Pradesh has allocated 4% of its expenditure on rural development.

Police: Himachal Pradesh has allocated 3.3% of its total expenditure

Roads and bridges: Himachal Pradesh has allocated 11.3% of its total expenditure on roads and bridges.

Share of different sectors in GDP for closed financial year (2017-18) – Actual Estimates

Agriculture: 13%:

Services 42%

Industry – 43%

More than 80% Population is living in Rural Areas.

4751 crore has been announced for doubling farmers income, this will be funded by ADB

50% subsidy for fencing the farms.

Extra: ADB-1966

Headquarter: Philippines

Members: 67 (48 from Asia and Pacific)

President: Takehiko Nako

India is second largest Borrowers from this Bank.

Health (2482 crores)

Under Sampurna Swasthya Yojana in 12 medical institutions in 12 districts, will be upgrade and establishment of Cath Lab in Mandi and YS Parmar Medical College.

Diet allowance for AIDS patients now increased to Rs 1500 p.m. from Rs 800

p.m. Trauma Centre in Baddi and Shimla-Kalka Highway.

Under 'Janani Suraksha Yojana', financial assistance is now 1100 p.m. (earlier it was Rs 600 under ASHA Package)

This scheme was introduced in 2005

500 sub centres and 125 primary centers will be converted into health and wellness centres

Education-7958 crore

Will Set up Sanskrit University

Para teachers who have completed 3 years of service will get pay equivalent to Regular teacher

15 new Adarsh Schools to be opened

Virtual Classroom, in 20 remote schools “CV Raman Classrooms”

Tourism:

New tourism policy for holistic development and promotion of Eco-tourism

‘Shiv-Dham’ in Mandi, where replicas of 12 Jyotirlingas will be established

164.50 Lakh tourists visited H.P. which is 2.4 times of its population.

Employee Welfare:

New Pay Scales will be notified soon.

Contribution of state govt. under New Pension Scheme is now 14% (Increased from

10%) Dearness allowance to employees

Dearness relief to Pensioners at the rate of 4% w.e.from 1st July, 2018

The policy to provide job on compassionate ground has been changed : Now age limit increased from 50 years to age of retirement.

Social security Pension now 850 p.m. (increased 750 P.m.)

Pension to people having 70% and above disabilities and who are 70 years or above will get 1500 p.m. instead of 1300 p.m.

Daily wages increased to Rs 250 from 225 of ASHA workers/Anganwadi workers, Revenue Chowkidars, etc.

Power: 1208 Crore

Currently, H.P. is using 38.44% of the total Potential of electricity

1. Hydel Project of 500 M.W. will be commissioned.
2. State will get 200 million unit of Power after Renuka Project which has been given the status of National Importance
3. 850 new distribution sub centers will be set up for new connections and to improve voltage fluctuation
4. Rs 475 crore as power subsidy to domestic consumer.
5. Power Tariff to farmers for irrigation reduced from 0.75 to 0.50 per unit

Other Announcements:

10% Preservation for General EWS

Ex gratia Grant for journalists Now Rs 4 Lakh (increased from Rs 2 Lakh)

+Laptop for accredited journalists.

LPG refill will be provided Free of Cost under (Himachal Grihani Suvidha Yojna (2018-19) and Ujjwala Yojana). 20 crore has been Sanctioned to provide (1 additional LPG cylinder for poor) 2 Lakh Families will be Benefited.

In total 86,000 have received the benefit of Ujjwala Yojana

Mukhya Mantri Awas Yojana: Rs 20,000 over and above will be Provided for house construction (Already giving Rs 1.3 Lakh). Also subsidy for repairing houses now stands at Rs 35,000.

Widows below 45 year of age will get reservation in Nursing Institution and Industrial training institutes.

Govt has also announced the Increase of Rs 2 per Litre of milk procurement prices

After care Homes will be established for girls & boys

50% subsidy under Mukhya Mantri Swajal Yojana for installing 50 meter long pipes to provide connection to poor families

A war memorial will be constructed in Nurpur.

New Milk processing plant – Mandi, which will have Capacity of 50,000 litres a day

Banking:

Total of 2139 Branches (Sept, 2018) were functional in state.

Credit Deposit Ratio - 47.76

[CDR - It compares Banks total loans to Banks total deposits]

Also known as LDR ratio (Loan to Deposit Ratio)

It generally measures the Liquidity of Bank.

If Ratio is High: Banks does not have enough liquidity to cover unforeseen expenditure.

If Ratio is Low: Banks are not earning as much as it could be

Total Loans

LDR = Total Deposits.

Receipts: Share of H.P.

Receipts (Major):

38%- Grants in Aids.

19%- State Taxes.

17% - Central Taxes.

Expenditure (Major):

31% Social Services

31% General Services

17% Economic Services

Centrally Aided projects approved:

Rs 10,330 crore has been approved under centrally aided projects whereas externally aided projects of 7729 crore are already going on.

Some Initiatives taken by govt. (in cost 13 months)

Jan-Manch Grievances of remote areas (Now will also have district HQ)

Mukhya Mantri Portal

Monitoring and quality check cell.

113 Services will be brought under the timely delivery of public services to citizens. Under HP services guarantee act, 2011.

Ceiling limit under MLA priority schemes is enhanced to 105 cr from 90 cr.

Vidhayak Ka Shetra Vikas Nidhi Yojna

Under this- Spending limit in to 1.50 cr (From 1.25 cr.)

20,000 assistance to Mahila Mandal

c. 25,000 to Yuvak Mandals (for Sports related equipments)

“Lok Suraksha Kendra” will be established
Help in surveillance of traffic movement
Crowd management
Criminal activities
Disaster Management etc.

IT Park in Kangra with the help of software technology park of India
Also to make additional investment in wakanaghat IT park (Solan)

Irrigation:

111 minor irrigation schemes will be implemented with investment of 338 crore
Expenditure on old irrigation projects is of 4070 crore
Saur Sinchai Yojna: 30 crore allocated (2018-19), Where solar energy is used for pumping and lifting water.

Himachal Pradesh flood and river management project funded by Asian Infrastructure Investment bank to address the problem of farmers and flood affected population.

There are 59 Agriculture markets in state

19 are linked with e-NAM

Target is to link 10 more in 2019-2020

Funds to PRI's: 210 crore allocated (2019-2020) as per the recommendation of 5th State finance commission.

For 2018-19 it was 194 cr

Under PRI's

Gram Panchayat:

Uppradhan will get: Rs 3000 (earlier Rs 2500)
Pradhan will get: Rs 4500 (earlier Rs 4000)
Members of Panchyat Samiti: Rs 4500 (earlier Rs 4000)
Vice Chairman: Rs 5000
Chairman: Rs 7000

Zila Parishad:

Members: Rs 5000
Vice Chairman: Rs 8000
Chairman: Rs 12000 (earlier 11K)

MGNREGA:

Working days: 120 (2018-2019)

BUDGET 2019

Insolvency and Bankruptcy code (IBC), 2016

This is the single law for Bankruptcy & insolvency
Helps to Protect the interest of small investor

Economically viable to solve the cases.

First insolvency was passed by NCLT in 2017 (National Company Law Tribunal). NCLT: estd-2016

Insolvency resolution: Separate resolution processes For:

Individuals

Companies – 180 days

3. Partnership firms – 90 days

NCLT is for companies/LLP firms

Debt Recovery Tribunal is for individuals

Insolvency and Bankruptcy board of India is established to review the proceedings of insolvency.

Insolvency: A state of being unable to pay money.

Bankruptcy: It is a legal status of person/entity who cannot repay the debts to creditors.

RERA (Real Estate Regulation and Development Act. 2016)

New commercial/residential project owners will have to register their projects.

70% of money has to be deposited in bank account through cheques to protect the buyers.

RERA tribunal is created to dispose off the complaints in 60 days.

Fugitive Economic offender Act 2018

Economic offenses of more than 100 crore will be covered.

Properties and assets of offender will be confiscated by govt. If they do not appear before Indian courts.

Benami Transaction Act, 1988 (2016-Amended)

Prohibits illegal benami transactions

Imprisonment of 7 years

Monetary fine

Ex: Property purchased on the name of others.

HPAS-GS (FULL LENGTH) TEST – 1

Where is the national center for disaster management (NCDM) located?

- Nagpur
- New Delhi
- Hyderabad
- Pune

Cartagena protocol is related to

- Biosafety agreement
- Pollution
- Ozone depletion
- Climate change

What are the functions of the wildlife advisory Board?

a) To guide central and state governments on matters relating to wildlife through legislative and practical measures.

b) To select areas to be declared as national parks and sanctuaries

- a) only
- b) only
- Both a and b
- None of the above

The United Nations conference on environment and Development (UNCED) is also known as

- The earth summit
- European forestry commission
- Stockholm convention
- The Vienna convention

Indian's first national action plan on climate change was released in

- 2008 A.D.
- 2012 A.D.
- 2014 A.D.
- 2015 A.D.

The most important factor contributing to the loss of vulture population in India is

- Viral infection

- B. Bacterial infection
- C. Administering of pain killers to cattle
- D. Administering of estrogen injection to cattle

Which one of the following pairs is correctly matched?

- A. Mountain - Most stable ecosystem
- B. Abiotic component - Bacteria
- C. Green plants - Ecosystems
- D. Rainfall - Global warming

Which of the following countries has a constitutional provision for maintaining 70% of its geographical area under forest?

- Maldives
- Nepal
- Bhutan
- Afghanistan

“Knock-Knee syndrome” is caused by the pollution of

- Mercury
- Lead
- Arsenic
- Fluoride

Which of the following are incorrectly matched?

- Basal Convention - Biodiversity conservation
- Montreal protocol - Global warming
- 3. Kyoto protocol - Climate change
- 4. Ramsar convention- Ground water pollution
- A. 1, 2 and 3
- B. 1 and 4 C.
- 3 and 4 D. 1,
- 2 and 4

Due to improper disposal of used computers, or their parts which of the following are released into the environment?

- A. Beryllium and cadmium
- B. Chromium and mercury
- C. Lead

D. All of the above

Recently, which of the following country has withdrawn from organization of petroleum exporting countries (OPEC)?

- Iran
- Iraq
- Saudi Arabia
- Qatar

Which of the following country is being assisted by India in developing Mangdechhu hydroelectric project?

- Nepal
- Sri Lanka
- Bhutan
- Myanmar

Aviandra 2018, is a service specific _____ between India and Russia?

- Military Exercise
- Naval Exercise
- Air force Exercise
- All of the above

“Nine point Agenda”, recently in news, is related to:

- G-20 reforms
- Sustainable Development
- Fugitive economic offenders
- Free trade agreement

The theme for the 2018 the international day of persons with disabilities was:

- Transformation towards sustainable and resilient society for all
- Celebrating 25 years of action for persons with disabilities
- Empowering persons with disabilities and ensuring inclusiveness and equality
- None

State start-up ranking report is released by:

- Central statistical organization (CSO)
- Department of economic Affairs (DEA)

C. NITI Aayog

D. Department of industrial production and promotion (DIPP)

“Global Nutrition report” is published annually by which of the following?

- United Nations development programme
- World bank
- IMF
- None

Consider the following statements regarding “RythuBandhu”?

1. It is a cash transfer scheme by the state of Telangana.
2. The aim of the scheme is to prevent farmers from getting debt trapped
3. The scheme covers only horticulture crops.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 3 only

The term spinnaker, recently seen in news, is a:

- A. Super computer
- B. A cyber attack
- C. An agri-tech robot
- D. Massive black hole outside solar system

India’s rank in World Happiness Index, 2017 stands at:

- A. 114th
- B. 116th
- C. 122nd
- D. 120th

What is the population of H.P in the age group of 0 to 6 years as per the 2011 census?

- A. 7,77,898
- B. 8,87,798

9,87,879
9,98,877

The manuscript written in golden word found in 'Tholag' village is in which district of H.P.?

Kinnaur
Kullu
Lahaul and Spiti
Chamba

Who made the revenue settlement of Spiti in September, 1847?

Walter Gilbert
Major Hay
Harry Smith
Vans Agnews

The Global Risks Report, 2018 issued by World Economic Forum focuses on four key areas Mark the wrong one:

Environmental degradation
Cyber security breaches
Growing Trade War at the Global level.
Economic strains

India is set to become the youngest nation in the world by:

2019
2020
2021
2023

Consider the following pairs:

Tradition - state
1) Chapcharkut festival - Mizoram
2) KhongjomParba Ballad - Manipur
3) Thang-Ta Dance - Sikkim

Which of the pairs given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only
B. 1 and 2
C. 1 and 3
D. 2 and 3

Which of the following statements is/are true?

After the Nagpur session (1920) of congress, the provincial congress committees were constituted in linguistic basis.

In 1948, congress rejected the demand of formation of provinces on linguistic basis. Select the correct answer from the code below:

A. Only (a)
B. Only (b)
C. Neither (a) nor (b)
D. Both (a) & (b)

Choose the correct chronological order of the following events:

i. Lucknow pact
ii. Formation of Swaraj party
iii. Jallianwala Massacre
iv. Death of the Bal GangadharTilak Select the answer from the following code: A. (i), (iv), (iii) & (iv)
B. (iv), (iii), (i) & (ii)
C. (i), (iii), (iv) & (ii)
D. (i), (ii), (iii) & (iv)

Which of the following pair is not correctly matched?

Institution	Founder
A. Servants of India society-	G.K.Gokhale
B. Social service league-	N.M. Joshi
C. SevaSamiti-	H.N.Kunzru
D. Social reform association-	Shri Ram Bajpai

Which of the following pair (building of Mughal period and place) is not correctly matched?

A. Shershah's tomb-	Sasaram
B. Humayun's Tomb-	Delhi
C. Jahangiri Mahal-	Burhanpur
D. BulandDarwaza-	Ftaehpursikri

The following were the main events of the year 1945.

Wavell plan

Shimla conference

Naval munity

INA trial

Select the correct answer

1,2,3

2,3,4

1,2,4

1,3,4

The following popular movements occurred after 1857:

1) Santhal rebellion

2) Indigo Revolt

3) Deccan Agriculturists Riots

4) Birsa Munda uprising

Select the correct answer:

1,2,3

2,3,4

1,2,4

1,3,4

Who was the ruler of India when English East India Company was formed?

Aurangzeb

Akbar

Jahangir

Humayun

Who among the following was the French explorer who visited the court of emperor of shahjahan and left a detailed account of Takht-i-Taus (Peacock Throne).

Jean Baptiste Tavernier

Geronimo verroneo

Pierre-Jean

Jean-Paul Dubois

Regarding the interim government of 1946, which of the following is not correct?

Jawaharlal Nehru was the prime minister/head of the executive council

Jawaharlal Nehru was designated as the vice-president of the viceroy's executive council.

C. The viceroy continue to be the head of the executive council

D. The member of the Interim Government was members of Viceroy's executive council.

Sodium bicarbonate is useful as a fire extinguisher because

It decomposes on heating to give carbon dioxide, which extinguishes fires

It releases water which extinguishes fires

It serves as blanket for fires

It emits a foam which extinguishes fires

Probiotics are.....

Safe antibiotics

Cancer inducing microbes

New kind of food allergens

Live microbial food supplement

Consider the following statements:

Dengue is the protozoan disease transmitted by mosquitoes

Retro-orbital pain is not a symptom of dengue

Skin rash and bleeding from nose and gums are some of the symptoms of dengue

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

A. 1 and 2

B. 3 only

C. 2 only

D. 1 and 3

Which one of the following vitamin can be synthesized by bacteria inside the gut?

A. BI

B. C

C. D

D. K

A person with blood group AB is sometimes is called a universal recipient because of:

A. The presence of antibodies

B. Lack of antibodies

C. Lack of antigens

D. Lack of both antigens and antibodies

An ordinary clock loses time during summer because the length of the pendulum:

Increases and therefore the time-period increases

Increases and therefore the time period decreases

Decreases and therefore the time-period increases

Decreases and therefore the time-period decreases

Stainless steel does not rust because:

Nickel present in it does not rust

Iron for, a hard chemical compound with chromium presence in it

Chromium and nickel combine with iron

Chromium forms oxide layer and protects iron from rusting.

Foot and mouth disease occurs in:

Cattle

Cattle and pigs

Cattle and sheep

Cattle, sheep and pigs

A dentist's mirror is a:

Convex mirror

Cylindrical mirror

Plane mirror

Concave mirror

The density of sea water increases as:

Depth increases and salinity decreases

Depth decreases and salinity increases

Depth and salinity decreases

Depth and salinity increases

With reference to the Indian Parliament, a 'Motion of thanks' is moved for

- a) Discussion on address given by the Speaker to the Lok' Sabha upon assuming office.
- b) Discussion on address given by the President in the first session of each year.

Discussion on address given by the President to Parliament after a general election.

Both 'b' 'c' are correct.

What are the main objectives of 'E-Governance?

Empowering people through information.

Improved efficiency within Government.

Better service delivery to the citizens.

Ushering in transparency and accountability.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

a) 1 and 3 only b)

2, 3 and 4 only c)

1, 2, 3 and 4 d) 2

and 4 only

Which of the following powers is/are enjoyed by Prime Minister in relation to the Parliament?

He can dissolve the Lok Sabha at any time

The President summons and prorogues sessions of the Parliament on his advice.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

With reference to the Union Budget in India, consider the following statement:

a) The term 'Budget' is not mentioned in the Constitution.

b) The Rajya Sabha has no power to vote on the demand for grants.

c) No demand for a grant shall be made except on the recommendation of the President.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

a) 3 only

b) 1 and 2 only

c) 1 and 3 only

1, 2 and 3

With reference to Gram Nyayalayas consider the following statement:

- 1. They are established for every panchayat the village level under the supervision of Gram Sabha.**
- 2. They exercise the powers of both criminal and civil courts.**

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

Joint sitting is provided by the Constitution to resolve a Headlock between the two Houses of Parliament over the passage of bill which of the following categories bills can a joint sitting be convened for?

- 1. Ordinary bill**
- 2. Constitutional Amendment bill**
- 3. Money bill**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 2 only

Which of the following committees made recommendations with respect to Centre-State relations?

- 1. Sarkaria Commission**
- 2. M MPunchhi Commission**
- 3. Rajamannar Committee**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1,2 and 3

The President consults the Chief Justice of India in the case of appointment of judges of

Supreme Court

High Court

Subordinate Courts

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 and 2 only
- 1 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 2 and 3 only

The Constitution has specified which of the following as languages of the Union?

- 1. Hindi (Devanagari Script)**
- 2. English**
- 3. All languages mentioned in the eighth schedule.**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1,2 and 3
- 1 and 2 only

Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Rajya Sabha is a permanent body.**
- 2. The Constitution has fixed the term of office of members of Rajya Sabha as 6 years.**

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements regarding Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003:

It provides for a legal-institutional framework for fiscal consolidation.

It aids in making monetary policy independent of fiscal policy.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

- a) 1 only

- 2 only
Both 1 and 2
Neither 1 nor 2

The 'Mahalanobis model' of growth and 'socialist pattern of society' were adopted in which of the following five-year plans?

- A. First five year plan
B. Second five year plan
C. Fourth five year plan
D. Fifth five year plan

With reference to Wholesale Price Index (WPI). Consider the following statements:

1. It is released by the Department of Expenditure under the Ministry of Finance.
2. The base year for WPI calculations is 2008-09.
3. WPI does not cover services.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct ?

- 1 and 2 only
2 and 3 only
3 only
1,2 and 3

An increase in overall GDP of a nation with no change in population will necessarily lead to:

1. Higher per capita income
2. Better living standards for all
3. Lower income inequalities
4. Higher gender parity

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
1 and 2 only
3 and 4 only
1,2 and 4 only

Which of the following is not a major objective of setting up a Special Economic Zone (SEZ)?

- Attracting Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)
Earning foreign exchange

- Developing backward regions
Giving boost to manufacturing sector only

With reference to Make in India programme, Consider the following statements:

1. It aims to develop India as a leading manufacturing destination.
2. Under the programme, tax concessions have been provided to the Foreign Direct Investors.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct ?

- 1 only
2 only
Both 1 and 2
Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements regarding Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) in India:

1. It is defined as a portfolio investment by non-residents which is above 50% of the capital in a country.
2. Investors are prohibited from investing in Government securities.

Which of the statement given below is/are correct ?

- 1 only
2 only
Both 1 and 2
Neither 1 nor 2

Arrange the following capitals of the North-Eastern states from west to east:

- 1) Dispur
- 2) Itanagar
- 3) Gangtok
- 4) Kohima

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 4-2-3-1
1-2-3-4
3-1-2-4
3-1-4-2

Which among the following ranges forms the meeting point of Eastern and Western Ghats?

- Nilgiri Hills
- Javadi Hills
- Satmala Hills
- Nallamalla Hills

With reference to landslides in India. Which of the following areas comes under the 'high vulnerability zone'?

1. Rajasthan
2. North-eastern states excluding parts of Assam
3. Chattisgarh

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Consider the following pairs:

red Soil : piedmont zone of Western Ghats
peaty Soil : southern part of Uttarakhand
saline Soil : deltas of the eastern coast and in Sunderban areas of West Bengal

Which of the statement given below is/are correct ?

- 1 and 3 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 2 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Tibetan plateau is an example of which of the following?

1. Tectonic plateau
2. Intermont plateau
3. Loess plateau

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
- 1 and 2 only
- 2 only
- 1 and 3 only

In India, the terms, 'Akal', Trikal, 'Jalkal' are related to

- Droughts
- Floods
- Earthquakes
- Landslides

The Strait of Dover is located between

- Russia and United States
- England and France
- Spain and Morocco
- Italy and Albania

Consider the following pairs:

Pass	State
1. Zoji La:	Arunachal Pradesh
2. Shipki La:	Himachal Pradesh
3. Jelep La:	Sikkim
4. Bara Lacha La:	Uttarakhand

Which of the statement given below is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 3 and 4 only
- 1 and 4 only

Which of the following theories is/are related to the origin of universe?

1. Big bang Theory
2. Hoyle's Steady State Theory
3. The Big Splat Theory

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3 only

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- A. Indian Ocean B.
- Antarctic Ocean C.
- Atlantic Ocean D.
- Pacific Ocean

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All languages mentioned in the eighth schedule.

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- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1,2 and 3 d)
- 1 and 2 only

Panorama of Himalayan architecture book written by noted writer?

- A. O.C. Handa
- B. AmiteshGuleria
- C. ParthBijalwan
- D. J.C Handa

Of which river tributaries are sarvari, parvati and neugal streams?

- A. Satluj
- B. Beas C.
- Ravi D.
- Yamuna

Pagoda style oftemple of Kho khan at kullu is the only temple of brahmain North India after the pushkar temple?

- A. Adi Brahma B.
- Gauri Shankar C.
- Shri Brahma D.
- Laxmi Narayan

An eminent personality of Himachal Pradesh resident of Palampur who join Indian National Congress on the call of Mahatma Gandhi and also attended the Lahore session of INC in 1919.

- A. Shri Amin Chand
- B. PT. Amar Nath Sharma
- C. Sh. Anant Ram
- D. None of these

79. Find the wrong one

- A. Bishop cotton school - 1868
- B. Gaiety Theatre - 1887
- C. Auckland house school - 1835
- D. Railway Board building - 1820

Shakti Devi temple located in

- Chatrari (chamba)
- Kugti (Chamba)
- Ulansa (Chamba)
- Rinlu (Kangra)

Find the wrong one major and medium irrigation project in H.P

- 1. Phinasingh project - chamba
- 2. GadaGushaini - Kullu
- 3. Churu Project - Una
- 4. Shahnehar - Kangra

- A. 1,2,3 are correct
- B. 1,2,4 are correct
- C. 1,2,3,4 all are correct
- D. None of the Above

Match the following

Horse and yak breeding farm- Lari, Lahaul and Spiti

Him hatchery- Sundernagar, Mandi

Sheep Breeding farm- Tal, Hamirpur

Rabbit Breeding Farm- Kandwari, Kangra

- A. 1,2,3 are correct
- B. 1,2,4 are correct
- C. 1,2,3,4 all are correct
- D. None of the Above

H.P state handloom and Handcraft Board was established in

- A. 1974
- B. 1970
- C. 1972
- D. None of these

Kalka Shimla rail line was given to East India Company on 29th June in 1898. This rail line has oldest communication network

system in World Kalka Shimla line was declared world heritage on

- A. 8th July 2008
- B. 7th May 2007
- C. 4 March 2008
- D. None of the above

“Sanjha Van-Sanjivani Van” with an aim of making Himachal Pradesh a ‘Herbal state’ this scheme was introduced during

- 2009-10
- 2007-08
- 2004-05
- 2017-18

The economy of H.P is expected to achieve a growth rate in the current financial year 2018-19 is

- 6.8%
- 7.3%
- 7.6%
- 7.9%

An online monitoring system has been started for the monitoring of the welfare scheme, employment generation and Jan-March is?

- Him-Unnati
- Him pragati
- Him kausha
- None of the above

Find the wrong one following folk dances of H.P?

- 1. Karthu - Kullu
- 2. Shand and shabu - Lahaul & Spiti
- 3. Namagen - Kinnaur
- 4. Chohara Dance - Shimla

- A. 1,2,3,4 all are correct
- B. 1,2,4 are correct
- C. 2,3,4 are correct
- D. None of the above

Chaichu fair held at Rewalsar begins on

- 13th April
- 13 Feb

- C. 16 October
- D. 26 May

Find the wrong one

- 1. Dhamwari Sunda project - Shimla
- 2. Khab Power Project - Kinnaur
- 3. Thirot Hydel Project - Lahaul & Spiti
- 4. Alayan-Duhangan project - Kullu

- A. 1,2,3,4 all are correct
- B. 1,2,4 are correct
- C. 2,3,4 are correct
- D. None of the above

Lohtikri stone inscription near Churah in Chamba was founded by

- A. Jasata Verman
- B. Lalita Verman
- C. Meru Verman
- D. Sahil Verman

Simbalbara national park in Distt Sirmour was established in

- A. 2010
- B. 2011
- C. 2009
- D. 2012

Which of the following is not true about Ghamand Chand?

- A. He is mentioned as most intelligent king
- B. He is appointed as governor of Punjab
- C. He was the first war loving King
- D. He was the first king to be defeated by a widow

Evidences of 12th and 13th century found at Vaidyanath and Kirgram (Bajinath) rock inscription. The script used on these rock inscription is:

- A. Tankri
- B. Sharada
- C. Gurmukhi
- D. Dogri

Who played vital role during the munity of 1857AD?

- Parab Chand son of raja fateh Chand of kangra.
- Partap Singh Son of Raja Kishen Singh of Kullu.
- SubedarBhim Singh of Jathog Battalion.
- All of the Above

Name of the king of hill state who produced themselves before the vice regal court at Agra and got the honor with a' Afghanistan Amir'?

- Suraj Sen of Mandi in 1913 AD.
- Jai Chand of Nalagarh in 1921 AD.
- Bhuri Singh of Chamba in 1907 AD.
- Bir Sen of Mandi in 1911 AD.

Which of the following does not hold the post of chief commissioner during the period of commissioner's territory?

- NC Mehta, 25th April, 1948 to 9th Jan, 1950 AD.
- Mangat Rai, 26th Jan, 1950 to 29th MARCH, 1952 AD.
- E. Panderal Moon, 9th March, 1951 TO 19TH Feb, 1952 AD.

D. BhagwanSaha, 30th March, 1952 to 19th Feb, 1963 AD.

Solan district was formed with merger of Mahasu& Shimla district which two district were formed in 1972 AD.?

- Shimla &Kinnaur
- Shimla &Solan
- Solan&Sirmour
- Shimla &Kullu

In which year, Four Lok Sabha seats was provided to state by the Parliament?

- 1970 AD.
- 1971 AD.
- 1972 AD.
- 1973 AD.

Which wazir of Lahaul led the Mesopotamia (Iraq) sixth Labourvahini to help Britishers in World War-I during 1914-1919 AD.?

- Thakur Tara Chand
- Thakur Hukam Chand
- Thakur Amar Chand
- Thakur Ram Chand

ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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HPAS-CSAT (FULL LENGTH) TEST - 1

Directions: Read the passage and answer the following questions:

By asking five prominent private hospitals in the national capital to deposit nearly Rs.600 crore to compensate for their failure to treat poor patients, the Delhi government has drawn attention to the social obligation of healthcare providers in the corporate sector as well as the need for timely enforcement of applicable regulations. According to the Kejriwal government, trusts and registered societies to which public land was allotted to establish hospitals were required to earmark a percentage of their medical facilities and services for indigent patients. The administration is now moving against institutions that failed to comply with the provision. As early as in 2007, the Delhi High Court had acted on a public interest litigation to lay down that 10 per cent of inpatient facilities and 25 per cent of outpatient services be provided free of cost to the poor. The effect of non-compliance was the repayment of the allegedly “unwarranted profits” the hospitals had made. The hospitals that have now been fined dispute any failure to treat the required number of indigent patients and plan to challenge the order. While the courts will have the final say on the dispute, the principle of opposing profiteering in the health sector cannot be faulted.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) estimates that government accounts for only one-third of India’s healthcare spend — well below what is desirable. As a result, we have a situation in which the private sector accounts for a significant part of healthcare services. Given the low penetration of health insurance, about 86 per cent of expenditure on health comes out of people’s pockets. This strengthens the case for private hospitals to dedicate a part of their services to those who cannot afford treatment. However, there is no national legislation that makes this mandatory. In the case of Delhi, it is enforced as a condition on which land is allotted to private hospitals. Wherever such regulations can be legally enforced, it is best that they are monitored on real-time basis and rigorously enforced. In the present case, it has taken years to assess the audited accounts of the hospitals and initiate action to recover their profits. Enforcing social obligations of private service providers must go hand in hand with other measures to achieve the real goals of

health policy: universal health coverage and protection for all sections against excessive out-of-pocket medical expenditure.

What is The World Health Organisation’s (WHO) estimation regarding government’s expenditure on India’s healthcare?

only one-fourth of India’s healthcare spend

only one-third of India’s healthcare spend

only one-fifth of India’s healthcare spend

only half of India’s healthcare spend

Not mentioned in the passage

Which among the following is TRUE according to the passage given above?

it has taken years to assess the audited accounts of the hospitals and revert their profits.

social obligations of private service providers must go hand in hand with other measures to achieve the real goals of state politics

The Board of directors will be the final decision making authority in the current situation.

Both 1 and 2

None of the above

What per cent of expenditure on health is borne by the people themselves?

25 to 75 per cent expenditure

10 per cent expenditure

About 86 per cent of expenditure

About 90 per cent of expenditure

Not mentioned in the passage

According to the passage, against whom is the administration now moving?

Against the institutions that failed to comply with the provision

Against the private hospitals

Against the government Hospitals

Both 1 & 3

None of these

Why have hospitals planned to challenge the Delhi High Court’s order?

Private hospitals to dedicate a part of their services to those who cannot afford treatment

Hospitals were required to earmark a percentage of their medical facilities and services for indigent patients

The hospitals were fined due to failure to treat the required number of indigent patients

All of the above

None of these

Which of the following is the most suitable title for the given passage?

Prominent private hospitals in the national capital

The World Health Organisation's (WHO) estimations

Public land and private treatment

Universal health coverage and protection for all sections

None of these

Which of the following is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning to litigation?

(a) inmate (b) illegality

(c) contention (d) lawsuit

(e) None of these

Which of the following is MOST OPPOSITE in meaning to outpatient?

(a) prosecution (b) dispute

(c) doctor (d) convalescent

(e) None of these

Which of the following is MOST SIMILAR in meaning to penetration?

(a) illusion (b) sufferer

(c) diffusion (d) conscience

(e) None of these

Which of the following is MOST SIMILAR in meaning to obligations?

(a) punching (b) osmosis

(c) ingress (d) constraint

None of these

A low context culture is one where

Most of the information is unspoken

Most of the information is explicitly stated in a verbal message

Most of the information is apparent

Most of the information is non-existent

Which of the following statements is not connected with communication?

Medium is the message

The World is an electronics cocoon

Information is power

Telepathy is technological

International communication occurs only when

A person exchanges idea with another one as a unique individual

A large number of people are communication

with each other at the same time

Only friends are talking

None of above

Non-verbal messages are

Overestimated in important

Attempts at manipulation and should be ignored

Only friends are talking

None of the above

Communication between two or more people is called

Organizational communication

Interpersonal communication

Extrapersonal communication

Intrapersonal communication

The facial expression of the students relate to which elements of the communication process?

Message

Receiver

Channel

Sender

Channel used for downward communication are

Types of print

Oral media

Handbook manuals

All of the above

Which communication has an emotional appeal?

Intrapersonal communication

Interpersonal communication

Mass communication

Group Communication

Which of the following can be termed as 'contact' of communication?

An interference with message reception

Effective communication

Verbal and non verbal responses to message

A physical and psychological

The average age of a group of 16 persons is 28 yrs and 3 months. Two persons each 58 yrs old left the group. The average age of the remaining persons is

(1) 26 (2) 24

(3) 22 (4) 20

None of these

Compound interest of a sum of money for 2 years at 4% per annum is Rs. 2,448. Simple interest of the same sum of money at the same rate of interest for 2 years will be—

(1) Rs. 2,500 (2) Rs. 2,400

(3) Rs. 2,360 (4) Rs. 2,250

(5) None of these

A cubic metre of gold is extended by hammering so as to cover an area of 6 hectares. Find the thickness of the gold.

- (1) 0.0015 cm (2) 0.0017 cm
(3) 0.0019 cm (4) 0.0021 cm
(5) None of these

One-third of a number is 96. What will 67% of that number be?

- (1) 192.96 (2) 18144
(3) 169.92 (4) 204.48
None of these

Find the no. of ways in which 4 identical balls can be distributed among 6 identical boxes, if not more than one ball goes into a box?

- (1) 10 (2) 12
(3) 15 (4) 18
(5) None of these

Direction: In each question below is given a statement followed by two courses of action numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true and on the basis of the information given in the statement, decide which of the suggested courses of action logically follow(s) for pursuing.

- If only I follows
If only II follows
If either I or II follows
If neither I nor II follows
If both I and II follow.

Statement: There is a substantial increase in the number of accidents causing deaths and severe injuries due to malfunctioning of the traffic signals.

Courses of action:

- I. The traffic police should immediately post traffic personnel at the junction.
II. The signal system should immediately be repaired or replaced.

Statement: The chairman stressed the need for making education system more flexible and regretted that the curriculum has not been revised in keeping with the pace of the changes taking place

Courses of action:

- I. Curriculum should be reviewed and revised periodically.
II. System of education should be made more flexible.

Statement: India has continuously experiencing military threats from its neighboring countries.

Courses of action:

I. India should engage into an all out war to stop the nagging threats.

India should get the neighbors into a serious dialogue to reduce the assembly elections.

Directions: What should come in place of the question mark (?) in the following number series?

28. 24 ? 109 134 150 159

- (a) 73 (b) 65
(c) 86 (d) 53
(e) None of these

29. 17 9 10 ? 35 90

- (a) 21 (b) 27.5
(c) 19 (d) 16.5
(e) None of these

30. 3 20 78 332 1680 ?

- (a) 8410 (b) 9836
(c) 10098 (d) 1150
(e) None of these

31. 17 36 74 150 ? 592

- (a) 210 (b) 290
(c) 428 (d) 430
(e) None of these

32. 3 5 15 ? 1125 84375

- (a) 75 (b) 20
(c) 45 (d) 80
(e) None of these

If '÷' denotes '+', '+' denotes 'x', '-' denotes '÷', 'x' denotes '-' then $27 \times 3 \div 6 + 9 - 8 = ?$

- (1) 41 (2) -41
(3) -37 (4) 37

The minimum number of colours required to paint all the surface of a cube such that no two adjacent surfaces may have the same colour, is:

- (1) 1 (2) 2
(3) 3 (4) 4

Directions: Find the missing number from the given responses.

35.

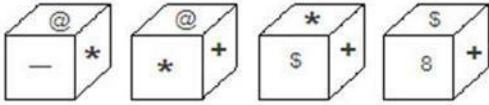
7	51	2
6	40	4
5	28	?

- (1) 1 (2) 3
(3) 2 (4) 0

Point B is 4 meters north of point A. Point E is 8 meters east of point B. Point C is 5 meters east of point A. Point D is 9 meters west of point C. Then how much distance it is required to be covered to go from point A to point D

- (1) 4 meters (2) 9 meters

- (3) 5 meters (4) 14 meters
Which symbol will be on the face opposite to the face with symbol *



- (1)@ (2)\$
(3)8 (4) +

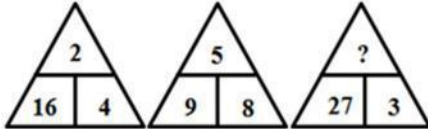
Directions: In the following questions, select the missing number from the given responses.

38.

6	3	11	7	4	1
25		70		-12	
4	2	6	8	?	5

- (1) -7 (2) -6
(3) 2 (4) 1

39.



- (1) 6 (2) 7
(3) 8 (4) 9

40. Find the number of triangles in the given figure.



- (1) 12 (2) 18
(3) 14 (4) 15

Direction:- In the question given below, there are two statements followed by two conclusions numbered as I and II. You have to take the given two statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read the conclusion and then decide which of the conclusion logically follows from the two given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

41. **Statement:** No egg is an apple. Some apples are oranges All oranges are mushrooms

Conclusion: I. Some eggs are oranges.
All mushrooms are oranges
III. Some mushrooms are apples.
IV. No mushrooms is an egg.

- Only I and II follow (b) Only IV follow
(c) Only III follow (d) None of these

Statement: All toys are dolls.
Some toys are cars.
Some dolls are chains.

Conclusion: I. some dolls are cars.

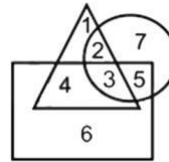
Some chains are cars.

III. Some chains are toys.

IV. No doll is car.

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only I and IV follows
(c) Only I and III follow (d) None of these

In the given figure, triangle represents the women, square represents the healthy and circle represents the old. Find out the area of the figure which represents the "women who are old but not healthy".



- a) 2 b) 4 c) 6 d) 3

44. Find out the missing number?

16	100	121
25	36	81
9	16	?

- a) 49 b) 20 c) 36 d) 19

Zoya's Birthday is on Friday 14th August. On what day of the week urvi's birthday in the same year if she was born on 4th November?

- a) Monday b) Thursday
c) Saturday d) Wednesday

46. If 'SHABDKOSH' is written as 'XRKMPNCXR' in a code, how can HOSKSD be written in the code?

- a) RCXNPX b) RCPXNX
c) RCXNXPd) RCXMRX

A father is five time as old as his son. After 24 years he'll be twice as old as his son. Their present ages (in years)

- a) 50,10 b) 40, 8 c) 55, 11 d) 45,9 **Directions:**

Read the following information to answer the questions based on it. Seven friends are sited in a line as follow.

Era and Fatima have one friend between them.

Gauri is to the immediate right of Amit.

Baani is to the immediate left of Fatima.

There is one friend between Divya and Amit.

Divya is not Gauri's neighbour.

Gauri and Fatima have two friends between them.

48. Which friend is second to the left of Amit ?

- a) Sam b) Baani c) Divya d) Era

49. Which friend will be exactly in the middle of the row?

- a) Divya b) Amit c) Era d) Gauri

Which pair of the friends is adjacent to the Baani?

- a) Amit and Sam b) Gauri and Divya
c) Era and Fatima d) Sam and Amit

51. At what time between 9 and 10 O'clock will the hands of a watch be together?

- a) 45 minute past 9 b) 50 minute past 9
c) — minute past 9 d) — minute past 9

The cost of an article was Rs 75. The cost was first increased by 20% and later on it was reduced by 20%. The present cost of the article is

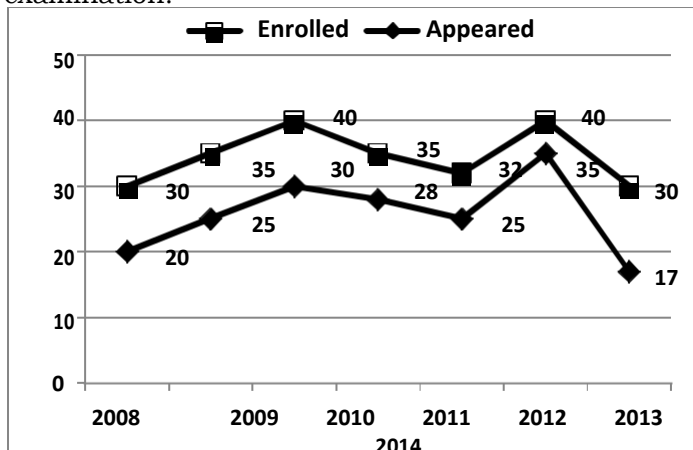
- (1) Rs. 72 (2) Rs. 60
(3) Rs. 75 (4) Rs. 90

The area of a circular field is equal to the area of a rectangular field. The ratio of the length and the breadth of the rectangular field is 14 : 11 respectively and perimeter is 100 metres. What is the diameter of the circular field?

- (1) 14 metres (2) 22 metres
(3) 24 metres (4) 28 metres

Directions: Study the following graph carefully and answer the questions given below it.

Following graph shows the number of students enrolled and appeared (in hundreds) for an examination.



What is the respective ratio between the number of students enrolled in 2009 and the number of students appeared in 2011?

- a) 5:4 b) 14:11 c) 9:13 d) 11:14

In which of the following years was the percentage of students appeared to enrolled minimum?

- a) 2010 b) 2013 c) 2008 d) 2009

What is the approximate percentage decrease in the number of students enrolled from 2010 to 2011?

- a) 5% b) 15% c) 12.5% d) 18%

A father said to his son, "I was as old as you are at present at the time of your birth". If the father's age is 38 years now, what was son's age five years back?

- a) 20 years b) 18 years
c) 14 years d) 22 years

Directions: You have a passage with five questions following. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

PASSAGE – I

In May 1966, the World Health Organisation was authorised to initiate a global campaign to eradicate smallpox. The goal was to eradicate the disease in one decade. Because similar projects for malaria and yellow fever had failed, few believed that smallpox could actually be eradicated; but eleven after the initial organisation of the campaign, no cases were reported in the field.

The strategy was not only to provide mass vaccinations, but also to isolate patients with active small-pox in order to contain the spread of the disease and to break the chain of human transmission. Rewards for reporting small-pox assisted in motivating the public to aid health workers. One by one, each small-pox victim was sought out, removed from contact with others and treated. At the same time, the entire village where the victim had lived was vaccinated.

Today small-pox is no longer a threat to humanity. Routine vaccinations have been stopped worldwide.

Which of the following is the best title for the passage?

- The world Health Organisation
The eradication of Small-pox
Small-pox Vaccinations
Infectious Diseases

What was the goal of the campaign against small-pox?
To decrease the spread of smallpox worldwide
To eliminate small-pox worldwide in ten years
To provide mass vaccinations against small-pox worldwide
To initiate worldwide projects for small-pox malaria and yellow fever at the same time.
According to the paragraph, what was the strategy used to eliminate the spread of small-pox ?
Vaccination of the entire village
Treatment of individual victims
Isolation of victims and mass vaccinations
Extensive reporting of outbreaks
Which statement doesn't refer to small-pox ?
Previous project had failed
People are no longer vaccinated for it
The World health organisation mounted a worldwide campaign to eradicate the disease.
It was a serious threat.
It can be inferred that
no new cases of small-pox have been reported this year
malaria and yellow fever have been eliminated
small-pox victims no longer die when they contract the disease.
small-pox is not transmitted from one person to another.

Directions: In the following two questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Chose the correct alternative out of the four.

63.wins this civil war there will be little rejoicing at the victory
(1) Whichever (2) Whoever
(3) Whatever (4) Wherever
She made her stepson her to her large fortune.
(1) hare (2) heir
(3) hair (4) here
65. The worker used.....to patch up the hole in the wall
(1) sand (2) cement
(3) soil (4) grass

Directions: In the following three questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

- This is our house and that is.....
(1) theirs (2) their's
(3) their (4) them
67. Theof the 'Chief' was upon him.
(1) name, dismissed (2) title, imposed
(3) appointment, thrown (4) title, bestowed
She was so.....that she was.....by all.
(1) stupid, admired (2) proud, respected
(3) excellent, warned (4) talented, praised
Directions: In the following three questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.
69. I have to recite Tagore's sonnet. I will be theone to do so in my school.
(1) solitary (2) only
(3) earliest (4) initial
70. The officer.....the car to speak to the driver.
(1) Stopped (2) had stopped
(3) stops (4) has stopped
71. My father.....home last week.
(1) made out (2) came down
(3) left off (4) went back

Directions: You have a passage with five questions following. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

PASSAGE - I

In November 1981, he joined Sydenham college as a professor of political economic and worked there for two years. With his little savings, some help from the Maharaja of Kolhapur, and with a loan of five thousand rupees from his friend, Naval Bhathena, he left for England in 1920 to complete his studies in Law and Economics and kept his terms at Gray's Institute of Law. He turned his attention to the London Museum where the relics of the saintly and scientific thoughts are preserved, where the ruins of the antique world are displayed and where Karl Marx, Nazzini, Lenin and Savarkar had dug for knowledge and digested it, In the Museum, he poured over books from morning till evening. Time was an important factor with him. To Save both money and time, he would go without lunch. After this, the second round of reading begins at his residence. The endless reading would go on till early morning. He told his room-mate that his poverty and want of time required him to finish his studies as early as possible.

During these studies in London for academic eminence, he had not forgotten the real aim in his life. He could not for a minute forget the dumb faces of the untouchables in India. He took up this matter with the Secretary of State for India and also held discussions with Mr. Vithalbhair Patel in London. Nor paper read before the Students Union and also on his famous thesis "The Problem of the Rupees", he exposed the hollowness of the British policies in India, which caused a stir in the academic world of London and Ambedkar was suspected to be an Indian Revolutionary.

72. Dr. Ambedkar was a teacher of

- (1) Literature (2) Political Science
(3) Political Economic (4) Law

Who amongst the following was Dr. Ambedkar's benefactor?

- (1) Raja of Kolhapur (2) Lord Gray
(3) Raja of Kathiawar (4) Queen of England

Name Dr. Ambedkar's friend who helped him to go to England

- (1) Lenin (2) Naval Bhathena
(3) Nawal Kishore (4) Kari Marx

Why did Dr. Ambedkar try to finish his studies as early as possible ?

- due to adverse climate
due to nostalgia
due to tillness

for lack of resources and time

Where did Dr. Ambedkar teach ?

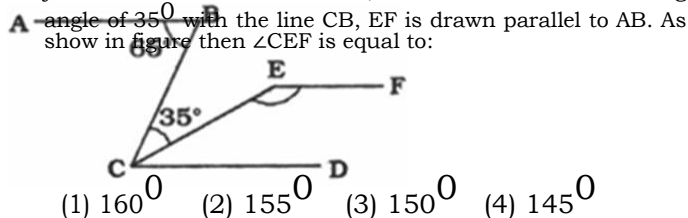
London Museum

Gray's Institute of Law

London School of Economic

Sydenham College

AB and CD are two parallel lines. The points B and C are joined such that $\angle ABC = 65^\circ$, A line CE is drawn making an angle of 35° with the line CB, EF is drawn parallel to AB. As show in figure then $\angle CEF$ is equal to:



PASSAGE

The most recent case of euthanasia in India was that of a Mumbai couple who approached the courts to seek medical termination of a pregnancy after the

legally permissible abortion time limit had been crossed. According to the parents, the foetus had been detected to have serious disabilities which would affect the quality of life of the child if born. The court denied them permission, giving its own logic underlining the unborn baby's right to live despite disabilities. Fortunately or unfortunately, the issue was resolved in a different way when the mother suffered a miscarriage a little later and lost the baby.

Globally, in a landmark case, a British teenage girl won the right to die the way she wants. Terminally ill Hanah Jones, just 13 years old, has spent much of the past eight years in hospital wards undergoing treatment for leukaemia. Euthanasia is complex because the issue is attached to ending life, voluntarily. Surprisingly, today it has been legalised only in a handful of countries. But here too and elsewhere the many forms of euthanasia have been taken into consideration.

The courts in India have the authority to sanction euthanasia.

The courts consider the age of the foetus before granting permission for abortion.

It is fortunate that the Mumbai couple lost the baby.

The author is against legalising euthanasia.

The British courts allow anyone to die the way one want.

The Mumbai couple approached the court because the courts have the authority to sanction euthanasia. Hence, the inference is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is probably true.

if the data provided is inadequate to answer the question.

if the answer is definitely false.

if the answer is probably false.

In the first passage, the couple approached the court as the legally permissible abortion time limit had been crossed. From this we can definitely conclude that there is a legally permissible time limit for abortion. So, the inference is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is probably true.

if the data provided is inadequate to answer the question.

if the answer is definitely false.

if the answer is probably false.

At the end of the first paragraph "Fortunately or unfortunately the issue.....lost the baby". The author himself is not sure whether the incident is fortunate or unfortunate. So, the inference is definitely false.

if you think that the answer is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is probably true.

if the data provided is inadequate to answer the question.

if the answer is definitely false.

if the answer is probably false.

In the second paragraph it is given that "surprisingly today it has been.... countries". From this we can conclude that the author is in favour of euthanasia. Hence, the inference is definitely false.

if you think that the answer is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is probably true.

if the data provided is inadequate to answer the question.

if the answer is definitely false.

if the answer is probably false.

No where in the world one can die in the way one want, but if the person cannot be soured by any medical treatment, those persons can die that to with the permission of the courts. So, the inference is definitely false.

if you think that the answer is definitely true.

if you think that the answer is probably true.

if the data provided is inadequate to answer the question.

if the answer is definitely false.

if the answer is probably false.

Direction: Study the following table carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Number of students Passed and failed in five classes of school over the years

YEARS	CLASSES									
	VI		VII		VIII		IX		X	
	PA SS	FA IL	PA SS	FA IL	PA SS	FA IL	PA SS	FA IL	PA SS	FA IL
2001	50	42	76	14	58	18	65	17	48	23
2002	60	19	95	22	71	30	75	12	76	28
2003	45	13	61	19	49	15	48	08	74	20
2004	58	21	75	25	80	28	60	11	84	14
2005	55	18	66	29	59	26	70	13	65	17
2006	68	31	54	38	77	34	82	21	55	14

83. What is the average number of failed students from class VII for the given years?

- (a) 29.5 (b) 27 (c) 26.5
(d) 24.5 (e) none

What is ratio between total number of passed students and total number of failed students for years 2006?

- 2 : 1 (b) 56 : 23 (c) 69 : 13

- 69 : 35 (e) none

Which of the following classes has the maximum number of passed students, as compared to the total number of students of that class, over the years?

- (a) VI (b) VII (c) VIII

- (d) IX (e) X

What is the number of passed students, for all the classes together, in the year 2003 ?

- (a) 277 (b) 297 (c) 315

- (d) 357 (e) none

What is the total percentage of passed students of class VI from all the years together?

- (a) 50 (b) 82 (c) 70

- (d) 77 (e) none

Directions: The following table shows the number of days for which 4 individuals A, B, C and D worked on 5 different projects numbered 1 to 5. It also shows the part of respective project that could not be completed by individuals in time.

Some values are missing which are denoted by symbol (-). With the help of information in questions and table below answer the questions that follow.

Project No.	No. of days for which individuals worked on different Projects				Part of project uncompleted after all worked
	A	B	C	D	
1	6	6	2	3	1/3
2	-	3	4	-	-
3	-	-	-	-	-
4	5	3	2	-	1/6
5	2	2	3	5	1/12

A and B started working on Project 1. They completed 1/3rd of work after which they left and C joined the project. C can complete the whole project in 12 days. After C worked for his assigned number of days, D joined the project and worked for his assigned number of days. Find the number of days in which D can complete the whole Project 1?

- (a) 15 days (b) 20 days (c) 18 days
(d) 25 days (e) 12 days

89. A who can complete project 2 in 20 days, worked for 6 days. The ratio of number of days in which B and C can complete Project 2 alone is 5: 8. D

could not come to work for project 2. Find the

number of days in which B and C can complete 13/30 of project 2 together, given that if D who can complete work in 12 days had also joined the project for 4 days, the project would have been completed.

- (a) 3 days (b) 6 days (c) 5 days
(d) 4 days (e) 8 days

90. Project 3 was to be completed in 6 days. To complete project in time, all A, B, C and D decided to work in pairs in alternate days. A and C on 1st day, B and D on 2nd day, A and C on 3rd, and so on. But they could not complete project in time. What percent of project 3 remain uncompleted if A,B,C and D can complete whole project 3 in 12, 18, 20 and 15 days respectively?

- (a) 27- % (b) 21- % (c) 25- %
(d) 24- % (e) 23-%

91. B and C can complete the whole project 4 in 6 days working together. A is 20% more efficient than C and 40% less efficient than B. How many days did D work on project 4 if D can complete whole project 4 in 18 days?

- (a) 5 days (b) 4 days (c) 2 days
(d) 1 day (e) 6 days

92. A, E and D worked on project numbered 5. B and C alone can complete whole project

numbered 5 in 20 and 30 days respectively. E who is - times efficient than B and C together

replaces both of them and worked for same

number of days for which B and C had to work.

A completed — th of the work. Find in how many days all A, B, C, and D can complete the project 5 together.

- (a) 3 days (b) 6 days (c) 8 days
(d) 11 days (e) 9 days

93. Distance of the point (8, 15) from the origin is:

- (1) 16 (2) 19 (3) -16 (4) 17

94. Graphs of $x - y = 8$ and $3x - 3y = 16$ are drawn.

The lines (are):

- (1) parallel (2) perpendicular
(3) intersect (4) None of these

95. The food was..... for ten men.

- (a) enough (b) very
(c) much (d) None

96. Aditya sings well and does Aditi

- (a) very (b) so
(c) as (d) None

97. Who was the general, Alexander or Caesar.

- (a) great (b) greater (c) greatest (d) none

98.precaution is necessary in handling that machine.

- (a) Little (b) the little (c) a little (d) a few

99. I got your parcel Tuesday.

- (a) since (b) for (c) to (d) on

100. She was married an early age.

- (a) for (b) of (c) at (d) in

ANSWER KEY

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CURRENT AFFAIRS

GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

PRADHAN MANTRI ANNADATA AAY SANRAKSHAN ABHIYAN (PM AASHA)

Why in News?

Recently, the Union Cabinet approved a new umbrella scheme – 'Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan' (PM-AASHA).

PM-AASHA scheme thus aims to plug the gaps in procurement system, address issues in MSP system and give better returns to farmers.

PRADHAN MANTRI KISAN SAMMAN NIDHI (PM-KISAN)

This is a Central Sector Scheme and will be funded fully by the Government of India.

Objective:

To provide income support to all Small and Marginal landholding farmer families having cultivable land.

To supplement the financial needs of the farmers in procuring various inputs to ensure proper crop health and appropriate yields, commensurate with the anticipated farm income.

Benefits: Under the scheme, financial benefit as given below will be provided to all Small and Marginal landholder farmer families across the country

Landholder Farmer families with total cultivable holding upto 2 hectares shall be provided a benefit of Rs.6000 per annum per family payable in three equal installments, every four months.

The State/UT Government has the responsibility of identifying the eligible beneficiaries.

A dedicated PM Kisan Portal will be launched for implementation of the scheme.

PM SHRAM-YOGI MAANDHAN YOJANA

The scheme of Ministry of Labour and Employment for providing pension to the informal workers.

Eligible beneficiaries: The unorganised workers whose monthly income is Rs 15,000/ per month or less and belong to the entry age group of 18-40 years are eligible for the scheme and they should not be covered under New Pension Scheme (NPS), Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) scheme or Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO).

The beneficiary should also not be an income tax payer.

Pension: They shall receive minimum assured pension of Rs 3000/- per month after age of 60 years.

In case of death during the receipt of pension, his/her spouse shall be entitled to receive 50% of the pension received by the beneficiary as family pension {Family pension is applicable only to spouse.}.

In case of death before 60 years of age, his/her spouse will be entitled to join and continue the scheme subsequently by payment of regular contribution or exit the scheme as per provisions of exit and withdrawal.

Contribution by the Subscriber: He/she is required to contribute the prescribed contribution amount from the age of joining PM-SYM till the age of 60 years. The contributions from workers per month will change depending on the applicant's age like at the age of 18 years would have to

contribute Rs 55, whereas workers at the age of 29 years would pay Rs 100. Those in the upper age limit of 40 years will have to pay Rs 220.

Matching contribution by the Central Government: PMSYM is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme on a 50:50 basis where prescribed age-specific contribution shall be made by the beneficiary and the matching contribution by the Central Government.

FAME {FASTER ADOPTION AND MANUFACTURING OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES IN INDIA} INDIA PHASE II:

It will be implemented over the period of 3 years from 2019-20 to 2021-22 with the total outlay of over 10,000 cr. The main objective of the scheme is to encourage faster adoption of electric & hybrid vehicle by the way of market creation and indigenization.

RIVER INFORMATION SYSTEM

Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) has taken up installation of River Information System (RIS) initially in National Waterway-1 (NW-1) on river Ganga, in three phases, viz.
 Haldia-Farakka Stretch (already operationalized)
 Farakka-Patna Stretch (covered under Phase 2), The Union Minister of Shipping recently inaugurated this Phase which covers a stretch of 410 km.
 Patna-Varanasi Stretch.

PRADHAN MANTRI UJJAWALA YOJANA

Aim: To provide 8 crore deposit free LPG connections to women from BPL households by 2020.
 The LPG Connection is released in the name of adult woman of the BPL Family, with a financial support of RS 1600/- subject to the condition that no LPG connection exists in the name of any family member of the household.
 Consumers also have the option to purchase gas stove and refills on EMI (zero interest), recovered through LPG subsidy received by the beneficiary.
 The scope of beneficiaries was extended recently.
 Earlier, beneficiaries under the PMUY were all the BPL families who suffer with at least one deprivation under Socio-caste census 2011.
 Now it has been expanded to cover all SC/ST households, beneficiaries of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), PMAY (Gramin), forest dwellers, most backward classes (MBC), Tea and Ex-Tea Garden Tribes, people residing in Islands or rivers island also those among holders of both ration cards and Aadhaar, who will identify themselves as poor through self-declaration.

OPERATION GREENS

It is the Central Sector Scheme announced in the Budget speech of 2018-19 with an outlay of Rs 500 crores to stabilize the supply of Tomato, Onion and Potato (TOP) crops and to ensure availability of TOP crops throughout the country round the year without price volatility.
 The Centre has identified 17 top producing clusters across 8 states (Maharashtra, Bihar, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Odisha and West Bengal) for the first phases of this initiative.

Major objectives of "Operation Greens"

Enhancing value realisation of TOP farmers by targeted interventions to strengthen TOP production clusters and their Farmer Producers Organizations (FPOs), and linking/connecting them with the market.

Price stabilisation for producers and consumers by proper production planning in the TOP clusters and introduction of dual use varieties.

Reduction in post-harvest losses by creation of farm gate infrastructure, development of suitable agro-logistics, creation of appropriate storage capacity linking consumption centres to increase shell life.

Increase in food processing capacities and value addition in TOP value chain with firm linkages with production clusters.

Setting up of a market intelligence network to collect and collate real time data on demand and supply and price of TOP crops.

ADVANCED MOTOR FUELS TECHNOLOGY COLLABORATION PROGRAMME:

Recently, Cabinet was apprised that India is joining Advanced Motor Fuels Technology Collaboration Programme as a member.

It is one of the International Energy Agency's (IEA) transportation related Technology Collaboration Programme.

Its vision is to establish a sustainable transportation system that uses advanced, alternative, and renewable fuels, has reduced emissions and meets needs for personal and goods mobility on a local and global scale.

It will help Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas to get sound scientific information and technology assessments to make informed decision making about using advanced fuels.

Under this, the R&D work is carried out within individual projects called "Annex" which enable members to cooperate in groups that share common interests.

Other member countries of AMF TCP are USA, China, Japan, Canada, Chile, Israel, Thailand, Republic of Korea etc.

PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICAL INVESTMENT REGION

The PCPIRs are cluster of manufacturing facilities for both domestic consumption and exports in Petroleum, Chemicals and Petrochemicals.

It includes Special Economic Zones, Free Trade Zones Warehousing Zones etc.

Connectivity to the region is provided by state and central governments through Rail, Road, Ports, Airports and Telecom whereas the state government will also be responsible for providing facilities of water, road connectivity (state roads), Waste Treatments linkages etc

Chemical and Petrochemical industries generate concerns over environmental degradation.

However, PCPIRs follow a robust Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) mechanism.

The PCPIR regions are,

Dahej in Gujarat

Paradip in Odisha

Vishakapatnam in Andhra Pradesh

Cuddalore and Nagapattinam in Tamil Nadu.

UDYAM ABHILASHA

The national level entrepreneurship awareness campaign by Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI).

The campaign is to promote entrepreneurship in the 115 aspirational districts identified by NITI Aayog. It would create and strengthen cadre of more than 800 trainers to provide entrepreneurship

training to the aspiring youths across these districts thus encouraging them to enter the admired segment of entrepreneurs.

SIDBI has partnered with Common service centres, e-Governance Services India Limited, a Special Purpose Vehicle, set up by the Ministry of Electronics and IT for implementing the campaign.

Its objectives include:- o To inspire rural youth in aspirational districts to be entrepreneurs by assisting them to set up their own enterprise.

To impart trainings through digital medium across the country. To Create business opportunities for CSC VLEs.

To focus on women aspirants in these aspirational districts to encourage women entrepreneurship.

To assist participants to become bankable and avail credit facility from banks to set up their own enterprise.

CSC Village Level entrepreneurs (VLEs) would play the role of catalyst for these aspiring entrepreneurs. It would provide training, support to the aspirants to establish

New units by assisting them in availing loans and make them aware about various initiatives of

Government of India like Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana and educate the youths in these districts on business literacy.

About SIDBI

SIDBI set up on 2nd April 1990 under an Act of Indian Parliament, acts as the Principal Financial Institution for Promotion, Financing and Development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) sector as well as for co-ordination of functions of institutions engaged in similar activities.

GRAMIN AGRICULTURAL MARKETS (GRAMS)-BUDGET 2018-19 ANNOUNCEMENT

Develop and upgrade existing 22,000 rural haats into Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs). Of this in the first phase, Centre has identified around 1,878 rural haats, which includes, the maximum around 564 haats in Andhra Pradesh, followed by 188 in Gujarat, 186 in Rajasthan, 182 in Tamil Nadu and 176 in Telangana.

Physical infrastructure to be strengthened using MGNREGS and other Government Schemes.

PMGSY (Phase-III) to be used for strengthening road linkages from habitations to GrAMs.

Setting up of Agri-Market Infrastructure Fund with a corpus of Rs. 2000 crore to

Develop and upgrade agricultural marketing infrastructure in 22,000 GrAMs

Strengthening 585 APMC market

GrAMs to be linked to e-NAM.

GrAMs to be outside the APMC Act regulation.

THE 10TH AGRICULTURE CENSUS 2015-16 WAS RELEASED BY THE AGRICULTURE MINISTRY

Agriculture Census in India is conducted at five-year intervals to collect data on structural aspects of farm holdings. The basic statistical unit for data collection is 'Operational Holding'. The first census was conducted with reference year 1970-71. So far, nine censuses have been done and this is the 10th in series.

It is carried in three phases: In the first phase of the census, data on primary characteristics like number of operational holdings and area operated by different size classes (marginal, small, semi-medium, medium and large), social groups, (SC and ST and others), gender (male/female), types of holding etc. is collected.

In the second phase of the census, detailed data on characteristics of operational holdings such as land use, irrigation status, tenancy particulars are collected based on samples from 20% of villages in each tehsil.

While in the third and final phase, data on the pattern of input use by operational holdings is collected. This is also known as Input Survey.

BIMS & BHOOMI ROSHNI

The Ministry for Road Transport & Highways, Ministry for Shipping and Ministry for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation had launched two IT initiatives – BIMS & Bhoomi Rashi – with aim to expedite pre-construction processes relating to bidding and land acquisition respectively.

Bidder Information Management System (BIMS)

The portal will work as a data base of information about bidders, covering basic details, civil works experience, cash accruals and network, annual turnover etc. BIMS will be used by all the project implementation agencies of the Ministry.

It is aimed at streamlining the process of pre-qualification of bidders for Engineering Procurement Construction Mode of contracts for National Highway works with enhanced transparency and objectivity.

The bidders would be responsible for ensuring that their latest details are available on the BIMS portal.

The portal will be operated in conjunction with the CPPP portal for invitation of bids for civil works for EPC mode.

It is estimated that BIMS portal will significantly reduce the procurement time for projects through an objective and transparent online evaluation system thereby leading to accelerated project implementation.

Bhoomi Rashi

It is a portal that has been developed in collaboration with National Informatics Centre (NIC), comprising the entire revenue data of the country. The entire process flow, from submission of draft notification by the State Government to its approval by the Ministry is online.

The portal had been created for expediting the process of publication of notifications.

It has been integrated with Public Financial Management System (PFMS). With this payment of Compensation by the Ministry to the beneficiaries will be just-in-time, and without any parking of funds.

It will act as one of the key functionalities to facilitate payment related to compensation for land acquisition to all the beneficiaries directly through the Bhoomi Rashi system.

NATIONAL PENSION SYSTEM (NPS)

Implemented and regulated by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).

PARIVESH (PRO-ACTIVE AND RESPONSIVE FACILITATION BY INTERACTIVE, VIRTUOUS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SINGLE WINDOW HUB)

It is a Single-Window Integrated Environmental Management System for Environment, Forest, Wildlife and CRZ clearances.

It enables the online submission, monitoring and management of proposals submitted by Project Proponents to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC), as well as to the State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authorities (SEIAA).

It provides single registration and single sign-in for all types of clearances (i.e. Environment, Forest, Wildlife and CRZ), unique-ID for all types of clearances required for a particular project and a single Window interface for the proponent to submit applications for getting all types of clearances, from the Central, State and the District-level authorities.

It has been, developed and hosted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, with technical support from National Informatics Centre, (NIC).

UNNATEE: (UNLOCKING NATIONAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY POTENTIAL)

Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) has developed a national strategy document titled UNNATEE (Unlocking National Energy Efficiency Potential) towards developing an energy efficient nation (2017-2031).

As India is expected to grow at around 8% the demand for the energy is also going to increase. If energy consumption in India were to continue along current lines, it could lead to a growing imbalance between supply and demand. This gap can be fulfilled by either increasing generation or by enhancing the efficiency of energy usage.

This report aims to establish a clear linkage between energy supply-demand scenarios and energy efficiency opportunities.

CHILLER STAR LABELLING PROGRAM

Ministry of Power, Government of India launched Chiller Star Labelling Program, an ambitious program to encourage the deployment of Energy Efficient chiller systems in the country.

The Chiller Star Labelling Program has been formulated by Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE).

The program envisages providing star rating in terms of its energy performance. Initially, the program is launched on voluntary basis and will be valid upto 31st December 2020.

This initiative will promote advancement technology for central HVAC (Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) systems and will also facilitate energy efficient solutions for the large commercial and industrial applications.

About: Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)

It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Power, which was created under the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act 2001.

It assists in developing policies and strategies with the primary objective of reducing the energy intensity of the Indian economy.

It co-ordinates with designated consumers and designated agencies to identify and utilize the existing resources and infrastructure, in performing the functions assigned to it under the Energy Conservation Act.

STAR RATING OF ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

Microwave ovens and Washing machines will now be assigned Star ratings based on their energy efficiency credentials.

There will be a revised program for Washing Machines, which will revise the criteria for inclusion of water efficiency in addition to energy performance for grant of Star Rating. Initially it will be implemented on a voluntary basis and will be valid up to 31st December 2020.

Standards & Labelling (Star Rating) program

It has been formulated by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) with a key objective is to provide the consumer an informed choice about the energy saving and thereby the cost saving potential of the relevant marketed product.

It targets display of energy performance labels on high energy end use equipment & appliances and lays down minimum energy performance standards.

It has two categories of appliances for ratings:

Mandatory Appliances	Voluntary Appliances
1. Room Air Conditioners	1. Induction Motors
2. Frost Free Refrigerators	2. Pump Sets
3. Tubular Florescent Lamp	3. Ceiling Fans
4. Distribution Transformer	4. LPG- Stoves
5. Room Air Conditioner (Cassettes, Floor Standing)	5. Washing Machine
6. Direct Cool Refrigerator	6. Computer(Notebooks/ Laptops)
7. Color TV	7. Ballast (Electronic/ Magnetic)
8. Electric Geysers	8. Office equipment's (Printer, Copier, Scanner, MFD's)
9. Variable Capacity Inverter Air conditioners	9. Diesel Engine Driven Mono-set Pumps
10. LED Lamps	10. Solid State Inverter
	11. DG Sets

It has been developed in a collaborative and consensus driven approach with active participation from all the stakeholders.

Any electrical appliances can avail star rating on a scale of 1 to 5 based on test report from National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) or equivalent labs subsequent to scrutiny by the BEE.

KUSUM: KISAN URJA SURAKSHA EVAM UTTHAAN MAHABHIYAN

By Ministry of New & Renewable Energy:

The scheme aims to add a solar capacity of 25,750 MW by 2022, through it's thee components.

Component-A: Setting up of 10,000 MW of Decentralized Ground/ Stilt Mounted Grid

Connected Solar or other Renewable Energy based Power Plants;

Component-B: Installation of 17.50 Lakh Stand-alone Solar Agriculture Pumps to fulfill irrigation needs of farmers not connected to grid;

Component-C: Solarisation of 10 Lakh Grid Connected Agriculture Pumps to make farmers independent of grid supply and also enable them to sell surplus solar power generated to DISCOM and get extra income.

GREEN- AG: TRANSFORMING INDIAN AGRICULTURE

The Government has launched the "Green – Ag: Transforming Indian Agriculture for global environmental benefits and the conservation of critical biodiversity and forest landscapes" in association with Global Environment Facility (GEF).

Green-Ag Project:

The project would be implemented in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) in high conservation- value landscapes of five States namely,

Madhya Pradesh: Chambal Landscape,

Mizoram: Dampa Landscape,

Odisha: Similipal Landscape,

Rajasthan: Desert National Park Landscape and

Uttarakhand: Corbett- Rajaji Landscape.

The Green-Ag project seeks to integrate biodiversity, climate change and sustainable land management objectives and practices into Indian agriculture.

About GEF:

GEF is a multilateral financial mechanism that provides grants to developing countries for projects that benefit the global environment and promote sustainable livelihoods in local communities.

The Global Environment Facility was established at the 1992 Rio Earth Summit

It is an international partnership of 183 countries, international institutions, civil society organizations and the private sector that addresses global environmental issues.

GEF funds are available to developing countries and countries with economies in transition to meet the objectives of the international environmental conventions and agreements.

The World Bank serves as the GEF Trustee, administering the GEF Trust Fund.

It is a FINANCIAL MECHANISM for five major international environmental conventions:

the Minamata Convention on Mercury,

the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs),

the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (UNCBD),

the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and

the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

THE RESTRUCTURED NATIONAL BAMBOO MISSION

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved Restructured National Bamboo Mission (NBM),

It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) during remaining period of Fourteenth Finance Commission (2018-19 & 2019-20).

Aim of the Mission:

It aims to inter-alia supplement farm income of farmers with focus on the development of complete value chain of bamboo sector linking growers with industry.

The restructured NBM strives to-

To increase the area under bamboo plantation in non-forest Government and private lands to supplement farm income and contribute towards resilience to climate change.

To improve post-harvest management through establishment of innovative primary processing units, treatment and seasoning plants, preservation technologies and market infrastructure.

To promote product development at micro, small and medium levels and feed bigger industry.

To rejuvenate the under developed bamboo industry in India.

To promote skill development, capacity building, awareness generation for development of bamboo sector.

Implementation:

The Mission will focus on development of bamboo in limited States where it has social, commercial and economical advantage, particularly in the North Eastern region and States including Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Karnataka, Uttarakhand, Bihar, Jharkhand, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

ANDHRA PRADESH GETS NEW STATE BIRD, STATE FLOWER

Four years after the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh, the government of the residual state has announced its state symbols.

State bird: Rama Chiluka (*psittacula krameri*) or rose ringed parakeet.

State animal: Blackbuck (*antilope cervicapra*) or Krishna Jinka.

State tree: Neem (*azadirachta indica*) or Vepa Chettu.

State flower: Jasmine (*Jasminum*)

State symbols of Telangana:

State bird: Palapitta.

State animal: Jinka or spotted deer.

State tree: Jammi Chettu (*prosopis cineraria*).

State flower: Tangidi Puvvu (*senna auriculata*)

GREEN MAHANADI MISSION

Odisha government has launched Green Mahanadi Mission.

The Mahanadi Mission envisages rejuvenating Mahanadi river and its tributaries Tel and Ib by increasing recharging capacity through massive plantation.

The mission envisages to create, a green belt with width of 1 km on both sides of the river beginning from the place, where the river, enters Odisha to Paradip, where it merges with the Bay of Bengal.

Under the mission, a total of two crore saplings will be planted on the banks of the Mahanadi.

SAFAR (SYSTEM OF AIR QUALITY AND WEATHER FORECASTING)

Ministry of Earth Sciences has unveiled state-of-the-art Air Quality and Weather Forecast System– SAFAR (System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting) at Chandni Chowk in Delhi. SAFAR is developed indigenously by Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune and operationalized by India Meteorological Department (IMD).

It has been introduced for greater metropolitan cities of India to provide location-specific information on air quality in near real time and its forecast 1-3 days in advance for the first time in India.

It is launched in cities – Pune, Mumbai, Delhi, Ahmedabad.

It is integral part of India's first Air Quality Early Warning System operational in Delhi. It will monitor all weather parameters like temperature, rainfall, humidity, wind speed and wind direction.

It monitors: UV-index, PM1, PM2.5, PM10, Ozone, CO, NOx (NO, NO2), SO2, Black Carbon, Methane (CH4), Nonmethane hydrocarbons (NMHC), Volatile organic compounds, Benzene, Mercury.

AIR QUALITY INDEX

It is a tool for effective communication of air quality status to people in terms, which are easy to understand. It transforms complex air quality data of various pollutants into a single number (index value), nomenclature and colour.

There are six AQI categories, namely Good, Satisfactory, Moderately polluted, Poor, Very Poor, and Severe. Each of these categories is decided based on ambient concentration values of air pollutants and their likely health impacts (known as health breakpoints).

AQ sub-index and health breakpoints are evolved for eight pollutants (PM10, PM2.5, NO2, SO2, CO, O3, NH3, and Pb) for which short-term (upto 24-hours) National Ambient Air Quality Standards are prescribed.

WAYU (WIND AUGMENTATION PURIFYING UNIT)

It is developed by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research – National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-NEERI) as a part of Technology Development Project being funded by Department of Science and Technology.

The device works on two principles mainly Wind generation for dilution of air pollutants and Active Pollutants removal.

It has filters for Particulate Matter removal and activated carbon (charcoal) and UV lamps for poisonous gases removal such as VOCs and Carbon Monoxide.

It has the capacity to purify air in an area of 500 meter square.

ETHANOL BLENDED PETROL (EBP) PROGRAMME

Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) programme was launched in January, 2003. The programme sought to promote the use of alternative and environment friendly fuels and to reduce import dependency for energy requirements. It aims at blending ethanol with petrol, thereby bringing it under the category of biofuels and saving millions of dollars by cutting fuel imports.

The National Policy on Bio-fuels has set a target of 20% blending of biofuels, both for bio-diesel and bio-ethanol.

Rajasthan has become the first State in the country to implement the national policy on biofuels.

PRADHAN MANTRI JI-VAN (JAIV INDHAN- VATAVARAN ANUKOOL FASAL AWASHESH NIVARAN) YOJANA

The scheme under the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoP&NG) will provide financial support to Integrated Bioethanol Projects.

12 commercial scale and 10 demonstration scale Second Generation (2G) ethanol projects will be provided viability gap funding support over the next six years in two phases.

Centre for High Technology (CHT), a technical body under the aegis of MoP&NG, will be the implementation Agency for the scheme.

ECO NIWAS SAMHITA 2018

Ministry of Power has launched the ECO Niwas Samhita 2018, an Energy Conservation Building Code for Residential Buildings (ECBCR).

About the Energy Conservation Building Code:

It is prepared after extensive consultations with all stakeholders, consisting of architects & experts including building material suppliers and developers.

Developed based on large number of parameters using climate and energy related data.

The code is expected to assist large number of architects and builders who are involved in design and construction of new residential complexes.

It has potential for energy savings to the tune of 125 Billion Units of electricity per year by 2030, equivalent to about 100 million ton of Co2 emission.

NAMAMI GANGE PROGRAMME

It is an Integrated Conservation Mission to accomplish the twin objectives of effective abatement of pollution, conservation and rejuvenation of National River Ganga.

Main pillars of the mission are:

- River front development
- Conservation of Aquatic life and biodiversity
- Improvement of coverage of sewerage infrastructure in habitations on banks of Ganga.
- River Surface cleaning for collection of floating solid waste from the surface of the Ghats and River
- Afforestation
- Industrial Effluent Monitoring
- Development of Ganga Gram
- Creating Public Awareness

Under the aegis of National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) & State Programme Management Groups (SPMGs), States and ULBs and PRIs will be involved in this project.

Under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, **a five tier structure** has been envisaged at national, state and district level to take measures for prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution in river Ganga and to ensure continuous adequate flow of water so as to rejuvenate the river Ganga as below;

- National Ganga Council under chairmanship of Prime Minister of India (replaced National Ganga River Basin Authority).
- Empowered Task Force (ETF) on river Ganga under chairmanship of Union Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.
- National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG).
- State Ganga Committees and
- District Ganga Committees in every specified district abutting river Ganga and its tributaries in the states.

NATIONAL MISSION FOR CLEAN GANGA (NMCG)

It is the implementing wing of National Council for Rejuvenation, Protection and Management of River Ganga.

It is **registered as a society** under the **Societies Registration Act 1860**.

Aims of NMCG –

- To ensure effective abatement of pollution and rejuvenation of Ganga basin approach to promote inter-sectoral co-ordination for comprehensive planning and management
- To maintain minimum ecological flows in the river Ganga with the aim of ensuring water quality and environmentally sustainable development.
- To achieve the objectives, NMCG shall carry out the following key functions namely:
- Implement the work programme of National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA).
- Implement the World Bank supported National Ganga River Basin Project.

Coordinate and oversee the implementation of projects sanctioned by National Mission for Clean Ganga

Undertake any additional work or functions as may be assigned by MoWR, RD & GR in the area of conservation of river Ganga.

RECENT INITIATIVES BY NMCG

It has laid down the flow specifications for river Ganga to maintain a minimum river flow or ecological flow.

It has started “Ganga Vriksharopan Abhiyan” in five main stem Ganga basin states – Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

“Ganga Vriksharopan Abhiyan”

The campaign has been initiated as part of the Forest Interventions in Ganga component of Namami Gange programme.

Aims to bring greater awareness among people and other stakeholders regarding the importance of afforestation for the task of Ganga Rejuvenation.

Under the Campaign the Schools, colleges and departments have been requested to “Adopt a Plant” to make this campaign into a people’s movement.

GANGA PRAHARIS (GUARDIANS OF THE GANGA)

launched by the Ministry of Water Resources. To conserve the biodiversity of River Ganga and reduce the direct dependency of local communities on the river,

The Ganga Praharis are a cadre of self-motivated and trained volunteers from local communities working for biodiversity conservation and cleanliness of Ganga with an objective of Nirmal and Aviral Ganga, roped in by the Wildlife Institute of India and National Mission for Clean Ganga under from the local community of five Ganga basin states Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Uttarakhand.

NATIONAL COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION FUND MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING

AUTHORITY (NCAFMPA)

Recently, Supreme Court directed the transfer of Rs 53,852 crore lying with the ad-hoc Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) to NCAFMPA for its utilisation.

NCAFMPA has been created under the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act 2016.

About Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act 2016

It established National Compensatory Afforestation Fund (NCAF) under the Public account of India and State Compensatory Afforestation Funds under public accounts of states.

These funds will receive payments for: Compensatory afforestation, Net present value of forest (NPV), Other project specific payments.

The National Fund will receive 10% of these funds, and the State Funds will receive the remaining 90%.

The funds will be in the interest-bearing, nonlapsable and interest bearing by the rate decided by central government on a yearly basis.

Usage of Fund: The fund will be used for compensatory afforestation, additional compensatory afforestation, penal compensatory afforestation, net present value, catchment area treatment

plan or any money for compliance of conditions stipulated by the Central Government while according approval under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Act provides statutory status for two ad-hoc institution, namely;

National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (NCAFMPA) for management and utilisation of NCAF.

State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority for utilisation of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund.

The act also seeks to provide for constitution of a multidisciplinary monitoring group to monitor activities undertaken from these funds.

The act also provides for annual audit of the accounts by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

"ATMOSPHERE & CLIMATE RESEARCH-MODELLING OBSERVING SYSTEMS & SERVICES (ACROSS)"

It is the umbrella scheme related to the atmospheric science programs of the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) and addresses different aspects of weather and climate services, which includes warnings for cyclone, storm surges, heat waves, thunderstorms etc

The Nine sub-schemes under the "ACROSS" scheme are:

- Atmospheric, Climate Science and Services.
- II. Numerical Modeling of Weather & Climate.
- Physics and Dynamics of Tropical Clouds.
- IV. Agro Meteorology.
- V. Aviation Services.
- VI. Center for Atmospheric Technology.

It is implemented in an integrated manner through the four institutes – India Meteorological Department (IMD), Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF) and Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Service (NCOIS).

REPORTS AND INDICIES

Reports/Publications Published by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

- Emissions Gap Report
- Global Environment Outlook.
- Actions on Air Quality.
- The Rise of Environmental Crime (By UNEP & INTERPOL)
- Environmental Rule of Law – 1st global assessment of environmental laws.
- Inclusive Wealth Report 2018

World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Publications Published

- Greenhouse Gas Bulletin- 2018
- WMO Statement on the state of the Global Climate

Germanwatch

- Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI), { along with the New Climate Institute and the Climate Action Network}

Global Climate Risk Index.

World Wide Fund for Nature

Living Planet Report, 2018{ along with }Global Soil biodiversity Atlas

INDIA'S 1ST SOIL MOISTURE MAP prepared by India Meteorological Department (IMD),

HINDU KUSH HIMALAYA ASSESSMENT REPORT by International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development's (ICIMOD) H.Q. Kathmandu.

Conference of the Parties (COP 14) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) led to the, adoption of Sharm El-Sheikh Declaration on Investing in Biodiversity for People and Planet. India also recently submitted Sixth National Report (NR6) to the CBD becoming 5th in the world and 1st in Asia to do so.

ECONOMY

White label ATMs:

ATMs set up, owned and operated by non-bank entities are called white label ATMs.

They are allowed under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007, by the RBI.

These ATM machine does not have any branding of Bank and the Cash in them is provided by the sponsored bank

The operators of the white label not permitted to charge bank customer directly but they are entitled to receive a fee from the banks for the use of ATM resources by the bank's customers.

Tata Communications Payment Solutions Limited (Indicash) is the first company authorized by RBI to open WLAs in the country.

Why in News?

Recently, RBI has eased business guidelines for White Label ATMs (WLAs) to enhance their viability.

INDIA'S THIRD IT CORRIDOR IN CHINA

National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) has entered into a partnership with China's Xuzhou city (Jiangsu Province) to help develop India's 3rd IT corridor in China.

The other two IT corridors are:

Dalian, India's first IT hub in China (in Liaoning Province) and Guiyang (in Guizhou province)

INDIAN ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (IND AS)

These are the accounting standards that have been developed according to the norms of globally accepted International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) to make reporting by Indian companies more globally accessible.

National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards (NACAS) recommends these to the Ministry of corporate affairs, which then notifies it.

Ind AS for non-banking financial companies came into effect in 2018.

Recently the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has deferred the implementation of the Ind AS-for banks, indefinitely, due to the pending legislative amendments to the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 which are necessary to implement them and also because of Inadequate levels of preparedness of many banks in terms of the backend system and the other ecosystem.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DECLARES THE INCLUSION OF THE LARGE HYDRO PROJECTS INTO THE RENEWABLE ENERGY CATOGERY

Earlier the components of the renewable energy sector were
Wind, Solar Bio energy and Small hydro projects.

Their shares within the Renewable energy installed capacity were;

Wind 47.02 %

Solar 34.68 %

Bio energy sources 12.28

% Hydro power 6.03%

After the inclusion of the Large Hydro Projects these breakups are ;

Hydro 41.45 %

Wind 29.30 %

Solar 21.61 %

The share of the Renewable energy installed capacity has also increased with this;

Share of Renewable installed Capacity {before inclusion of LHCs} was 21.43%.

It has increased to 34.40% {after the inclusion of the LHCs}.

This Increase in share of renewable energy in the total energy mix of the country and will help
India achieve target of 175 GW of renewable energy by 2022.

INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE (IBC)

The Supreme Court recently had the constitutionality of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code
(IBC). {add from net about IBC}

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF INDIA (EXIM BANK)

The union Cabinet has approved the recapitalisation of the EXIM Bank, which will be done by
the issuance of Recapitalization Bonds by Government and will not impact the fiscal deficit.

The Cabinet also approved an increase in the bank's authorised capital from ₹ 10,000 crore to ₹
20,000 crore.

The EXIM Bank of India was established in 1982 under an Act of Parliament as the apex
financial institution for financing, facilitating and promoting India's international trade.

The Bank primarily lends for exports from India including supporting overseas buyers and
Indian suppliers for export of developmental and infrastructure projects, equipment, goods and
services from India.

It is regulated by RBI.

Exim Bank of India is the nominated member development bank under the BRICS Interbank
Cooperation Mechanism.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL HIGHER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAHEP):

Nahep has been formulated by icar with a total cost rupees 1100 crores, for five years starting
from 2017-18.

The project is proposed on 50:50 cost sharing basis between the world bank and the government
of india, implemented at the education division, icar, new delhi.

Objective: To support Participating Agricultural Universities and ICAR in providing more
relevant and higher quality education to Agricultural University students.

Components:

Institutional Development Plans (IDPs): NAHEP would provide Institutional Development Grants
to selected participating Agricultural Universities, which seek to improve learning outcomes and
future employment for the students and faculty teaching performance and research effectiveness.

Centre of Advanced Agricultural science & Technology (CAAST): CAAST Grants will be provided to selected participating Agricultural Universities to establish multidisciplinary centers for teaching, research and extension on critical and emerging agricultural topics.

Innovation Grants to selected participating AUs to make AUs reform ready (i.e., attain accreditation); and promote mentoring of non-accredited AUs by existing reform-ready AUs and other interstate and international academic partnerships.

Results Monitoring and Evaluation: The Education Division/ ICAR would establish a Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Cell to oversee the progress of activities across all NAHEP components.

CAPITAL CONSERVATION BUFFER (CCB)?

It is the mandatory capital, under the Basel 3 norms.

The financial institutions are required to hold above minimum regulatory requirement.

The banks will be required to hold a buffer of 2.5% Risk Weighted Assets (RWAs) in the form of Common Equity, over and above Capital Adequacy Ratio of 9%.

The current amount of CCB applicable on banks is 1.875% and remaining 0.625% was to be met by March 2019. However RBI has decided to extend the deadline for implementation of this last tranche of 0.625% upto March 31, 2020.

STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE: (SPR)

The Visakhapatnam Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) is now operationalized.

The Strategic Petroleum reserves are the storage of crude oil which would act as a cushion during any external supply disruptions or supply demand mismatch shock.

The Integrated Energy Policy 2006 of India recommended that country should maintain a reserve equivalent to 90 days of oil imports for strategic- cum-buffer stock purposes.

These reserves are constructed in underground rock caverns and are located on the East and West coast of India.

They are more environment friendly and incur less evaporation loss than ground level storage.

These reserves are constructed and maintained by the Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Limited.

The, strategic reserves at Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), Mangalore (Karnataka), and Padur (Kerala) are operational.

The three additional reserves Chandikhol (Orissa), Bikaner (Rajasthan) and Rajkot (Gujrat) are also being constructed.

The government has decided that Bank of Baroda, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank shall be “amalgated” making the new entity India’s third Largest Bank.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX NETWORK (GSTN) Why in News?

The Union Cabinet has approved increasing of Government ownership in Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN).

About GSTN:

It has decided that the entire 51% equity held by the Non-Government Institutions in GSTN will be acquired equally by the Centre and the State Governments.

Hence the restructure GSTN will have 100%

Government ownership equally distributed between the Centre (50%) and the States (50%).

There will also be a change in the existing composition of the Board of GSTN.

It will have total 11 Directors:

- 1 Chairman
- 1 CEO
- 3 directors from the Centre
- 3 from the States
- 3 other independent directors to be nominated by the Board of Directors

The decision was taken as the government felt that a vast amount of GST related data should be completely under the its supervision, as it contains sensitive information of over 1 crore taxpayers.

GSTN

Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) is a not for profit company governed under section 8 of the companies Act.

Currently the centre holds 24.5% equity and the States(including UTs Delhi and Puducherry) hold 24.5% equity in GSTN. The Balance 51% equity is with non-Government financial institutions.

The Company has been set up primarily to provide IT infrastructure and services to the Central and State Governments, tax payers and other stakeholders for implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

UPI 2.0 LAUNCHED

Why in news?

Recently, National Payment Corporation of India (NPCI) has upgraded the Unified Payment Interface (UPI) with enhanced features.

New features in UPI 2.0

Linking of overdraft account – Apart from the savings and current accounts, the UPI users can now link their overdraft account to it and all the facilities and benefits of overdraft account would be made available to the users.

One-time Mandate (account blocking) – It allows customers or merchants to pre-authorize a transaction and pay at a later date. It would also ensure that the customers do not miss the payments.

Invoice in the inbox – It allows the users to check the invoice sent by merchant in their own inbox prior to making the payments, thus allowing the customers to check the credentials beforehand.

Security Layer in QR – The app allows the users to scan the QR code and check the authenticity of the merchants through notification to the user to ascertain the information.

Increased Transaction Limit – The pre-existing transaction limit (1 lakh daily) has been raised to 2 lakh daily.

PRADHAN MANTRI JAN DHAN YOJANA

Why in News?

The government decided to make the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) an open-ended scheme, meaning that it will continue indefinitely.

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana

It is a financial inclusion program of Government of India, that aims to expand and make affordable access to financial services such as bank accounts, remittances, credit, insurance and pensions.

It focuses on coverage of households as against the earlier plan which focused on coverage of villages. It focuses on coverage of rural as well as urban areas. Any individual above the age of 10 years can open BSBDA Account.

The plan envisages universal access to banking facilities with at least one basic banking account for every household, financial literacy, access to credit, insurance and pension facility. In addition, the beneficiaries would get RuPay Debit card having inbuilt accident insurance cover of Rs. 1 lakh.

The plan also envisages channelling all Government benefits (from Centre / State / Local Body) to the beneficiary's accounts and pushing the Direct Benefits Transfer (DBT) scheme of the Union Government. The technological issues like poor connectivity, on-line transactions will be addressed.

New incentives

The overdraft facility has been doubled from Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 10,000.

There will be no conditions attached for over-draft of up to Rs 2,000. Also, the upper age limit for availing the facility has been hiked to 65 from the earlier 60 years.

Accidental insurance cover for new RuPay Cardholders has been raised from Rs 1 lakh to Rs 2 lakh.

ENVIRONMENT AND BIODIVERSITY

ASIATIC LION CONSERVATION PROJECT

Launched by The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

It will be funded from the Centrally Sponsored Scheme- Development of Wildlife Habitat (CSS-DWH) with the contributing ratio being 60:40 of Central and State share.

Objectives: To cause habitat improvement, scientific interventions, disease control and veterinary care supplemented with adequate eco development works for the fringe population in order to ensure a stable and viable Lion population in the Country.

23 LIONS DIED IN JUST 20 DAYS LAST YEAR (2018), DUE TO CANINE DISTEMPER VIRUS

About: Canine Distemper Virus (CDV)

It is a viral disease that infects the gastrointestinal, respiratory, and central nervous systems. Dogs who have not been vaccinated for Canine Distemper are the most at-risk. While the disease can also be contracted when improperly vaccinated or when a dog has high susceptibility to bacterial infection, these cases are rare.

CDV can be spread through direct contact (licking, breathing air, etc.) or indirect contact (bedding, toys, food bowls, etc.), though it cannot live on surfaces for very long. Inhaling the virus is the primary method of exposure.

There is no known cure for CDV.

About the Asiatic Lion

Conservation Status: Schedule 1 of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 and in Appendix-I of CITES, IUCN lists it in endangered category.

The lion is one of five pantherine cats inhabiting India, along with the Bengal tiger, Indian leopard, snow leopard and clouded leopard.

Habitat and Distribution: Asiatic lions were once distributed upto the state of West Bengal in east and Rewa in Madhya Pradesh, in central India. At present their population is limited to only five protected areas in Gujarat – Gir National Park, Gir Sanctuary, Pania Sanctuary, Mitiyala Sanctuary and Girnar Sanctuary.

NAHARGARH BIOLOGICAL PARK

Rajasthan's first lion safari has been inaugurated at Nahargarh Biological Park.

The park is located on Delhi-Jaipur National Highway in the Aravalli foothills, nearly 12 kilometers from state capital Jaipur.

Lions in this park were brought from Junagarh, Gujarat under an exchange programme.

TIGER CONSERVATION

Inter-State Translocation of Tigers Project:

The joint project of MoEFCCC, NTCA and Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun.

It involves shifting six tigers (three pairs) from different reserves in the central state to the eastern state.

As part of the it, a female cub was shifted from Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (BTR) in Madhya Pradesh to Satkosia Tiger Reserve (STR) in Odisha.

More about the project:

Two trained elephants will be used to patrol Odisha's Satkosia Tiger Reserve. These two elephants will be brought from the Similipal Tiger Reserve. This step has been undertaken for resuming the ambitious tiger reintroduction programme in Satkosia.

Dudhwa Tiger Reserve and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) have joined hands to provide security to Dudhwa forests and its rich wildlife.

It has been agreed that joint long route patrolling comprising SSB, Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) and Dudhwa Tiger Reserve (DTR) field staff would be held at regular intervals and Stress will be laid on intelligence and information sharing among various security agencies about activities of wildlife and forest criminals.

Dudhwa Tiger Reserve:

It is in Uttar Pradesh stretches mainly across the Lakhimpur Kheri and Bahraich districts.

It comprises Dudhwa National Park, Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary and Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary.

It shares north-eastern boundary with Nepal, which is defined to large extent by Mohana River. The area is vast Terai alluvial floodplain traversed by numerous rivers and streams flowing in south- easterly direction.

Faunal diversity: Apart from tigers, it is also home to swamp deer, sambar deer, barking deer, spotted deer, hog deer, Indian rhinoceros, sloth bear, ratel, jackal, civets, jungle cat, fishing cat, etc. International Stock Taking Conference on Tiger Conservation

STOCK TAKING CONFERENCE ON TIGER CONSERVATION

The 3rd Stock Taking Conference on Tiger Conservation was recently inaugurated in New Delhi. Third in a series of Stock Taking Conferences, this is the second to be held in India after 2012 and is expected to have wide-ranging discussions on the status of the Global Tiger Recovery Program (GTRP) by the 13 tiger range countries besides deliberations on combating wildlife trafficking.

13 Tiger range States—Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Russia, Thailand, and Vietnam.

The conference is being hosted by the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in close collaboration with the Global Tiger Forum which is an International, Intergovernmental Organization for conserving tigers in the world.

{Global Tiger Forum is the only Inter-Governmental international body established with members from willing countries to embark on a global campaign to protect the Tiger}

THE GLOBAL TIGER INITIATIVE (GTI), 2008

The Global Tiger Initiative was launched in 2008 as a global alliance of governments, international organizations, civil society, the conservation and scientific communities and the private sector, with the aim of working together to save wild tigers from extinction. In 2013, the scope was broadened to include Snow Leopards.

The initiative is led by the 13 tiger range countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Russia, Thailand, and Vietnam).

TX2: In 2010, the St. Petersburg Declaration on Tiger Conservation was adopted under the GTI and TX2 was endorsed. Its goal was to double the number of wild tigers across their geographical areas. The WWF is implementing the programme in 13 tiger range countries.

Global Tiger Recovery Program (GTRP):

It was developed at St. Petersburg summit 2010 of the GTI.

The Global Tiger Recovery Program (GTRP) seeks to empower Tiger Range Countries (TRCs) to address the entire spectrum of threats, domestic as well as those that are transboundary in

nature, and work toward increased financial sustainability through the integration of conservation objectives into development.

The GTRP was developed, with the goal of doubling the number of wild tigers globally by 2022.

National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)

It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change constituted under enabling provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, as amended in 2006, for strengthening tiger conservation, as per powers and functions assigned to it under the said Act.

The functions of NTCA are as follows:

Ensuring normative standards in tiger reserve management

Preparation of reserve specific tiger conservation plan

Laying down annual/ audit report before Parliament

Instituting State level Steering Committees under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister and establishment of Tiger Conservation Foundation.

According approval for declaring new Tiger Reserves.

Minister of MoEFCC is the chairman of the authority.

Monitoring System for Tigers – Intensive Protection and Ecological Status (**M-STrIPES**):

The software-based monitoring system launched across Indian tiger reserves by the NTCA.

GREAT INDIAN BUSTARD

Once the contender for becoming India's national bird, the Great Indian Bustard is now facing extinction.

Conservation Status:

Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, also covered in the CMS Convention and in Appendix I of CITES, as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List.

It is also one of the Species for The Recovery Programme under the Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats of the Ministry of Environment and Forests.

Habitat: The Bird is found in Arid and semi-arid grasslands, open country with thorn scrub, tall grass interspersed with cultivation. It avoids irrigated areas and is endemic to Indian Sub-continent, found in central India, western India and eastern Pakistan.

Currently, it is found in only six states in the country — Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Karnataka.

It is popularly known as 'Godawan', is the **state bird of Rajasthan**. It's

It has also been identified as one of the species for the recovery programme under the Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats

Project Great Indian Bustard- State of Rajasthan — identifying and fencing off bustard breeding grounds in existing protected areas as well as provide secure breeding enclosures in areas outside protected areas

Protected areas:

Desert National Park Sanctuary — Rajasthan.

Rollapadu Wildlife Sanctuary – Andhra Pradesh.

Karera Wildlife Sanctuary– Madhya Pradesh.

CHEETAH REINTRODUCTION PROJECT

India was once home to many cheetahs, but it was declared extinct in India in 1952 and last spotted in Chhattisgarh 1947. Infact it is the only mammal to have become extinct in India in last 1,000 years.

Project Cheetah was launched in 2009 and expert committee was constituted to shortlist the sites where Cheetah could be reintroduced.

The Kuno-Palpur and Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh, Velavadar National Park in Gujarat and the Shahgarh bulge in Rajasthan were identified as the suitable areas. Nauradehi was found to be the most suitable area for the cheetahs as its forests are not very dense to restrict the fast movement of Cheetahs.

Recently the NTCA has informed the Supreme Court that the Cheetahs, to be translocated in India from Namibia, will be kept at Nauradehi wildlife sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh.

NTCA is nodal agency for the Cheetahs reintroduction plan.

If the plan is successfully implemented then It will make India the only country in the world to host six of the world's eight large cats, including lions, tigers, jaguars, panthers and leopards.

About African Cheetah

Distribution: It is a large cat that occurs in Southern, North and East Africa And also in some localities in Iran.

Habitat: It inhabits different habitats like dry forests, scrub forests, and savannahs.

IUCN status: Vulnerable (Asiatic Cheetah – Critically endangered)

Significance of the move

Cheetah is the flagship species of the grasslands. This will help dryland ecosystems of India to return to their natural state.

NATIONAL DOLPHIN RESEARCH CENTRE {NDRC}

To be set up in Patna University campus in Patna, Bihar, will be India's and Asia's first Dolphin Research Centre

Bihar is home to around half of the country's estimated 3,000 dolphin population.

About Gangetic Dolphins (SUSU): The national aquatic animal of India.

The Ganges River dolphin, or susu, is found in the Ganges- Brahmaputra-Meghna and Karnaphuli-Sangu river systems of Nepal, India, and Bangladesh.

Being a mammal, the Ganges River dolphin cannot breathe in the water and must surface every 30-120 seconds. Because of the sound it produces when breathing, the animal is popularly referred to as the 'Susu'.

Conservation Status

IUCN classification endangered, Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act.

The **Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary** in **Bihar** is India's only sanctuary for the Gangetic Dolphins.

Threats:

The survival of the Ganges River dolphin is threatened by unintentional killing through entanglement in fishing gear; directed harvest for dolphin oil, which is used as a fish attractant and for medicinal purposes; water development projects (e.g. water extraction and the construction of barrages, high dams, and embankments); industrial waste and pesticides;

municipal sewage discharge and noise from vessel traffic; and overexploitation of prey, mainly due to the widespread use of non-selective fishing gear.

FIRST ORGANISED CENSUS FOR INDUS DOLPHINS

To be conducted by the Punjab government along with WWF-India.

Punjab government has also declared it as their state aquatic animal.

Additional Information about other such symbols of Punjab-

Blackbuck (State Animal), Northern Goshawk (State Bird), Sheesham (State tree), Gladiolus (State flower).

About Indus Dolphins:

Indus river dolphins are one of only four river dolphin species and subspecies in the world that spend all of their lives in freshwater.

They are believed to have originated in the ancient Tethys Sea.

They are found only in India and Pakistan. In Punjab, they are confined to only a 185 km stretch between Talwara and Harike Barrage in India's Beas river in Punjab.

The most flourishing population of the Indus dolphin, is found across Pakistan where their numbers are estimated to be around 1,800 over a stretch of 1,500 km of the Indus river.

It is listed by the IUCN as endangered on its red list of threatened species. IUCN suspects the population size of the Indus river dolphins has reduced by more than 50% since 1944.

New Elephant Reserve:

The Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary in Nagaland was declared as the 30th Elephant Reserve.

GAJ YATRA

The nationwide campaign to protect elephants, launched on the occasion of World Elephant Day by the NGOs Wildlife Trust of India (WTI) and International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) from Tura in Garo Hills, Meghalaya.

It was organized in the Garo Hills in recognition of the people's initiative of community forests for human-elephant harmony and conservation of animals such as hoolock gibbon.

THE NEW DELHI DECLARATION ON ASIAN RHINOS 2019

Signed at the meeting of 2nd Asian Rhino Range Countries meeting held in New Delhi.

The Asian Rhino Range Countries are, India, Nepal, Bhutan, Indonesia, Malaysia.

The Declaration intends to conserve and review the population of the three species of Asian Rhino (Greater one-horned, Javan and Sumatran rhinos) every four years to reassess the need for joint actions to secure their future.

The declaration also outlines a series of strategic actions including Trans-boundary collaboration among India, Nepal, and Bhutan for one-horned rhino; engagement of the local communities; initiate proactive monitoring on potential adverse impacts of climate change; accelerate natural and conservation breeding of Sumatran rhino etc.

About: The Great One-Horned Rhinoceros {The Indian Rhino}

The great one-horned rhino or Indian Rhino is the largest of the rhino species found commonly in Nepal, Bhutan, Pakistan and India.

Main habitats in India are in Assam- Kaziranga National Park, Manas National Park, Pobitora Reserve Forest, Orang National Park, Laokhowa Reserve Forest etc.

Conservation Status:

Vulnerable on the IUCN Red List, Schedule I of the Wildlife Protection Act.

OTHER FLORA AND FAUNA IN NEWS

Neelakurinji Plants

Tamil Nadu government has announced a scheme for the protection of the Neela kurinji (Strobilanthes kunthianus) plants that flower only once in 12 years.

The recent blooming season was in August 2018.

About NeelaKurinji:

Neelakurinji is a shrub that is found in the shola forests of the Western Ghats in South India. The Nilgiri Hills, which literally means the blue mountains, got their name from the purplish blue flowers of Neelakurinji that blossoms only once in 12 years.

The Paliyan tribal people living in Tamil Nadu used it as a reference to calculate their age.

NILGIRI TAHR

As per the latest studies, the Nilgiri Tahr could lose approximately 60% of its habitat, starting from the 2030s.

There are only around 2,500 tahrs left in the wild and their population — “small and isolated, making them vulnerable to local extinction” — shows a “decreasing” trend, as per the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

About Nilgiri Tahr

Conservation status: IUCN status- Endangered, listed in Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972.

Habitat: Endemic to the Nilgiri Hills and the southern portion of the Western Ghats in the states of Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

It is the State animal of Tamil Nadu.

Currently, the only populations with more than 300 individuals are in Eravikulam National Park and in the Grass Hills in Anamalai.

PANGOLINS

A special unit of the Odisha Police has launched a drive to bust an international syndicate that peddles pangolin, one of the world’s most illegally traded mammals.

The process has also been initiated to crack the international pangolin smuggling racket, possibly with the help of the Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty (MLAT){MLAT is an agreement between nations to exchange information or provide legal assistance for enforcing laws}

Pangolins is smuggled for its scales as it believed that they possess magic or charms and have medicinal properties.

About: Pangolin

It is only mammal with scales.

As per Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species(CITES), it is also the most illegally traded vertebrate within its class (Mammalia).

There are eight species of pangolin found worldwide, out of them two are found in India. Those are Chinese pangolin, mostly found in northeast India and Indian pangolin.

Protection Status:

Chinese pangolin: critically endangered by IUCN.

Indian pangolin: endangered by IUCN, in the Schedule I of Wildlife Protection Act (1972).

BROWN PEACH APHID

It has been recorded for the first time in Kashmir Valley. It is an insect that attacks temperate fruit trees.

The Aphids feed on the saps of plants, attacking plant tissues that transport food to all different plant parts.

In India, the aphid was recorded for the first time in the 1970s from Himachal Pradesh and Punjab.

BAHUDA ROOKERY

It is new olive ridley mass nesting site designated by Odisha forest department

It comprises of around 3-km stretch of the beach from Sunapur to Anantpur and is located around 20 km to the south of Rushikulya rookery coast, a major mass nesting site of olive ridleys on the Indian coastline.

Other Mass Nesting Sites of Olive Ridley Turtles:

Gahirmatha marine sanctuary and Rushikulya rookery coast in Ganjam district in Odisha. The Gahirmatha marine sanctuary is largest mass nesting site of Olive Ridley turtles.

About Olive Ridley Turtles:

It is also known as the Pacific ridley sea turtle, they are a medium-sized species of sea turtle found in warm and tropical waters, primarily in the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

They are best known for their behaviour of Arribadas {synchronized mass nesting}.

Conservation Status: Vulnerable by the IUCN, CITES: APPENDIX 1,

The Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and the Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles also provides protection to the olive ridleys.

INDIAN LEOPARD OR COMMON LEOPARD

Conservation Status: IUCN: vulnerable; WPA, 1972: Schedule I; CITES: Appendix I

Habitat: In India, the leopard is found in all forest types, from tropical rainforests to temperate deciduous and alpine coniferous forests. It is also found in dry scrubs and grasslands, the only exception being desert and the mangroves of Sundarbans.

Threat: increasing conflict with humans, poaching for illegal trade in body parts and loss of habitat.

Conservation Effort: Rajasthan has become the first state in the country to launch a project to conserve leopards by improving their prey base, mitigating conflicts with humans and controlling poaching.

SNOW LEOPARD

Conservation Status: IUCN: Vulnerable; WPA, 1972: Schedule I; CITES: Appendix I; CMS: Appendix 1

Habitat: Snow leopards live in the mountainous regions of central and southern Asia. In India, their geographical range encompasses a large part of the western Himalayas including the states of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh in the eastern Himalayas.

Conservation Efforts: Project Snow Leopard (2009) launched to safeguard and conserve India's unique natural heritage of high-altitude wildlife populations and their habitats by promoting conservation through participatory policies and actions.

KASHMIR STAG (HANGUL)

It is the State animal of Jammu & Kashmir

Conservation Status: IUCN: CR; Indian Wildlife protection Act, 1972: Schedule I

Habitat: Jammu & Kashmir (Dachigam National Park)

Threats: Continuing decline in area, extent and quality of habitat

Conservation Efforts: Project Hangul of the Jammu Kashmir Government with the support of IUCN and World Wildlife Fund (WWF).

SANGAI (BROWANTLERED DEER OR DANCING DEER)

It is the State animal of Manipur

Conservation Status: IUCN: EN; Indian wildlife protection Act, 1972: Schedule I

Habitat: Floating marshy grasslands, Phumdis, of the Keibul Lamjao National Park(also called the floating national park) , located in the southern parts of the Loktak Lake (largest freshwater lake in eastern India) Endemic species found only in Manipur, India.

VULTURES IN INDIA

India has 9 vulture species;

- Oriental White-Backed vulture
- Slender billed vulture
- Long billed vulture
- Egyptian vulture
- Red headed vulture
- Indian griffon vulture
- Himalyan griffon vulture
- Cinereous vulture
- Bearded vulture or Lammergeier vulture.

Conservation Status: The 3 of these have been on critically endangered list of IUCN and also listed under Schedule I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. These are:

- Oriental white-backed Vulture (Gyps bengalensis),
- Slender billed Vulture (Gyps tenuirostris)

Indian Vulture/long-billed vulture (Gyps indicus).

Red-headed vulture is on critically endangered list of IUCN but not listed under Schedule I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

Himalayan Griffon is NearThreatened

Threats: Use of veterinary drug Diclofenac.

Conservation Efforts: The Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS – BirdLife in India) and the RSPB (BirdLife in the UK), are working as part of Saving Asia's Vultures from Extinction (SAVE).

ALDABRA GIANT TORTOISE

In a goodwill gesture, Seychelles has gifted a pair of giant Aldabra tortoise to India. The pair will be kept at Hyderabad Zoo.

The Aldabra Giant Tortoise from the Aldabra Atoll in the Seychelles is said to be one of the largest species of tortoises on the planet.

It is also one of the world's longest living animals, with one Aldabra Giant Tortoise reaching the age of 255 years.

The Aldabra giant tortoise's current IUCN conservation status is 'vulnerable'.

The atoll has been protected from human influence and is home to around 100,000 giant tortoises, the world's largest population of the animal.

TRISHNA GAS PROJECT

The National Wildlife Board has given its approval for the Trishna Gas project of ONGC in the Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary in the Gomati district of Tripura.

Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary:

The Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary, in Tripura was established in 1988. The vegetation covers four broad categories of tropical semi-evergreen forest, the east Himalayan lower Bhanar sal, Moist mixed deciduous forest and the Savanah woodland.

BIODIVERSITY AWARD FOR SINGCHUNG BUGUN VILLAGE COMMUNITY RESERVE

This is a community conservation Reserve in Arunachal Pradesh.

It has been awarded for the effort to conserve the critically endangered bird – Bugun liocichla. Bugun Liocichla (*Liocichla bugunorum*) was discovered in 2006 in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh. The bird has been named in honour of the efforts of the Bugun community of Singchung village in West Kameng district in conserving the wildlife and forest of the area. The known population of this species is between 14 and 20 individual birds and occupies an extremely small (3 to 4 square kilometre) area in the temperate forest around 2,200m which is entirely within the traditional lands of Singchung village.

The Singchung Bugun village community reserve was created following intensive conservation efforts by the Arunachal forest department. It lies right next to Eaglesnest Wildlife sanctuary, a biodiversity hotspot, which is also home to the bird species.

Other winners include: *{Biodiversity Conservation Awards are given by the National Biodiversity authority}*

Lemsachenlok Organization: Conservation of Wild Species (Institution) for successful creation of an 8-10 sq km Community Conserved Area to encourage coexistence and reduce human-wildlife conflict.

Kutch Unt Uchherak Maldhari Sangathan (KUUMS): Conservation of Domesticated Species (Institution) for working closely with the local community to breed, cure and protect Kharai camels.

Kalden Singhi Bhutia (Sikkim): Conservation of Domesticated Species (Individual) for conservation and propagation of Tibetan sheep.

Sangham Women Farmers Group: Sustainable Use of Biological Resources (Institution) for preserving agrobiodiversity. They also started the

Millet Sisters Network to conserve and preserve different varieties of millets.

Parvathi Nagarajan (Tamil Nadu): Sustainable Use of Biological Resources for environment protection, wellness and women's empowerment.

Raipassa Biodiversity Management Committee, Tripura: Sustainable Use of Biological Resources for ensuring that bio-resources of the area are traded in a manner, that is both commercially and environmentally viable. This community depends on the cultivation, collection and sale of broom grass for its livelihood.

Eraviperoor Grama Panchayat, Kerala: Biodiversity Management Committee - They have rejuvenated a tributary of the river Pampa and have successfully revived the traditional cultural practice of boat racing.

Pithorabad Grama Panchayat, Madhya Pradesh: Biodiversity Management Committee has conserved traditional varieties by establishing a community seed bank and facilitated value addition in the form of marketing for select products like organic wheat.

SPECIES RECOVERY PROGRAMME

Recently National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) added four species into the recovery Programme for critically endangered species.

The species are Northern River Terrapin, Clouded Leopard, Arabian Sea Humpback Whale and Red Panda.

About: Species recovery programme:

The species recovery programme of the Union Environment Ministry is implemented under Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats.

Species already included in the recovery programme: Snow Leopard, Bustard (including Floricans), Dolphin, Hangul, Nilgiri Tahr, Marine Turtles, Dugongs, Edible Nest Swiftlet, Asian Wild Buffalo, Nicobar Megapode, Manipur Brow-antlered Deer, Vultures, Malabar Civet, Indian Rhinoceros, Asiatic Lion, Swamp Deer and Jerdon's Courser.

BLUE FLAG CERTIFICATION

It is pilot project under a Unified Coastal Areas Management Programme started by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to develop the Indian beaches according to the Blue Flag standards in December 2017.

Accordingly the 13 Indian beaches have been shortlisted for the Blue flag certification.

Chandrabhaga beach of Odisha's Konark coast was the first to complete the tag certification process and will be the first in Asia to get the Blue Flag certification.

The, 12 other beaches are also being developed by the Society for Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM) as blue flag beaches which include Maharashtra's Chiwla and Bhogave beaches and one beach each from Puducherry, Goa, Daman and Diu, Lakshadweep and Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

About: Blue Flag Standards

The Blue Flag beach standards were established by Copenhagen-based Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) in 1985 in France.

The Blue Flag is an environmental award for beaches, sustainable boating tourism operators, and marinas.

Only local authorities or private beach operators can apply for a Blue Flag for beaches.

The criteria for Blue Flag beaches cover four main area:

water quality,
 environmental management,
 environmental education and
 safety.

Society for Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM)

It has been established under the aegis of MoEFCCC.

The main objectives of SICOM are as follows:

To support implementation of Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) activities in India. To implement the World Bank assisted India ICZM Project

To provide Research Development (R&D) and stakeholders participation in management of the Coastal areas in India.

KHANGCHENDZONGA BIOSPHERE RESERVE

Recently, Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve was included in the UNESCO's World Network of Biosphere Reserve (WNBR) under the Man and Biosphere Programme (MAB). Now the total number of Biosphere reserves under MAB programme has reached to 686, out of which 11 are from India.

The Khangchendzonga National Park (KNP), which comprises the core area of the KBR, was inscribed as India's first 'Mixed World Heritage Site' in 2016.

UNESCO: MAB Programme

Launched in 1971, it is an Intergovernmental Scientific Programme that aims to establish a scientific basis for the improvement of relationships between people and their environments. It combines the natural and social sciences, economics and education to improve human livelihoods and the equitable sharing of benefits, and to safeguard natural and managed ecosystems.

World Network of Biosphere Reserve (WNBR)

It covers internationally designated protected areas, each known as biosphere reserves, that are meant to demonstrate a balanced relationship between people and nature.

India has 18 biospheres reserves, of which 11 have been included in the WNBR.

Indian sites in MAB -WNVR

Nilgiri – Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka { first Indian Site to be included in MAB.}

Sundarban- West Bangal

Nanda Devi-Uttrakhand

Gulf of Mannar- Tamil Nadu

Simlipal – Odisha

Nokrek- Meghalaya

Pachmarhi Madhya Pradesh

Achanakumar- Amarkantak- Madhyapradesh and Chattisgarh

Great Nicobar- Southernmost island of Andaman and Nicobar Group

Agasthyamalai- Kerala.

INDIAN SUNDARBANS

India has designated Sundarban Reserve Forests as the wetlands of International Importance, this will be the 27th site in India to be included in the Ramsar List of Wetlands of International importance.

About Sundarbans

The Indian Sunderbans, cover an area of 2,114 sq. km., comprise almost 43% of the mangrove cover in the country as per the Forest Survey of India report of 2017.

It is located in the Ganga- Brahmaputra delta region.

Sundarbans has now become the largest Ramsar Site in India.

They were made a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987.

The Indian Sunderbans are the only mangrove habitat which supports a significant population of tigers (Royal Bengal Tigers), and they have unique aquatic hunting skills.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

ISRO-GAGANYAAN MISSION

Why in News-

Prime Minister in his Independence Day speech announced that ISRO will be sending its first Human Space Flight Mission by 2022

Cost- it is expected less than 100,000 Rs. Crores.

AIM- For period of five to seven day 2-3 member team will be sent in a spacecraft in low earth orbit (300-400 kms)

It is first Human mission indigenously only developed by ISRO

The crew module will do microgravity experiment in GAGANYAAN MISSION.

ISRO Human Space Flight centre (HSFC) at Bengaluru will be responsible for implementation of GAGANYAAN Project.

HYDROGEN-CNG

Why in News-

Delhi is set to be India's first city to launch hydrogen-enriched CNG (HCNG) buses in 2019.

HCNG is a vehicle fuel which is a blend of compressed natural gas and hydrogen, typically 8-50% hydrogen by volume

Advantages:-

Lower pollutant (NO_x, CO₂, CO and hydrocarbons) emission.

Increase fuel economy upto 5 percent as compared to CNG buses.

The thermal efficiency of HCNG increases with increase in load.

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE PERIODIC TABLE OF CHEMICAL ELEMENTS

Why in News-

The United Nations General Assembly has proclaimed 2019 as the international year of the periodic table of chemical elements to celebrate its 150 years.

Russian Scientist DMITRY MENDELEEV Published first periodic table in 1869 by arranging chemical elements by Atomic

Mass Desalination of water

The world's first ever ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) powered desalination Project in Kavaratti (Lakshadweep) has been started.

OTEC is a renewable form of energy utilizing thermal gradient present across the ocean depth.

The proposed plant will utilize clean and green energy provided by OTEC to power desalination.

Air Quality Early Warning System for India:-

A new early warning system of Air quality in Delhi developed in collaboration with National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), USA was launched in October 2018. The system will assimilate data from around 36 monitoring stations run by the central pollution control committee (DPCC) and system of Air quality and Weather forecasting and Research (SAFAR)

SHIFTING OF NORTH MAGNETIC POLE

Recently world magnetic model was updated and the location of Earth's magnetic north pole was changed.

It is estimated that their wandering point is moving away from the Canadian Arctic towards Russia.

The wandering pole is driven by Unpredictable changes in liquid iron deep inside the Earth.

The location of poles is important for compass system.

India Based Neutrino Observatory:-

The Neutrinos are second most abundant particles in the universe, they carry no electric charge and nearly mass less.

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) upheld the India based Neutrino Observatory (INO) The project includes:-

Construction of an underground laboratory at Pottipuram in Bodi West Hill of Theni District of Tamil Nadu.

Construction of an iron Calorimeter (ICAL) detector for studying neutrinos, which will include the world's largest magnet.

Chennai Flood Mitigation:-

National Center for Coastal Research (NCCR) has developed the Chennai flood warning system (C-FLOWS) for greater Chennai Corporation (GCC)

The system will provide information about flood-levels ward wise within 1 hour (for real time simulation) and 30 minutes (from expert system) after the weather forecast is received.

HIGH PERFORM COMPUTING (HPC)

The Ministry of earth Sciences has installed HPC facility at two of its constituent units namely. Indian institute of Tropical Meteorology (ITM), Pune named "Pratyush" with 4.0 Peta flops capacity and national centre for medium range weather forecasting (NCMRWF), Noida Named 'MIHIR' with 2.8 Peta Flops capacity

India ranking has moved to the top 30 in Top 500 list of HPC facilities in the world

India now placed at the 4th position after Japan, UK and USA for dedicated HPC resources for weather/climate community.

REPORTS AND INDICIES

India jumped 23 ranks in **the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) Index 2018** to 77 from 100 in 2017 among 190 nations. The World Bank has recognised India as one of the top improvers for the year. This year, India features among the report's list of top 10 improvers for the second year in a row and only one in BRICS to feature in this list. India is seeking to reach the 30th position by 2020, according to an output-outcome framework document prepared by the government.

World Bank released **World Development Report** with a theme The Changing Nature of Work. As

part of this report, the World Bank has launched a **Human Capital Project (HCP)**. Human

Capital Project (HCP): A program of advocacy, measurement, and analytical work to raise

awareness and increase demand for interventions to build human capital. The HCP has three **components:**

Cross-country metric— the Human Capital Index (HCI).

Program of measurement and research to inform policy action.

Program of support for country strategies to accelerate investment in human capital.

World Bank has released its report on global poverty 'Poverty and Shared Prosperity 2018: Piecing Together the Poverty Puzzle'.

Reports of World Economic Forum: World Economic Forum released Global Competitive Index 4.0, under Global Competitive Report 2018.

The 2018 global Multidimensional Poverty Index was released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI).

India's ranking in UN's Human Development Index (HDI) went up by one from last year, to 130th among 189 countries, released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Pune is the best city to live in India, while Delhi is among the worst cities in terms of economic prospects, according to the Ease of Living Index rankings published by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban affairs.

IMPORTANT MISCELLENIOUS NEWS

India's first multi-modal terminal on inland waterways was inaugurated on by Prime Minister in Varanasi. PepsiCo India became the first company to use the country's inland waterways for container movement by transporting products from its plant in Kolkata to Varanasi in the IWAI vessel, MV RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

Nobel prize in Economics for 2018 has been awarded jointly to the American economists William Nordhaus and Paul Romer for their work on understanding how economies can grow sustainably, by integrating innovation and climate with economic growth.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban affair (MoHUA) released the new DataSmart Cities Strategy, which aims to better harness the use of data in addressing complex urban challenges in Smart Cities.

The Reserve Bank of India has constituted a task force on offshore rupee markets, headed by Usha Thorat, to look into issues related to the markets and recommend appropriate policy measures to ensure the stability of the external value of the rupee.

Capital gains on investments made in India through companies in Mauritius and Singapore became fully taxable from April 1 after the concession period of 2 years ceased to exist. India amended the double tax avoidance agreements (DTAA) with the two countries in 2016, to prevent aggressive corporate tax avoidance. The loophole in these tax treaties had led to a situation where gains from investments into India from the two countries were taxed neither in India nor in the country where the investing entity was located. Now, entity from Mauritius and Singapore will have to pay capital gains tax here while selling shares in a company in India.

The Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) has been renamed as the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) with a mandate to deal with matters related to start-ups, facilitating ease of doing business among others.

Details: DIPP (under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry) was established in 1995 and reconstituted in the year 2000 with the merger of the Department of Industrial Development. It looked after external trade earlier and there were demands by various bodies to create a separate ministry of Internal Trade. The matters related to internal trade were under the domain of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs.

With this decision, now the Department will also look over the subject of internal trade including retail trade, welfare of traders and their employees etc.

Hence, now both internal and external trade have come under the same ministry i.e. Ministry of Commerce and Industry, through this department.

Other functions of this body include:

- Formulation of industrial policy and strategies

- Monitoring of industrial growth

- Formulation of FDI policy and its regulation

- Formulation of policies relating to various IPRs

- Coordinates with UN Industrial Development Organization

- Administers Laws namely- The Explosives Act, 1884; The Salt Cess Act, 1953; The Patent Act, 1970; The Boilers Act, 1923 etc.

Periodic Labor Force Survey:

PLFS was launched in 2017 by the NSSO and has recently released draft report of the first Periodic Labor Force Survey (PLFS).

It is a regular survey for generating estimates of various labour force indicators on quarterly basis for urban areas and annual basis for both rural and urban areas, at State/UT and all-India level. It would supply data not only about the formal sector, but also about the informal sector.

Smart Meters

The government plans to make all electricity meters smart prepaid in three years (from April 1, 2019).

About Smart Meters

They are part of the advanced metering infrastructure solution that measures and records electricity use at different times of the day and send this information to the energy supplier.

They allow two-way communication, between energy providers and consumers of electricity.

Angel Tax:

Recently, several startups raised concerns regarding taxation of angel funds after 'angel tax' notices were sent to them under Section 56 (2) of the Income Tax Act, which provides for taxation of funds received by an entity. It is a levy of 30.9 per cent on the amount exceeding the fair market value of shares issued by unlisted companies (mainly start-ups) which will be treated as income from other sources. It was introduced with the purpose of keeping money laundering in check in 2012. Many startups have raised concerns regarding Taxation of Angel Funds, as they had received the income tax notices under section 56(2) of the income tax act.

STATES' START-UP RANKING 2018

The Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) { now Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade DPIIT} has announced results of the first ever States' Start-up Ranking 2018.

Top performers are:

Gujarat Karnataka, Kerala, Odisha, and Rajasthan.

{The notification for rankings for 2019 has been issued by DPIIT}.

Credit rating agencies in India: {SEBI had tightened the regulations of the credit rating agencies (CRAs) after they failed to warn investors on time about the deteriorating credit profile of the NBFC Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services Ltd (IL&FS) which underwent a crisis recently.}

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Credit Rating Agencies) Regulations, 1999 empower SEBI to regulate the credit rating agencies operating in India and all the credit agencies need to be registered with SEBI in order to operate in India.

There are seven Credit Rating Agencies registered with SEBI, viz. CRISIL, ICRA, CARE, India Ratings and Research, SMERA, Infomerics and Brickworks.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank launched a set of 12 policy elements, called **Bali Fintech Agenda**. It is established to help member countries harness the benefits and opportunities of rapid advances in financial technology (fintech), while at the same time also managing the risks that arise.

The World Bank has launched the **world's first public bond created and managed using only blockchain** in order to test how the technology might improve current bond sales practices.

More About News

The project is called **'BONDI'** (Blockchain Operated New Debt Instrument), which is also reference to the Bondi Beach in Sydney.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) has been mandated by the World Bank to be the sole arranger of the bond.

It is a **Kangaroo bond** (foreign bonds issued in Australia in local currency).

HPAS-GS (FULL LENGTH) TEST – 2

Male sex hormone 'Testosterone' is produced by

- Leydig cells
- Sertoli cells
- Germinal epithelial cells
- Spermatogonial cells

Match the following:

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| a) Annie Beasnt | 1. Kesari |
| b) BipinChandrapal | 2. Common weal |
| c) BoopwndraNathDutt | 3. The New Asia |
| d) Tilak | 4. Yuganthar |

Codes:

- | | a) | b) | c) | d) |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| A. | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| B. | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| C. | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| D. | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |

_____ marked the beginning of census taking in India?

- The year 1862
- The year 1872
- The year 1882
- The year 1892

The basic objective of Gandhian plan brought out by S.N. Agarwala was

- Agricultural development
- Growth of cottage and village industries
- To achieve equality
- To raise the material as well as the cultural level of Indian masses

The last Deputy Chairman of planning commission on India was

- Manmohan Singh
- Narendra Modi
- ArunJaitley
- Montek Singh Ahluwalia

Whether governor of a state has the power to dissolve the state legislature?

- Yes

No

He /She can only recommend

Only president can

In the rule of business of Indian parliament in the speaker admits, notice of a motion but no date is fixed for its introduction – then it is called

- Call attention motion
- Adjournment motion
- No confidence motion
- No day – yet- named motion

Constitutional status to the panchayat Raj institutions was initiated based on the recommendation of

- G.V.K Rao Committee
- L.M. Singhvi Committee
- Ashok Mehta Committee
- Balwantray Mehta Committee

Which article of the constitution of India conferred special leave petitions power to the Supreme Court?

- Art. 136
- Art. 32
- Art. 139
- Art. 226

In India, power of judicial review is restricted because the

- Executive is supreme
- Legislature is supreme
- Constitution is supreme
- Judges are transferable

The government of India instituted Bharat Ratna and Padma Shri awards under

- Article 14 of the Indian Constitution
- Article 18 of the Indian Constitution
- Article 25 of the Indian constitution
- Article 32 of the Indian constitution

Match the following

- | | |
|---------------------|--------|
| a) Mixed Fertilizer | 1. DAP |
|---------------------|--------|

- b) Complex fertilizer 2. NPK
 c) Bio Fertilizer 3. Oil cake
 Organic nitrogen fertilizer 4.

Algae Codes:

	a)	b)	c)	d)
A.	1	2	3	4
B.	2	1	4	3
C.	3	2	1	4
D.	4	3	2	1

13. Which one is wrongly match pair in their characters?

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| A. Pancreas | - Glucagon |
| B. Small Intestine | - Somatostatin |
| C. Testis | - Estrogen |
| D. Adrenal Gland | - Glucocorticoids |

When 'Swadeshi day' was celebrated in India?

- 27 May, 1932
- 28 May, 1932
- 29 May, 1932
- 30 May, 1932

Which one of the following changes was not called by the Gandhian model and growth in the Indian planning system?

- To replace production oriented planning with employment oriented planning
- To replace employment oriented planning with the production oriented planning
- It is a favour of small scale and cottage industries
- It is against of large scale industries producing consumer goods

The special status provided to Jammu and Kashmir under Art.370 limits parliament to enact relating to

- List-1 and List -III of the seventh schedule
- List-I only of the seventh schedule
- List-II only of the seventh schedule
- List-I, II & III of the seventh schedule

Which one of the following is not correct related to the distinctions between the

grants under Article 275 and article 282 of the constitution of India?

The grants-in-aid under Article 275 are statutory whereas under Article 282 they are discretionary.

Under Article 282, the union has the power to provide grants-in-aid even for non-plan expenditure

Under article 275, the union has the right to give grants in accordance with the decision taken on the basis of recommendation of Finance Commission.

Allocation of Grants under Article 282 is based on the recommendation of cabinet committee.

The mountain which is known as 'Horst' is

- Fold Mountain
- Block Mountain
- Volcanic Mountain
- Residual Mountain

Pick out the wrong statement about Rabindranath Tagore.

He founded Shantiniketan (now Viswabharati University) in Bengal.

He is the first Asian to receive Nobel prize in 1915

His works are 'Post office' and 'Gora' IV. He is the writer of National Anthems of India and Srilanka.

- I only
- II only
- I and III only
- II and IV only

Arrange the following in ascending order of their formation:

Planning Commission

II. Zonal Councils

National Integration Council

IV. National Development Council

Codes:

- A. I – II – III-IV
- B. I – IV – III-II
- C. I – IV – II-III

I – III – IV-II

Match the following choose the correct one:

- a. Integrated Child Development Services 1. 2002
 b. National Rural Health Mission 2. 1975
 c. National Healthy Policy 3. 1986
 d. National policy on education 4. 2005

a)	b)	c)	d)
A. 3	1	4	2
B. 2	4	1	3
C. 3	2	4	1
D. 1	3	2	4

Who was the president of All India state people conference during 1946-1947?

- Sardar Vallabhai Patel
 Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru
 Dr. Rajendra Prasad
 V.P. Menon

Which among the following is not related to the Aligarh Movement?

Providing modern education to Indian Muslims

II. Reform of Muslim Society

Bringing Indian Muslims close to Modernism

IV. Awakening of nationalism among Indian Muslims.

Codes:

- I
 II
 III
 IV

Complete the following statement with appropriate choices and select the correct option: the state information commission shall be appointed by the governor on the recommendation of a committee consisting of

The chief Minister

The leader of opposition in the legislative assembly

A Cabinet Minister, nominated by the chief minister.

IV. The Chief justice of the High Court.

Codes:

- I and II only
 I, II and IV only
 I, II and III only
 I, III and IV only

Which Article empowers the president to summon and prorogue either Houses of parliament?

- Article 75
 Article 81
 Article 85
 Article 88

What is the effect of deficit financing on economy?

- Reduction in taxes
 Increase in wages
 Increase in money supply
 Decrease in money supply

Match the following:

W.T.O

To provide finance to correct equilibrium in balance of payments.

B. I.M.F

Generally to forbid the use of quantitative restrictions in trade.

C. SAARC

Sanction of soft loans

D. I.D.A

To promote corporation among South Asian countries.

Codes:

A	B	C	D
a. 1	2	3	4
b. 2	3	4	1
c. 2	1	4	3
d. 3	2	4	1

28. Which of the following makes recommendation regarding fixing of minimum support price for various crops?

- A. Indian council of Agricultural research
 NABARD
 Commission for agricultural costs and prices
 Indian agricultural research institute

Which one of the following does not implement the self Help groups (SHGs) –Bank Linkage programme?

- NABARD
 Commercial Banks
 RRBs
 Co-operative Banks

The concept of ‘vicious circle of poverty’ is related to

- Karl Marx
 Nurkse
 Adam Smith
 None of these

FEMA (Foreign Exchange Management Act) was finally implemented in the year?

- 1991
 1997
 2002
 2007

Tendulkar committee has estimated that in India the percentage of the population below poverty line is

- 27.2
 37.2
 22.2
 32.7

Which organization promotes the foreign trade?

- ECGC
 MMTC
 STC
 All of the above

Consider the following statements

- 1) A tornado is a strong wind system formed around an intensely low pressure system.**

A tornado has a large diameter and is very destructive

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
 B. 2 only
 C. Both 1 and 2
 D. Neither 1 nor 2

With reference to drip irrigation, which of the following statements is/are correct?

Water is delivered at or near the root zone of plants.

It is the most efficient method of irrigation as evaporation and run off are minimized.

It requires a lot of water to practice drop irrigation.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- A. 1 Only
 B. 1 and 3 Only
 C. 2 and 3 Only
 D. 1 and 2 only

Which of the following states is not crossed by central meridian of 82°30' east longitude?

- A. Madhya Pradesh
 B. Uttar Pradesh
 C. Andhra Pradesh
 D. Bihar

Consider the following statements regarding “Earth Hour”

- 1. It is an initiative of UNEP and UNESCO.**
- 2. It is movement in which the participants switch off the lights for one hour on a certain day every year.**
- 3. It is a movement to raise the awareness about the climate change and need to save the planet.**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
 B. 2 only

- C. 2 and 3 only
 D. 1,2 and 3

How west coastal plain of India is different from the East coastal plain?

I. The west coastal plains are submerged coast while the east coastal plains are mostly emergent type.

II. The western plain has more or less a straight coast while the eastern plain has indentated coast.

Select the correct answer from the code given below:

- A. Only I
 B. Only II
 C. Both I and II D.
 Neither I nor II

Match the following

City	River passing through the city			
A. Nasik	1. Krishna			
B. Surat	2. Cauvery			
C. Ujjain	3. Godavari			
D. Vijayawada	4. Shipra			
	5. Tapti			

	A	B	C	D
a.	3	5	4	1
b.	4	1	3	2
c.	3	1	4	2
d.	4	5	3	1

What amount in "Loktante Prahari" SammanRashi is given those persons who were arrested without assigning any reason during emergency?

- 11,000
 21,000
 25,000
 51,000

Which new scheme will provide assistance to the disabled youth for undertaking various skill development programmes, thereby enabling them to find employment?

- "SAHARA" scheme
 "NAVDHARNA" scheme

- C. "YUVAN" scheme
 D. "NAVYUVAN" scheme

Existence of historical remains of Archaeological value are found in two districts, where archaeological excavation has been proposed, are:

- Lahoul And Spiti, Kullu
 Lahoul And Spiti, Chamba
 Lahoul And Spiti, Kinnour
 Lahoul And Spiti, Sirmour

What is the budgetary provision for Pradhan MantriKisanSamman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) in Union Bugdet 2019-20:

- Rs 65000 crore
 Rs 75000 crore
 Rs 85000 crore
 Rs 95000 crore

What is annual Defense Expenditure in Union budget 2019-20?

- Rs 2lakh crore
 Rs 2. 5 lakh crore
 Rs 3 lakh crore
 Rs 3.5 lakh crore

What is the percentage of Small and Marginal farmers in Himachal Pradesh

- 83.95 percent of the total holdings
 85.95 percent of the total holdings
 87.95 percent of the total holdings
 89.95 percent of the total holdings

Which option is incorrect about loction of Sheep Breeding Farms in Himachal Pradesh

- Jeori (Shimla),
 Sarol (Chamba),
 Tal (Hamirpur),
 Lari(Lahaul and Spiti)

Secondary Sector share _____ percent of State Gross Domestic Product

- 41.01 percent
 41.09 percent
 43.01 percent

D. 43.09 percent

Women Self Help Groups programme is being implemented by NABARD, through local NGOs, in two districts of Himachal Pradesh, are

Mandi, Sirmaur
 Mandi, Kangra
 Mandi, Kullu
 Kullu, Chamba

A 2 MW solar power plant through Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board during 2019-20 is proposed to be commissioned at

Palampur (Kangra)
 Chail (Solan)
 Sundernagar (Mandi)
 Kaza (Lahoul and Spiti)

In the war of Mahabharata the trigarta, kuninda, Audumbara&Shatadriy ruler fought against which group?

Pandvas
 Kaurvas
 Krishna
 BhishamPitamaha

Which ruler of Kullu was imprisoned by the Sikhs in 1839-40 AD. But was soon set freed by the people of Kullu?

Bikram Sen
 Narender Sen
 Sur Sen
 Ajit Singh

What are the historical facts during 1783 AD. About kangra fort?

Raja Jai Singh was the ruler of Sikh Kaniahstate and sansarchandseeked his help to retain kangra fort

He refused to hand over Kangra to Sansar Chand

Sansar Chand Defeated him at batala with the help of Jassasingh of Ramgarhia and Mahan singh

All are true

Shiva NandRamaul a freedom fighter was the resident of which district?

Dalhousie
 Suket
 Bhumpal
 Sirmour

Which battalion plundered the government bank at kasauli in 1857 AD. Mutiny?

33rd Battalion
 Nasiri Battalion of Jathog
 31st Battalion of Kasauli
 Rajput Battalion of Sabathu

Which temples are in Nagar Style?

RudraDevtaSirmour
 Bhuvaneshwari temple Mandi
 LaxamiNarain temple Chamba
 Dom DevtaTheog

When traditional fairs of MahasuDevta is held in Himachal?

Nag Panchami-Rishi Pancham
 Bhisham Panchami-Rashi Panchami
 Krishan Panchami-Nag Panchami
 None

Who were the renowned artists of miniature paintings in the court of Raja Sansar Chand Kangra?

Fattu&Purkhu
 Mankoo&Seu
 Seu&Nainu
 Mankoo&Nainsukh

Who is the author of "Wall Paintings of the western Himalayas"?

MS Randhava
 Meera Seth
 Karl Khandelwall
 None

Which of the following mineral is found scattering in the areas of TillorDhar and Kanti, Mishwa, Tatyana, Dhala and Pipli in Sirmour?

- A. Gypsum & Copper
- B. Silver & Brass
- C. Barytes
- D. Lead

India's Rank in Index of Economic freedom in

- 130th
- 140th
- 135th
- None of the above

The two week long joint military exercise is aimed to boost military co-operation between two countries i.e. Russia and Pakistan?

- A. Druzhba
- B. Iron Magic
- C. Nomadic elephant
- D. Dharma

Ghulam Mustafa Khan Winner of Padma Vibhushan 2018 in the field of art and Music belongs to state?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Kerala
- D. Karnataka

James P Allison (USA) and TasakuHonjo (Japan) winner of Nobel Prize winner-2018 in the field of

- A. Physics
- B. Physiology and Medicine
- C. Chemistry
- D. Peace

Which one of the following pairs is not matched correctly?

- A. Appico movement - P.Hegde
- B. Chipko movement - S.L. Bahuguna
- C. Save Narmada movement - MedhaPatkar
- D. Silent valley movement - Baba Amte

Which one of the following is not correctly method?

- A. Bandipur National Park - Karnataka
- B. Manas Wildlife Sanctuary - Assam
- C. Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary - Kerala
- D. Simlipal National Park - Madhya Pradesh

Who gave the definition of ecosystem?

- A. G.Taylor
- B. E. Hatiganton
- C. D.R.Stodart
- D. Tansley

The Headquarter of National Environment Engineering Institute (NEERI) is situated?

- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Hyderabad
- C. Nagpur
- D. Pune

The first biosphere reserve established in India for conserving the gene pool of flora and fauna and the life styles of tribal is

- A. Nilgiri biosphere reserve
- B. Nanda Devi biosphere reserve
- C. Utharakhand biosphere reserve
- D. Great Nicobar biosphere reserve

The lentic ecosystem includes which of following water?

- A. Rain
- B. Running
- C. Standing
- D. Gravitational

The SO₂ pollution affect which of the following cell component?

- A. Nucleus
- B. Vacuole
- C. Chloroplast
- D. Mitochondria

Who has been elected as the new chairman of Broadcast Audience research council of India?

- A. Nakul Chopra
- B. ParthoDasgupta
- C. PunitGoenka

D. Milan Sharma

Which of the following countries have launched a common digital currency “Aber”?

- Germany and France
- Japan and South Korea
- China and North Korea
- UAE and Saudi Arabia

What is the India’s rank at the 2018 corruption perception Index (CPI) of Transparency International (TI)?

- 78th
- 81st
- 62nd
- 54th

India flagship hydrocarbon international conference ‘PETROTECH-2019’ is scheduled to be held in which of the following cities?

- Pune
- Kolkata
- Greater Noida
- Hyderabad

What is the theme of the 2019 World leprosy Day (WLD)?

- To live is to help to live
- Leprosy defeats, live transform
- Ending, discrimination, stigma and prejudice
- Zero disabilities in girls and boys

Who has become the first female cricketer to play 200 ODIs?

- Jemimah Rodrigues
- Mithali Raj
- JhulanGoswami
- SmritiMandhana

Who has been appointed as the new Nepalese ambassador to India?

- Nilambar Acharya
- Deep kumarUpadhyay
- Arjun Karki
- Shankar Prasad Sharma

Which painter completed a “Hamiir Hath” series miniature paintings in 1810 AD for the ruler of Mandi?

- Golu
- Seu
- Nikka
- Sanju

Which dialect has not been mention by GA Grierson in Linguistic Survey of India?

- Mandyali-Baghati
- Bishau-Barari
- Kangri-Mahasvi
- Keonthati-Baghati

The king of which Janpad embossed on both side of coins the symbols of deer, swastika, goddess Lakshmi, nandipada, six arched hill banner, serpentine line, & tree in railing?

- Kulutas
- Bharampuras
- Kunindas
- None

DhandaBahnana fair &Sinvi Diwali is the culture of which area?

- Rohru
- Kumarsain
- Rampur
- Chopal

When was the ‘Maravian Mission’ established by the britishers to spread Christianity in tribal areas of Lahaul-Spiti&Kinnaur?

- 1851 AD
- 1849 AD
- 1846 AD
- 1853 AD

Mycorrhiza represents:

- Symbiotic association between a fungus and liverworts.
- Parasitic association between a fungus and an alga.
- Parasitic association between a fungus and roots of lower plants

D. Symbiotic association between a fungus and roots of higher plants

Auto ecology deals with:

- Ecology of species
- Ecology of many species
- Ecology of community
- All the above

Species, that occur in different geographical regions separated by special barrier, are:

- Allopatric
- Sympatric
- Sibling
- None of the above

Which of the following is the least chemically reactive?

- Argon
- Sulphur
- Silicon
- Phosphorus

Who was the first to explain the spectrum of light?

- Albert Einstein
- Isaac Newton
- Galileo Galilei
- Neils Bohr

Who led the movement for the separate state Pakistan?

- Aga Khan
- Nawab Salimullah
- Liaqat Ali Khan
- Md. Ali Jinnah

Art of Gandhara Style Flourished during the period of

- Kushans
- Guptas
- Akbar
- Mauryas

The light emitted from Sun take time to reach on Earth about

- A. 8 s
- B. 1 s
- C. 8 min
- D. 24 min

It happens no reaction when steam passes over

- Aluminum
- Copper
- Carbon
- Iron

Which among the following living being has respiratory organ, but does not have brain?

- Crab
- Starfish
- Blood succor
- Silverfish

Which one of the following organs excretes water, fat and various catabolic wastes?

- Kidney
- Skin
- Spleen
- Salivary glands

The ability of the eye to see in the dark, is due to production of a purple pigment known as

- Carotene
- Rhodopsin
- Iodopsin
- Retinene

Arrange the following events in Chronological order and choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

1. Amritsar Incident
2. ChauriChaura Incident
3. Champaran Movement
4. Moplah Revolt

Codes:

- 1,2,3,4
- 2,1,3,4
- 3,1,4,2
- 3,1,2,4

“There is going to be a revolution here (in India) and we must get out quick.” Who said it?

Sir Stafford Cripps
 Lord pethwick Lawrence
 Lord Wavell
 A.V.Alexander

Which of the following will be the official mascot for 39th National Games 2022?

Sumatran Serow
 Gayal
 Clouded Leopard
 Ox

The 3rd Indo-German Environment Forum was held in which of the following cities?

New Delhi
 Pune

Hyderabad
 Panaji

The 5th International Dam Safety conference 2019 was the initiative of which international organization?

IMF
 World Bank
 AIIB
 ADB

Which state government has announced a universal old age pension scheme- Mukhyamantri Vridhajan pension yojna (MVPY)?

Himachal Pradesh
 Odisha
 Jharkhand
 Bihar

ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
a	d	b	d	d	a	d	b	a	c	b	b	c	c	b	a	d	b	d	c
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
b	b	d	c	c	c	c	c	a	b	c	b	a	a	d	d	c	a	a	a
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
b	d	b	c	c	d	c	a	d	a	d	d	d	b	c	a	a	b	c	a
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
a	a	b	d	d	d	c	a	c	c	c	d	a	c	c	b	a	a	c	c
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
b	a	d	a	a	a	b	d	a	c	a	b	a	d	c	c	c	a	b	d

HPAS-CSAT (FULL LENGTH) TEST - 2

Directions: In each of the questions below are given three statements followed by four conclusions numbered I, II, III and IV. You have to take the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts.

1. **Statements:** All flowers are rooms.
Some rooms are windows.
All cards are windows.
- Conclusions:** I. Some cards are flowers.
II. Some cards are rooms.
III. Some windows are flowers.
IV. All cards are rooms.

- (1) None follows (2) Only II follows
(3) Only I follows (4) Only III follows
(5) Only IV follows

2. **Statements:** All males are wolves.
All owls are males.
All parrots are owls.

- Conclusions:** I. All wolves are owls.
II. All owls are wolves.
III. All parrots are wolves.
IV. All parrots are males.

- (1) All follow
(2) Only III and IV follow
(3) Only II and III follow
(4) Only II, III and IV follow (5) None of these

3. **Statements:** Some leaves are skies.
All skies are clouds.
No cloud is a boat.

- Conclusions:** I. Some boats are leaves.
II. Some clouds are leaves.

Directions: Study the following table which shows the number of students appeared and passed in different streams in a University and answer the questions given below it.

Year	Engineering		Medical		Management		Commerce	
	Appeared	Pass	Appeared	Pass	Appeared	Pass	Appeared	Pass
2001	324	289	469	246	96	69	1467	1310
2002	356	312	430	364	74	62	1246	1129
2003	284	212	384	326	124	102	1387	1176
2004	310	246	395	298	106	92	1180	1074
2005	426	382	424	382	92	74	1562	1326
2006	380	286	466	405	78	63	1374	1207

III. All skies are leaves.

IV. No leaf is a boat.

- (1) Only I, II and IV follow
(2) Only II, III and IV follow
(3) Either I or IV and II follow
(4) Either I or IV and III follow (5) None of these
4. Five persons P, Q, R, S and T are sitting around a round table. Q, is sitting between T and S. P is not in immediate left of S, then who is sitting second to the right of Q?
1) P 2) R 3) S
4) Data inadequate 5) None of these
5. Q walked 20 metres towards west, turned left and walked 20 metres, then he turned right and walked 20 metres and again he turned right and walked 20 metres. Now, how far is Q from his starting point?
1) 40 m 2) 50 m 3) 80 m
4) Data inadequate 5) None of these
6. In a row of girls, there are 16 girls between Priya and Natasha. Priya is thirty-second from the left end of the row. If Priya is nearer than Natasha to the right end of the row, then how far away is Natasha from the left end of the row?
(1) Data inadequate (2) 14th (3) 15th
(4) 16th (5) None of these
7. In a queue, Shikhar is ninth from the back. Arun's place is eighth from the front. Nikhil is standing between the two. What could be the minimum number of boys standing in the queue?
(1) 8 (2) 10 (3) 12
(4) 14 (5) None of these

Approximately what per cent of students appearing in medical, passed in 2003 ?

- (A) 75% (B) 85%
(C) 78% (D) 88%

Approximately what per cent of total students appearing in 2004, appeared in commerce stream?

- (A) 55.3% (B) 64.4%
(C) 52.5% (D) 59.3%

The number of students appearing in all streams was minimum in the year

- (A) 2002 (B) 2003
(C) 2004 (D) 2006

The number of students passing in all streams was maximum in the year.

- (A) 2001 (B) 2005
(C) 2006 (D) 2004

Which of the following term describe in communication between two people involves sending and receiving of message?

- (A) Decoding (B) Encoding
(C) Transaction (D) Dyadic

The essential components of communications are

Source, message, interference, channel, receiver, feedback, and context.

Sing, source, destination, interaction, and correlation.

Sings, symbols, understanding, communication and communicant.

Symbols, understanding, purpose, ideas, opinions, non-verbal, and reaction

Which of the following can be termed as the 'context' of communication?

- An interference with message reception
Effective communication
Verbal and no-verbal responses to messages.
A physical and psychological environment for conversation.

Which of the following cannot be a good way in promoting literacy among villagers?

- Demonstration
Reading and writing
Providing material on TV and film projector
Large group discussion

A technique that might be used by an active listener is to

- Paraphrase the speaker's meaning
Express concern
Explain the speaker's meaning
Offer a view point when in conversation

Non-verbal message interpretation largely

- Depends upon cultural context
Depends upon physical context
Depends upon noise level
Varies from person to person

Listening is said to be adversely affected by

- Speaker's fast speed of delivery of words
Message loaded with too much of

information

- Improper selection and use of media
All of the above

A message can only be deemed effective when

- Good communication skills are used
Repeated back as proof of understanding
Understood by receiver and produces the desired response

Delivered in interpersonal communication

Which of the following are parts of active listening?

- Eye contact
Nodding
Seeking clarification
All of the above

A fixed and categorized impression of a group of people based on a predetermined set of qualities is called

- Generalizing
Consistency
Stereotyping
Oversimplification

A location where the Internet users can gain wireless access to the Internet

- Extranet
Intranet
Web conference
Wi-Fi hot spot

All of the following are barriers to effective communication except

- Absence of noise
Distortion of information

Information overloads

None of the above

Directions: Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. Certain words/phrases are given in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

We are well into the 21st century yet half the world's population live in squatter settlements and work in shadow economies, which generate more than one third of the developing world's GDE. Slums are not caused by the poor but by governments denying people the right to own and exchange property. When people own their own property they have incentives to invest time, money and energy to improve it because they know that they will be able to benefit from any such improvements, i.e. the ability to obtain mortgages etc. In short, property rights beget capital, which begets innovation, which begets wealth. Sadly, the poor typically don't have secure title to their land as there are bureaucratic restrictions on transferring title or there is no clear system for titling. Without legal deeds they live in constant fear of being evicted by landlords or municipal officials. Illiteracy is a major reason poor people often choose not to seek the protection of local courts since in so many countries laws established under colonial rule have never been translated into local languages. When entrepreneurs do set out to legally register business they are discouraged by red tape and costly fees. In Egypt, starting a bakery takes 500 days, compliance with 315 laws and 27 times the monthly minimum wage. The proprietors of such businesses cannot get loans, enforce contracts or expand a personal network of familiar customers and partners. As a result the poor have no choice but to accept insecurity and instability as a way of life.

In India severe restrictions on free transfer of property in most rural areas inhibit investment and encourage urban flight. Planning policies, however, discourage building homes for these migrants as numerous homes are destroyed if they do not comply with planning rules, essentially forcing people to live in slums and perversely blaming it on population growth. UN Habitat, the UN agency for housing the poor, has implemented more plans to

stabilise the unplanned aspects of urban growth but grandiose plans like UN Schemes and government housing projects simply ignore or worsen the underlying problems. It is when governments grant people legal means to control their assets that they empower them to invest and plan ahead. In Buenos Aires, economists studied the experience of two Argentine communities. One had received legal title to its land in the 1980s and surpassed the other group which had not, in a range of social indicators including quality of house construction and education levels. The Commission on Legal Empowerment of the Poor a Unaffiliated initiative made up of two dozen leaders is exploring ideas to extend enforceable legal rights to impoverished members of society and is seeking to bring about a consensus on incentives for national and local leaders. As the growth of illegal settlements amply demonstrates, the poor are not helpless, all they need is governments to grant them fundamental human rights of freedom and responsibility.

What did the Argentine study indicate?

Argentina's economy is booming and the percentage of poor has fallen.

When the government gives people the legal means to control their assets they plan for the future.

The Government succeeded in widening the gap between the rich and the poor.

- (a) Only (i) (b) Both (i) & (ii)
(c) Only (ii) (d) All (i), (ii) & (iii)

None of these

According to the author, which of the following factors is responsible for the creation of a slum?

Migration of landless labourers to cities

Municipal authorities building low cost housing for the poor

Unchecked population growth

Government failure to secure property rights for citizens

Exorbitant cost of living in cities

The author's main objective in writing the passage is to

exhort the UN to play a greater role in rehabilitating slum dwellers.

praise government initiatives for migrant slum dwellers.

convince governments to empower the poor.

enlist the aid of developed countries to tackle the issue of slums.

chastise slum dwellers for illegal activities that they engage in.

What impact do planning policies have on the development of slums?

They discourage the poor to invest in land thereby perpetuating slums.

They focus on developing rural rather than urban areas, so people have to live in slums.

They offer alternative practical suggestions for construction of low cost housing.

They advocate demolishing homes which violate planning rules, encouraging slums.

None of these

Which of the following difficulties do unregistered businesses face?

Banks do not give loans in the absence of security.

They are unable to earn the loyalty of any customer.

(iii) They cannot enforce contracts.

(a) Only (i) (b) Both (i) & (iii)

(c) Both (i) & (ii) (d) Only (ii)

None of these

Which of the following prevents the poor from obtaining a business license?

They do not want to make an effort.

Government officials are discourteous.

They lack funds to bribe government officials.

They do not want to pay taxes.

They are intimidated by bureaucratic procedures.

Choose the word which is most nearly the SAME in meaning as the word Severe as used in the passage.

(a) acute (b) dangerous

(c) bad (d) flexible

(e) demanding

Choose the word which is most OPPOSITE in meaning of the word Perversely as used in the passage.

(a) reasonably (b) stubbornly

(c) conveniently (d) formally

(e) helpfully

Direction: A statement is followed by three inferences numbered I, II, and III. Consider the statement to be true even if it is at variance with commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the inferences, if any, follow from the given statement.

(a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows

(c) Only III follows (d) Both I and II follow

(e) Both II and III follow

Statement: Social media companies such as Facebook, Snapchat and Twitter have been accused of failing to protect young people from harassment after a cyber bullying inquiry found that online abuse severely affects their mental health.

Inferences:

I. Online abuse is rife on social media and other sites across the globe.

Online abuse can cause significant emotional and psychological harm, as well as impact on issues such as mobility, employment, and public participation, which are equally important factors.

It is the responsibility of social media companies to protect young people from cyber bullying.

Statement: With its top-notch restaurants, vibrant bar and café scene, and exciting festivals, the capital city of Adelaide is both cosmopolitan smart and down-home friendly.

Inferences:

To be cosmopolitan, a city needs to have a lot of vibrant bars and cafes.

II. Despite Adelaide being a worldly and cultured city, it is at the same time connected with an unpretentious way of life too.

III. The citizens of Adelaide come from various countries and cultures.

In a group of 6 boys and 5 girls, 5 students have to be selected. In how many ways it can be done so that at least 2 boys are included

(a) 325 (b) 431

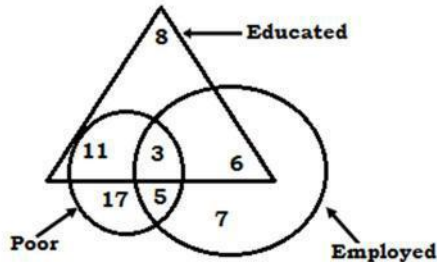
(c) 456 (d) 425

None of these

Four villages A, B, C and D lie in a straight line. D is 10 kms from B. A is exactly between D and C. The distance of CD is 2 kms more than distance of BD. How far is C from B?

- (1) 4 kms (2) 6 kms
(3) 8 kms (4) 2 kms

The figure represents three classes of youth in a party. According to this, how many educated youth are poor



- (1) 6 (2) 19
(3) 14 (4) 9

Directions: Two statements are given here which are followed by two conclusions I and II. You have to consider the two statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. You have to decide which of the given conclusions, if any, follow from the given statements.

Statements:

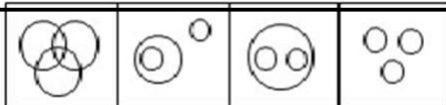
All sportsmen have good physique.
Some professionals are sportsmen.

Conclusions:

I. All professionals have good physique.
II. Some professionals with good physique are not sportsmen.

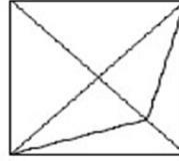
- (1) Both the conclusions follow
(2) None of the conclusions follow
(3) Only conclusion I follows
(4) Only conclusion II follows

Find out the figure which best represents the relationship among Garden, Rose and Jasmine.



- (1) (2) (3) (4)

39. Find the number of triangles in the given figure.



- (1) 11 (2) 17
(3) 13 (4) 15

A can do a piece of work in 20 days and B in 30 days. They work together for 7 days and then both leave the work. Then C alone finishes the remaining work in 10 days. In how many days will C finish the full work ?

- (1) 25 days (2) 30 days
(3) 24 days (4) 20 days

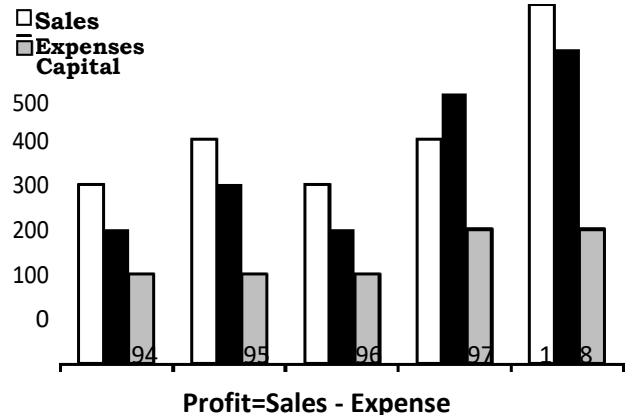
The total number of integers between 200 and 400. Each of which either begins with 3 or ends with 3 or both is

- (1) 10 (2) 100 (3) 110 (4) 120

ABCD is a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle with centre O. If $\angle COD = 120^\circ$ and $\angle BAC = 30^\circ$ then $\angle BCD$ is:

- (1) 75° (2) 90° (3) 120° (4) 60°

Directions: The following graph gives Sales, expense and Capital of a company for a period of five years 1994 to 1998. Read the graph and answer the following questions.



Profit = Sales - Expense

What has been the simple average growth rate per annum of expense between 1994 and 1998?

- (1) 25% (2) 33%
(3) 40% (4) 130%

In which year was the Sales to Expense ratio is the lowest?

- (1) 1994 (2) 1996
(3) 1997 (4) 1998

What was the average per annum increase in sales (in Rs. cr.) from 1994 to 1998 ?

- (1) 50 (2) 60
(3) 80 (4) 100

46. In which year was the ratio of profit to capital the highest?

- (1) 1998 (2) 1995
(3) 1996 (4) 1997

47. In which year was the ratio of sales to capital the lowest ?

- (1) 1998 (2) 1997
(3) 1996 (4) 1995

Find the missing number in the following questions.

51	23	18
25	92	39
16	?	35

- a) 41 b) 35 c) 11 d) 23

What is the angle between the two hands of a clock when the time shown by the clock is 6 : 12

- a) 105° b) 120° c) 110° d) 114°

In a class of 65 students Rajesh is on 17th position from top and Kavi's position is 29th from bottom. Mahesh is on exact middle position between them. What is position of Mahesh from top end?

- a) 23rd b) 28th c) 27th d) 20th

Direction: The question below a statement followed by two course of Action. On the basis of information given in statement, you have to assume everything in statement is true then decide which of the suggested course of action is worth pursuing.

Statement: Reliance is planning to go overseas with its telecom business and set up the network in Maldives.

Course of Action:

I. Reliance should be stopped from going overseas instead focus on the development of its network here in India.

II. Reliance should be requested to fully explore the domestic areas before moving overseas.

If only course of action I follow

If only course of action II follows

If both the course of action follows

If neither course of action follows **Directions:**

A statement is given followed by two conclusions, I and II. You have to consider the statement to be true, even if it seems to be at variance from of the given conclusions can definitely be drawn from the given statement Indicate your answer.

Statements: Use of cosmetics is hazardous.

Conclusions: I. Cosmetics have side effects.

II. Cosmetics are inexpensive.

- a) Only I follows b) Only II follows

Both I and II follow d) Neither I nor II follows

Direction: In the questions below, a statement is given followed by two arguments. Choose the most appropriate option depending on which argument strengthens the given statement.

Statement:

Aadhaar should be made mandatory for all government services

Arguments:

I. Yes, it will ensure targeted delivery of services on time.

II. No, lot of people do not have Aadhaar card.

If only argument I is strong

If only argument II is strong

If either I or II is strong

If neither I nor II is strong

A rectangular park 60 m long and 40 m wide has two concrete crossroads running in the middle of the park and rest of the park has been used as a lawn. The area of the lawn is

2109 sq. m. what is the width of the road?

- a) 5 m b) 4 m c) 2 m d) 3m

3 balls are drawn randomly from a bag containing 3 black, 5 red and 4 blue balls. What is the probability that the balls drawn contain balls of different colors?

- a) — b) — c) — d) —

A three-digit number 4a3 is added to another three-digit number 984 to give a four digit number 13b7, which is divisible by 11. What is the value of (a + b)?

- a) 9 b) 10 c) 11 d) 12

The curved surface area of a cylindrical pillar is 264 m^2 and its volume is 924 m^3 . Find the ratio of its diameter to its height.

- a) $3 : 7$ b) $7 : 3$ c) $6 : 7$ d) $7 : 6$

If the equation $-49 + \gamma 94 = 0$ as roots a and b , find the value of $-49 + \gamma 94 = 0$

- a) 2013 b) 2213 c) 2223 d) 2223

Directions: In the following questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

He was _____ by nature and so avoided all company.

- a) gregarious b) timid
c) anti-social d) cordial

Many people who _____ practicing photography as a hobby turn it eventually into a livelihood.

- a) resume b) prefer c) imply d) start

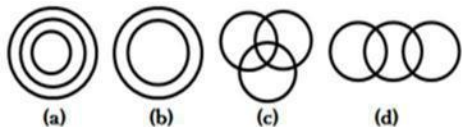
61. We should pass a vote of _____.

- a) senses b) censure
c) census d) censor

P, Q, R, S and T are sitting in a circle facing the centre. R is to the immediate left of T. P is sitting in between S and T. Then, who is sitting to the immediate left of R

- (1) T (2) P
(3) Q (4) S

Which of the following Venn diagram represents Female, Minister and Doctor?



Directions: A series is given, with one term missing. Choose the correct alternative from the given ones that will complete the series.

64. A729, G343, ?, S27, Y1

- (1) L64 (2) M75
(3) Q100 (4) M125

65. 6, 11, 21, 36, 56, ?

- (1) 42 (2) 51
(3) 81 (4) 91

Three different positions X, Y and Z of a dice are shown in the figures given below. Which number lies opposite 6?



- (1) 1
(3) 4



- (2) 2
(4) 5



A man is walking at a speed of 10 kmph. After every km, he takes a rest for 5 minutes. How much time will he take to cover a distance of 5 km?

- (1) 60 minutes (2) 50 minutes
(3) 55 minutes (4) 70 minutes

68. In an examination, a student was asked to find

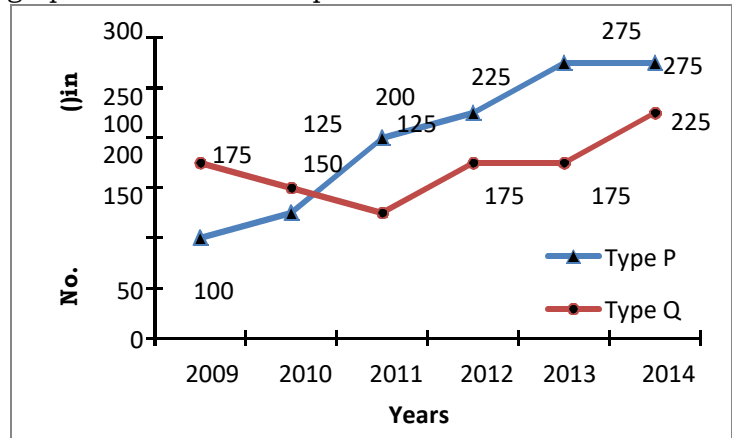
— of a certain number. By mistake, he found — of it. His answer was 150 more than the correct answer. The given number is:

- (1) 500 (2) 280 — — —
(3) 240 (4) 180

The greatest among the numbers $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{4}$, $\sqrt{12}$, 1 is

- (1) $1 - \frac{3}{4}$ (2) $1 - \frac{12}{4}$
(3) (4) $\frac{12}{4}$

Direction: The following graph shows production (in thousands) of two types (P and Q) of vehicles by a factory over the years 2009 to 2014. Study the graph and answer five question.



70. Approximate percentage decrease in production of Types Q vehicles from 2010 to 2011 is

- (1) 14.3 (2) 10.1
(3) 16.6 (4) 12.5

The ratio of total production of Type P vehicles to total production of Type Q vehicles over the years is

- (1) 41 : 48 (2) 5 : 8
(3) 8 : 5 (4) 48 : 41

72. The production of Type Q vehicles in 2010 was approximately what percent of Type P vehicles in 2014?

- (1) 60 (2) 45.5
(3) 54.5 (4) 75

In how many of the given years, was the production of Type P vehicle of the company more than the average production of this type vehicles in the given years?

- (1) 3 (2) 5
(3) 2 (4) 4

The total production of Type P vehicles in the year 2009 and 2011 is what percent of total production of Type Q vehicles in 2010 and 2014?

- (1) 81.25 (2) 75
(3) 80 (4) 69.25

Directions: You have a passage with five questions following. Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

The World is becoming a dangerous place to live in, and this is despite our claims of being civilized, of having evolved from the primitive to the modern man and from the cave man to cultured being.

Many reasons can be attributed to this. A man longs to be the king of all kingdoms, but is too extravagant and idle. He desires that his writ should run through the whole world. But then he is lazy and lethargic. Man is mean, far inferior to other species. We are more human than humane. We have negative qualities such as anger, ego, envy, greed, hatred, and jealousy, that we should consider overcoming.

We have allowed these qualities to become our consuming passions. We think that we are mightier than most. We think we are capable of destroying anything by using our might. Today, we have acquired weapons of mass destruction, which are capable of obliterating all life from the face of this planet.

As men we arm men. Then we destroy people without arms. Then why are we giving vent to this anger? We let our wrath take over our senses. We fight to satisfy our egos. The overpowering obsession of a man with himself motivates him to grab everything and to fulfil his greed.

What does man think of himself today ?

- (1) That he is more humane than human
(2) That he can be king of all kingdoms
(3) That he is mightier than most
(4) That he can rule the world

What are the qualities that have become man's consuming passion ?

- (1) Idleness and laziness
(2) Laziness and lethargy
(3) Anger, ego, greed, envy, hatred and jealousy
(4) The desire to be king

What is man capable of achieving today ?

- (1) The power to conquer the world
(2) The ability to destroy everything
(3) The ability to have his writ run through the whole world
(4) The power to obliterate life from this planet

Why has the world become a dangerous place to live in ?

- (1) Because man has become a cultured being.
(2) Because man has evolved from primitive to modern.
(3) Because man has become civilized.
(4) Because man desires to be king of all kingdoms but is idle and extravagant.

Give the antonym of 'Obliterate'.

- (1) Create (2) Prevent
(3) Destroy (4) Erase

Directions: In the following three questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

80. A wiseman ___not pretend___know everything.

- (1) did, to (2) may, in
(3) does, or (4) does, to

Students are not prepared___that kind of question.

- (1) to (2) with
(3) for (4) on

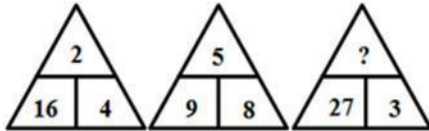
We threw out some old furniture so that the new television set _____ enough space.

- (1) has (2) have
(3) had (4) will have

If HPQBM is coded as NJWVS, then how will SBEIB be coded as:

- a) YWKCH b) YVKCH
c) YUKCH d) YVKDH

84. Find the missing number.



- a) 6 b) 7 c) 8 d) 9

Statement: The General Administration Department has issued a circular to all the employees informing them that hence forth the employees can avail their lunch break at any of the half hour slots between 1 : 00 pm and 2 : 30 pm.

Assumptions:

The employees may welcome the decision and avail lunch break at different time slots

II. There may not be any break in the work of the organization as the employees will have their lunch break at different time slots.

Only assumption I is implicit

Only assumption II is implicit

Either I or II is implicit

Both I and II are implicit

Statements: Should there be death punishment for those who are involved in manufacturing spurious drugs?

Argument:

I. Yes, mass murder for the sake of profit should be treated only by one law-death penalty.

No, the main objective of the punishment is to bring reform in a convicted person by punishing him/her

If only argument I is "strong".

If only argument II is "strong".

If either I or II is "strong".

If neither I nor II is "strong".

Direction: In these questions, a relationship between different elements is shown in the

statements. These statements are followed by two conclusions.

Statement: $S \geq M < Y = Z > F > T$

Conclusion: I. $S > F$ II. $Y > T$

Only conclusion I follows

Only conclusion II follows

Either conclusion I or II follows

Neither conclusion I nor II follows

Directions: In the following questions, sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

Steve had always hoped that his father would _____ the property to him.

- a) bespoke b) disclaim
c) bequeath d) beseech

89. I have no _____ riches.

- a) desire of b) desire for
c) desire to d) desirous of

90. A warm reception was _____ him.

- a) allied to b) accorded to
c) allotted to d) given for

91. She had to _____ illness in order to avoid going to the party meeting.

- a) fain b) feign c) faint d) feint

92. In these days of inflation we all have to _____ our belts.

- a) shorten b) strengthen
c) tighten d) lesson

93. Only the brave deserves the _____.

- a) fare b) flare c) flair d) fair

A wiseman _____ not pretend _____ know everything.

- a) did, to b) may, in c) does, or d) does, to

Students are not prepared _____ that kind of question.

- a) to b) with c) for d) on

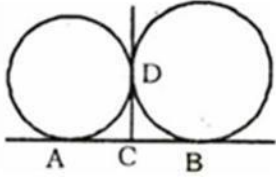
96. We threw out some old furniture so that the new television set _____ enough space.

- a) has b) have c) had d) will have

97. Let us sit down _____ the shade of a tree for sometime.

- a) beneath b) inside
c) below d) in

In the given figure, AB and CD are two common tangents to the two touching circle. If CD = 6 cm, then AB is equal to:

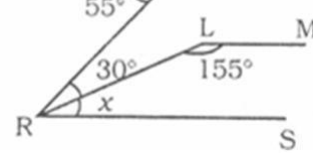


- (1) 9 cm (2) 15 cm
(3) 12 cm (4) None of these

When we plot the points A (-1, 3) B (-1, -2) and C (3, -2) on a graph paper, the figure formed by these points is:

- right angled triangle
scalene triangle
equilateral triangle
isosceles triangle

100. In the figure PQ ⊥ LM ⊥ RS. Find the value of ∠LRS.



- (1) 30° (2) 25° (3) 35° (4) 40°

ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
a	d	c	e	a	c	b	b	d	c	b	d	a	d	d	a	a	d	c	d
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
c	d	a	c	d	c	a	b	e	a	a	c	b	b	d	c	d	c	d	c
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
c	b	a	b	c	b	c	a	d	c	b	a	c	d	a	b	b	b	b	b
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
b	c	c	d	c	a	b	b	b	c	d	c	a	c	c	c	d	d	a	d
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
c	c	b	b	b	b	b	a	b	b	b	c	d	d	c	c	d	c	a	b

IMPORTANT MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Central Information Commission is set up under

- a) RTI Act. b) CBI Act.
c) CIC Act. d) None of the Above

The Present Commissioner of CIC is

- a) Wajahat Habibullah b) Sudhir Bhargava.
c) Sudhir Joshi d) Wajahat Ali

Ahmad sar Lake is in

- a) Gujarat b) Maharashtra
c) Goa d) Andhra Pradesh

Who defends 'fundamental Rights'?

- a) President b) Supreme Court
c) Constitution d) NOTA

Which Act abolished Supreme Courts created in the provinces of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay?

- Government of India Act 1858
India Councils Act 1861
Indian High Court Act 1861
Indian High Court Act 1871

Exercise KAKADU 2018 is between India and _____

- a) Australia b) Singapore
c) Maldives d) Nepal

In shares land border with Myanmar _____

- a) 16,33 km. b) 1533 km.
c) 1643 km. d) 1543 km.

'Ganga Book' was prepared in lines of

- a) Danube Book b) Nile Book
c) Amazon Book d) None

ISRO was formed in

- a) 1949 b) 1959
c) 1969 d) 1979

Where was 15th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas hosted?

- a) Varanasi b) Chennai
c) Hyderabad d) Ahmedabad.

Namita Gokhale is known for which novel?

Things to Leave Behind

Live above things

Behind the things

NOTA

Man Booker Prize is awarded to

- a) Cassandre Clare b) Holly Black
c) Paul Collier d) Anna Burus

Changing India is written

- a) Arun Jaitley b) Manmohan Singh
c) R.N. Kovind d) Krishna Sobti

Indian has signed the Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA) agreement?

- a) UK b) Russia
c) Iran d) U.S.

Which of following is developed by DRDO?

- a) RISAT b) GSAT
c) GISAT d) EMISAT

Kandhamal Haldi is given GI tag belongs to?

- a) Odisha b) Jharkhand
c) Bihar d) Telangana

'Order of Zayed' is given to which Indian Mister?

- a) Arun Jaitley b) Rahul Gandhi
c) Narendra Modi d) Nirmala Sitharamn

Which of the following state is the largest grower of turmeric in the country?

- a) Maharashtra b) Tamil Nadu
c) Andhra Pradesh d) Odisha

Belt and Road initiative of china was announced in

- a) 2012 b) 2013
c) 2014 d) 2015

Russia's highest civilian award-The 'order of the Holy Apostle Andrenj The first' to

- a) Donald Trump b) Shinzo Abe
c) Xi Jinping d) Narendra Modi

India will be the Guest of Honour at

- a) 2019 Abu Dhabi International Book Fair.

2019 Malaysia International Book Fair.
 2019 Sri Lanka International Book Fair.
 2019 France International Book Fair.

The three day annual 'Rongali' or 'Bohag' Bihu festival is celebrated in

- a) Assam b) West Bengal
 c) Nagaland d) Sikkim

Lateral entry into civil services were recommended by

Alagh Committee
 Surinder Nath Committee
 Hota Committee
 All

Rowlatt Acct of 1919 anthorised British Govt. to

Arrest anybody Suspected of terrorist activities
 Detain such person arrested for up to 2 years
 Both A and B
 None

Who was the viceroy of India during the Jalliwala Bagh Massacre?

- a) Lord Hardinge II b) Lord Minto
 c) Lord Chelms ford d) Lord waveer

The Jalliwala Bagh Massacre was held in which year?

- a) 1915 b) 1916
 c) 1917 d) 1919

Which organization was published state of world population 2019 report.

- a) WHO b) UNICEF
 c) UNFPA d) ILO

New species (Humo Luzonensis) ancient human excavations was discovered in

- a) South Africa b) Philippines
 c) Iraq d) Egypt

'Puthandu Pirappu' is celebrated in

- a) Assam b) Andhra Pradesh
 c) Tamil Nadu d) Odisha

'Didymos' is a

- a) Virus b) Space Craft
 c) Warship d) None

According to IUCN, Red River giant is

- a) Endangered b) Threatened
 c) Vulnerable d) Critically Endangered

Jorwe Culture of Ancient India belongs to

- a) Rajasthan b) Gujarat
 c) Jammu & Kashmir d) Maharashtra.

'Right to Education' in given under

- a) Article 21 A b) Article 45
 c) Article 21 d) Article 19

Whole sale Price Index is published by

Central Statistical office
 Ministry of finance
 Economic Adviser in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
 Reserve Bank of India

Lencism is

Partial loss of Pigmentation in animals in the skin.
 Total loss of Pigmentation in animals in the skin.
 Partial loss of Pigmentation in humans in the skin.
 Total loss of Pigmentation in humans in the skin.

As per IUCN the Yangtze giant softshell

Critically endangered
 Endangered
 Vulnerable
 Extinct

Central Statistics office in under

Ministry of statistics and Programme implementation.
 Ministry of commerce and Industry
 Ministry of finance
 Ministry of Home

Satpal and Saifuddin Kitchlew

Champaran Satyagraha

Rowlatt Satyagraha
 Non co-operation Movement
 Khede Satyagraha

The birth place of Mahavira was

- a) Kapilavastu b) Kundagrama
 c) Magadh d) vajji

Which of the following school belongs to Jainism?

- a) Mahayana b) Theravada
 c) Digambar d) Hinayan

Sea VIGIL is a

Coastal Defence Exercise
 Warship
 Aircraft
 None of these

Saraswati Samman in awarded to

- a) K K Gupta b) K K Birla Foundation
 c) Kartik Birla d) Arundhali Roy

Satpal and Saifuddin Kitchlew

- a) Chandigarh b) Pune
 c) Gurugram d) Mumbai

Notre-Dame Cathedral was in news, is in

- a) Italy b) France
 c) Germany d) England

Manjeera Wildlife Sanctuary is in

- a) Andhra Pradesh b) Odisha
 c) Karnataka d) Telangana

Forest Rights Act was passed in

- a) 2006 b) 2007
 c) 2004 d) 2005

Theme for world Haemophilia Day is in

Outread and identification.
 Hear the voices.
 None of the Above.

Mujibnagar Day is observed in

- a) Bhutan b) Sri Lanka
 c) Afghanistan d) Bangladesh.

Rank of India in World Press Freedom Index is

- a) 140 b) 138
 c) 141 d) 142

Great Indian Bustard is found in

- a) Eastern Ghats b) Western Ghats
 c) Himalayas d) None of these

Nepalisat-1 was recently launched into space from

- a) Kathmandu (Nepal) b) Wheeler island (India)
 c) Virginia (US) d) Beijing (China)

Trade across line of control is based on

Barter System
 Mechanical System
 Discretionary System
 None of these

Bubble boy is a

Code name for attack in Sri-Lanka.
 Disease
 Warship
 a) Missile

Assam Accord was signed in

- a) 1984 b) 1985
 c) 1986 d) 1978

Which application was recently banned by Indian Government?

- a) Instagram b) PuBG
 c) WhatsApp d) TikTok

Election Commission of India was established in?

- a) 1947 b) 1949
 c) 1950 d) 1952

Ranjan Gogai is CJI?

- a) 45th b) 44th
 c) 46th d) 47th

Olive Ridley Turtle as per IUCN List is

- a) Vulnerable b) Critically endangered
 c) Extinct d) Threatened

World's first vaccine against Malaria?

- a) Mosquirix b) Mosquivaccine
 c) Vacci Mosqui d) None of the Above

Microprocessor indigenously produced by IIT Bombay?

- a) RANJEET b) JEET
c) AJIT d) SANJAY

Garia Puja is a Festival of ?

- a) Manipur b) Mizoram
c) Tripura d) assam

Theme for 'Earth Day 2019' is

- protect all the species
protect our species
protect Fura and Fanna
none

Who won Presidential election of Ukraine?

- a) Petro Poroshenko b) Volodymyr Zelensky c) Leonid Kravchuk d) Viktor Poroshenko

India has indigenously developed the first – ever vaccine for the treatment of?

- Japanese Encephalitis
Sever's disease
Shigellosis
None

Investor Education and Protection fund

Authority is under?

- Ministry of Corporate Affair
Ministry of Finance
Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Ministry of HRD

Special Stamp in Ramayana theme is launched by?

- a) Thailand b) Sri Lanka
c) Nepal d) Indonesia

India ranks as per Global Hunger Index 2018 at

- a) 101 b) 103
c) 105 d) 107

Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite in the Mission of?

- ISRO
NASA
France National Centre for space Studies

d) Gerome Aerospace Centre

Largest producer of milk in the world is

- a) India b) Brazil
c) China d) Vietnam

World book capital for the year 2019 is?

- a) Dubai b) Sharjah
c) New Delhi d) Singapore

Hop Probe Project belongs to ?

- a) Sri Lanka b) USA
c) UK d) UAE

India ranks as per Global Hunger Index 2018 at

- a) Impeachment b) Suspension
c) Termination d) None of these

Consider the following statements in the context of the 21st century's longest total lunar eclipse:

The moon will be at perigee.

The moon moves at a relatively slower speed at perigee.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

The Vikas engine, recently in the news, powers the

- Light Combat Aircraft
BrahMos supersonic cruise missile
INS Arighat
GSLV Mk-III

The 'Samagra Shiksha' scheme subsumes

i. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

ii. Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha

Abhiyan iii. Teacher Education

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 and 3 only
c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2 and 3

Which one of the following statements helps us understand what is known as the ‘Wood Wide Web’?

Trees secretly talk to and share resources with each other.

Bringing internet connectivity to the remotest places on earth for inclusive and equitable development.

Some wild spiders can spray webs in one long continuous flow that can reach upto 25m in length.

None of the above.

Electronic Voting Machines are manufactured by

i. Bharat Electronics Ltd., Ministry of Defence

Electronic Corporation of India Ltd., Department of Atomic Energy Central Scientific Instruments Organisation, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- | | |
|------------|------------|
| a) 1 only | b) 1 and 2 |
| c) 2 and 3 | d) 1 and 3 |

The ‘Women Entrepreneurship Platform’, a first of its kind, unified access portal which brings together women from different parts of India to realize their entrepreneurial aspirations, is under the aegis of

SIDBI (Small Industries Development Bank of India)

Rashtrapati Bhavan

FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry)

NITI Aayog

‘Pitch Black’, a biennial exercise to which India has sent fighter aircrafts for the first time, is hosted by

- | | |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| a) Japan | b) United Arab Emirates |
| c) Australia | d) South Korea |

The Government of India (GoI) has given ‘In-Principle’ approval for construction and

operation of LIGO-India Laboratory in which district of Maharashtra?

- | | |
|---------------|-------------|
| a) Hingoli | b) Nagpur |
| c) Aurangabad | d) Kolhapur |

The NMCG has organised “Ganga Vriksharopan Abhiyan” in which of the following main stem Ganga basin states?

Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh

West Bengal

Bihar and Jharkhand

All of the above

The 2018 Nelson Mandela International Day (NMID) is observed on which date?

- | | |
|------------|------------|
| a) July 17 | b) July 19 |
| c) July 18 | d) July 16 |

Which committee has been constituted by the Union Government to synergise National Cadet Corps (NCC) and National Service Scheme (NSS)?

Parag Motwani committee

Jagrati Ray committee

Milind Zaidi committee

Anil Swarup committee

Under which Article of the Constitution, the President has recently nominated Classical dancer Sonal Mansingh to the Rajya Sabha?

- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| a) Article 84 | b) Article 83 |
| c) Article 80 | d) Article 81 |

Who has been selected for the 2018 Sangita Kalanidhi award of the Music Academy?

- | | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| a) S R G Rajanna | b) Aruna Sairam |
| c) K Oman Kutty | d) Premeela Gurumurthy |

Who received the Golden Ball award for best player at the 2018 FIFA World Cup?

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|----------------|---------------------|
| a) Luka Modric | b) Kylian Mbappe |
| c) Harry Kane | d) Thibaut Courtois |

Consider the following statements regarding Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2016

- The Act does not invalidate any child marriage by itself but only gives the option of annulling to the bride and the groom

The marriageable age according to this Act is 21 years for men and 18 years for women

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements regarding No-Confidence motion

No-confidence motion can be moved only in Lok Sabha or a State Legislative Assembly

It can be moved against the government or an individual minister

It is an extra-ordinary device which sidelines all the other businesses in the house.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 1 and 3 only
c) 2 and 3 only d) 1, 2, 3

The Tropic of cancer is passing through which of the following states in the North Eastern region?

**Tripura
Mizoram
Manipur
Nagaland**

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

- a) 1 only b) 1 and 2 only
c) 1 and 3 only d) 1 and 4 only

Match the following:

National Park

Animal

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Dibang | 1. Nilgiri Thar |
| B. Desert National Park | 2. Golden Langur |
| C. Manas | 3. Snow leopard |
| D. Eravikulam | 4. Great Indian Bustard |
- a) A-3, B-4, C-2, D-1 b) A-3, B-4, C-1, D-2
c) A-2, B-3, C-4, D-1 d) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

Consider the following statements about 'Madhubani Paintings'

1. It is practised by people in Bihar and is done using twigs, fingers, brushes and even matchsticks.

It was given the coveted GI (Geographical Indication) status in 2006

Select the correct statements

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about 'Dhole'

High populations of Dholes are found in the Western Ghats and central Indian forests

They are listed as 'Least Concern' under the IUCN Red List

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

FASTags:

A device that uses Radio Frequency Identification

It has a validity of 5 years and is used on compulsory basis.

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Central Sector Schemes:

Implemented by the State Governments.

Account for 11% of the Central Government's Expenditure and is subjected to State List.

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Arctic Council:

Established in 1991

India is a Observer country of the Council Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Nelson Mandela:

Awarded Nobel Prize for peace in 1994

Mandela was the first non-Indian recipient of Bharat Ratna.

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only

- c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

The World Customs Organisation (WCO)

Was established as an associate body to the World Trade Organisation.

Has divided its membership into six regions, with India presently being one of the regional heads.

Represents 193 customs administrations across the globe that collectively process approximately 99% of world trade.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 and 3 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2 and 3

Consider the statements about INS Tarangini

It is the first Indian naval ship to circumnavigate the globe between 2003 and 2004

It will participate in the prestigious 'tall ship races - 2018' to be held in London

It was constructed by the Goa Shipyard
 Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 and 2 only b. 2 and 3 only
 c. 1 and 3 only d. 1, 2, 3

Which of the following sites are identified under the PRASAD (National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive) scheme?

Amaravati
 Vellankanni
 Mathura
 Kamakhya
 Gaya

- a) 1, 2, 3 b) 2, 3, 4
 c) 1, 2, 4, 5 d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Consider the following statements regarding Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2018

For the first time rural India will be studied based on the key quantitative and qualitative Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) parameters.

Citizens' feedback will be collected from over 50 lakh citizens on SBM related issues

through direct interaction as well as online feedback.

Currently over 4 lakh villages have been declared Open Defecation Free in India
 Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2, 3

Consider the following statements about National Green Tribunal

It is a body created by the Supreme Court of India for effective and expeditious disposal of cases relating to environmental protection and conservation of forests and other natural resources

Only a judge of the Supreme Court of India or Chief Justice of High Court is eligible for the post of Chairperson of NGT
 Which of the statement(s) is/ are not correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Golden Jackal

It is endemic to Bandar Reserve Forest area in Andhra Pradesh

It was in the news for creating man-animal conflict owing to decreasing mangrove cover

It is classified as Vulnerable according to IUCN's Red List

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 2 and 3 only

Consider the following statements regarding Net Neutrality

It is the basic principle of an open Internet that does not allow for content discrimination by the Internet Service Providers (ISP).

It is a principle which democratises the internet particularly after the arrival of private players in the field of telecommunication.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

The main spectacle of the 'Behdienkhlam' – an annual cultural festival – happens in the town of Jowai located in the state of

- a) Arunachal Pradesh b) West Bengal
 c) Sikkim d) Meghalaya

According to IUCN, the Nilgiri Tahr has been categorised on its Red List a

- a) Near Threatened b) Vulnerable
 c) Endangered d) Critically Endangered

106. An international conference 'RISE 2018', recently in the news, is related to

- a) HIV/AIDS b) Technology
 c) Human rights d) Anti-terrorism

Son river:

It is a tributary of Ganga

Bandager Dam Project is Joint venture between Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Chattisgarh

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider SDG 6.

The official wording is: "Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all."

India is achieving Goal 6 through Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan, the National Rural Drinking Water Programme, and Namami Gange.

Choose Correct

- A) 1 B) 2
 C) Both D) NOTA

Consider SATAT initiative

SATAT is an initiative aimed at providing a Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation

It is a joint initiative of IndianOil, BPCL and HPCL to turn waste into solar energy.

India had launched the GOBAR-DHAN under SATAT initiative.

Choose incorrect

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) 2 and 3

Consider the following statements:

Mansar Lake is one of the largest freshwater lakes in the Shivalik range of the Jammu region.

Surinsar-Mansar Lakes is designated as Ramsar Convention.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) Both D) None

SATAT is an initiative associated with –

- Rural Electrification
 Solar Pumps
 Compressed Bio-Gas
 Sustainable and Affordable Housing

Sunabeda National Park was in news recently.

The national park is located in –

- A) Tamil Nadu B) West Bengal
 C) Arunachal Pradesh D) Odisha

Consider U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA)

1. It replaced 25-year-old North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).
2. It gives the U.S greater access to the dairy markets of Canada and Mexico and allows extra imports of Canadian cars.
3. It is intended to last 24 years and will be reviewed every 6 years.

Choose incorrect

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) 2 and 3

Consider Bombay Stock Exchange.

It is Asia's first stock exchange.

Bombay Exchange was founded by Premchand Roychand.

Bombay Stock Exchange became the first stock exchange in the country to launch commodity derivatives contract in gold and silver.

Choose incorrect

- A) 1 only
 C) 3 only
- B) 2 only
 D) NOTA

Consider Nobel Prize for Medicine

2018 Prize is awarded for the work on a new approach to tuberculosis treatment.

2018 Prize is awarded for the work on a new approach to Cancer treatment.

2018 Prize is awarded for the work on a new approach to STD treatment.

2018 Prize is awarded for the work on a new approach to insomnia treatment.

Geological Survey of India has chosen heritage locations in Maharashtra and Karnataka for UNESCO Global Geopark Network status are-

1. Lonar Lake in Karnataka.
2. St. Mary's Island and Malpe beach in Maharashtra.

Choose Correct-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Consider International Solar Alliance.

Most of the member countries are sunshine countries.

It is joint initiative of India and France.

Choose Correct-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Consider International Solar Alliance.

It is headquartered in India.

In 2018 the alliance entered into an understanding with the World Bank for accelerating mobilization of finance for solar energy.

Choose incorrect-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Consider the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)

Neither Pakistan nor Myanmar are member of IORA.

The first Renewable Energy Ministerial Meeting was held in Yemen recently.

Choose Correct-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Consider IBSAMAR

The 5th edition of IBSAMAR is being held at Simons Town, South Africa.

The first exercise took place in 2008.

Choose Correct-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Which of the Following area is not under IBSA.

Education

Energy

Agriculture

Science and Technology

Choose Correct-

- A) 1 only
 C) 2 and 4
- B) 3 only
 D) NOTA

Consider the Statement.

Lonar Lake became a geo-heritage site in 1979.

St. Mary was declared as a national geo-heritage site in 1975.

Choose incorrect

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

Consider Purchasing Managers' Index.

It is an indicator of business activity in the manufacturing only.

The Nikkei India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose to 52.2 in September from 51.7 in August 2017

Choose correct-

- A) 1
 C) Both
- B) 2
 D) NOTA

124. Global Skills Park is going to be established in the state of

- A) Madhya Pradesh
 C) Karnataka
- B) Rajasthan
 D) Andhra Pradesh.

125. Global Skills Park is to be funded by

World Bank
 IMF
 Asian Development Bank
 Both B and C

Consider Udyam Abhilasha

**It is an international Level
 Entrepreneurship Awareness Campaign.
 It is organised by NABARB
 Choose correct**

- A) 1 B) 2
 C) Both D) NOTA

**Consider World Peace Monument recently
 inaugurated in Maharashtra-**

**It is world's largest dome.
 It is built atop the MIT World Peace
 Library and the World Peace Prayer Hall.
 World Peace Library and Prayer Hall are
 named after the 13th century poet-saint
 and philosopher Thiruvalluvar.
 Choose incorrect -**

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

Consider Sahyag HOP TAC

**It is a joint military exercise between
 India and Vietnam.
 It was recently conducted off the Coast
 of Chennai.
 Choose correct -**

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

**Consider Swachh Survekshan Grameen
 Awards**

**Swachh Survekshan Grameen - 2018 was
 commissioned by the Ministry of Drinking
 Water and Sanitation.**

**As per the ranking, Haryana was ranked
 as the best State while Vidarbha District of
 Maharashtra was ranked as the best district.**

Choose correct -

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

130. Choose correct statement-

**Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) is NITI
 Aayog's flagship initiative to promote a
 culture of innovation and entrepreneurship
 in India.**

**Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) is a
 village development project, under which
 each Member of Parliament will take the
 responsibility of developing physical and
 institutional infrastructure in three villages
 by 2022.**

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

Choose Correct Statement-

**The king of mangoes, Alphonso, better
 known as 'Hapus' in Tamil Nadu, is in
 demand in domestic and international
 markets not only for its taste but also for
 pleasant fragrance and vibrant colour.**

**Recently the Alphonso mango from
 Ratnagiri, Sindhudurg and other adjoining
 areas in Maharashtra have been accorded
 the Geographical Indication (GI) tag by the
 Ministry of Agriculture.**

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

**Which one of the following is not given GI
 tag-**

Mahabaleshwar Strawberry
 Banarasi Sarees
 Kala Zeera of Kinnaur
 Madurai Malli

Choose incorrect-

- There are a total of 425 products from India that carry Geographical indication.
- Ministry of Women & Child Development as the nodal agency, launched Rashtriya Poshan Maah or National Nutrition Month, across the length and breadth of the country on the 01st of Sep 2018.

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
 C) 3 only D) NOTA

Choose Correct -

- First ever Regional Conference at Shimla on 'Women in Detention and Access to

Justice is organised by The Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Ministry of Home Affairs.

Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

- A) 1 B) 2
C) Both D) NOTA

Choose Correct -

India has launched massive humanitarian operation Samudra Maitri to provide assistance to earthquake and tsunami victims in Indonesia.

India-born Gita Gopinath has been appointed as the Chief Economist of the World Bank.

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
C) 3 only D) NOTA

Consider Black spotted Turtle.

It is Vulnerable in the list of IUCN.

It is a native to south Asia.

Through RETTA, TRAFFIC is conserving it.

Choose correct

- a. 1, 3 b. 2 only
c. 1, 2 d. 2 only

Consider MiG-21 fighter Jet.

It is the first hyper sonic fighter aircraft of the Indian Airforce.

Tejas will replace MiG-21.

Choose incorrect

- a. 1 b. 2
c. Both d. NOTA

Consider Exercise Yudh Abhiyas 2018

It is a joint Indo-US Naval Exercise.

The exercise started in the year 2005

Choose correct.

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. NOTA

Consider Polio

India reported its last polio case in 2013.

WHO declared India as Polio-free in 2014.

Choose Correct

- a. 1 only b. 2 only

- c. Both d. Nota

140. Which State is to launch wage compensation scheme for Pregnant Women in Tea gardens?

- a. Himachal Pradesh b. Sikkim
c. Assam d. West Bengal

Consider Wage compensation scheme for pregnant women in Tea gardens.

The Compensation will be given in 3 installments

Total amount to be paid is 12,000

Maternity leave will be given after 3rd trimester of Pregnancy.

Choose inCorrect

- a. 1, 2 b. 2, 3
c. 1, 3 d. All

Consider Champions of the Earth Award.

It is UN's highest environment recognition.

It was founded in 2004.

Choose correct

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. NOTA

Which High Court directed state to provide reservation to transgender?

- a. Gujarat HC b. Uttarakhand HC
c. Delhi HC d. Allahabad HC

Ayushman Bharat is

It will be launched on pilot basis.

It will subsume Rashtriya Jan Bima Yojana and Senior Citizen Health Insurance. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about River Mahadayi

It is described as the 'Lifeline of Goa'

It originates in the same place as that of River Krishna

It is an east- flowing river that drains in the Bay of Bengal near Odisha

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a) 1 only b) 1 and 2 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2, 3

Consider River MahaDayi

Kunchikal fall forms a border between Karnataka and Goa.

Mahamayi River Disputes Tribunal was set up in 2010.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
 c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are true about the Swadesh Darshan Scheme?

It is a centrally- sponsored scheme under the aegis of Ministry of Tourism

It aims to develop theme- based tourism circuits

It also aims to integrate other schemes such as Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Skill India, Make in India and so on

- a. 1 and 2 only b. 1 and 3 only
 c. 2 and 3 only d. 1, 2, 3

Which of the following is/ are the goal(s) of Unnat Bharat Abiyan 2.0?

To provide rural India and regional agencies with access to the professional resources of the institutes of higher education

To foster a new dialogue within the larger community on science, society and the environment and to develop a sense of dignity and collective destiny.

To ensure that the every student in our country has access to the best quality higher education at the affordable cost

- a. 1 only b. 3 only
 c. 1 and 2 only d. 1 and 3 only

Consider the following statements about the 'Ease of Living Index' that was released recently

It was prepared by NITI Aayog

The list was topped by Pune, and Patna occupied the last place

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only

- c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Swadesh Darshan Scheme

The scheme focuses on development and beautification of the identified pilgrimage destinations.

The first project under the scheme is going to be inaugurated in Manipur

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about National Disaster Response Fund

It is a fund maintained by the Central government for meeting any unforeseen expenditure arising during disasters

It is given to state governments as a supplement to the states' funds during events of natural disasters only.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Project SWAYAM

It is an initiative of MHRD to bridge the digital divide among students

The platform hosts courses that range from school level to post-graduation level which can be accessed by anyone by paying a minimal fee

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

NITI Aayog has launched which mobility pitch competition for budding startups in the mobility field?

- a) Pitch to Mob b) Pitch to Move
 c) Pitch to Start d) Pitch to Gear

Who has been appointed the head coach of the Indian Women's National Cricket team?

- a) Madan Lal b) Gundappa Viswanath
 c) Ramesh Powar d) Sanjay Bangar

Which state government has decided to observe September as the “month of nutrition” to create awareness among people living in the state?

- a) Assam b) Rajasthan
c) Uttar Pradesh d) Odisha

Chemmanam Chacko, who passed away recently, was noted poet of which language?

- a) Malayalam b) Tamil
c) Telugu d) Odia

On which date, the 2018 World Organ Donation Day (WODD) has been observed recently?

- a) August 11 b) August 13
c) August 14 d) August 12

Which of the following has become the India's first tribal language to get a Wikipedia edition in its native script?

- a) Maithili b) Santhali
c) Bodo d) Dogri

The ‘Tatkal sewa’ for property registration is a proposed initiative of which state government?

- a) Punjab b) Uttar Pradesh
c) Maharashtra d) Assam

What is the theme of the 2018 International Youth Day (IYD)?

- Youth Building Peace
Safe Spaces for Youth
Change Your World
Eradicate Negativity

Which of the following is not a work of late VS Naipaul, the Trinidad-born Indian origin Nobel prize winning author who passed away recently?

- A Bend in the River
Magic Seeds
A House for Mr Biswas
The Remains of the Day

Which of the following are objectives of ‘Swadesh Darshan Scheme’?

Promote cultural and heritage value of the country to generate livelihoods in the identified regions

To create employment through active involvement of local communities

Enhancing the tourist attractiveness in a sustainable manner by developing world class infrastructure in the circuit /destinations

Select the correct statements

- a. 1 and 2 b. 2 and 3
c. 1 and 3 d. All of the above

‘Koshyari Committee’ is related to

- Reservation of Other Backward Classes
One Rank-One Pension (OROP)
Non-Performing Assets (NPAs)
m-Banking (mobile)

Which of the following countries are members of the East African Community (EAC)?

1. Nigeria
2. Tanzania
3. Uganda
4. Rwanda

Select the correct code:

- a. 1, 2 and 3 b. 2, 3 and 4
c. 1, 3 and 4 d. 1, 2 and 4

Which of the following operation were launched by Indian Army to rescue and provide relief operation in flood-hit Kerala?

- Operation Madad
Operation Sahyog
Operation Raahat

Select the correct code:

- a. 1 and 2 b. 2 Only
c. 1 and 3 d. 2 and 3

Karamay Declaration is -

Defines Pakistan's role in OBOR initiative.

Uighur muslim minority belongs to China.

Select the incorrect statements

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ease of Living Index-

Chandigarh is the only UT in top ten.

Kolkata is excluded from list.

3 Governance is one of the four parameters.

Select the incorrect statements

- a. 1 and 2 b. 2 and 3
c. 1 and 3 d. None of the above

168. Consider the following statements. Identify the right ones.

I. Africa is a continent of plateaus.

It is separated from Europe by the Mediterranean Sea and from Asia by the Red Sea.

- a. I only b. II only
c. Both d. None

Consider the following statements. Identify the right ones.

I. A Rift Valley is a long and deep valley formed due to cracks or rifts in the land.

In Africa, there is a long chain of such rift valleys running from south to north.

- a. I only b. II only
c. Both d. None

Consider the following statements. Identify the right ones.

I. Lake Tana is the source of Blue Nile.

Both White Nile and Blue meet at Khartoum.

- a. I only b. II only
c. Both d. None

171. Victoria Falls is located on the river

- a. Zambezi river b. Congo river
c. Nile river d. Niger river

Consider the following statements. Identify the right ones.

I. Zambezi River forms boundary between Zambia and Zimbabwe.

II. Kariba dam is located in the Zimbabwe.

- a. I only b. II only
c. Both d. None

173. Aughrabies Falls is on the river

- a. River Orange b. River Nile
c. River Zaire d. River Zambezi

174. Sea which separates Africa from Asia is

- a. Baltic Sea b. Black Sea c. Mediterranean Sea d. Red Sea

Country which does not lies within African continent is

- a. Libya b. France
c. Sudan d. Congo

176. Africa shares its south-east boundary with

- a. Baltic Sea b. East Siberian Sea
c. Sinai Peninsula d. Indian Ocean

Which is smallest country of second largest continent Africa?

- a. Seychelles b. Sudan
c. Nigeria d. Cairo

178. Africa shares its north-east boundary with

- a. East Siberian Sea b. Sinai Peninsula
c. Arabian Sea d. Persian Gulf

Consider the following statements

**Africa is the second largest continent after Asia and is ten times the size of India
Also called as The Dark Continent**

It is the only continent that crosses the Tropic of Cancer, Equator and Tropic of Capricorn.

Which of the above are correct?

- a) i and ii b) ii and iii
c) i only d) i and iii

Consider the following statements

Africa is separated from Eurasia at three different points, Strait of Gibraltar, Suez Canal and strait of Bab-el- Mandel.

It joins Asia by the narrow isthmus of Suez

Which of the above are incorrect?

- a) Both i and ii b) I only
c) ii only d) none

181. Consider the following

Mediterranean Sea separates Africa from Asia

Red Sea separates Africa from Europe.

Mozambique Channel lies to the East of Mozambique.

Which of the above are incorrect?

- a) i and ii b) ii and iii
c) I only d) ii only

Consider the following

Strait of Gibraltar separates Europe from Africa

Strait of Babel Mandel connects Red sea with Gulf of Aden

Which of the following are true?

- a) i and ii b) I only
c) ii only d) none

Consider the following

Lake Kariba is located on the Zambezi River

It is the largest manmade lake where commercial fishing is done

It is the largest producer of hydroelectricity in Africa

Which of the above are incorrect?

- a) i and ii b) ii only
c) ii and iii d) none

Kalahari Desert -

It lies to the east of Namib desert.

It covers much of Botswana, parts of Namibia and regions of South Africa.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Sahara Desert-

It is World's second largest desert.

It extends from north western part of Africa from Atlantic Ocean to the Red sea. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

186. Mt. Kilminjaro -

it is Highest peak in Africa

It is also known as Mount Kibo

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the statements.

Equator passes through 7 countries in Africa.

Somalia is one such country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about 'Unified Payments Interface (UPI)'

It is a system that powers multiple bank accounts into a single mobile application

It is built over the IMPS infrastructure

It uses two-factor authentication

Select the correct statements

- a. 1 and 2 b. 2 and 3
c. 1 and 3 d. All of the above

'Portuguese man-of-war' was recently in news.

What is it?

A carnivorous marine organism with venomous tentacles

Artificial Intelligence based Voice recognition system

High-speed travel technology

Blockchain Technology

Which of the following countries do not border 'Kyrgyzstan'

- a. Kazakhstan b. Uzbekistan
c. Tajikistan d. Turkmenistan

Consider the following statements

1. Article 35A was added to the Constitution as a testimony of the special consideration the Indian government accorded to the 'permanent residents' of Jammu and Kashmir

Article 370 of the Indian Constitution is a 'temporary provision' which grants special autonomous status to Jammu & Kashmir. Select the correct statements

- a. 1 Only b. 2 Only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about recently launched 'SPARK initiative'.

It is aimed at skilling engineering graduates from IITs in Defence technology.

It was jointly launched by DRDO and the Defence Ministry

Select the correct statements

- a. 1 Only b. 2 Only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

'Innocenti Declaration' is associated with

- Breastfeeding
Differently abled
Diplomatic Immunity
Polio Eradication

Joint military exercise 'Maitree' is held between India and

- a. Bhutan b. Sri Lanka
c. Bangladesh d. Thailand

195. 'Bhoomi Project', which looks into the 'Online Delivery of Land Records' is implemented by which of the following states?

- a. Maharashtra b. Karnataka
c. Gujarat d. Uttar Pradesh

The '8888 Uprising' refers to

The Burundian Civil War which began following the first multi-party elections in the country since independence from Belgium in 1962

The conflict between the central Sudanese government and the Sudan People's Liberation Army

An armed conflict in Libya fought between forces loyal to Colonel Muammar Gaddafi and those seeking to oust his government.

None of the above

Global Nutrition Report is published by

- International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
United Nations Development Programme
World Economic Forum
World Bank

When you travel in certain parts of India, you will notice red soil. What is the main reason for this colour?

- Presence of ferric oxides
Abundance of magnesium
Accumulated humus
Abundance of phosphates

Kawad Bachana is a story telling tradition from

- a. Gujarat b. Rajasthan
c. Madhya Pradesh d. Uttar Pradesh

'Naresh Chandra Committee' is associated with

- Corporate Governance
Higher Education
Digital Payments
Cryptocurrency

'Global Slavery Index' is published by

- World Economic Forum
World Bank
International Labour Organisation
None of the above

Peru is bordered by which of the following countries?

1. Ecuador
2. Chile
3. Brazil
4. Argentina
5. Bolivia

Select the correct code:

- a. 1, 3 and 5 b. 1, 2, 3 and 5
c. 1, 2, 3 and 4 d. 2, 3 and 5

Brucellosis is

- a. a condition of not generating or breeding freely

- b. a knot formed upon or in the wood of trees by disease
- c. a chronic disease interfering with the normal functioning of the liver
- d. a disease that can cause abortions in livestock

The Ismail Faruqi verdict of 1994, recently in the news, is related to which one of the following?

- Right to Equality
- Right to Freedom
- Right to Freedom of Religion
- Cultural and Educational Rights

Letters of Undertaking and Letters of Credit have recently been in the news in the context of affairs related to

- Imports and exports
- Credit guarantees for MSMEs
- Non-Performing Assets in NBFCs
- e-NAM

The “Swachh Manch” platform under the Swachh Bharat Mission is primarily meant to enable

Citizens to create, invite and/or participate in volunteering opportunities around neighborhoods.

Citizen scientists across India to participate in the annual Swachh Survekshan surveys.

Any citizen to contribute ideas towards maintaining the ODF status of cities already declared to be so.

Citizens to share anecdotes about their experience of promoting cleanliness.

The subject of flood management including erosion control falls within the purview of

- State governments
- Central government
- It depends on the severity of flooding
- Urban Local Governments

The state with the most number of completed dams is

- a) Gujarat
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Karnataka

209. Bandipur Tiger Reserve is in-

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Karnataka
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) Telangana

PM Ujjwala Yojana-

Provide free LPG connections to Women with financial support of Rs 1500.

Implemented by Ministry of Family and Health Welfare

Consider the right option.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both are correct
- d. Both are false.

West Nile Virus-

Spread by Mosquitoes

First identified in Rwanda in 1937

3 Presence was seen in Kerala in 1973 Consider the following

Select the correct code:

- a. 1 and 3
- b. 1, 2, 3
- c. 1 only
- d. None is correct

212. Srinagar's Jewel is

- a) Dal Lake
- b) Pinging Lake
- c) Wular Lake
- d) Tso Moriri

National Commission for Backward Classes-

It was established in 1992

It falls under Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Consider the incorrect-

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) Both are correct
- d) Both are incorrect

Section 497

It defines adulteration

It defines Wife as a Commodity

Consider the correct statement

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both are correct
- d) Both are false

Ballistic Missile Defence -

Consist of Prithvi Air Defence and Advance Air Defence.

Missile Program of India is looked after by DRDO.

Consider the incorrect.

- a) One only
- b) Two Only
- c) Both
- d) None

The Parliament of India has passed which Constitutional Amendment Bill to grant constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC)?

- 123rd Constitutional Amendment Bill
 143rd Constitutional Amendment Bill
 133rd Constitutional Amendment Bill
 153rd Constitutional Amendment Bill

Who has been appointed the new Chairman of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)?

- Ram Sewak Sharma b) Vikram Limaye
 c) Rajan Mathews d) D. Shivalingaiah

Which state is hosting the 'One District One Product' Summit 2018?

- a) Andhra Pradesh b) Kerala
 c) Uttar Pradesh d) Assam

What is the theme of the 2018 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples?

- Indigenous Peoples' migration and movement
 Indigenous Peoples' Right to Education
 Indigenous Peoples' Right to Health
 Ensuring indigenous peoples' health and well-being

Who has been appointed the new chairperson of the National Commission for Women (NCW)?

- Lalitha Kumaramangalam
 Jayanti Patnaik
 Alphons Kannanthanam
 Rekha Sharma

Consider the following statements about the Yerukala tribe

1. They are an indigenous tribe found in the states of Chattisgarh and Bihar

The tribe was a victim to British discrimination in the name of Criminal Tribes Act.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
 c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Arrange the following South American countries from north to south

**Brazil
 Chile
 Bolivia
 Venezuela**

- a. 2- 3- 1- 4 b. 4- 1- 3- 2
 c. 4- 3- 1- 2 d. 3- 1- 2- 4

Consider the following statements about Savara tribe

They are found in the states adjacent to the Western Ghats

Edsinge, their art form is slowly perishing owing to the change in their religious sentiments

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
 c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following:

Typhoon Mangkhut recently struck the island of Luzon in Philippines.

Willy-Willy occurs in South-West Australia.

Choose correct-

- A)1 B)2
 C) Both D) NOTA

Consider Payment Bank:

RBI has directed all the Payments bank account holders to hold not more than Rs. 1 Lakh in any account at a given point of time.

Payment Banks can't accept fixed or recurring deposits.

Choose incorrect-

- A)1 B)2
 C) Both D) NOTA

Which of the following are the components of Paryatan Parv:

**Dekho Apna Desh
 Tourism for All
 Tourism & Governance
 Tourism & Security
 Atulya Bharat**

Choose correct-

A) 1,2,5
C) 1,2,3

B) 2,3,5
D) 1,2,4,5

Which of the following statements about 'INS Karanj' is/are correct?

- It is a Scorpene Class Submarine
 It is built by Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL) in collaboration with the Russian Shipbuilding Naval Group
 Both a and b
 Neither (a) nor (b)

Coral reefs in India can be seen in which of the following areas?

1. Gulf of Mannar
2. Gulf of Kutch
3. Lakshadweep islands
4. Andaman and Nicobar islands

Select the correct code:

- a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 2, 3 and 4
 c) 1, 3 and 4 d) All of the above

Consider the following statements about 'BUFFALO Survey'

It is one of the missions co-ordinated by NASA to explore the origins of the earliest galaxies

It is built around the six Hubble Space Telescope (HST) Frontier Fields clusters

Select the correct statements

- a) 1 Only b) 2 Only
 c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

230. E-VidyaBharati and e-ArogyaBharati network will connect

- a) India-Africa b) India-US
 c) India-Israel d) India-Iran

Consider Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana-

It is a cash transfer scheme for pregnant and lactating women of 19 years of age or above for the first live birth.

It is a cash transfer scheme for pregnant and lactating women of 18 years of age or above for the first live birth.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 b) 2

c) Both

d) NOTA

Consider Swayangsiddha Initiative-

Rolled out by West Bengal

The scheme aims to empower young boys and girls to make informed choices so that they are less vulnerable to trafficking and child marriage.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 b) 2
 c) Both d) NOTA

Consider Nahargarh Biological Park:

The park is located on Delhi-Jaipur National Highway in the Aravalli foothills.

Rajasthan's first lion safari has been inaugurated at Nahargarh Biological Park.

Lions in this park were brought from Junagarh.

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 1, 3 b) 2 only
 c) All d) NOTA

Eyerovtuna is-

- underwater robotic drone
 A fish
 Eye disease
 NOTA

Consider Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)

1. Central Information Commission (CIC) in its recent report has highlighted that Rs.12,000 crore of MPLADS remains unspent.

2. The MPLADS allots Rs.5 crore per term to each Member of Parliament (MP) to be spent on projects of their choice in their constituency.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 b) 2
 c) Both d) NOTA

Theme for The International Day for Preservation of Ozone Layer is

'Keep Cool and Carry On: The Paris Conference

'Keep Climate Cool and Carry On: The Montreal Protocol'..

'Keep Calm and Carry On: The Montreal Protocol'.

'Keep Cool and Carry On: The Montreal Protocol'.

The original Montreal Protocol entered into force on

- a) 1986 b) 1987
c) 1988 d) 1989

Centre has proposed the amalgamation of

Bank of Baroda, Central Bank and Bharatiya Mahila Bank

Bank of Baroda, Dena Bank and Canara Bank

Vijaya Bank, Dena Bank and Yes Bank

Bank of Baroda, Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank

Jhum Cultivation is -

1. The process of growing crops by first clearing the land of trees and vegetation and burning them thereafter.

This practice is considered as an important mainstay of food production for a considerable population in North-East India.

A recent Finance Commission report has recommended that the Ministry of Agriculture should take up a "mission on jhum cultivation" to ensure inter-ministerial convergence.

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) 3 only d) NOTA

240. World's first hydrogen train is rolled out by-

- a) Germany b) France
c) Japan d) China

Consider Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission

1. The programme has a special focus on women empowerment including a dedicated component for promoting farm and non-farm based livelihoods for women farmers in rural areas.

The Union Cabinet has approved the extension of timeline for implementation of the Special Package under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) for Jammu & Kashmir for another period of one year during 2018-19.

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) 3 only d) NOTA

Consider Rashtriya Poshan Maah

It targets to reduce stunting, undernutrition, anemia and reduce low birth weight by 2%, 2%, 3% and 2% per annum respectively.

Ministry of AYUSH and Central Council of Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) celebrated Rashtriya Poshan Maah.

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) 3 only d) NOTA

E-Sahaj is launched by

Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Science and Tech.

Ministry of Home

Ministry of Railways

Which one of the following require compulsory licensing-

1. Arms and ammunition
2. Atomic substances
3. Tobacco substitutes
4. Allied items of defence equipment
5. Defence aircraft

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 2, 5 b) 4 only
c) All d) NOTA

India signed a memorandum of agreement (MoA) to focus on the field of dual vocational education and training and skill development with which country ?

- a) Russia b) Germany
c) Australia d) France

Akash Missile is

- a) Indigenously built

Imported from Russia
 Imported from France
 Surface to Surface Missile

Brown Barge is an image sent by

Mars Rover of NASA
 JUNO Mission of Russia
 Mangalyaan
 NOTA

Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojna

1. It aims to financially support those who lost their jobs or rendered jobless for whatsoever reasons due to changing employment pattern.

2. Its beneficiaries will be insured persons covered under Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 for period of three years continuously.

3. Its beneficiaries will be insured persons covered under Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 for period of five years continuously.

Choose Incorrect-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) All d) 2 and 3

Consider Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award

is given for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of four year.

is given for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of three year.

is given for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of five year.

is given for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over a period of two year.

Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar is given to

both in private and public sector
 Only Private
 Only Public
 NOTA

NASA Balloon Mission is

Moon Mission
 Mars Mission
 Weather forecast improvement
 Jupiter Mission

Multidimensional Poverty Index 2018 -

1. Health, education and living standards
2. India has made giant strides in reducing multidimensional poverty, bringing down its poverty rate from 55% to 28% in ten years.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both d) NOTA

Child Adoption Regulatory Authority (CARA)

is a statutory body of Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India.

is designated as the Central Authority to deal with inter-country adoptions in accordance with the provisions of the Geneva Convention on Inter-country Adoption, 1993.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) Both d) NOTA

Consider Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha

It is an Institute of National Importance

The organisation was established by

Annie Besant.

It had a support of Mahatma Gandhi.

Choose correct-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
 c) All d) NOTA

Neelakurinji is

A Shrub found in Vindhya Ranges

A herb Found Himalayas

Shrub in Araku Valley

Choose Correct

- a) 3 only b) 2 only
 c) 1 only d) NOTA

256. Ease of Living Index is topped by

- a) Pune b) Andhra Pradesh
 c) A and B d) Navi Mumbai

Consider Swadesh Darshan Scheme

The Ministry of Culture had launched 'Swadesh Darshan' scheme with an objective to develop theme-based tourist circuits in the country.

The scheme is 100% centrally funded for the project components undertaken for public funding.

Choose Correct-

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) All d) NOTA

Consider Aadhar

It is not needed for School Admissions.

It is not required for opening bank account.

Justice B N Srikrishna panel was appointed to recommend a data protection framework to the government.

Choose incorrect

- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) All d) NOTA

Consider the following statements with respect to Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2018:

It allows courts to award death penalty to those convicted of raping girls below 12 years of age.

It also proposes to set up a National Registry for Sexual Offenders.

Which of the given statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1 b) Only 2
c) Both d) None

The Eat Right Movement was launched by:

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)
Ministry of Women and Child Development
NITI Aayog

Consider the following statements regarding the World Sanskrit Conference:

i. World Sanskrit Conference is being held in various countries across the globe every year

Delhi International Sanskrit Conference of 1972 is considered to be the first World Sanskrit Conference

Which of the above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only b) 2 Only
c) Both 1 & 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2

Shanta Kumar committee recently seen in the news is related to:

Internal Security
Agriculture & PDS
Ease of Doing Business
Digital India

Recently, the term of K Kasturirangan Committee was extended by the Government of India (GoI). The committee was constituted for which purpose?

To draft new education policy
To draft new income-tax policy
To draft new FDI policy
To draft new forest policy

Who authored the book "Winning Like Sourav: Think & Succeed Like Ganguly"?

Mihir Bose
Sundeep Misra
Abhirup Bhattacharya
Nirad C. Chaudhuri

Which country is hosting the 6th edition of biennial World Cities Summit (WCS-2018)?

- a) Singapore b) India
c) South Africa d) China

Which state government has recently granted religious minority status to Jews living in the state?

- a) Manipur b) Kerala
c) Goa d) Gujarat

What is the theme of the 2018 World Population Day (WPD)?

Family planning – Say what you need
Family Planning – Call for people

Family Planning – Save Earth
 Family planning is a human right

Which Indian destination has bagged the 4th best tourist spot in Lonely Planet's top five "2018 Best in Asia" list?

Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park
 Ajanta Cave
 Western Ghats
 Bhimbetka Rock Shelters

M. Venkaiah Naidu became the first Chairman of Rajya Sabha to sign an MOU. He signed an agreement with which country for promoting inter-parliamentary dialogue?

a) Egypt b) Rwanda
 c) Spain d) Argentina

The Union Government has granted the Institutions of Eminence (IoEs) status to which of the following public sector universities?

a) IIT-Bombay b) IIT-Kanpur
 c) IIT-Kharagpur d) IIT-Kolkata

271. Which state has topped the 'Ease of doing business' rankings, as per State Business Reform Assessment 2018?

a) Telangana b) Jharkhand
 c) Andhra Pradesh d) Gujarat

The term 'Bad Bank' refers to?

A specialized institution which takes care of loan resolution process thus banks are able to focus on core banking functions

A public sector bank which has large amount of NPAs

A bank where deposits are very low according to RBI norms

A non-banking financial company whose assets are more than liabilities

What are the likely benefits of Zero Budget Natural Farming (ZBNF)?

1. Reduced input cost
 2. Climate resilient agriculture
 3. Improvement in soil biodiversity and livelihood

a) 1 and 2 only b) 3 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2, 3

Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Human Rights Council

It is an inter-governmental body within the United Nations system responsible for the promotion and protection of all human rights around the globe.

All the United Nations members are members of UNHRC

Its headquarterd at Geneva, Switzerland
Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

a) 1 and 2 only b) 1 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2, 3

Which of the following biosphere reserves are part of World Network of Biosphere Reserves under Man and Biosphere programme of UNESCO?

Nilgiri
 Simlipal
 Agasthiyamalai
 Nokrek
 Eastern Ghats

a) 1, 2, 3 b) 1, 2, 3, 4
 c) 2, 3, 4, 5 d) 1, 2, 4, 5

Consider the following statements regarding Olive Ridley Turtles

These are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world, inhabiting warm waters of the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian oceans.

They are classified as endangered by IUCN

The coast of Odisha is the largest mass nesting siyes of olive ridley turtles.

Which of the statement(s) is/ are not correct?

a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 only
 c) 1 and 3 only d) 2 and 3 only

Match the following crops with their prominent area of production

Soyabean – Madhya Pardesh
 Sunflower – Punjab

a) 1 only b) 2 only

c) Both

d) None

Which of the following species are classified as Critically Endangered by IUCN's Red List?

Himalayan wolf

Pygmy hog

Malabar large-spotted civet

Great Indian Bustard

Red-headed vulture

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 1, 2, and 4 only

c) 2, 3, 4, 5 only

d) All of the above

Consider the following statements about Pondicherry Shark

Its conservation status is same as that of a tiger under the Wildlife Protection Act of 1972

It is a Critically Endangered species according to the Red List of IUCN

Conservation efforts for the species have been very difficult owing to the very less scientific information that is available

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 2 and 3 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

Which of the following states in India share their border with Bangladesh?

Sikkim

Assam

Manipur

Nagaland

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 2 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. 3 and 4 only

Consider the following statements about Nomadic Elephant- 2018

'Nomadic Elephant' is a biennial military exercise between India and Mongolia

It aims to improve the tactical and technical skills in joint counter-insurgency and counter-terrorism operations in both rural and urban scenario.

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are true?

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Sagarmatha Friendship-2

It is a joint initiative to enhance road and rail connectivity between Nepal and China

It is part of the OBOR project of China

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about 'Global Commission on the Economy and Climate'

It is a body established under the UNFCCC

The commission promotes investment in sustainable infrastructure as well as in forests and wetlands

It also calls for mandatory climate risk disclosure for major investors and companies

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are true?

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 2 and 3 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

Consider the following statements with respect to the HIV and AIDS (Prevention and Control) Act, 2017

No person shall be compelled to disclose his HIV status except with his informed consent, or if required by a court order.

There is no grievance redressal mechanism provided in the act.

Every HIV infected or affected person below the age of 18 years has the right to reside in a shared household and enjoy the facilities of the household.

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are true?

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 2 and 3 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

"Apsara – U" was in news recently. Consider the following statements in this context

1. It is the upgraded version of Apsara research reactor which was built with the partnership of Russia

The reactor is set to increase the production of radio-isotopes for medical application due to its higher neutron flux. Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Catarrhal Fever

It is a rare and deadly livestock disease caused by a virus

The disease can be prevented through early vaccination

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements

It is a forest area with perennial flow of River Thamirabarani and its tributaries and popularly known as 'River Sanctuary'

It was created by merging of two wildlife sanctuaries

It is a World Heritage Site and it is part of Agasthiyamalai Biosphere Reserve. With the given clues, identify the name of the Tiger Reserve.

- a. Anaimalai Tiger Reserve
b. Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve
c. Mudumalai Tiger Reserve
d. Kalakkad – Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve

Consider the following statements about Kisan Credit Cards

They can be used for buying agricultural inputs and drawing cash through cheques, ATM facilities and not through PoS operation.

The implementation of this scheme is completely carried out by NABARD. Which of the statement(s) is/ are not true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Which of the following Greenhouse gases are released from Agricultural fields?

Methane
Sulphur oxides

Nitrous oxide

Carbon dioxide

Hydrofluorocarbons

- a. 1, 2, 3, 5 b. 2, 3, 4, 5
c. 1, 2, 4 d. 1, 2, 3, 4

Consider the following statements about Bru refugees.

They are refugees from the neighbouring country, Bangladesh.

They were the victims of violent ethnic clashes.

They found refugee in Indian state of Mizoram.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. 3 only d. All of the above

Consider the following statements regarding National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO)

NTRO reports to Ministry of Home Affairs.

The officials of NTRO have the same norms of conduct as IB and RAW.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about MILEX – 2018

It is a bilateral military exercise between India and Maldives.

It focusses on anti-terror operation and it is being held in India this year.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are not correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements about Ethiopia and Eritrea

Both the countries are part of Horn of Africa countries

Both the countries have access to Sea.

Both the countries have border with Sudan.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 only b. 1 and 2 only
c. 2 and 3 only d. 1 and 3 only

Consider the following statements about PM-AASHA scheme

It is a crop procurement scheme aims at providing remunerative prices for all the crops to the farmers.

It is an umbrella scheme covering Price Support Scheme (PSS), Price Deficiency Payment scheme (PDP), Pilot of Private Procurement & Stockist Scheme (PPPS).

It gives special procurement method to oil seeds alone.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 2 only b. 2 and 3 only
c. 1 and 3 only d. 1, 2 and 3

Arrange the following ports from West to East

**Karachi
Gwadar
Chabahar
Mumbai**

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- a. 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 b. 1 – 2 – 3 – 4
c. 3 – 2 – 1 – 4 d. 2 – 3 – 1 – 4

Consider the following statements about NovaSAR and S1-4

They are satellites of European Union which will be launched by ISRO as part of its commercial arrangement

Both the satellites have applications related to Disaster Management

Which of the statement(s) is/ are true?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements regarding G20

The first ever digital ministers meeting was recently held in Argentina.

G20 has its permanent secretariat in Geneva.

EU is also a part of G20.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 and 3 only
c. 1 and 3 only d. 3 only

Consider the following statements regarding "Paryatan Parv"

The programme is under the Ministry of culture.

It is organised with the objective of showcasing the cultural diversity of India.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)

Under the scheme, pregnant women and lactating mothers are offered a cash incentive as a compensation for wage loss.

The cash incentive is given for first two child births.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both 1 and 2 d. Neither 1 nor 2

Hurricane Florida is to hit -

North and South Carolina of America.
Brazil.
South Africa
None of these

ANSWER KEY

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261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271	272	273	274	275	276	277	278	279	280
b	b	a	c	a	d	d	c	b	a	c	a	d	c	b	b	a	d	d	b
281	282	283	284	285	286	287	288	289	290	291	292	293	294	295	296	297	298	299	300
b	d	b	b	b	a	d	c	c	b	b	a	d	b	c	b	d	b	a	d

HPAS-GS (FULL LENGTH) TEST – 3

TEST ID: 090322

Raja of princely state fled to the mountain to escape Sikh army's attack around 1840 AD?

Mandi
Suket
kullu
kehlur

Which section of Gaddis of H.P claim that their ancestors fled from Lahore to escape persecution during the early Mohammedan invasion?

Rajput Gaddis
Braham in Gaddis
Khatri Gaddis
None of these

Who is the author of catalogue of the Bhuri Singh Museum, Chamba?

J. Ph. Vogel
G.T. Vigne
C.F. Massy
J.B. Lyall

In which districts of H.P. is the average Size of operational holding smallest in state?

Bilaspur
Mandi
Kullu
Chamba

In which Vidhan Sabha Election Shanta Kumar and VirBhadra Singh contested two Constituencies each?

1985
1990
1993
1998

Soil Health Card Scheme was launched in H.P.?

19TH Feb, 2015
24th Feb, 2015
19th Feb, 2016

None of the above

Srinagar (the erotic Sentiment) is Considered as the Focal theme of which painting because these Painting were more In dined towards famine beauty and landscapes?

Chamba Painting
Kangra Painting
Kullu Painting
Nurpur Painting

When did H.P Abolition of Big Landed Estate Act receive Presidential assent?

1952
1953
1954
1955

NATIONAL VOTERS DAY is celebrated on?

DEC, 17TH
MARCH, 8TH
JAN, 17TH
JAN, 25TH

It around which year was Bishop Cotton School, Shimla shifted from its original site, Jutogh?

1846
1866
1876
1886

Which river's tributaries are MalahatKhad, GarniKhad and Hum Khad?

Beas
Swan
Giri
Pabbar

According to ISFR2017 Forest cover of the total geographical area of the Himachal Pradesh is

24.6 percent

26.4 percent
 26.8 percent
 28.6 percent

“Himachal Pradesh Forest Eco systems Management and Livelihood Improvement Project” for 8 years (2018-19 to 2025-26) amounting to `800.00 crore has been started with the assistance of

Germany (KfW)
 Japan (J.I.C.A.)
 World Bank
 Asian Development Bank

How many villages were identified under Model Eco Village Scheme in all over the Himachal Pradesh?

9 villages
 10 villages
 11 villages
 12 villages

The only major irrigation project in the State is Shahnehar Project is in

Kullu District
 Mandi District
 Kangra District
 Una District

The State Government has enhanced the minimum wages for unskilled category of workers, working in all existing 19 scheduled employment under the provision of Minimum Wages Act, 1948, to amount of

225 per day
 245 per day
 275 per day
 375 per day

The hydroelectric potential of Renukaji Dam HEP is

40 MW
 60 MW
 80 MW
 100 MW

The State of Himachal Pradesh has an estimated Hydro Potential of

26,442 MW
 27,244 MW
 27,436 MW
 27,442 MW

The contribution of the tourism sector to the State GDP is _____ approximately

6.1 percent
 6.6 percent
 7.3 percent
 7.9 percent

Match the following projects being implemented in the first phase of “NaiRaaheinNaiManzilein” scheme; districtwise,

[1] Eco-Tourism Project
[2] Paragliding Destination
[3] Ski Destination
[4] Larji Project A.
Disrtict Shimla B.
Distric Kinnaur C.
Disrtict Kangra D.
District Mandi

1-B 2-A 3-C 4-D
 1-A 2-B 3-D 4-C
 1-D 2-C 3-A 4-B
 1-A 2-C 3-B 4-D

The Hydroelectric engineering college in Himachal Pradesh is in which District

Chamba
 Kullu
 Mandi
 Bilaspur

Which one of the following countries is the leading producer of uranium?

United States of America
 Canada
 Germany
 Zambia

Match List-1 with List-II and select the correct answer:

List- I List- II

(Minerals) (Typical areas of occurrence)

Coal 1. Bhandara
Gold 2. Karanpura
Mica 3. Hutti
Manganese 4. Nellore

Codes:

A-1;B-3;C-2;D-4

A-2;B-3;C-4;D-1

A-3;B-4;C-2;D-1

A-2;B-1;C-4;D-3

On which day after the death of a person is ShipchuSherku ritual observed among the Khampas?

4th day

7th day

13th day

49th day

Which of the following women has been elected maximum number of terms to the H.P. Vidhan Sabha?

Asha Kumari

Vidya Stokes

Sarveen Chaudhary

Shyama Sharma

Who was the first recipient of Mahavir Chakra in Himachal Pradesh?

Lt. Kaman Singh

Major SomNath Sharma

Sub- Major Bhandari Ram

Major Dhan Singh Thapa

According to 2011 census which district of H.P. has the lowest Scheduled Tribes population?

Bilaspur

Una

Hamirpur

Mandi

The “Green Growth Indicators” Report is published by

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

World Bank

World Economic Forum

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

Which of the following can be a threat to the biodiversity of a geographical area?

1) Overexploitation

2) Addition of species

3) Pollution

4) Global warming

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

2 and 3 only

1, 3 and 4 only

1 and 4 only

1, 2, 3 and 4

Which of the following living organisms can act as bio indicators?

1. Frogs

2. Mosses

3. Bats

Select the correct answers using the code given below

1, 2 and 3

2 only

1 and 3 only

1 and 2 only

Which one of the following articles says, “The vice president presides over the meetings of the council of states”?

89

90

87

88

Which of the following is common to both aerobic and anaerobic respiration?

Glycolysis

Krebs Cycle

Alcoholic Fermentation
 Lactic acid Fermentation

Match List I with List II, Select the correct answer using the codes given in the options:

First Generation

1) Pheromones Pesticides

Second generation pesticides

Juvenile Hormones

Third Generation

3) Pyrethrins pesticides

Fourth Generation Pesticides

4) Organo

Phosphates Codes:

	a)	b)	c)	d)
A.	1	4	2	3
B.	2	3	4	1
C.	3	4	1	2
D.	4	2	3	1

34. Match the following

Technology	Scientific Principles
a) Aeroplane	1) Newton's Law
b) Air Balloon	2) Bernoulli's Principle
c) Rocket	3) Law of thermodynamics
Steam Engine	4) Buoyant Force

Codes:

	a)	b)	c)	d)
A.	1	3	2	1
B.	3	1	4	2
C.	4	2	3	1
D.	2	4	1	3

Who has been appointed as the first ever female ambassador of the UK to the UN?

Jessica Torres
 Sarah Clarke
 Megan Ora
 Karen Pierce

Which of the following has become the first Asian city to hold the Gay Games in 2022?

New Delhi
 Colombo
 Hong Kong
 Bangkok

Which of the following statement is incorrect with respect to the powers of the Election Commission?

It supervises the preparation of up to-date voters' list.

It can postpone or cancel the election in the entire country or a specific State or constituency on the grounds that the atmosphere is vitiated.

It implements a Model Code of Conduct for parties and candidates.

It can appoint staff on contract basis during the election process.

In the Third Schedule, the forms of oaths are given for which of the following entities?

- 1. Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.**
- 2. Judges of the Supreme and High Courts.**
- 3. Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Legislative Council in the states.**
- 4. President of India**

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- 1, 2and3**
- 2, 3 and4**
- 1 and 2**
- All**

Consider the following statements related to globalization, liberalization and privatization:

1. Globalization is the interconnection of economies.

2. Removing barriers or restrictions set by the government is known as liberalization.

3. Foreign trade is a pre-requisite for liberalization.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2**
- b) Only3**
- c) None d)**
- All**

Which of the following price indexes and organization related to it is/are correctly matched?

PriceIndices

Released by

1. CPI for industrial worker : Labour Bureau
 2. WPI : CSO
 3. GDP Deflator : Economic Advisor

Codes:

- Only 1
 1 and 2
 2 and 3
 All

Match the following: Committee headed by Purpose

- | | |
|-----------------------|---|
| 1. Arvind Subramanian | A. Inflation Targeting |
| 2. Urjit Patel | B. FRBMA Act 2003 |
| 3. Narayan Murthy | C. Tackle the shortage of pulses in India |
| 4. Kelkar Task Force | D. Corporate governance |

Codes:

- | | | | |
|------|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| a) C | A | D | B |
| b) C | D | A | B |
| c) B | D | A | C |
| d) B | A | C | D |

Which of the following pairs are correctly matched with reference to indicator plant of respective climates?

- Species climate
 Teak - Tropical monsoon climate
 Olive - Mediterranean climate
 Cactus - Hot desert climate
 Spruce - Cool temperate continental climate

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

- a) 1 and 3 only b)
 1, 2 and 3 only c)
 2, 3 and 4 only d)
 1, 2, 3, and 4

Consider the following with reference to 'coral reefs'

Coral reefs are symbiotic association of coral polyps and algae.

Muddy waters are more suitable for the growth of coral reefs.

Coral reefs are equivalent to marine of tropical rain forest.

Lakshadweep islands are of coral origin.

Which of the Statements given above is /are correct?

- a) 1 and 4 only b)
 1, 3 and 4 only c)
 2 and 3 only d)
 1, 2, 3 and 4

Which of the following constitutes Central Government Liabilities?

- 1) Treasury-Bills
 2) Loans from IMF
 3) Employee Provident Funds
Codes:

- a) Only 1
 b) 2 and 3
 c) 1 and 2
 d) All

Which of the following statements is/are true regarding SARFAESI Act 2002?

- 1) It aimed at fast recovery of loans and bring down the NPA level of Indian banking and financial sector.
 2) The law has given unprecedented powers to banks and financial institutions to take over management control of loan defaulter or even capture its asset.
 3) It is not applicable to agriculture land.
 4) It is not applicable to loans only above 10 lakhs.

Codes:

- a) 1, 3 and 4
 b) 1, 2 and 4
 c) 1 and 2
 d) All

Swachh Bharat Mission aims to achieve an Open-Defecation Free India by:

- a) 2 Oct. 2019
 b) 2 Oct. 2020
 c) Oct. 2025 d)
 Oct. 2022

Which year was declared as the Women's Empowerment Year?

- 1991
- 2001
- 2005
- 1998

Arrange the following mountain ranges from north to south and select the correct answer using the code given below:

1. Karakoram Range
2. Ladakh Range
3. Pir-Panjal Range
4. Zaskar

Range Code:

- 1,2,3 and 4
- 2,1,4 and 3
- 2,1,3 and 4
- 1,2,4 and 3

Arranges the following soils in descending order of area and select the correct answer using the code given below:

1. Alluvial soil
2. Black (Regur) soil
3. Desert soil
4. Red soil

Code:

- 1,2,3 and 4
- 1,4,2 and 3
- 1,2,4 and 3
- 1,4,3 and 2

India's First gallery on robotic dinosaurs was inaugurated in which of the following cities?

- Morni
- Kapurthala
- Jaunpur
- Gunupur

Which state has emerged as the champions of the 1st edition of north east Olympic games 2018?

- Assam
- Manipur
- Arunachal Pradesh

Meghalaya

Who will be conferred with the 2018 Gleitsman award?

- Kailash Satyarthi
- Nadia Murad
- Malala Yousafzai
- Denis Mukwege

Who has been presented with the chevalier de la legion d'Honneur, France's highest civilian honour?

- Amitabh Bachchan
- Jawahar Lal Sarin
- Aamir Khan
- Ayush Kumar Mittal

Name the former Supreme Court judge who was also the chief justice of Himachal Pradesh and Odisha High Courts Passed who away recently?

- H J Kania
- Sailendu Nath Phukan
- M Patanjali Shastri
- Mehar Chand Mahajan

On the recommendations of which committee, 9 new teams will be introduced in the Ranji Trophy 2018-19 season?

- Lodha Committee
- Gadgil Committee
- Vipin Malik Committee
- Dave Committee

Who has written the book 'Free Trade & Prosperity'?

- Raghuram Rajan
- R. Gandhi
- Arvind Panagariya
- Arvind Subramanian

Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) has announced the 'Be the legacy' internship programme to honour which personality?

- Mahatma Gandhi
- Nelson Mandela

Mother Teresa
Abdul Kalam

10th Apeejay Literary festival 2018 will be held in which state from January 18 to 20, 2019?

West Bengal
Uttarakhand
Jharkhand
Himachal Pradesh

Who has won the Paris Masters 2018 Tennis Title?

Karen Khachanov
Novak Djokovic
Roger Federer
Rafael Nadal

With Reference to El Nino, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It leads to increase in the temperature of water on the Peruvian coast.
2. It result in an increase in the amount of planktons in the Eastern Pacific Ocean.
3. It can delay in the onset of southwest monsoons in India.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
2 and 3 only
1 and 3 only
1, 2 and 3

Seif and Barchans are types of

Localized showers
Coral reefs
Ocean currents
Sand dunes

Which among the following correctly describes the term watershed?

An area drained by a river and its tributaries
The pattern of flow of water in a river channel over a year
The boundary line separating one drainage basin from the other

d) None of the above

With reference to Zoonosis, consider the following statements.

1. A zoonosis is any disease or infection that is naturally transmissible from vertebrate animals to humans.

2. Zoonosis can be caused only by either virus or protozoa.

Zoonotic diseases create obstacles to international trade in animal products. Select the correct answer using the codes below

- a) 1 and 3 only
b) 2 and 3 only
c) 1 and 3 only
d) 1, 2 and 3

Avadi session of Indian National Congress was famously known for

Adopting a resolution to establish a 'socialistic pattern of society'

Publishing the 'Magna Carta' of a libertarian democratic framework for India Which of the above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2
d) None

The Tashkent agreement contained the provisions of:

**A no-war pact between India and Pakistan
Non-interference in each other's internal affairs**

Which of the above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2
d) None

For a Fundamental right to be amended in the Loksabha, how many members, at least, should be present; assuming that all of them vote in favour of the bill?

- a) 100

273

364

The bill cannot be passed in any of the above quoroms.

The long walk to freedom is an autobiography of

Martin Luther king

Mazzini

Garibaldi

Nelson Mandela

Consider the following statements. For a democracy to function effectively

1. Equal citizenship to all members of the state should be given leading to political equality.

2. It is important to minimise the effects of social and economic inequalities and guarantee certain minimum conditions of life to all the members of the society.

Which of the following is/are correct?

1 only

2 only

Both 1 and 2

None

Which of these constitutional provisions can be amended by a simple majority?

Salaries and allowances of the members of parliament.

Privileges of the parliament and its members

Directive principles of state policy

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

1,2 and 4 only

3 and 4 only

2 and 3 only

1, 2, 3 and 4 only

Which of the following organizations serves as trustee of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Funds?

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
Word Bank

International Union for the conservation of Nature (IUCN)

The basic structure Doctrine of the Constitution implies that

1. All constitutional amendments that seek to change the basic structure must be initiated and approved by the judiciary.

2. An amendment can violate the basic structure of the constitution only when it seeks to give effect to Article 14 or Article 19 of the constitution.

Which of the above is/are correct?

1 only

2 only

Both 1 and 2

None

The Indian National Army (INA) was created by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose near the

Swadeshi Movement

First World War

Second World War

Civil Disobedience Movement

With reference to the Mountbatten plan, consider the following statements.

1. The plan was announced after the agitation by the Muslim league demanding partition of the country.

2. The plan was rejected by the congress and the Muslim league

3. Immediate effect was given to the plan by enacting the Indian independence Act.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

1 only

2 and 3 only

1 and 3 only

2 only

The Boundary commission headed by Radcliff demarcated

Provincial areas of Bihar and Assam Post Bengal Partition 1905.

Boundaries between the two Dominions of India and Pakistan.

Burmese Enclaves in the north-eastern frontier of India.

North-west frontier of India post-soviet invasion.

Polavaram project is a multi-purpose irrigation project which has been accorded national project status by the central government. It is being built across which of the following rivers?

Krishna

Godavari

Cauvery

Mahanadi

The 'August offer' of 1940 accepted which of these important demands of the Indian freedom movement leadership?

Rejection of the idea of partition of India

Establishing a system of provincial elections and giving them greater autonomy

Constituent assembly of India elected on the basis of adult franchise

Withdrawal of involvement of Indian Troops in the Second World War

The cabinet mission included which of these as members?

1. MK Gandhi

2. Mountbatten

3. Stafford Cripps

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

2 only

1 and 3 only

3 only

None of the above

Which is/are the common protozoan parasitic disease recorded in wildlife in our country?

A. Anthrax

B. Canine distemper

Trypanosomiasis

Trichomoniasis

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A only

A and C only

C and D only

D only

Ergot is a serious fungal disease of _____ crop.

Cotton

Pearl millet

Greengram

Maize

Which is the only gaseous hydrocarbon hormone playing an important role in greenhouse crops?

Ethylene

Abscisic acid

Auxins

Cytokinins

What are the objective of CITES?

A. To monitor and regulate trade in endangered species.

B. To formulate policies pertaining to the protection and conservation of wildlife.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

A only

B only

Both A and B

None of the above

World Wide fund for nature (WWF) was conceived on 29 April, 1961 under the name world Wildlife Fund and its office was opened on 11 September, 1961 in

Yokohama, Japan

Morges, Switzerland

Manitoba, Canada

Rome, Italy

Who is called the father of Tissue Culture?

Haberlandt

Mendel
Hopkins
Murashige

The ability of regenerating an entire plant from a single cell is known as

Propagancy
Progeny
Totipotency
Deoxy

Vermiwash contains

A. Antifungal substances B.

Antibacterial Substances C.

Chemical Substances

D. Growth Promoting Substances

Which of the options given above are correct?

A, B and C only
A, B and D only
A, C and D only
B, C and D only

As per the convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), biological diversity includes

A. Diversity within species

B. Diversity between species

C. Diversity of ecosystem

Which of the options given above are correct?

A only
B only
A and B only
A, B and C only

‘Charak’ was the famous court physician of

Harsha
Chandragupta Maurya
Ashoka
Kanishkhka

Who among the following foreigners was the first to visit India?

Hiuen Tsang
Magasthenese
I-Tsing
Fa-Hien

Which of the following events made the English East India Company the legitimate masters of the Bengal Suba?

Battle of Buxar, 1764
Battle of Plassey, 1757
FarrukhSiya's Farman, 1717
Ibrahim Khan's Farman, 1690

When did the British Government start ruling India directly?

After the battle of Plassey
After the battle of Panipat
After the war of Mysore
After Sepoy Munity

Who started the ‘Servants of India society’?

Bal GangadharTilak
Gopal Krishna Gokhale
SurendranathBannerjee
DadabhaiNaoroji

What is the time limit for Rajya Sabha to return a money bill sent it after it has been passed by Lok Sabha?

7 day
10 day
14 days
21 days

National Hazardous Waste Information System (NHWIS) IS_____

An off-site emergency alert system for the Nuclear reactors in the country.
A GIS based web inventory of hazardous waste management system in the country
A system for tracking transboundary movement of hazardous material and their disposal every year.
A repository of e-Waste and bio medical waste output produced and disposed every year.

Kappatagudda forest, recently denotified as a ‘conservation reserve’, is located in_____

Tamil Nadu
Karnataka
Kerala

Andhra Pradesh

Parliament is empowered to get all the following dignitaries removed except_____

- Attorney General
- Comptroller and Auditor General
- Chief election Commissioner
- Supreme Court Judges

Landslide in Himalya in the result of combined function of_____

- Gravity and rainfall
- Weathering and rainfall
- Weathering and wind
- Weathering, gravity and heavy rainfall

In which of the following Countries is the Great Barrier Reef located?

- Mauritius
- Australia
- Philippines
- Canada

Who has been chosen for the prestigious Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award, Presented by the Press Council of India?

- VivekGoenka
- N Ram
- Vineet Kumar Jain
- Bodhisattva

Which of the following cytoplasmic organelles are treated as prokaryotic cells within the eukaryotic cells?

- Mitochondria
- Golgi bodies
- Lysosomes
- Glyoxysomes

Sweat glands in mammals are primarily concerned with

- Removal of excess salts
- Excretion of nitrogenous wastes
- Thermoregulation
- None

ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
a	c	a	a	b	a	b	b	d	b	b	b	b	c	c	a	a	c	b	c
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
d	b	b	a	b	a	c	d	d	a	a	a	c	d	d	c	d	c	a	a
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
a	d	b	d	d	a	b	d	b	b	b	c	b	b	a	c	b	a	a	c
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
d	c	c	a	b	b	d	c	a	c	d	c	c	b	b	c	c	c	b	a
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
a	b	a	c	b	d	d	b	a	a	b	c	b	b	a	d	b	b	a	c

HPAS-GS (FULL LENGTH) TEST – 4

1. The number of identified Gram Panchayats under Saansad Aarash Gram Yojana (SAGY)

- 10 villages
- 14 villages
- 15 villages
- 7 villages

The number of clusters under National Rural mission (NRuM)

- 4 clusters
- 6 clusters
- 7 clusters
- 10 clusters

HIMUDA has undertaken process of executing a Housing Project, at Jathia Devi, near Shimla Airport in collaboration with

- Japan
- Germany
- UK
- Singapore

The cities included under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) during the financial year 2017-18 are

- Shimla and Kullu
- Shimla and Kangra
- Mandi and Hamirpur
- Mandi and Kangra

The number of Panchayat Samities in Himachal Pradesh are

- 56 Panchayat Samities
- 58 Panchayat Samities
- 68 Panchayat Samities
- 78 Panchayat Samities

The number of Gram Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh are

- 3144 Gram Panchayats
- 3226 Gram Panchayats
- 3224 Gram Panchayats

3244 Gram Panchayats

The e-Procurement System of Himachal Pradesh enables the Tenderers to download the Tender Schedule free of cost and then submit the bids online through this portal, is financed by

- Asian Development Bank
- JICA
- World Bank
- NABARD

In Himachal Pradesh, presently 4,793 CSCIDs (LokMitra Kendra) have been issued and 3,100 are active for CSCs in Himachal Pradesh. Providing

- 195 B2C/ G2C services
- 190 B2C/ G2C services
- 185 B2C/ G2C services
- 183 B2C/ G2C services

With reference to the period of Mahajan Padas referred to in Buddhist literature, which one of the following dynasties ruled Avanti?

- Ikshvaku
- Haryanka
- Paurava
- Pradyota

Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

- British India society : Adams
- Indian National Union : A.O. Hume
- National Indian Association : Anand Mohan Bose
- East India Association : Dadabhai Naoroji

Who of the following caused Abdul Fazl to be put to death?

- Prince Khusrav
- Prince Salim
- Khan-i-Azam
- Aziz Koka

Which Mughal emperor prohibited the use of Tobacco?

Babur
 Jahangir
 Aurangzeb
 Muhammad Shah

Who of the following was the first president of the Indian Trade Union congress in 1920?

Bipin Chandra Pal
 Chittaranjan Das
 LalaLajpat Rai
 DrRajendra Prasad

In October 1943 Subhash Chandra Bose established the ArzeeHukumat-i-Hind at

Rangoon
 Singapore
 Germany
 Japan

Which among the following dynasty is known to have constructed the temples at Khajuraho?

Chandelas
 Chauhans
 Pratiharas
 Rastrakutas

Who among the following organized the Radical Democratic Party in the year 1940?

Ajit Roy
 M. N. Roy
 Rash Behari Bose
 Subhash Chandra Bose

During the Indian Freedom struggle in the early 20th century, which one of the following set up a "Swadesh sewa home" in Vancouver?

G. D. Kumar
 MadanlalDhingra
 V. D. Savarkar
 TarakNath Das

Who among the following was popularly known as Lokahitavadi?

Akshay Kumar Dutt
 Gopal Hari Deshmukh
 Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
 MahadevGovindRanade

Which of the following committees recommended the inclusion of fundamental duties in the constitution?

Barna Committee
 Rama Swamy Committee
 Jakri Committee
 Swaran Singh Committee

The enforcement of directive principles depends mostly on

The courts
 An effective opposition in parliament
 Resources available to the government
 Public cooperation

The parliament of India cannot be regarded as a sovereign body because

Its authority is confined to jurisdiction earmarked by the constitution.
 Laws passed by parliament can be declared unconstitutional by the supreme court
 Of the presence of certain fundamental rights of citizens
 Of all these factors

The advisory powers of the Supreme Court of India imply that

It tenders advice to the president on questions
 It tenders advice to the Prime minister on legal matters
 It tenders advice to the government of India on all constitutional matters
 It has power o tender advice to all the above persons

The Distribution of powers between the Centre and the states in the Indian Constitution is based on the scheme provided in

The Minto-Morely reforms, 1909
 The Montague-Chelmsford Act, 1919.
 The Government of India Act, 1935.
 The Indian independence Act, 1947.

Which of the following are the features of 74th Amendment Act in municipalities?

- 1) Reservation of seats for SCs and STs in proportion of their population.
- 2) Mandatory periodic elections every five years
- 3) The procedure for maintenance of accounts and audit would be decided by the state governor.

Constitution of Nagar-Panchayats for smallest urban area.

- a) 1, 2 b)
 1, 3 c) 3
 and 4 d) 1
 and 2

Which of the following functions are performed by a Gram Sabha?

All Public problems are discussed.
Village budget and programmes are framed.
Beneficiaries of various government programmes are identified.
In order to keep a watch on the panchayats, a vigilance committee is constituted
Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a) 1, 2 and 3
 b) 2, 3 and 4
 c) 1, 3 and 4
 d) 1,2 and 4

Match the following columns

List-1

- A. Reorganization of states
 B. Sikkim became 22nd state of Indian Union
 C. Ninth Schedule Added

List-II

1. Seventh Amendment
 2. Thirty-Sixth Amendment
 3. First Amendment

D. Abolition of titles of Amendment

4. Twenty-Sixth Principles

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
a)	1	2	3	4
b)	2	1	3	4
c)	3	2	1	4
d)	3	1	4	2

The ultimate responsibility of taking due to action on the comments of the comptroller and auditor general India vests with the

- President of India
 Supreme Court
 Parliament
 National Development Council

The UPSC submits an annual report on its work to

- The president
 The parliament
 The union Home Minister
 The chief justice of India

Trade winds blow between

- Sub-tropical high and equatorial low
 Equatorial low and sub-tropical high
 Sub-tropical high and sub-polar low
 Sub-polar low and sub-tropical high

Inversion of temperature in the troposphere occurs when

- 1) Nights are short
- 2) Sky is covered with clouds
- 3) Weather is stable
- 4) Air is dry

Which of the above factors are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
 2 and 3 only
 3 and 4 only
 1 and 4 only

Consider the following statements regarding obliqueness of the earth:

- 1) The earth's axis varies from 22.10 to 24.50 during a cycle of about 41,000 years.

**The present inclination is 23.5 to the vertical
It causes the tropics and polar cycle to be displaced**

It influences temperature differences

Codes:

- a) 1, 2 are correct
- b) 2, 3 are correct
- c) 3, 4 are correct
- d) All the above are correct

Which of the following states has registered high rate of population growth during 2001 - 2011?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Mizoram
- d) Manipur

With reference to drip irrigation, which of the following statements is/are correct?

Water is delivered at or near the root zone of plants.

It is the most efficient method of irrigation as evaporation and run off are minimized.

It requires a lot of water to practice drop irrigation

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 2 only

Which part of India receives rainfall both from Bay of Bengal and Arabian Sea Branch of summer monsoon?

- a) West coastal plain
- b) Deccan Plateau
- c) Lower Ganga Plain
- d) Punjab-Haryana Plains

‘MIBOR’ and ‘MIBID’ are the term associated with

- a) Inter-Bank call money market
- b) Treasury bill market

Certificate of deposit

None of these

Which of the following are the objectives of the international monetary fund?

To minimize exchange rate restrictions

To promote balanced international trade

To provide financial assistance in adverse BOP situations

All the above

What is the meaning of disguised unemployment?

It is due to mismatch between potential of a person and his actual contribution in production

It is a type of underemployment caused by mismatch between worker's skills and the skills needed for available jobs.

Both of the above

None of the above

What do you understand by SLR (Statutory liquidity Ratio)?

1) It is the portion of time and demand liabilities of banks that they should keep in the form of designated liquid assets.

2) Reduction in SLR reduce the cost of borrowing for the government

Choose the correct statement regarding the SLR

Only 1

Only 2

Both 1 and 2

Neither 1 nor 2

If the RBI adopts an expansionist open market operations policy, this means that it will

Buy securities from non-government holders

Sell securities in the open market

Offer commercial banks more credit in the open market

Openly announce to the market that it intend to expand credit

One of the key features of many flagship scheme such as MGNREGA and NRLM is that are “Demand driver”

What is /are the feature/ features of a demand driver’s scheme?

The process is driven from the grassroots of the society

The planning is highly centralized

Implementation is largely done by the central government

Choose the correct option:

- a) Only 1
- b) 1 and 2 c)
- 2 and 3 d)
- 1, 2 and 3

Which one of the following coin the term ‘Stagflation’ in the economy?

- a) Iain Macleod
- b) Milton Friedman
- c) J M Keynes
- d) William Phillips

Which of the following is non-tax revenue of central government?

- a) Currency, coinage and Mint b) Interest receipts
- c) Dividends earned
- d) All of the above

‘Conditionality’ of an IMF loan to a member country stands for:

- a) Interest and repayment terms of the loan
- b) An assessment of the credit worthiness of the borrower
- c) Schedule of disbursement of loan installments
- d) The policy step which the borrower country must take

‘Heat-islands’ are produced due to

- a) Air pollution
- b) Water pollution
- c) Land pollution
- d) All of these

If a certain human population has higher than usually percentage of individuals with some genetic disorder. The mostly likely explanation is

- Gene flow
- Natural selection
- Genetic drift
- All above

Who defined ecology as the reciprocal relationship between organism and their environments?

- Misra
- Haeckel
- Odum
- Lamarck

Which of the following associated with conservation of rare plants and herbs?

- Gir
- Bharatpur
- Kaziranga
- Silent Valley

The rate of conservation of flight energy into chemical energy of organic molecules in an ecosystem is

- Net primary productivity
- Gross primary productivity
- Net secondary productivity
- Gross secondary productivity

Consider the following statements regarding environment sustainability index:

1) The environment sustainability index (ESI) was a composite index published from 1999 to 2005

2) It was superseded by the environmental performance index in 2006

3) The EPI has been published in 2006, 2008, and 2013

- 1, 2 and 3 are correct
- 2 and 3 are correct
- 1 and 2 are correct
- 1 and 3 are correct

The lentic ecosystem includes which of following water?

- Rain
- Running
- Standing
- Gravitational

Which of the following pair of geographical area show maximum biodiversity in our country?

- Kerala and Punjab
- Eastern Ghats and west Bengal
- Sundarbans and Rann of Kutch
- Eastern Himalayas and western Ghats

Match the following

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| A. Antarctic Circle | 1. $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ north |
| B. Tropic of cancer | 2. $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ south |
| C. Tropic of Capricorn | 3. $66\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ north |
| D. Arctic Circle | 4. $66\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ south |

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| a) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| b) | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| c) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| d) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |

Which of the following factors result in population growth of an area?

- I. Birth alone**
- II. Deaths alone**
- III. Excess of births over deaths**
- IV. Immigration**

Codes: a) I and II
 b) II and III
 c) III and IV
 d) I and IV

In which regions of the oceans the density tends to be lower?

- a) Equatorial
- b) Tropical
- c) Temperate
- d) Polar

55. Match the following

List I

- A. Ukai**
- B. Sardar Sarover**
- C. Hirakud**
- D. Ichanpali**

List II

- 1. Narmada**
- 2. Tapi**
- 3. Godavari**
- 4. Mahanadi**

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| a) | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| b) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| c) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| d) | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |

Leg region is a cold desert because

It is out of reach of the monsoon winds as it is surrounded by lofty mountains. Monsoon winds dry up by the time they reach leh region.

Codes:

- a) Only 1 is correct
- b) Only 2 is correct
- c) Both 1 and 2 are correct
- d) Neither 1 nor 2 is correct

Who has been conferred the Ashoka Chakra for year 2019?

- a) Dinesh Raghu Raman
- b) Nazir Ahmad Wani
- c) Takht Singh
- d) Bachittar Singh

“Early Ed Asia 2019” was held in which of the following cities?

- a) Jaipur
- b) New Delhi
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Raipur

Who has won the men’s singles event at the 83rd senior national badminton championship 2019?

- a) Chirag Shetty
- b) Pranav Jerry Chopra
- c) Lakshya Sen
- d) Sourabh Verma

Which international organization has recently released World employment and social outlook trends (WESO) 2019?

IMF
ILO
ADB
World Bank

Which state assembly has recently passed a bill to make Sanskrit the 2nd official language of the state?

Nagaland
Sikkim
Karnataka
Himachal Pradesh

Which of the following is the pan-India helpline number launched by government of India under Emergency response support system (ERSS)?

114
112
113
116

Which insurance company has launched a new micro insurance plan "Micro Bachat"?

LIC
ICICI Prudential Life insurance
Bajaj Allianz life insurance
Max life insurance

Who won the lifetime achievement award at the 7th national photography awards?

Shanth Kumar
GurdeepDhiman
Ashok Diwali
Kirti Das

Operation Digital Board is associated with which of the following purposes?

Railway Tracking
Cyber Security
E-banking services
Digitization of education

The "Words in the Garden" festival on Gandhian Philosophy is scheduled to be held in which of the following cities?

Shimla
Ahmedabad
New Delhi
Gandhi Nagar

The Financial action task force (FATF) has recently decided to keep which country on grey list for failing to curb terror funding?

Iraq
North Korea
Iran
Pakistan

Who has become the first Indian Woman to won the future for Nature 2019 Award?

Neeta Desai
DivyaKarnad
Roshni Mukherjee
Manpreet Singh

Which country has conducted a naval military exercise 'Velayat 97' from Persian Gulf to Indian Ocean?

Turkey
Iran
Saudi Arabia
Oman

'Period End of sentence' has won the best Documentary short subject award at the Oscar 2019. The short film is produced by which Indian producer?

Krishan Kumar
A R Murugadoss
K Balachander
GuneetMonga

Which country has recently introduced its new currency 'RTGS dollar'?

Turkey
Morocco
Zimbabwe
Sierra Leone

The sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2018 report was recently published by

The United Nations
 Oxfam International
 World Economic Forum
 World Bank

GSLV Mk III rockets have been designed to carry?

15 ton class of satellites into geosynchronous transfer orbit (GTO)

20 tons to low earth orbit (LEO)

About twice the capability of GSLV Mk II

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 3 only

Countries that were members of the Warsaw pact among the following are

- a) Hungary
- b) Poland c)
- Germany d)
- Italy

The 'Pariwartan' scheme recently seen in news, concerns

- a) Swacch Bharat Mission
- b) Empowerment of self-help groups c)
- Socio Economic caste census update
- d) Power asset warehousing and revitalization

FASTags use which of the following technologies?

- a) Bar code reader
- b) Light Detection and ranging or LIDAR
- c) Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)
- d) QR Code Reading

Consider the following statements.

- 1) BrahMos Missile can be launched from either Land or Sea or Air**
- 2) Brahmos Cruise missiles have an inter-continental range.**

Which of the above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- None

Which two district are separated by Hathidhar?

- Kullu-Kangra
- Chamba-Kangra
- Hamirpur-Kangra
- Chamba- L & S

Which is last tributary of the river Ravi which divides the borders of Jammu &Chamba?

- Buddal
- Siul
- Tunda
- Siowa

Where in Himachal Pradesh musk deer breeding farm Himalayan Botanical Garden is located?

- Rampur
- Manali
- Chail
- Kufri

In which Himalayan Kingdoms stupas & Vihars were built by Ashoka the great?

- Keonthal-Suket
- Kullu-Sirmour
- Baghat-Hindur
- Ravin-Dadi

When Vihangmanipal, Pradumman, Maru, Sen & Pravar Sen-I of Jammu established new kingdom of kulutas, Bushair, Chamba, spiti & kangra respectivity?

- After 320 AD.
- After 280 AD.
- After 310 AD.
- After 260 AD.

When the Mughal governor of Punjab Adina Beg bring the hill states of Guler, Jaswan,

Mankot, Nurpur, Kutlehar, Bhagal etc. under his rule?

- In 1700 AD
- In 1747 AD
- In 1745 AD
- In 1750 AD

When the ruler of Sirmour state opened the fire on revolutionaries of Pajhauta movement?

- 11th June, 1943 AD
- 19th May, 1949 AD
- 2nd July, 1941 AD
- 12th Dec. 1940 AD

On the charges of revolting against the British which two patriots were hanged by Britishers?

- Ram Singh-Bir Singh
- Pratap Singh-Bir Singh
- Jagat Singh-Pratap Singh
- Parav Singh-Raghuvir Singh

The coins of which republic bear the inscription of trident, battle-axe, bull & the structure signifies a shaivite temple?

- Kunindas
- Kullutas
- Trigartas
- Audumbaras

Who inaugurated the statehood function of Himachal Pradesh at Ridge Shimla on 25th Jan 1971 A.D.?

- Indira Gandhi
- Rajiv Gandhi
- Dr. YS Parmar
- Giani Zail Singh

Which political leader was twice elected as speaker of HP. Vidhan Sabha?

- Sarvan Kumar
- TS Negi
- Kaul Singh Thakur
- Gangu Ram Musafir

In 1204 AD. Which two traders constructed the Baijnath temple under the close supervision of rana Laxman Chandra of Keergram?

- Manyuk-Ahuka
- Jaisinga-Manyuka
- Mahana-Roopaka
- Varamira-satgurana

Which temple is associated with the legend of 'Ravana'?

- Nar Singh temple Bilaspur
- Trilokinath temple spiti
- Hanol temple of Mahasu
- Shiva temple of Baijnath

On 20th August, 1925 AD. Which viceroy of British-India opened the legislative assembly's council chamber (Now the heritage building of HP. Vidhan Sabha)?

- Lord Lytton
- Lord Reading
- Lord Dalhousie
- Lord Curzon

Cherghi Kyank & Japsu are the dance form of which district

- Chamba
- Kinnaur
- Kullu
- Sirmaur

In Himachal 'Haryali' festival is celebrated in the beginning of Shrawan or in the mid of July & by which name it is popular?

- 'Dakhrein' in Kinnaur
- 'Shegsum' in Lahaul & Spiti
- 'Rehyali' in Shimla, Solan & Sirmour
- All are true

Which book is written by Lt. George?

- Shimla and Massuri
- Kangra & Kehalur
- Chamba & Kullu
- None

When English Newspaper “Tribune” was shifted from Lahore to Shimla?

- 25th Sep. 1947
- 26th Jan. 1948
- 15th Aug. 1949
- 15TH April, 1946

Kala zeera, Saffron, Buck wheat, Quality potato seeds & European type vegetables are the crops of which zone in H.P.?

- Dry temperate
- Sub-Tropical
- Sub Humid
- None

In which district sissu, chatru, seli, bardabg, ReoliDugli, Purthi, Tinget & Gyspa hydro electricity projects are constructed?

- Chamba
- Kangra
- Lahaul & Spiti
- Kullu

What is the name of old commercial path from India to western Asia in Lahaul?

- Kunzam
- Khoksar
- Rohtang
- Baralacha

The wooden craftsmanship of Gondla fort match with which memorial in H.P.?

- Vishweshwar Bajoura
- Hidimba-Dungri
- BijaliMahadev-Parvati
- Sandhya Gayatri-Nagar

Which cash crop is exported abroad (England, America, France, Singapore etc.) from Lahaul-spiti?

- Potato
- Hops
- Apple
- Kuth

ANSWER KEY

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HPAS-MAINS MODEL TEST

GENERAL STUDIES-I

Time Allowed: Three Hours
Maximum Marks: 200
QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions.

There are 28 questions printed in English.

All questions are compulsory

Candidate should attempt questions/parts as per the instructions given in the section.

The number of marks carried by the question /parts as per is indicated against it.

All parts of question shall be attempted at the place designated for hem in the question cum answer Booklet. Attempts of part/questions shall be counted in sequential order.

Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

Candidates are required to write clear, legible and concise answers and to adhere to word limits, wherever indicated. Failure to adhere to word limit may be penalized.

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 1 to 15 should not exceed to 60 words in each case.

Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 4 marks.

What is Difference between culture and civilization?

How Kullu came to Prominence?

Write a brief note on Topography of Himachal.

What is Civil Society?

What regions are drained by river Satluj?

Give a brief account of types of vegetation in Himachal.

Is it is correct to say that the land of India slopes from west to east.

Why has Mumbai longer sunshine after office hours than Kolkata.

Why is the Coromandel coastal plain wider than the Malabar Coast.

What do you understand by Deccan trap?

Write a short note on Glacier.

Give a brief note on trade fairs of Himachal.

Write a short note on Nalwari fair.

Write a note on Influence of Buddhism in Himachal.

Give a brief account of Guru Ghantal Monastery.

Attempt all questions. Answer to Question No. 16 to 25 should not exceed to 120 words in each case. Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 8 marks.

Discuss the Characteristics of Indian Culture.

What factors were responsible for the emergence of capitalism?

What is industrial Revolution? Discuss its stages.
 What factors kept Indian society united till date?
 What are the features of Indian society?
 Discuss the characters of Deccan Trap?
 Why are Aravallis called a divide between Mewar and Marwar.
 What efforts were made by the Government of India in recent Kerala Floods?
 Classify man-made Disasters?
 Why the frequency of earthquake has increased in India?

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 26 to 28 should not exceed to 400 words in each case. Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 20 marks.

Discuss the various stages of rock cut architecture.
 What factor led the development of industrial revolution in England?
 Discuss the events that led to the growth of Kangra.

GENERAL STUDIES-II

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 1 to 15 should not exceed to 60 words in each case. Contents of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 4 marks.

What is Parliamentary Democracy?
 What is the importance of January 26 in India?
 What factors leads to the Joint-Sitting of Parliament?
 What is the difference between Developed and Developing countries?
 Write a brief account on Raisin Dialogue.
 What is the meaning of Public Interest Litigation?
 How are Chief Justices of High Courts in India appointed?
 What one most important factor led to unification of Princely States of Himachal Pradesh in the Union of India?
 What is Good Governance?
 Define the term 'Quasi-Federalism'.
 Do we need 'No Detention Policy'?
 What is COMCASA?
 What is the difference between Growth and Development?
 What is vote-on-Account?
 Define 'Point of Order'.

Attempt all questions. Answer to Question No. 16 to 25 should not exceed to 120 words in each case. Contents of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 8 marks.

How does the Indian Parliament exercise control over the Union Executive?
 Describe the doctrine of Colorable Legislation.
 What steps are taken by the Govt. of India to improve the effectiveness of interventions in its developmental Policies?
 What is BIMSTEC?
 Critically evaluate the undermining of SAARC by India.
 What role is played by India Diaspora in India's foreign Policy?
 How the Government of Himachal Pradesh is curbing drug menace?
 What steps are taken by the state of Himachal Pradesh to control Cyber Crime in Himachal?
 What is Mekong Ganga Cooperation? What is its significance
 What is role of Judiciary in India?

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 26 to 28 should not exceed to 400 words in each case. Contents of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 20 marks.

Discuss the evolution of Indian Constitution
 What is meant by Sovereignty of Parliament? Consider whether the Indian Parliament is a sovereign body.
 Discuss the role of NGO in Indian Society

GENERAL STUDIES-III

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 1 to 15 should not exceed to 60 words in each case. Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 4 marks.

Discuss the Social and ethical issue on use of Biotechnology.
 Discuss the Demographic profile of H.P.
 Outline the important programme and mission of ISRO.
 Policy made by GOI to promote non- conventional source of energy in India
 Discuss National Action plan for Climate change.
 Discuss religious tourism in H.P?
 Woes of Pong Dam oustees caused due to Pass over of Rajasthan govt.
 Discuss Biotech Policy of H.P.
 Evaluate the Characteristic of Indian Economy.
 Discuss the Agriculture Policy of H.P.
 Evaluate the vision and scope of Horticulture in H.P.
 Discuss the HDI index in Reference of H.P.
 Critically examine the Industrial Policy of H.P.
 Explain Demographic dividend.
 Discuss Pollution Control Act and Roles?

Attempt all questions. Answer to Question No. 16 to 25 should not exceed to 120 words in each case. Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 8 marks.

Discuss India achievement in the field of Space Science and Technology. How the application of this technology has helped India in its Social-economic Development.

What problems are being faced by the Power Sector in India? Discuss the reform when have been Imitated recently to meet the Energy crisis in India.

Briefly explain the Sectoral distribution of gross state domestic product of H.P.

Give an account of the strategies for efficient use of clean and environment friendly energy sources.

Briefly explain Latest development in Science and Technology for harnessing agriculture, horticulture, medical resource in Country.

What hurdles exist in making India a cashless economy? Discuss benefits of becoming a cashless economy and suggest how government can speed up this transformation.

Demonetization Succeeded in achieving its stated objective Critically comment

The debate over commercial production of GM crop seems to have no easy answers. How far is the opposition to GM crops valid? What in your opinion is the way forward with respect to adoption of GM Food crop?

PHWR will help India to achieve its Paris Climate change conference commitments. Analyze.

Briefly explain the Hydropotential of H.P.

Attempt all question. Answer to Question No. 26 to 28 should not exceed to 400 words in each case. Content of the answers are more important than their length. Each question carries 20 marks.

Critically examine the economy of Himachal Pradesh?

Briefly explain the Tourism policy of H.P. their potential and Initiative taken by Govt. to enhance it.

Give an account of the growth and development of nuclear science and technology in India. What is the advantages of Fast breeder reactor programme in India?

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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE BYTES 2019

1	Who has been appointed as the new acting chairperson of the National Green Tribunal (NGT)	Jawad Rahim
2	India's first Insect Museum has opened in which state	Tamilnadu.
3	Who has been appointed as the Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA) to Government of India (GoI)	K Vijay Raghwan
4	The Department of Posts has launched Cool EMS Service between India and which country	Japan
5	India has signed how much amount of loan agreement with ADB to help boost youth employability in Himachal Pradesh	80 Million US Dollars
6	Which state has highest number of fully covered tribal habitations with the safe drinking water	Madhya Pradesh
7	Aleksandra Liashkova, who crowned the Miss Supermodel Worldwide 2018, is belong to which country	Belarus
8	Who has been appointed as the new Director-General of the National Testing Agency (NTA)	Vineet Joshi
9	The Union Cabinet has approved MoU between India and SACEP for cooperation on oil and chemical pollution in the South Asian Seas Region. What does 'SACEP' stands for	South Asian Cooperative Environment Programme
10	Who has been elected as the new President of Egypt	AbdalFateh al Sisi
11	Which union ministry has recently joined hands with Ministry of Power to support household electrification scheme 'Saubhagya'	Ministry of skill development & Entrepreneurship
12	R K Dorendra Singh, who passed away recently, was the former Chief Minister of which state	Manipur
13	Who has been appointed as the new Deputy Election Commissioner of India	Chandra Bhushan Kumar
14	Which state government has recently raised retirement age of state govt employees from 60 to 62 years	Madhya Pradesh
15	Which country conducts the 7 nation military exercise in Indian Ocean?	Australia
16	Name the country that was selected as the guest country for Paris Book Fair 2020?	India
17	Name the Mini Ratna CPSU, which has successfully turned 1000 railway stations across the country into Free Wi-Fi zone.	RailTel Corporation of India
18	Who is the ICC chief Executive after David Richardson in 2019?	Manu Sawhney
19	Who won the Men's Single title in YONEX-SUNRISE India Open 2019 organized by the Badminton Association of India?	Viktor Axelsen
20	Who won the Bahrain Grand Prix 2019?	Lewis Hamilton
21	Recently International Olympic Committee(IOC) disqualified 2012 Olympic bronze medalist Valentin Hristov of which sport?	Weightlifting
22	Which country has approved the sale of 24 MH 60 Romeo Seahawk helicopters to India?	US
23	Which country has announced new process of visa facilitation for expat families?	UAE
24	The United Nations has appointed Nicholas Koumjian as the investigation head for which nation?	Myanmar
25	India has gained access to supplies of Lithium Carbonate from	Bolivia

	which nation?	
26	The third edition of 'AUSINDEX-19', bilateral maritime exercise between Indian Navy and Royal Australian Navy, began in which city?	Visakhapatnam
27	What is the name of a 260-feet long suspension bridge recently made by Indian Army in record 40 days at Leh?	Maitri Bridge
28	Interaction on Trade and Economic Cooperation with Oceania Countries was held at which place recently?	New Delhi
29	Which country recently honoured PM Narendra Modi with its highest decoration Zayed Medal?	United Arab Emirates
30	The Reserve Bank of India fixed the Repo Rate at what percent in its First Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement 2019-20?	6.00%
31	Which country recently introduced harsh sharia laws that make adultery and homosexuality punishable by stoning to death?	Brunei
32	Which institute has recently found a new enzyme which helps in breaking cell walls of bacteria?	Centre for Cellular & Molecular Biology
33	Which country is going to launch 5G Network for first time in the world?	South Korea
34	When the International Day of Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action is observed every year?	4 April
35	Which country has deployed a new missile destroyer, frigate in its anti-piracy fleet?	China
36	As per National Green Tribunal, which state only treats 49 per cent of wastewater before dumping it in the Ganga?	West Bengal
37	Scientists belonging to which nation have discovered a possible death switch mechanism in plants?	China
38	Which nation has topped the latest FIFA rankings of 2019?	Belgium
39	Which city will host the Nepal-India Franchise Investment Expo and Conclave 2019?	Kathmandu
40	When the World Health Day is observed every year?	7 April
41	Where were the 7th Foreign Office consultations between India and Italy held?	New Delhi
42	Lakshmi Vilas Bank recently announced merger with which financier firm?	Indiabulls Housing Finance
43	Which city hosted the Army Commanders' Conference 2019?	New Delhi
44	Who has been elected as the new President of the World Bank?	David Malpass
45	The United States has urged immediate halt to military operations in which nation?	Libya
46	Justice Pradeep Nandrajog has taken the oath as the new Chief Justice of which High Court?	Bombay HC
47	Who won the men's singles event at the Malaysia Open, held in Kuala Lumpur?	Lin Dan
48	Which university was ranked the best in the list of Top 10 Indian Universities in the National Institutional Ranking Framework - 2019?	IISc, Bengaluru

49	Who has been appointed as the new head coach of the Indian men's national hockey team?	Graham Reid
50	Who has been conferred with the All India Management Association's award for lifetime contribution to media in 2019?	Mahendra Mohan Gupta
51	Which company has become India's first gaming unicorn?	Dream11
52	Which country was positioned as the world's top recipient of remittances according to the World Bank's latest Migration and Development Brief?	India
53	When the World Homoeopathy Day is observed every year?	10 April
54	When the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) celebrates its Valour Day every year?	9 April
55	Exercise 'Bold Kurukshetra 2019' began in Uttar Pradesh between India and which country?	Singapore
56	Which institution recently ruled that woman can file dowry harassment case from place she has taken shelter?	Supreme Court
57	Which organisation launched a course in Film Criticism and the Art of Review recently?	Film and Television Institute of India
58	India recently evacuated peacekeeping CRPF contingent from which African country?	Libya
59	The Election commission of India has stalled the release of a biopic during election period. Which political leader was the film based on?	PM Narendra Modi
60	President Ram Nath Kovind has launched which app for the families of martyred CRPF troops?	Veer Parivar
61	Senior politician K M Mani passed away. He served as the former finance minister and as one of the leading political figures in which among the following states?	Kerala
62	Which application form is needed to be filled to enroll as a new voter and get a voter ID?	Form 6
63	Which country's parliament has voted to ban semi-automatic weapons?	New Zealand
64	Who is set to win a record fifth term in Israel Elections 2019?	Benjamin Netanyahu
65	India has built a maternity hospital in which nation?	Nepal
66	The United Kingdom and the European Union have agreed to extend Brexit till which date?	October 31st
67	Which project captured the first ever image of the Black Hole?	Event Horizon Telescope
68	Which company launched its first drone delivery service in Australia?	Google
69	In which year did the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre took place?	1919
70	When the International Day of Human Space Flight is observed every year?	12 April
71	India's flagship programme, Namami Gange was felicitated with the coveted Public Water Agency of the Year award at the Global Water Summit. The Summit was held in which city?	London
72	Who has been appointed as first Chief Justice of new Andhra	Vikram Nath

	Pradesh High Court?	
73	Professor Najma Akhtar has been appointed as the first women Vice-Chancellor of which university?	Jamia
74	The lawmakers of which nation have introduced a new bill to strengthen the strategic partnership between their nation and India?	United States
75	In Libya, General Khalifa Haftar, who is viewed by his opponents as a new dictator, is the leader of which party?	Libyan National Army
76	Where was India's first 'Voter Park' inaugurated to raise voter awareness instructing people about the electoral process?	Gurugram, Haryana
77	Name the person, who was conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 during 4th APJ Abdul Kalam Innovation Conclave for Contributions In Life Sciences, Aerospace and Aeronautics.	A K Singh
78	Pradeep Choubey passed away aged 70, he was a _____?	Poet
79	Name the freedom fighter & participant of Quit India Movement, who passed away recently.	Paripooranand Painuli
80	Who is the author of the book titled "Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid: Rowley Jefferson's Journal" ?	Jeff Kinney
81	Which telecommunication company has received approval from the telecom department for merger with Tata Teleservices Ltd.?	Bharti Airtel
82	Which among the following nations has yet not ratified the BBIN Motor Vehicle Agreement?	Bhutan
83	Who has formed a Central Monitoring Committee to check river pollution?	National Green Tribunal
84	Which country is set to host the host world's foremost Artificial Intelligence Summit?	UAE
85	Which Indian boxer clinched gold in Boxing World Cup in 54 kg?	Meena Kumari Maisnam
86	Which nation's military council has removed its defence minister Awad Ibn Auf from his role and appointed a new intelligence chief?	Sudan
87	The world's largest airplane, which took off for the very first time has been built by a company based out of which nation?	United States
88	Which Sub-Sonic Cruise Missile was successfully test fired by DRDO recently?	Nirbhay
89	The Union Cabinet recently approved MoU in the field of traditional systems of medicine and homoeopathy between India and which country?	Bolivia
90	India is partnering Japan and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to implement two projects in which continent?	Africa
91	The US State department has advised its citizens to reconsider their travel to which nation?	Pakistan
92	Who among the following is the first Chief Minister to have been barred from campaigning for a set period for violating the model code of conduct during election rallies?	Yogi Adityanath

93	The World Health Organisation has raised an alarm over 300 percent rise in cases regarding which disease in the first quarter of 2019?	Measles
94	Which among the following players didn't make it to the final Indian squad for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019?	Rishabh Pant
95	The Election Commission has cancelled polling in which among the following constituencies on grounds of misuse of money?	Vellore
96	President Trump has vetoed a bill that sought an end to US military support for Saudi-led war in this nation.	Yemen
97	Which nation has disarmed its police as terror threat level lowered?	New Zealand
98	The Reserve Bank of India issued banknotes signed by the Governor Shaktikanta Das of which denomination?	Rs 50
99	Which of the following platforms blocked the access to TikTok App recently in India?	Google
100	The world's largest airplane took off for the very first time. The aircraft has been developed by which company?	Stratolaunch
101	A raging fire recently tore through Notre-Dame Cathedral, the 850-year-old Gothic building. The cathedral is located in which country?	France
102	Sri Lanka has launched its first satellite. What is it called?	Raavana 1
103	Which Indian wrestler has become world number one in the men's 65kg freestyle category?	Bajrang Punia
104	Which nation's administration has halted the practice of disclosing current size of nuclear weapons stockpile?	United States
105	Which among leaders has overseen a new 'guided weapon' test?	Kim Jong Un
106	Which company is in talks to buy 25% stake in Reliance's refining & petrochemical business?	Saudi Aramco
107	When the World Heritage Day is observed every year?	18 April
108	Who has become the 1st Indian woman scientist to be selected in the fellow of Royal Society in 358 years?	Gagandeep Kang
109	The Supreme Court has determined which illness as a ground to spare death row convicts from the gallows?	Mental illness
110	Which nation has successfully launched its 1st satellite into space under Japan's Birds project?	Nepal
111	Who among the astronauts is soon going to set a new record for longest single spaceflight by a woman?	Christina Koch
112	Jaideep Sarkar has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to which nation?	South Africa
113	Which company recently announced its plans to shut down operations in China?	Amazon
114	Indian Ships will participate in the International Fleet Review 2019 in which country?	China
115	The National Salt Satyagraha Memorial has been inaugurated in which state?	Gujarat

116	Which among the following states has launched a special scheme to curb infant deaths?	Maharashtra
117	The central banks of which two nations have launched common digital currency called 'Aber'?	UAE, Saudi Arabia
118	India has signed a protocol for the export of Indian tobacco leave with which nation?	China
119	Which organisation recently proposed a new set of relaxed norms for Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs)?	SEBI
120	The first project under the Swadesh Darshan Project was launched in which state of North-East Region?	Sikkim
121	Which airlines recently resumed its services from New Delhi to the holy city of Najaf in Iraq after 25 years?	Air India
122	Under the Union Government's new scheme for the farmers, how much direct income support will be provided in a year?	Rs 6000
123	According to the Union Government, how many crore LPG connections have already been distributed under PM Ujjwala Yojana?	6 crore
124	The government has decided to set up Rashtriya Kamdhenu Aayog for the welfare of which animal?	Cow
125	As per the Interim Budget 2019-20, how much amount has been allocated for the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Act (MGNREGA)?	Rs 60000 crore
126	The 22nd All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) will be set up in which state, as per the Interim Budget 2019-20?	Haryana
127	The Pradhan Mantri Shram-Yogi Maandhan scheme was announced in the Interim Budget 2019-20. Under the scheme, the workers will get what amount of pension after attaining the age of 60 years?	Rs 3000
128	As per the Interim Budget 2019-20, Individual tax payers with taxable income of up to what amount will get full tax rebate from now on?	Rs 5 lakh
129	Who is the appointed as new chief of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)	Rishi Kumar Shukla
130	Where was the international conference titled 'Life and Legacy of Guru Padmasambhava' held, to mark the 50-years of formalization of diplomatic ties between India and Bhutan?	New Delhi
131	Government constituted a committee under Central Electricity Authority (CEA) to explore prepaid payments by state electricity distribution companies to power plants, on the recommendation of Cabinet Secretary ?	P K Sinha
132	Which state government issued an order to ban the import of pigs and piglets, because of the possibility of outbreak of Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS)?	Mizoram
133	Name India's current Ambassador to Argentina who was	Sanjiv Ranjan

	appointed as the new Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia?	
134	South Korea's Ki Sung-yueng announced his retirement from which sport?	Football
135	What was the theme of World Wetlands Day celebrated on 2nd February 2019?	Wetlands and Climate Change
136	The Budget 2019 allocates how much amount of capital support for the Indian Railways in 2019-20?	Rs 64,587 crore
137	Which region of Jammu & Kashmir got connected to the National Grid on February 3, 2019?	Ladakh
138	When the World Cancer Day is celebrated every year?	4 February
139	A new High Court for Andhra Pradesh will be built in which of the following state's city?	Amravati
140	The National Human Rights Commission has issued notice to which state's government over death of labourers?	Uttar Pradesh
141	The United States has pulled of Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces treaty with which nation?	Russia
142	How much rent will now be exempted from the TDS as per the Interim Budget 2019?	Rs 2.4 lakh
143	Which country celebrated its 71st Independence Day on February 4, 2019?	Sri Lanka
144	Nayib Bukele has claimed victory in the presidential election of which nation?	El Salvador
145	Which nation has pardoned around 50,000 convicts on its 40th revolution anniversary?	Iran
146	The Union Ministry of Coal has signed an MoU with which nation's Ministry of Energy for cooperation in the field of coal mining?	Poland
147	ISRO has set up the Human Space Flight Centre for Gaganyaan mission in which city?	Bengaluru
148	What is the name of the payment channel that has been set up by the EU nations to continue trade with Iran?	INSTEX
149	The National Board of Wildlife recently accorded wildlife clearance for which train project in India?	Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail Project
150	President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un will hold the second summit in which country?	Vietnam
151	Which state constituted a committee to review various schemes being implemented for the welfare of tribals?	Maharashtra
152	Which among the following is India's 40th communication satellite that was launched from French Guiana?	GSAT-31
153	Who among the following leaders has proposed a new missile treaty with potential to include India?	Donald Trump
154	Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari laid the foundation stone for three highway projects in which state?	Odisha
155	Textile Minister has launched India Size project in which city?	Mumbai
156	The Union Cabinet approved MoU between India and which	Finland

	nation in the field of Biotechnology?	
157	Donald Trump has nominated US treasury diplomat David Malpass to head which international body?	World Bank
158	The Union Cabinet has approved how much higher power allocation to the state of Telangana?	85 percent
159	According to NASA and NOAA, which year has been recorded as the fourth warmest on record?	2018
160	The government has decided to set up Rashtriya Kamdhenu Aayog for the welfare of which animal?	Cow
161	Which state launched the Zero Fatality Corridor (ZFC) recently?	Delhi
162	As per Sixth Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement 2018-19, RBI fixed the policy Repo Rate at what percent?	6.25
163	A new channel DD Arun Prabha will be launched by PM Modi to cater mainly the aspirations of people of North east region. The head office of the channel will be located in which State?	Arunachal Pradesh
164	What was India's rank in the 2019 International Intellectual Property (IP) Index?	36th
165	Under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana for the farmers, how much income support will be provided in a year?	Rs 6000
166	Which city hosted the 5th India-Bangladesh Joint Consultative Committee Meeting?	New Delhi
167	In which District does Prime Minister inaugurated New High Court Circuit Bench during his State Visit to West Bengal?	Jalpaiguri
168	Which State hosted the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Meeting to enhance its resilience in IORA countries according to its '2017-2021' Action plan?	New Delhi
169	Name the tribe residing in Arunachal Pradesh, celebrates Boori Boot Yollo festival?	Nyishi
170	Which State has the highest number of hospitals empanelled under Pradhan Mantri Arogya Yojana?	Gujarat
171	What was the target year, that India has set to eliminate Tuberculosis?	2025
172	Which Country approved to sell two of its advanced missile to India for an estimated cost of \$190 million?	U.S
173	What is the name of the digital skilling program launched by Facebook to empower women?	GOAL(Going Online As Leaders)
174	Which nation's President has taken over as the new chair of African Union?	Egypt
175	Which among the following languages has been added by Abu Dhabi Judicial Department as its third official court language?	Hindi
176	The 13th International Oil and Gas Conference - PETROTECH-2019 was inaugurated in which state?	Uttar Pradesh
177	Which film won the 'best film' award at the 2019 British Academy Film Awards?	Roma
178	Name the new Doordarshan channel launched by PM Modi for	DD Arunprabha

	Arunachal Pradesh?	
179	Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for the Sela Tunnel Project in which state?	Arunachal Pradesh
180	The first of the 15 Chinook heavy lift helicopters arrived in India from which country?	US
181	Who won the Israel's Dan David Prize 2019 in the 'Past' category?	Sanjay Subrahmanyam
182	India launched an initiative to combat Marine Pollution in collaboration with which country?	Norway
183	Prime Minister Narendra Modi distributed the Swachh Shakti 2019 Awards. The Swachh Shakti 2019 event was held in which city?	Kurukshetra
184	India's premier institute of cancer, the 'National Cancer Institute' was dedicated to the nation. The institute is located in which state?	Haryana
185	Which nation has decided to give lifetime tax exemption to women having 4 or more children?	Hungary
186	US President Donald Trump has signed an executive order to prioritise research and development in which area?	Artificial Intelligence
187	Which Indian warship participated in a multi-national training exercise 'CUTCLASS EXPRESS 2019'?	Trikand
188	The Defence Ministry issued Expression of Interest for procurement of how many Naval Utility Helicopters (NUH) for the Indian Navy?	111
189	Which city will host the US-India CEO Forum in 2019?	New Delhi
190	The Indian Parliament has passed the Personal Laws (Amendment) Bill 2019. The bill seeks to remove which disease as a ground for divorce?	Leprosy
191	India's first Mega Aqua Food Park was commissioned recently in which state?	Andhra Pradesh
192	Which nation's government has fired its election commission?	Afghanistan
193	The European Union members of UN Security Council have asked for humanitarian access to which nation?	Ukraine
194	Under the provisions of the Registration of Marriage of Non-Resident Indian Bill, 2019, a marriage between NRI and Indian citizen will have to be registered within how many days?	30 days
195	The Union Cabinet has approved extension of tenure of the National Commission for Safai Karmacharis till which year?	2022
196	The Union Cabinet has approved allotment of land for the establishment of New Viral Vaccine Manufacturing Unit in which state?	Tamil Nadu
197	Which state's government has announced a universal old age pension scheme called Mukhyamantri Vridhajan Pension Yojna?	Bihar
198	The Cabinet has approved revision in the list of Scheduled Tribes of which state?	Chhattisgarh
199	When was World Radio Day observed?	13th February

200	The Expert Committee led by Anoop Satpathy submitted its report. It recommended raising National Minimum Wage to how much amount per day?	Rs 375
201	Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off India's first Semi High Speed Train. What is the name of train?	Vande Bharat Express
202	India has withdrawn the Most Favoured Nation status from which nation?	Pakistan
203	Which terror group has claimed responsibility for the Pulwama terror attack, one of the deadliest terror attacks on the Indian Armed Forces after Uri?	Jaish-e-Mohammed
204	Who has been sworn in as the new Attorney General of the United States?	William Barr
205	Which legendary cricketer has been named as the brand ambassador of Rajasthan Royals for the 2019 Indian Premier League?	Shane Warne
206	A new mobile app has been launched for the beneficiaries of which government scheme?	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
207	Prime Minister flagged off Humsafar Express in which of the following Route?	Ajni (Nagpur) to Pune
208	Which Bank had become the first US bank with Cryptocurrency?	JP Morgan Chase
209	Which City topped and won the Swachhata Excellence Awards 2019?	Raigarh of Chhattisgarh
210	Who won the Martin Ennals Award 2019, International human rights prize in Geneva Switzerland?	Abdul Aziz Muhamat
211	Who became the first Indian Woman Flight Engineer?	Hina Jaiswal
212	The book 'Sudhir Sukta' was written by which acclaimed author, who passed away recently?	Vishnu Wagh
213	India has raised customs duty to 200 per cent on all goods imported from which nation?	Pakistan
214	Which international cricketer has announced his retirement from One Day Internationals?	Chris Gayle
215	UAE would be funding the construction of a US military hospital in which city?	Abu Dhabi
216	Which nation has launched a cruise missile capable submarine amidst heightening tension with the United States?	Iran
217	Which nation has signed agreements worth \$20 billion with Pakistan?	Saudi Arabia
218	The President of which nation has declared a national emergency?	United States
219	Who won the women's singles title at the Yonex-Sunrise 83rd Senior Nationals?	Saina Nehwal
220	India has signed a MoU to set up a joint working group on counter terrorism with which nation?	Morocco
221	The citizens in distress can dial which number to get immediate access to emergency services?	112

222	Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off the first-ever diesel to electric converted locomotive twin engine in which city?	Varanasi
223	The National Cyber Forensic Lab has been inaugurated in which city?	New Delhi
224	The All Indian Cine Workers Association has announced a total ban on artists belonging to which nation?	Pakistan
225	Which state's government has withdrawn security cover of separatist leaders?	Jammu and Kashmir
226	Who became the 14th recipient of the 2018 Seoul Peace Prize?	Narendra Modi
227	The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) recently raised the interest rate on Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) to what percent for 2018-19?	8.65 percent
228	Who was recently appointed as the first court-appointed ombudsman for the BCCI?	Justice DK Jain
229	Vice President Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the All India Radio FM Station in which state?	Andhra Pradesh
230	Which international organisation recently urged the international community to co-operate with India in dealing with terrorism?	United Nations Security Council
231	Recently, Mahatma Gandhi's bust was unveiled in which country?	South Korea
232	India had signed MOU with which of the following country on combating Transnational Crime and developing Police Cooperation?	South Korea
233	Name the Super Computer that was unveiled in IIT-BHU by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?	Param Shivay
234	What was the theme of the 8th World Corporate Social Responsibility Congress (World CSR Congress 2019), held in Mumbai?	Theme – Sustainable Development Goals(SDGs)
235	Which city hosted the Regional Conference on 'Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation scheme (DDRS)' organised by DEPwD?	Kolkata, West Bengal
236	Attakal Ponkala festival, world's largest religious congregation of women was hosted by which of the following city?	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
237	55th Munich Security Conference (MSC) held in which of the following Country?	Germany
238	The 12th biennial edition of International Aerospace and Defence Exhibition 'Aero India 2019' culminated recently. The show was held at which station of India Air Force?	Air Force Station Yelahanka
239	Which movie won the Oscars 2019 in Best Documentary – Short Subject category?	Period. End Of Sentence
240	Which movie won the 'Best Picture' award at the 91st Academy Awards (Oscars)?	Green Book
241	Which song won the Oscars 2019 in the Best Original Song category?	Shallow
242	Prime Minister Narendra Modi on February 25, 2019 dedicated the National War Memorial to the nation. The Memorial is located	New Delhi

	in which city?	
243	Which actress recently was named as the brand ambassador of the Swasth Immunised India campaign?	Kareena Kapoor
244	Which city hosted the Future of Indian Banking Conference?	New Delhi
245	How many judges constitute the Supreme Court bench that is hearing the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid land dispute case?	Five
246	Which among the following nations voted for a new constitution?	Cuba
247	US President Donald Trump has decided to extend the March 1 deadline to escalate tariffs on which country's imports?	China
248	India's 4th white cement plant will be established in which state?	Andhra Pradesh
249	Two new National Institutes of Design have been established in which two cities?	Bhopal and Jorhat
250	Which city hosted the 4th 'Global Digital Health Partnership Summit'?	New Delhi
251	Who has launched the Rail Drishti dashboard to bring transparency in Indian Railways?	Piyush Goyal
252	United States President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un will hold the second summit in which country?	Vietnam
253	India will be conducting a joint military exercise 'Exercise Sampriti 2019' with which country?	Bangladesh
254	Which state approved 10 percent quota for economically weaker sections in general category?	Bihar
255	Which state has launched PRANAM commission to protect parents of state government employees?	Assam
256	ISRO would be launching which satellite for DRDO in March 2019?	Emisat
257	The Indian Air Force in a recent retaliatory move destroyed the biggest JeM training camp in Balakot. The town is located in which among the following Pakistani provinces?	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
258	Which former cricketer has been banned from cricket for a period of two years?	Sanath Jayasuriya
259	_____ was announced as the Hindi Word of the year for 2018 by the Oxford Dictionaries?	Nari Shakti
260	Name the country that declared sugarcane juice as the "national drink" of the country?	Pakistan
261	Who received the Republic Day Journalism Award 2019 from Assam government?	Dhirendra Nath Chakraborty
262	Which state government launched 'Yuva Swabhiman Yojana' for youths of the weak section in urban areas of the state?	Madhya Pradesh
263	Union Minister of Railways announced that Train 18 which is India's first indigenously developed engineless high speed train has been named as _____?	Vande Bharat Express
264	The 'Atal Setu' bridge named after former prime minister of India late Atal Bihari Bajpai, which is the third Cable bridge across river _____ in Panaji, Goa, was inaugurated by Union Minister	Mandovi

	Nitin Gadkari?	
265	Name the tennis player who won the 107th Australian Open 2019 women's singles title and became world No.1 in WTA rankings?	Naomi Osaka
266	Geroge Fernandes passed away due to prolonged illness of Alzhemier's disease. He was a former ____?	Defence Minister of India
267	Who is the author of the Sahitya Akademi Award winning novel 'Zindaginama'?	Krishna Sobti
268	Who was appointed the brand ambassador of medical products maker Ascent Meditech's brand 'Flamingo'?	Hrithik Roshan
269	World Health Organization (WHO) stated that more than half of the leprosy cases globally was reported by ____?	India
270	Which cricketer became the only batsman to score 1,000 runs in two separate Ranji seasons?	Wasim Jaffer
271	Uttar Pradesh Cabinet approved the construction of a four-lane Ganga Expressway connecting which city to Western Utter Pradesh?	Prayagraj
272	Suman Kumari recently became the first Hindu woman to be appointed as a civil judge of which neighbouring country?	Pakistan
273	How many countries have ratified the Geneva Convention?	196
274	Which state is going to get a new Railway zone?	Andhra Pradesh
275	Which player was honoured with Asian Hockey Federation's Player of the Year award?	Manpreet Singh
276	Who is currently the highest-ranked Indian singles tennis player?	Prajnesh Gunneswaran
277	Indian Railways launched a new facility for rail passengers to view which information online?	Train Charts & Vacant Berths
278	Which state recently declared Monkeys a Vermin species for next one year?	Himachal Pradesh
279	Prime Minister Narendra Modi conferred the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 in which field?	Science & Technology
280	Union Cabinet approved which metro rail project?	Kanpur Metro Rail
281	The Union Cabinet approved the MoU between India and which country to access tipline reports on Missing and Exploited Children?	Unites States
282	The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the "Pradhan Mantri JI-VAN" Yojana for providing financial support to which project?	Integrated Bioethanol Projects
283	Who is the only Indian in top 10 batsmen in latest T20 International Players Rankings?	K L Rahul
284	The United States has vowed to give aid to which nation against armed attack in South China Sea?	Philippines
285	The Reserve Bank of India has signed a bilateral swap arrangement with the bank of which nation?	Japan
286	UN court rejects UK's claim of sovereignty over which of the	Chagos Islands

	following Islands?	
287	Name the Insurance company, which is conferred with the Non-Life Insurer of the Year Award 2019 by ASSOCHAM?	Bharti AXA General Insurance
288	Which of the following University is the only private Indian University featured in QS World Rankings?	Manipal Academy of Higher Education
289	Who was appointed as the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Eastern Air Command of the Indian Air Force (IAF)?	Air Marshal R D Mathur
290	Pranay Kumar Verma was appointed as the India's Ambassador to which of the following country?	Vietnam
291	Who was appointed as the non-executive chairman of Bank of Baroda?	Hasmukh Adhia
292	Where did AYUSH Minister laid the foundation for National Institute of Unani Medicine recently?	Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh
293	Which Country hosted the 46th session of Organisation of Islamic Co-operation (OIC)?	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
294	According to the Delta ranking report released by NITI Aayog, which district, has become the top aspirational district among the 112 aspirational districts?	Assam's Hailakandi
295	Who was appointed as the President of Senegal?	Macky Sall
296	Name the short-range air-to-air Missile, which is used to shot down a Pakistani F-16 by Abhinandan Varthaman from his MiG-21 Bison?	R-73 Missile
297	Who won the Men's Singles title, in 27th ATP edition of Dubai Tennis Championship 2019, which was his 100th ATP Singles title?	Roger Federer
298	Prime Minister launched the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Yojana from which state?	Gujarat
299	Which Ministry came up with the 'One Nation, One Card' Model to enable seamless travel by different metros and other transport systems across the country besides retail shopping and purchases?	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
300	Joint bilateral exercise 'Exercise Al Nagah 2019' will be held from March 12 to 25, 2019 between India and which country?	Oman
301	Which city was ranked as the World's most polluted city of 2018 as per the report released by IQAir AirVisual and Greenpeace?	Gurugram
302	Who was nominated by Indian Government for the post of the new Director-General of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)?	Ramesh Chand
303	Which nation has suspended its participation in Intermediate-Range Nuclear treaty with the United States?	Russia
304	ISRO has launched Young Scientist Programme for children studying in which class?	9th class
305	India and World Bank signed USD 96 million loan agreement for financing Disaster Recovery Project of which state?	Uttarakhand
306	Minister of State for Culture and Environment, Mahesh Sharma	New Delhi

	recently inaugurated 'Azaadi-ke-Diwane' museum in which city?	
307	Which is the most polluted capital city as per the World Air Quality Report 2018?	Delhi
308	Which is the only Hindu party to support the idea of court-monitored mediation in the Ayodhya land dispute case?	Nirmohi Akhada
309	The Union Home Ministry has launched smart fencing on which Indian border to deter illegal infiltration?	Indo-Bangladesh Border
310	Which city has been adjudged as the cleanest city in Swachh Sarvekshan for third year in a row?	Indore
311	Which tennis player has become the second-ever in the world to claim 100 ATP titles?	Roger Federer
312	Prime Minister Narendra Modi released the new series of "visually impaired friendly circulation" coins. Which denomination coin will be of 12-edged polygon shape?	Rs 20
313	National space agency ISRO signed agreement with which country to set up a joint maritime surveillance system?	France
314	Which city was adjudged as India's Cleanest City for the third consecutive year as per Swachh Sarvekshan 2019?	Indore
315	Which city was awarded as the Cleanest Capital in the Swachh Sarvekshan 2019 survey?	Bhopal
316	The Union Cabinet approved the continuation of Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) till which financial year?	2019-20
317	Which technology company has launched an application called 'bolo' to tutor children to read in Hindi, English?	Google
318	Which nation has extended its anti-smog measures for the 3rd successive winter?	China
319	The Prime Minister released the Dictionary on which of the following to highlight the India's Freedom Struggle?	Indian Martyrs
320	Which app has been launched by Union Urban Affairs Minister that digitilises the process of conversion of a property from leasehold to freehold?	e-Dharti
321	The Supreme Court has approved to form mediation panel to resolve Ram Temple-Babri Masjid dispute case. The mediation proceedings are scheduled to take place in which city?	Faizabad
322	Thirty-six nations have signed an open letter criticizing which nation's human rights record?	Saudi Arabia
323	Ausaf Sayeed has been appointed as the new Indian Ambassador to which nation?	Saudi Arabia
324	The Union Cabinet has approved a MoU on Cancer Research Initiative between India and which nation?	UK
325	Kummanam Rajasekharan recently resigned as the Governor of which state?	Mizoram
326	Which State/UT hosted the India and Japan joint space dialogue?	New Delhi
327	Name the scheme launched by Maharashtra state government for	Atal Aahar Yojna

	construction workers, which will provide good quality food at a highly subsidised rate?	
328	RBI decided to offer guaranteed financial support of 2% per annum for short term crop loans upto ____ lakhs for farmers at an interest rate of 7%?	Rs.3 lakh
329	Reserve Bank of India(RBI) has eased business guidelines for which of the following ATM's to source cash directly from the central bank?	White Label ATM
330	Name the 116-year-old Japanese woman, who was honoured as the world's oldest living person by Guinness World Records?	Kane Tanaka
331	Who was appointed as the Goodwill Ambassador of United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) recently?	Padma Lakshmi
332	Who released the book Dictionary of Martyrs of India's Freedom Struggle (1857-1947) in New Delhi?	Narendra Modi
333	Who launched the countrywide Pulse Polio Programme 2019?	Ram Nath Kovind
334	Who has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of the state of Palestine?	Mohammad Shtayyeh
335	Which nation's cricket board has written to the ICC for action against India for wearing camouflage caps?	Pakistan
336	The Election Commission has appointed three special observers for which state?	Jammu and Kashmir
337	Which Indian wrestler won a gold medal in 65kg freestyle at the Dan Kolov-Nikola Petrov tournament in Bulgaria?	Bajrang Punia
338	Which country is planning to release a digital currency called "SOV"?	Marshall Islands
339	Who won the Player of the Series title in the T20I match series between India and England?	Danielle Wyatt
340	Which state has increased its reservation quota of OBCs to 27 per cent?	Madhya Pradesh
341	Which country was the largest importer of the weapons in the world during 2014-18?	Saudi Arabia
342	Who took over as the Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) recently?	A.K. Mohanty
343	The Election Commission of India formed a three-member committee to assess the situation on the ground in which state?	Jammu and Kashmir
344	Which state has launched its 1st round polio immunization?	Nagaland
345	Who has been reappointed as the coach of Spanish football club Real Madrid till 2022?	Zinedine Zidane
346	Which space agency's lunar orbiter has observed water molecules moving around the dayside of Moon?	NASA
347	The United Nations has requested which nation to establish a hybrid court to probe war crime allegations during LTTE war?	Sri Lanka
348	C Lalsawta was sworn in as the first Lokayukta Chairman of which state?	Mizoram
349	Over 40 countries including India decided to ground which model	Boeing 737 MAX

	of Boeing aircraft?	
350	Which company became the official sponsor of ICC World Cup 2019?	GoDaddy
351	How much money has the RBI decided to infuse into the system through open market operations?	Rs 12,500 crore
352	As per NASA, the first person on this planet is likely to be a woman.	Mars
353	India fetched what position in the latest report of the World Gold Council in terms of the quantum of gold holding?	11th
354	Who led to the development of World Wide Web, which recently completed its 30 years?	Tim Berners-Lee
355	Indian and Pakistani officials the first round of talks to discuss and finalise the modalities for Kartarpur Corridor. The corridor will connect which district of Punjab with Pakistan?	Gurdaspur
356	China for the fourth time put a technical hold on the proposal to designate Masood Azhar as a "global terrorist". The proposal was moved in UNSC by which group of countries?	P3
357	Which city hosted the 34th edition of 'Aahar 2019'-International Food and Hospitality Fair?	New Delhi
358	The President of India awarded how many Kirti Chakras to the Armed Forces Personnel in 2019?	Three
359	Which nation would be soon setting up six nuclear power plants in India?	US
360	Which city is hosting the Special Olympics World Games 2019?	Abu Dhabi
361	Who was appointed by Supreme Court as mediator to resolve disputes of cricket administration in BCCI?	PS Narasimha
362	When is the World Consumer Rights Day observed every year?	15 March
363	The West Nile Virus was recently in news due to its outbreak in which state of India?	Kerala
364	The Reserve Bank of India categorised which bank as a Private Sector Bank for regulatory purposes?	IDBI Bank
365	Which country decided to freeze all assets of Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Masood Azhar in application of its Monetary and Financial Code?	France
366	The Supreme Court has set aside life ban imposed on which cricketer?	S Sreesanth
367	When did the Supreme Court appointed mediation panel begin its first meeting on the Ayodhya case?	March 13th
368	The Supreme Court has pulled up which state government over inadequate functioning of foreigners' tribunals?	Assam
369	Chief Minister of which State has recently passed away?	Manohar Parrikar, Goa
370	Which of the IIT had signed MoU with the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) to set up an Space Technology Cell (STC) in its campus?	IIT Roorkee
371	Name the new service, launched by State Bank of India(SBI) for	YONO Cash

	its customers to withdraw money from ATMs without using debit cards.	
372	Name the project launched by Microsoft in order to boost India's Swachh Bharat Mission.	Sangam
373	Who won the Business Line Changemaker Of The Year award for introducing Goods and Services Tax (GST) in New Delhi?	Arun Jaitley
374	President Ram Nath Kovind awarded the 'Nari Shakti Puraskar' to Seema Mehta. Name the field she belongs too.	Katha Dancer
375	Who was conferred with DD Mahila Kisan Award?	Swati Shingade
376	Name the WhatsApp head and Facebook CPO, who quits recently.	Chris Cox
377	Which country will host the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2020?	India
378	Which city will host the International Workshop on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure 2019?	New Delhi
379	India signed an agreement on exemption from visa requirement for holders of diplomatic and official passports with which nation?	Maldives
380	Cyclone IDAI has affected over 1.5 million people in which among the following continents?	Africa
381	Indian athlete Irfan KT has qualified for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics in which category?	Race walking
382	Name the Second Scorpene Class Submarine which is set to be inducted into the Indian Navy by May 2019?	INS Khanderi
383	According to the Lokpal Ombudsman's order, 2013, who is the first Lokpal of India?	Pinaki Chandra Ghosh
384	Who was sworn-in as the 11th Chief Minister of Goa?	Pramod Sawant
385	Which country termed the Mumbai terror attacks as most notorious one?	China
386	India Post has released a special stamp cover on which environmental initiative?	Ice Stupas
387	India has won how many gold medals in Table Tennis at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games?	4
388	Which nation's court has issued an arrest warrant against Nirav Modi?	UK
389	Which IPL franchise has tied up with the Star Cricket Academy in England to launch an Academy?	Rajasthan Royals
390	Which Indian airlines carrier recently in March 2019 joined the International Air Transport Association (IATA)?	SpiceJet
391	The Union Health Ministry reviewed preparedness on West Nile Virus Fever in which state?	Kerala
392	When the International Day of Happiness is celebrated every year?	20 March
393	Which nation's President has resigned from his position after nearly 30 years in power?	Kazakhstan

394	Gauri Sawant has been appointed as the first transgender election ambassador in which state?	Maharashtra
395	Which cricket stadium will host the first-ever T10 Cricket League?	Zayed Cricket Stadium
396	Afghanistan won its first-ever test match by beating which nation?	Ireland
397	Which country recently recognised Golan Heights as Israeli territory?	United States
398	The RBI's UK Sinha led Expert Committee was in news recently. The Committee was constituted to revive which sector?	MSME
399	Kazakhstan's parliament renamed which of its cities?	Astana
400	When International Day of Forests 2019 was observed with the theme 'Forests and Education'?	21st March
401	Which nation's government is planning to slash annual permanent migrant intake?	Australia
402	Scientists have successfully designed a way to levitate objects using which energy?	Light
403	Who was appointed as the 24th chief of naval staff of India?	Karambir Singh
404	Gafur Rahimov resigned recently. He was the president of which of the following association?	International Boxing Association (amateur)
405	Name the Operation launched by India to provide Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) support to Mozambique, which was hit by cyclone IDAI.	Operation Sahayata 19
406	Who was named as the sportsperson of the year in the Annual Telangana Sports Journalist Association (TSJA)?	Saina Nehwal
407	Lasith Malinga announced his retirement from international cricket after ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2020. He belongs to which country?	Srilanka
408	What was the theme of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) that is observed on 23rd March?	Theme - "The Sun, the Earth and the Weather"
409	India was ranked at which position on the World Economic Forum's Global Energy Transition Index 2019?	76
410	The first set of four Chinook heavy lift helicopters was inducted in Indian Air Force. India procured the helicopters from which country?	US
411	When the World Tuberculosis Day is observed every year?	24 March
412	Which country launched the Hyperspectral Precursor of the Application Mission (PRISMA) Satellite?	Italy
413	Which Election Commission has launched PWD app for Divyang voters in which state?	Maharashtra
414	Which nation has become the first G-7 country to sign up for China's Belt and Road Initiative?	Italy
415	NASA's laser retroreflector arrays will be carried to the Moon aboard which mission?	Chandrayaan-2
416	Indian space agency, ISRO will launch which satellite on April 1,	EMISAT

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417	Which Indian Naval Ship will participate in Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA-19)?	INS Kadmatt
418	Who was awarded with the Abel Prize 2019?	Karen Uhlenbeck
419	Indian navy's Nuclear, Biological and Chemical Training Facility was inaugurated aboard which naval vessel?	INS Shivaji
420	Exercise Mitra Shakti- VI was held between India and which nation?	Sri Lanka
421	Under the newly announced minimum income guarantee scheme by a leading opposition party, how much annual income has been proposed for 20 per cent of India's poorest families?	Rs 72000
422	Which nation has become the 4th largest space power?	India
423	The Supreme Court has warned which bank for non-disclosure of bank inspection reports?	Reserve Bank of India
424	Which social media platform has set up a 24x7 response team for 2019 Lok Sabha elections?	Facebook
425	India has begun a new cruise service along with which nation?	Bangladesh
426	First Indian Army Mountaineering Expedition was flagged off recently to which peak?	Mt. Makalu
427	Which of the following IIT has developed AI-based system to detect malaria, tuberculosis and other diseases?	IIT Delhi
428	Which European country has recently honoured President Ram Nath Kovind with its highest civilian order?	Croatia
429	Which country presented the draft resolution to ban JeM Chief Masood Azhar?	United States
430	Yoshua Bengio, Geoffrey Hinton, and Yann LeCun were awarded with the 2018 ACM A.M. Turing Award for their work in which field?	Artificial Intelligence
431	Azali Assoumani was re-elected as the President of which nation with over 60 per cent votes?	Comoros
432	India signed an agreement on strengthening cooperation in healthcare sector with which international bloc?	African Union
433	The Union Cabinet has approved extension of Biomedical Research Career Programme for how many years?	5 years
434	The UGC has prohibited imparting distance degree programmes in which subject?	Agriculture
435	Who has been appointed as BCCI's interim Ethics Officer?	Retired Justice DK Jain
436	Which among the following events has been recommended by the IOC for the 2024 Paris Olympics?	Break dancing
437	Germany has extended a ban on arms export to this nation by six months.	Saudi Arabia
438	Which Miniratna category Central Public Sector Enterprise came out with the Initial public offering (IPO)?	Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd
439	The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) unanimously passed the resolution to combat which of the following?	Terror funding

440	Which celebrity recently launched the independent music label 'IncInk'?	Ranveer Singh
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441	Which state government has launched 'Go To Village' Mission	Manipur
442	The 2018 World Cartoonist's Day is observed on which date	May 5
443	Which country hosted the 12th informal meeting of SAARC finance Ministers	Philippines
444	Arun Date, the veteran singer has passed away. He was associated with which language	Maharashtra
445	Which country to host the 15th Asia Media Summit (AMS-2018)	India
446	What is the India's GDP growth rate for 2018-19, as per latest economic data by Asian Development Bank (ADB)	7.3%
447	Which state to host the International Children's Theatre Festival 2018	West Bengal
448	Which Indian squash player has won the 2018 Abu Dhabi Open squash title	Ramit Tondon
449	The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) has celebrated its 58th Raising Day on which date	May 7
450	The first organised census of Indus Dolphins will be carried out in which state of India	Punjab
451	The Space Applications Centre (SAC) has developed an indigenous atomic clock for navigation satellites. Where is the headquarters of SAC, which works under the aegis of ISRO	Ahmedabad
452	India and Guatemala has recently agreed to support each other for Non-permanent membership of UNSC. Guatemala will support India's candidature for which year	2021-22
453	What is the theme of 2018 World Red Cross Red Crescent Day (WRCRCD)	Memorable Smiles around the world
454	Who has been appointed the new Cabinet Secretary of India	Pradeep Kumar Sinha
455	The 2018 International Firefighters' Day (IFFD) is observed on which date	May 4
456	The 2018 World Athletics Day (WAD) is observed on which date	May 7
457	Which Indian American professor has received a grant of \$1.6M by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to protect kidneys from obesity	Tahir Hussain
458	India has signed how much amount of loan deal with World Bank for National Nutrition Mission (POSHAN Abhiyaan)	200 Million US Dollars
459	The Bhadra Dam is located on which tributary of Tungabhadra River in Karnataka	Bhadra River
460	The birth anniversary of Nobel laureate Rabindra Nath Tagore has celebrated on which date in India	May 7
461	Who has been named the new Prime Minister of Armenia	Nikol Pashinian
462	What is the India's rank in the Lowy Institute Asia-Pacific Power	4th

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463	Who has been sworn-in as the new President of Costa Rica	Carlos Alvarado
464	Who has been appointed as the country head for Google Cloud business in India	Nitin Bavankule
465	The Union Government has launched the website of Digital India Internship Scheme in which city	New Delhi
466	What is the theme of the 15th edition of the Asia Media Summit (AMS-2018)	Telling our stories – Asia and More
467	Which state government has launched Rythu Bandhu scheme for farmers	Telangana
468	Who is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)	Pawan Kumar Aggarwal
469	What is the India's rank on the Global Optimism Index (GOI) in the first quarter of 2018, as per latest Grant Thornton's International Business Report (IBR)	6th
470	Which country hosted the 2018 Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Tourism Ministers' conference	China
471	The Sikkim government has nominated which Bollywood personality as the Green Ambassador of the state	Mohit Chauhan
472	Which Indian table tennis player has officially signed with German Bundesliga's top division club ASV Grunwettersbach Tischtennis	G Sathiyan
473	The Parliamentary panel to study the recovery of black money and performance of public sector banks for 2018-19. The panel will be headed by whom	Murli Manohar Joshi
474	What is the India's GDP growth rate for 2018, as per IMF's latest report "Asia and Pacific Regional Economic Outlook"	7.4%
475	The 2018 National Technology Day (NTD) is celebrated on which date in India	May 11
476	What will be India's economic growth rate in FY19, as per Fitch's second-quarter Sovereign Credit Overview for Asia Pacific region	7.3%
477	The world's second oldest rock has discovered from which district of Odisha	Kendujhar
478	Who has been conferred with the 11th KISS Humanitarian Award 2018	Mohammad Yunus
479	Anne V Coates, the Oscar-winning film editor has passed away. She belonged to which country	England
480	Which city hosted the first-ever joint conference of Indian Customs and Department of India Posts	New Delhi
481	What is the theme of the 2018 International Nurses Day (IND) is celebrated on which date	Nurses A Voice to Lead – Health is a Human right
482	Which country to host the 2018 meeting of the BIMSTEC Sub-Group on Prevention of Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs,	Nepal

	Psychotropic Substances and precursor Chemicals	
483	Which Bollywood personality has been honoured with the Swara Mauli award	Lata Mangeshkar
484	Kalasala Babu, the noted Malayalam film-theatre actor has passed away. He belonged to which state	Kerala
485	Mansoor Ahmed, the legendary hockey player has passed away. He belonged to which country	Pakistan
486	Which of the following is the China's first home-built aircraft carrier that recently started sea trials	Type 001A
487	The UNDP has proposed to set up skill development centre in which Indian city to empower vulnerable and marginalised women	Hyderabad
488	Which Indian city hosted the first meeting of the BIMSTEC Working Group on Customs Cooperation	New Delhi
489	Who has been chosen for the 2018 RedInk award for lifetime achievement in journalism	William Mark Tully
490	Which Indian shooter has won gold in the women's 10m air pistol event at the International Shooting Competitions of Hannover in Germany	Heena Sidhu
491	Which Indian personality has been honoured with the 2018 Nikkei Asia Prize in Japan	Bindeshwar Pathak
492	Who has taken charge as the new Minister of Information and Broadcasting (I&B)	Rajyawardhan Singh Rathore
493	What is the theme of 2018 International Day of Families	Families & Inclusive Societies
494	The World Health Organization (WHO) has launched which comprehensive plan to eliminate trans fat in foods by 2023	REPLACE
495	The Dada Dhuniwale Thermal Power Plant is located in which state	Madhya Pradesh
496	The 4th edition of Global Exhibition on services (GES-2018) has started in which city	Mumbai
497	Which IIM institute has launched \$25million Bharat Inclusion Initiative for startups	IIM-Ahmedabad
498	Yamunabai Waikar, the acclaimed Lavani singer has passed away. She belonged to which state	Maharashtra
499	Who has been appointed as 'eminent jurist' in the high-profile Lokpal selection committee	Mukul Rohatgi
500	What is the India's position in world in 2017, as per Mercom Communications' latest report "India Solar Market Leaderboard 2018"	3rd
501	Which Intellectual Property (IP) mascot has been launched at the conference on National Intellectual Property Rights Policy in New Delhi	IP Nani
502	Who will become the new independent chairman of the	Shashank Manohar

	International Cricket Council (ICC)	
503	Who has been honoured with a LMA special achievement award by England's League Managers Association (LMA)	John Gregory
504	The Regional Conference on "Physical and Social Infrastructure for Regional Development" was held in which city	Guwahati
505	The first-ever all-woman Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) has started operations in which city	Phagwara
506	Who has been honoured with the 2018 Shri Jayadev Rastriya Yuva Pratibha Puraskar	Anindita Annam
507	Who has been honoured with the DRDO Lifetime Achievement Award – 2017	V.K Saraswat
508	Who has won the 2018 Formula 1 Spanish Grand Prix tournament	Lewis Hamilton
509	Which of the following cities has been ranked India's first cleanest city, as per latest survey report "Swachh Survekshan-2018"	Indore
510	Which Indian American personality has become the first South Asian to be elected in Oregon in the western US State	Susheela Jaipal
511	Who has been appointed as the new chairman of National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)	Yudhvir Singh Malik
512	Who has been nominated as new Chancellor of Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU)	Firoz Bakht Ahmed
513	What is the India's GDP growth forecast for 2018-19, as per latest UN World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) report 2018	7.6 %
514	Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Lalit Kala Akademi	Uttam Pachrane
515	Which country hosted the 26th BASIC Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change	South Africa
516	Prajnesh Gunneswaran, who has won the T.K. Ramanathan award for the year 2017-18, is associated with which sports	Lawn Tennis
517	Which IIT institute has established India's first advisory Centre for Energy Regulation (CER)	IIT Kanpur
518	What is the India's position in the world in terms of total wealth, as per AfrAsia Bank Global Wealth Migration Review 2018	6th
519	Who has been appointed as the full time Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India Limited	Anil Kumar Jha
520	Which country's hockey team has won the 5th Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2018	South Korea
521	Which country has launched the world's first floating nuclear power station	Russia
522	What is the theme of the 2018 International Bio-diversity Day (IBD)	Celebrating 25 years of action for biodiversity
523	Which eminent personality will chair the panel discussion on 'Future of Governance'	B.N Shrikrishna

524	Who is the newly elected President of Venezuela	Nicholas Maduro
525	Which footballer has won the 2018 European Golden Shoe	Leonel Messi
526	Which Indian charity has won the Charity Clarity award for Outstanding Impact at the 3rd annual Asian Voice Charity Awards in London	Jagriti Yatra
527	What is the theme of the 2018 International Museum Day (IMD)	Hyperconnected museums-New approaches, new publics
528	Which commodity exchange platform has launched India's first options contract on copper futures	Multi Commodity Stock Exchange
529	Who will become the first female president of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)	Stacey Cunningham
530	The Madhya Pradesh government has launched 'My MP Rojgar Portal' as part of which programme to provide jobs to youths	Pahal
531	Which city to host the 5th edition of Kalinga literary festival 2018	Bhubaneswar
532	Dr Hemu Adhikari, who passed away recently, was the noted personality from which field	Film and theatre actor
533	Who has won the prestigious 2018 Man Booker International Prize for fiction	Olga Tokarczuk
534	What is the India's rank in terms of Healthcare Access and Quality (HAQ) index, as per latest study by Lancet	145TH
535	Which country is hosting its first-ever Shanghai Cooperation Organisation-Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (SCO-RATS)	Pakistan
536	India's first national sports university will come up in which state	Manipur
537	The military exercise of Indian Army "Gandiv Vijay 2018" was concluded in which state	Rajasthan
538	The joint military exercise "SURYA KIRAN-XIII" between India and Nepal will be conducted at which place	Pithoragarh
539	What is the India's rank in the 2018 IMD's competitiveness rankings	44th
540	Who has been appointed the new chairman of the Press Council of India	C K Prasad
541	Which Bollywood personality to promote NITI Aayog's 'Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP)'	Sushant Singh Rajput
542	Which city is hosting the ASEAN India Film Festival 2018	New Delhi
543	Which International organisation has launched 'data visualisation app' to provide a user-friendly visual representation of complex analytics of the education scenario in India	UNICEF
544	The Singchung Bugun Village Community Reserve (SBVCR) has won the India Biodiversity Award 2018 in the "Conservation of wildlife species" category. It is related to which state	Arunachal Pradesh
545	The 15th Finance Commission has constituted a high level group to examine strengths, weaknesses for enabling balanced expansion of health sector. Who will head the group	Randeep Guleria
546	Which country hosted the 5th India-CLMV Business Conclave 2018	Combodia
547	Zorawar Chand Bakshi, who passed away recently, was associated with which Indian armed forces	Indian Army

548	Which country's team has clinched the 2018 Uber Cup, the Women's World Badminton Championship	Japan
549	Who has been appointed as the new Governor of Odisha	Ganeshi Lal
550	Who has become the first female Prime Minister of the Caribbean island of Barbados	Mia Mottley
551	The 9th edition of 'Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav' has started in which state	Uttarakhand
552	Geeta Kapoor, who passed away recently, was associated with which field	Film Industry
553	Which state government has announced a unique scheme to provide life insurance of up to Rs 5 lakh per farmer in the state	Telangana
554	Who has won the International Cricketer of the Year at the CEAT Cricket Ratings awards	Virat Kohli
555	Who has become the oldest Indian woman to have scaled the world's tallest peak "Mount Everest"	Sangeeta Bahl
556	The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has recognized which Indian airport as the world's first fully solar energy-powered airport	Cochin International Airport
557	Who has become the first Indian to be honoured with the Linnean Medal in Botany	Kamaljit S. Bawa
558	Which country to host the 2018 Global Wind Summit	Germany
559	What is the India's GDP growth forecast for 2018, as per latest Moody's Investors Service report "Global Macro Outlook	2018-19"-7.3%
560	Which state government has recently declared official symbols for the state	Andhra Pradesh
561	Who has been appointed the new General Officer Commander-in-Chief (GOC-in-C) of Northern Command (Indian Army)	Ranbir Singh
562	What is the theme of the 2018 World No Tobacco Day (WNTD)	Tobacco and Heart Disease
563	Who will become the first-ever interim woman President of Paraguay	Alicia Pucheta
564	Urmila Singh, the former Himachal Pradesh governor has passed away. She was associated with which political party	Indian National Congress
565	Which state government has launched 'Reuse of Treated Waste Water Policy' to reduce the state's dependence on fresh water	Gujarat
566	Which country to host the 2018 International Conference on TRIPS- CBD Linkage	Switzerland
567	What is the theme of the 2018 World Milk Day (WMD) in India	Drink Move Be Strong
568	Which social networking giant has partnered with National Commission for Women (NCW) to offer digital literacy programme for women	Facebook
569	Which Indian cricketer has been honoured with the 'Most inspiring icon of the year for Social Welfare' award by the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF)	Yuvraj Singh
570	The first biannual Indian Air Force Commanders' Conference 2018 was held in which city	New Delhi
571	Who will be honoured with the 'Hero to Animals Award 2018' from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India	Zubeen Garg

572	Pandurang Phundkar, who passed away recently, was associated with which political party	Bhartiya Janta Party
573	Who is the newly appointed Secretary in the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (I&B)	Amit Khare
574	The first official World Bicycle Day (WBD-2018) is observed on which date	June 3
575	India has recently signed Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in nursing with which country	Singapore
576	Which state government has launched the scheme "Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana" for journalists	Odisha
577	Kendrick Lamar has been honoured with the 2018 Pulitzer Prize for music. He belongs to which country	United States
578	Which automobile company has signed a MoU with Maharashtra government to promote e-Mobility in the State	Tata Motors Limited
579	Who has been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of Italy	Guiseppe Conte
580	Which country is hosting the 2018 BRICS Foreign Ministers' meeting	South Africa
581	Who has been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of Spain	Pedro Sanchez
582	Who is the newly elected Prime Minister of Egypt	Abdel Fateh al sisi
583	India's first advanced DNA forensic laboratory will come up in which city	Chandigarh
584	As per which section of the Income Tax Act, the Charitable Religious Institutions shall be eligible for grant under the scheme 'Seva Bhoj Yojna'	Section 10 (23BBA)
585	What is the India's rank in the Save the Children's "End of Childhood Index 2018"	113th
586	Indian Navy has recently rescued 38 stranded Indians from cyclone hit Socotra Island. The Island is located in which country	Yamen
587	Which union ministry has launched 'Krishi Kalyan Abhiyaan' to help farmers in raising their income	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
588	Under which campaign the 'Jan Aushadhi Suvidha'- the Oxo-biodegradable Sanitary Napkin has been launched by the Union Government	Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojna
589	Which country is the global host nation for the 43rd edition of World Environment Day (WED -2018) event	INDIA
590	Under which theme, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched the 2018 Financial Literacy Week	Customer Protection
591	Leela Menon, who passed away recently, was associated with which field	Journalism
592	Which Indian beach has become the Asia's first beach to get the Blue Flag certification	Chandrabhagha Beach
593	Who has won the 'National Gopal Ratna' award from the Central Government for cattle rearing and dairying	A. Dhiraj Ram Krishna
594	Who has been appointed a new Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	Mahesh Kumar Jain
595	Maria Fernanda Espinosa has been elected President of the 73rd United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). She is foreign minister	Ecuador

	of which country	
596	The biopic "The Making of the Mahatma" has been screened in South Africa to commemorate the 125th year of Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha. The biopic is based on which novel	Apprenticeship of a Mahatma
597	The World Bank has approved how much amount for Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY) of Government of India (GoI)	Rs. 6000 Crore
598	Which country hosted the 2018 IBSA Foreign Ministers' Meeting	South Africa
599	Which country is hosting the 2018 Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Early Childhood Development (ECD)	Nepal
600	Which ethnic Indian lawyer has been appointed as new Attorney General of Malaysia	Tommy Thomas
601	Who will head the group to study the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Policy of India	Baba Kalyani
602	On which committee's recommendations, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will set up Public Credit Registry (PCR) to check loans defaults	YM Deosthalee
603	The Fuego volcano has recently erupted in which country	Guatemala
604	Who has become the first Women Indian cricketer to score 2,000 runs in T20 International Cricket	Mithali Raj
605	What is India's rank in the Global Peace Index 2018	136th
606	Which country hosted the 18th edition of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit 2018	China
607	Which committee has been constituted to examine setting up of ARC for faster resolution of stressed assets of Public Sector Banks (PSBs)	Sunil Mehta
608	Who has won the women's singles French Open tennis tournament 2018	Simona Halep
609	Kandaala Subrahmanya Tilak, the noted freedom fighter has passed away. He was elected to the 1st Lok Sabha from which constituency in 1952	Vizianagaram
610	Which country's women cricket team posted the highest-ever total in One-Day International (ODI) cricket	New Zealand
611	What is the theme of 2018 World Oceans Day (WOD)	Preventing plastic pollution and encouraging solutions for a healthy ocean
612	Who has been appointed as the new chairman of Central Board of Indirect taxes and Customs (CBIC)	S Ramesh
613	Who has been appointed as the acting Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)	Arvind Saxena
614	Pappu Karki, the popular Kumaoni folk singer has passed away. He was native of which state	Uttarakhand
615	India's first-ever national police museum will establish in which city	Delhi
616	The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) is in news for appointing Sharad Kumar as new Vigilance Commissioner. As per which committee's recommendations, the CVC was set up	K Shanthanam Committee
617	Which country will host the 45th G7 summit 2019	France

618	Which country's women cricket team has clinched the Asia Cup Twenty-20 tournament 2018	Bangladesh
619	Who has won the men's singles French Open tennis tournament 2018	Rafel Nadal
620	Which country's football team has lifted the 2018 Intercontinental Cup football title	INDIA
621	The 22nd edition of the trilateral naval exercise "Malabar 2018" has started between India and which of the following countries	Japan and United States
622	As per which inter-connectivity project, the Government of India (GoI) has launched 5,000 Wi-Fi Choupals in villages	BharatNet
623	Which country to host the first military exercise of the BIMSTEC group focusing on counter-terrorism	INDIA
624	What is the India's rank in the Global Environment Performance Index 2018, as per latest released State of India's Environment (SoE) 2018 in Figures by Down To Earth magazine	177th
625	Who has become the first-ever Indian batsman to score a century in the first session of a Test match	Shikhar Dhawan
626	Which country has approved a deal to sale of AH-64E Apache attack helicopters to India for \$930 million	United States
627	What is the theme of the 2018 World Blood Donor Day (WBDD)	Be there for someone else. Give Blood, Share Life
628	Which city to host the 106th Indian Science Congress (ISC-2019)	Jalandhar
629	Which state government has signed pact with Quebec province of Canada for economic cooperation & welfare of tribal communities	Maharashtra
630	Which Indian-American personality has been named the Chief Finance Officer (CFO) of the US' largest automaker, General Motors	DhivyaSuryadevara
631	Who has been posted as the first woman Director General of Police (DGP) of Puducherry	S. Sundari Nanda
632	Which state has topped the Composite Water Management Index (CWMI) of NitiAayog	Gujarat
633	What is the India's growth forecast for FY19, as per latest Fitch Ratings report "Global Economic Outlook"	7.4%
634	Who will become the first Indian cricketer to appear in Kia Super League in England	Smriti Mandhana
635	The conference on implementation of National Pension System (NPS) by the Central Autonomous Bodies (CABs) was held in which city	New Delhi
636	Who has been sworn-in as the new Prime Minister of Jordan	Omar al Razzaz
637	The International Domestic Workers Day (IDWD) is observed on which date	June 16
638	Who authored the book "The Ivory Throne -Chronicles of the House of Travancore"	Manu S Pillai
639	The Assumption Island is in news recently. It is located in which country	Seychelles
640	Which country is hosting the 2018 Asia and Oceania Region Inter-Governmental Ministerial meeting on anti-doping	Sri Lanka

641	What is the theme of the 2018 World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (WDCD)	Land has true value – Invest in it
642	The SAARC Development Fund (SDF) to launch Social Enterprise Development Programme (SEDP) in all SAARC member states. Where is the Secretariat of SDF located	Thimpu
643	The 2018 Goa Revolution Day (GRD) has celebrated on which date	June 18
644	The 23rd European Union Film Festival (EUFF-2018) has started in which city	New Delhi
645	IRDAI has constituted which committee to review regulations governing the Insurance Marketing Firms (IMF)	Suresh Mathur Committee
646	Which Indian Armed Force is observing the year 2018 as 'Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty'	Indian Army
647	The Union Water Resources Ministry has teamed up with which technology giant for flood forecasting	Google
648	Perumal Murugan, who has authored the novel "Kazhimugam", is the noted poet of which language	Tamil
649	Who has won the 118th edition of the US Open Golf Championship 2018	Brooks Koepka
650	Which state police have launched a mobile-based messenger application "Cop Connect" to provide real time information to police officers across the State	Telangana.
651	Which country to host the high-level Conference on "International Decade for Action	Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028" Tajikistan
652	Which technology giant has recently announced to launch training programme for journalists in India	Google
653	The world's first International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics has launched in which country	INDIA
654	Which state government has launched a smartphone application 'i-Hariyali' to increase green cover across the state	Punjab
655	What is the theme of the 2018 International Yoga Day (IYD)	Yoga for Peace
656	Which country to host the 3rd annual meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)	INDIA
657	Mushtaq Ahmed Yousufi, the renowned Urdu satirist passed away. He belonged to which India's neighboring country	Pakistan
658	Which Indian sportsperson has won the Sports Illustrated's Sportsperson Of The Year award for 2017	Kidambi Shrikant
659	Under which anti-terror law, the Government of India (GoI) has banned Al Qaeda in Indian Subcontinent (AQIS) and Islamic State in Khorasan Province (ISKP)	Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act of 1967
660	The 2018 Ambubachi Mela has started in which state	Assam
661	The 2018 World Music Day (WMD) is observed on which date	June 21
662	Which union ministry has been conferred the SKOCH's 'Best performing Social Sector Ministry' award	Ministry of Women and Child Development
663	Which country's researchers have developed the world's smallest computer "Michigan Micro Mote"	United States
664	Which state government has launched Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY) for farmers	Gujarat

665	Kim Jong-pil, who passed away recently, was the former Prime Minister of which country	South Korea
666	Which Indian swimmer clinched gold in men's 50 meter breaststroke event at 2018 Singapore National Swimming Championships	Sandeep Sejwal
667	The 2018 International Widows' Day (IWD) is observed on which date	23 June
668	Which state Chief Minister has been conferred with 'Chief Minister of the Year' award at the 52nd Skoch Summit 2018	Rajasthan
669	Which movie has won the Best Picture Award at the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) awards 2018	Tumhari Sulu
670	Which city is hosting the 4th National Review and Consultation on Swachh Iconic Places	Hyderabad
671	Which Indian archer has clinched a gold medal in the women's recurve event at stage three of World Cup in Salt Lake City of US	Deepika Kumari
672	Which village panchayat of Haryana has passed a resolution "No Toilet, No Bride"	Godikan
673	Which committee will be constituted by the Union Government to lay down standards for metro rail systems in the country	Elattuvalapil Sreedharan committee
674	According to data on language released as part of Census 2011, which is the most spoken language in India	Hindi
675	Who has been sworn-in as the first-ever visually impaired judge of Pakistan	Yousaf Saleem
676	Who has broken the legendary Sriram Singh's four-decade-old 800m National record at the 58th National Inter State Senior Athletics Championships 2018	Jinson Johnson
677	Which flagship programme of Ministry of Shipping got 'Gold Award' in infrastructure sector in 52nd Skoch Summit 2018	Sagarmala
678	To detect cervical cancer, a new technique "Liquid Based Cytology (LBC)" has launched in which state	Tamilnadu
679	India has committed to increase its grant to \$15 million to the Global Environment Facility (GEF). Who is the representative of India in the GEF Council	Aparna Subramani
680	Which state government has announced a new scheme 'Kanya Van Samruddhi Yojana'	Maharashtra
681	Which committee has been constituted by the Maharashtra Government to study issues related to floating solar power plant at Ujanidam	Satish Chavan Committee
682	The 2018 Kabir Mahotsav has started in which state to mark the 500th death anniversary of mystic poet and saint Kabir Das	Uttar Pradesh
683	Which district has been ranked first in the NITI Aayog's Delta ranking of Aspirational Districts Programme	Dahod District of Gujarat
684	Which state government has been awarded for reducing maternal mortality under Prime Minister's Safe Motherhood Campaign	Madhya Pradesh
685	Who will lead Indian women's team for the 2018 Women's Hockey World Cup tournament in London	Rani Rampal
686	What is the India's rank in the 2018 Global Real Estate Transparency Index (GRETI)	35th
687	The 12th National Statistics Day (NSD-2018) is celebrated on which date in India	June 29

688	The Union Government has launched a mobile application “ReUnite” for which purpose	To track and trace Missing Children
689	As per Mercer’s 24th annual Cost of Living Survey 2018, which is the India’s most expensive city	Mumbai
690	The 2018 International Day in Support of Victims of Torture is observed on which date	June 26
691	What is the initial subsidy approved by the government for MSMER clusters under its new Solar Charkha Mission	Rs 550 Crore
692	Which state government have launched Kanya Van Samruddhi Yojana recently	Maharashtra
693	Which district have topped the first Delta ranking released in June 2018 by NITI Aayog that captures incremental improvements of Aspirational districts on health, education and other development parameters	Dahod (Gujarat)
694	What was the theme of Statistics Day – 2018	Quality assurance in official Statistics
695	What is India’s rank in 2018 Global Real Estate Transparency Index (GRETI)	35th
696	Who has been elected the new Director General (DG) of International Organization for Migration (IOM)	Antonio Vitorino
697	India has pledged how much amount of aid to United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA)	5 Million US Dollars
698	The Victorian Gothic and Art Deco Ensemble of which Indian city has recently declared as a UNESCO World Heritage Site	Mumbai
699	Who has taken over charge as the new chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)	S Ramesh
700	Under whose captain ship, the Indian Kabaddi team clinched the 2018 Kabaddi Masters Dubai title	Ajay Thakur
701	The 2018 International Day of Tropics is observed on which date	June 29
702	Which Indian journalist has authored the book “Eleventh Hour” to pay tribute to the men in uniform	Hussain Zaidi
703	Which Indian cricketer has recently inducted into ICC Cricket Hall Of Fame	Rahul Dravid
704	Which Indian stock exchange has tied up with Bombay Metal Exchange (BME) to develop commodity derivatives markets	Bombay Stock Exchange
705	The 2018 National Doctors Day (NDD) is celebrated on which date in India	July 1
706	Who has won the 2018 men’s singles Malaysian Open Badminton tournament	Lee Ching Wei
707	Which state/UT government has launched ‘Happiness Curriculum’ for students up to class 8	New Delhi
708	Who has been appointed new Head of Mission and Chief Military Observer for UN Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP)	Jose Eladio Alcain
709	Who is the newly appointed Director General of Ordnance Factories (DGOF) & Chairman of the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB)	P K Shrivastava
710	The famous cultural festival “Behdienkhlam 2018” was celebrated in which state	Meghalaya
711	Which country to host the 19th edition of IUFOST World Food	INDIA

	Science and Technology Congress 2018	
712	Which high-level committee has submitted its report to Finance ministry to tackle Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) and to create credit capacity	Sunil Mehta Committee
713	Which unique app has been launched by the Election Commission of India (ECI) for people to report model code violations	cVigil
714	The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) launched its e-marketing system "KIMIS" in New Delhi. What does "KIMIS" stands for	Khadi Institution Management and Information System
715	The Union government has constituted a ministerial panel to decide on fund allocation from CRIF for infrastructure projects. The panel will be headed by whom	Minister of Finance
716	The world's first all-digital art museum has opened in which country	Japan
717	India's first Global Mobility Summit will be organised by NITI Aayog in which city	New Delhi
718	Pandharichi Wari, which has started recently, is the most important pilgrimage of which state	Maharashtra
719	The Kerala government has set up a panel to choose an official song for the state. Who is the convenor of the panel	Rani George
720	Which country is hosting the 8th International Convention of Saurashtra Patel Cultural Samaj 2018	United States
721	The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has launched 'GST Verify' app to protect interest of consumers. The app is developed by whom	B Raghu Kiran
722	UNESCO has signed pact with which state government to set up Design University for Gaming	Andhra Pradesh
723	Which of the following will become the first central paramilitary force to opt for e-ticketing instead of Railway warrant	National Security Guard
724	Which Indian gymnast has clinched a gold in the vault event of FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup 2018 in Turkey	Deepa Karmakar
725	Which country is hosting the 17th World Sanskrit Conference (WSC-2018)	Canada
726	Mundakkal Mathew Jacob, who passed away recently, was associated with which political party	Indian National Congress
727	Recently, the term of K Kasturirangan Committee was extended by the Government of India (GoI). The committee was constituted for which purpose	To draft a new education policy
728	What is the theme of the 2018 International Day of Cooperative (IDC)	Sustainable societies through cooperation
729	Which novel has won the 2018 Golden Man Booker Prize	The English Patient
730	Who has become the oldest Indian woman to complete an Ironman Triathlon	Anju Khosla
731	Which city to host the first-ever 'India Tourism Mart (ITM)'	New Delhi
732	Which Indian sportsperson will represent Asia in the prestigious Athletes Advisory Commission of the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF)	Dipika Pallikal
733	Who will lead Indian men's hockey squad in the 18th Asian Games 2018	PR Shreejesh

734	Which state hosted the 67th plenary meeting of North Eastern Council (NEC)	Meghalaya
735	The Odisha government has partnered with which organisation for development of cancer care facilities in the State	Tata Trust
736	Which company has set up the world's largest mobile phone factory in Noida	Samsung
737	Which state government has recently granted religious minority status to Jews living in the state	Gujarat
738	What is the theme of the 2018 World Population Day (WPD)	Family planning is a human right
739	The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has launched which movement for healthier FMCG food products	The Eat Right Movement
740	Which Indian destination has bagged the 4th best tourist spot in Lonely Planet's top five "2018 Best in Asia" list	WestrenGhats
741	What is the India's rank in the 2018 Global Innovation Index (GII)	57th
742	Which telecom company has become the India's first Mobile operator to launch Internet Telephony Services in India	BSNL
743	Who is the newly appointed President of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)	Sandeep Sanchet
744	Which country has become the Vice-Chair (Regional Head) of the Asia Pacific Region of World Customs Organisation (WCO)	INDIA
745	The UNSC has adopted which resolution to impose an arms embargo on South Sudan	Resoulution 2428
746	Which committee has been constituted by the Central Government to review Companies Act 2013	Injeti Srinivas Committee
747	Recently, Raghunath Mohapatra was nominated as a member of Rajya Sabha by President Ramnath Kovind. Mohapatra is related to which of the following fields	Sculpture
748	'I am not afraid of English' initiative has been launched by which state recently.	Haryana
749	Under which international organizations, the "Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration" has been finalized recently	United Nations
750	World's largest visa centre has been opened in which city recently	Dhaka
751	Which country has taken the seat vacated by United States at the UN Human Rights Council	Iceland
752	As per the Census 2011 data, 24,821 people in India have registered Sanskrit as their mother tongue (in comparison to 14,135 in Census 2001). In which state of India, Sanskrit is an official language	Uttrakhand
753	A PIL (public interest litigation) by BJP leader and advocate Ashwini Upadhyay has sought doing away with the law allowing candidates contesting more than one seat in elections in Lok Sabha and VidhanSabhas. As per existing laws, on how many maximum seats an MP / MLA candidate is allowed to contest	TWO
754	Which missiles of India is a "supersonic cruise missile"	BrahMOS
755	Which IITs of India has unveiled "world's first" remotely operable Local Electrode Atom Probe (LEAP) microscope	IIT Madras
756	What term has been used for medical professionals assisting patients seeking treatment under the Ayushman Bharat-National	AyushmanMitra

	Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM)	
757	On July 16, 2018, India has become the Asia Pacific vice-chair at World Customs Organisation. In which city, the headquarters of World Customs Organisation are located	Brussels
758	Which country has topped the 2018 'Soft Power 30' index	UNITED KINGDOM
759	What is the objective of National Youth Empowerment Scheme which is under discussion currently in Union government	To provide military training to youth
760	Recently, the Government of India has increased the monetary threshold for filing appeals in tax disputes in courts and tribunals to bring down the tax litigation in the country. What is the new monetary threshold for filing appeals in tribunals	Rs. 10 Lakh
761	Which country is poised to host the 2018 BIMSTEC summit	Nepal
762	The Indian railway is soon expected to get Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC), its first publicly-owned dedicated corridor for freight train on August 15, 2018. The Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) does not cover which of the following states	Punjab
763	Which committee has been constituted by the Union Government to synergise National Cadet Corps (NCC) and National Service Scheme (NSS)	Anil Swarup committee
764	Which non-banking finance company has won the 2018 NABARD award for its service to Self-Help Group (SHG) linkage	Repcro Micro Finance Ltd
765	What is the theme of the 10th edition of the Delhi Dialogue 2018	Strengthening India-ASEAN Maritime Co-operation
766	Myanmar has become the 68th signatory to the Framework Agreement of the International Solar Alliance (ISA). Where is the headquarters of ISA	INDIA
767	Gopal Das Neeraj, who passed away recently, was associated with which field	Poetry
768	What is the theme of 2018 World Youth Skills Day (WYSD)	Improving the image of TVET
769	Who has been appointed the new vice-chancellor of the Panjab University (PU)	Raj Kumar
770	Which Indian sportsperson has clinched historic men's singles gold at Asia Badminton Junior Championship 2018	LakshyaSen
771	Which country has announced plans to explore concepts to save UNESCO World Heritage-listed Great Barrier Reef	Australia
772	Afghan player Samira Asghari has been nominated for the International Olympic Committee (IOC) membership. She is associated with which sports	Basketball
773	Which country to host the 4th BIMSTEC Summit 2018	Nepal
774	The Lok Sabha has recently passed the Fugitive Economic Offenders Bill 2018 to attach & confiscate assets of defaulters. The cases involved in economic offences of how much value will come under its purview	Rs 100 Crore or more
775	Which Indian personality has been crowned the Miss Asia (Deaf) 2018	Deshna Jain
776	Who has been named as the 2017 All India Football Federation (AIFF) Player of the Year in the men's category	Sunil Chetri

777	NABARD has launched the South East Asia's first-ever Centre for Climate Change (CCC) at which Indian city	Lucknow
778	Which state police has launched drive to bust an international smuggling racket of pangolin	Odisha
779	Which most advanced System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting has been launched the Union Government in Delhi	SAFAR
780	Which state has topped the list of best-governed states, as per Public Affairs Index (PAI) for 2018	Kerala
781	Which is the official mascot for the 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games	Someity
782	The Government of India (GoI) has reduced the minimum annual deposit requirement for accounts under Sukanya Samridhi Yojana from Rs. 1,000 to	Rs 250
783	Fakhar Zaman, who has become the fastest player to score 1000 ODI runs, is belong to which country	Pakistan
784	Which city to host the 3rd edition of Kabira festival 2018	Varanasi
785	Who has won the 2018 Formula 1 German Grand Prix tournament	Lewis Hamilton
786	The 19th Kargil Vijay Diwas 2018 has celebrated on which date	26th July
787	Who has been declared as the best male athlete in the 15th National Youth Athletics Championships 2018	Dhanvir Singh
788	In which state, acid attack victims have been included under disability and will be eligible to get all benefits as per Disabilities Act 2016	Madhya Pradesh
789	Which state government has recently decided to set up a separate directorate for the Divyangs	Assam
790	The Ministry of Women and Child Development has launched which Childline contest to spread awareness on human trafficking	#Childline1098
791	Which country is hosting the 10th edition of BRICS Summit 2018	South Africa
792	Which city is hosting the 18th UNICEF International Children's Film Festival 2018	Kolkata
793	India's first state-run all-woman hotel "Hostess" will come up in which state	Kerala
794	Which state government has recently constituted inter-district council to identify the developmental priorities of the State	Haryana
795	Which former chairman of Coal India Ltd (CIL) has authored the book "When Coal Turned Gold-The Making of a Maharatna Company"	PB Bhattacharya
796	The National Traders Conclave 2018 has been organized in which city	New Delhi
797	Mohammed Ayazuddin Patel has bagged the Senior Fellowship Award for 2016-17 instituted by the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training Centre (CCRT). The CCRT is an autonomous organisation under which union ministry	Ministry of Culture
798	Which Bollywood personality has been conferred D Litt (Honoris Causa) by Kazi Nazrul University in West Bengal	Sharmila Tagore

799	Swapan Sarkar, who passed away recently, was associated with which field	Sports Journalism
800	The museum for all former Prime Ministers of India will be constructed in which city	New Delhi
801	Which state government has launched Smartphone scheme "Sanchar Kranti Yojna" to the people of the state	Chhattisgarh
802	Which city hosted the Global Disability Summit 2018	London
803	Which renowned historian authored the book "Gandhi-The Years That Changed The World (1914-1948)"	Ramchandra Guha
804	India's first in-phone tourism guide and mobile application "Go whats That" has launched in which city	Chandigarh
805	John Sankaramangalam, who passed away recently, was the veteran personality from which field	Film Industry
806	Who has been conferred with the 2018 Mohun Bagan Ratna	Pradip Chaudhary
807	Who has become the first Asian to swim UK-France channel	Prabhat Kohli
808	Which high level empowered committee has been constituted to address the issues of stressed thermal power projects	Pradeep Kumar Sinha committee
809	Which state government will set up 'iHub' (the intelligent hub) for research and scientific learning	Andhra Pradesh
810	Which city hosted the first 'Nepal-India Think Tank' Summit	Kathmandu
811	Who is the chairman of the Myanmar Government appointed independent commission to probe human rights against the ethnic Rohingya minority	Rosario Manalo
812	Which state government has launched a smartphone distribution scheme 'Mobile Tihar' under the Sanchar Kranti Yojna (SKY)	Chhattisgarh
813	Which Indian film bagged the best film award at the 3rd edition of the BRICS Film Festival 2018	Newton
814	Which state government will observe 2018 Independence Day eve as Shahid Samman Divas to honour martyrs	Madhya Pradesh
815	Which acclaimed personality has been selected for 2018 Rajiv Gandhi Sadbhavana Award for promoting communal harmony and peace.	Gopal Krishna Gandhi
816	The 2018 World Rangers Day (WRD) is observed on which date	July 31
817	The famous Goddess Meenakshi Amman temple, which has got its first non-Brahmin as 'archaka' (priest), is located in which state	Tamilnadu
818	Which state has become the first Indian state to implement the National policy on bio fuels	Rajasthan
819	What is the current repo rate, as per 3rd bi-monthly monetary policy review for of 2018-19 of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	6.50%
820	Which Indian-Australian mathematician has bestowed with the prestigious 2018 Fields medal	Akshay Venkatesh
821	Umbayee, the noted ghazal singer and composer has passed away. He belonged to which state	Kerala
822	Which state government has launched a 360 degree nation-wide publicity campaign for 2018 men's hockey World Cup	Odisha
823	What is the India's rank in the United Nation's E-Government Development Index (EGDI) 2018	96th

824	Which union ministry has launched a desktop software 'e-Aksharayan' to enable editing of text printed on scanned documents	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
825	Which Indian personality has won the 2018 International Contributions Award given by the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT), USA	K Anvar Sadath
826	Which state government has approved an unemployment allowance scheme "Mukhyamantri Yuva Nestam"	Andhra Pradesh
827	Who was the recipient of Outstanding Parliamentarian Award for 2015	Ghulam Nabi Azad
828	Which Indian origin personality has clinched the title of MasterChef Australia 2018	Sashi Cheliah
829	Who has won the 2018 Formula One Hungarian Grand Prix tournament	Lewis Hamilton
830	Which state government has recently constituted two committees to deal with a possible influx of illegal immigrants	Manipur
831	NITI Aayog has launched which global mobility hackathon to crowdsource solutions for future of mobility in India	Move Hack
832	Which Indian golfer has won the 2018 Fiji International Golf title	Gaganjeet Bhullar
833	Who has been appointed the new CEO of the Uralungal Labour Contract Co-operative Society Ltd (ULCCS)	Raveendran Kasthuri
834	UNESCO has included which Indian biosphere reserve in the list of World Network of Biosphere Reserve (WNBR) at the 30th Session of the Man and Biosphere International Coordinating Council	Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve
835	The repatriation process of Bru tribals will start from which state to Mizoram from 14th August 2018	Tripura
836	Which renowned earth scientist has become the new vice chancellor of the University of Kashmir	Prof. Talat Ahmad
837	The 4th edition of National Handloom Day (NHD-2018) is celebrated on which date	7th August
838	Who has been elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha	Harivansh Narayan Singh
839	Who has been appointed the new Chairman of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)	Ram Sewak Sharma
840	Which state is hosting the 'One District One Product' Summit 2018	Uttar Pradesh
841	What is the theme of the 2018 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	Indigenous Peoples' migration and movement
842	Who will be India's flag-bearer in the opening ceremony of the 2018 Asian Games	Neeraj Chopra
843	Who has been appointed the new chairperson of the National Commission for Women (NCW)	Rekha Sharma
844	The 2018 World Biodiesel Day (WBD) is observed on which date	August 10
845	Recently, Justice Gita Mittal has been sworn in as the Chief Justice of which High Courts	Jammu & Kashmir
846	What is the current number of India's Biosphere reserves included in the World Network of Biosphere Reserves	11
847	Who has been voted the most influential woman in history as per the recent Readers of BBC History magazine poll	Marie Curie

848	The 'Tatkal sewa' for property registration is a proposed initiative of which state government	Punjab
849	Which Indian author has won the 2018 Hindu Playwright Award 2018	Annie Zaidi
850	Recently, the first electronics manufacturing cluster in the northeastern region under the Indian Government's 'Digital North East Vision 2022' was inaugurated in which city	Guwahati
851	India's first all-woman Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team for anti-terrorist operations has been inducted in which state / UT police	Delhi Police
852	Which has become the India's first bank to introduce iris authentication for Aadhaar-based transactions through micro ATMs	Axis Bank
853	What is the theme of the 2018 International Youth Day (IYD)	Safe Spaces for Youth
854	Who has been sworn-in as the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court (MHC)	Vijaya Kamlesh Tahiramani
855	On which date, the 2018 World Organ Donation Day (WODD) has been observed recently	August 13
856	Who has been appointed CEO of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)	Ashish Kumar Bhutani
857	Prasar Bharati has tied up with which technological giant to telecast 2018 Independence Day programme live online	Google
858	Hakam Singh Bhattal, who passed away recently, had won gold for India during which Asian Games	1978
859	Which city has been ranked first in the Ease of Living Index 2018, which is released by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	Pune
860	Who has clinched the 2018 men's singles Rogers Cup tennis tournament	Rafel Nadal
861	Which has been declared the cleanest railway station in the A1 category, as per 2018 cleanliness survey for Indian Railways	Jodhpur
862	Balramji Das Tandon, who passed away recently, was the current Governor of which state	Chattisgarh
863	Which Bollywood personality has become the brand ambassador for Government of India (GoI)'s road safety awareness campaign	Akshay Kumar
864	NITI Aayog has launched which mobility pitch competition for budding startups in the mobility field	Pitch to Move
865	Who has been appointed India's new ambassador to Russia	D Bala Venkatesh Varma
866	Which Indian sportsperson has won the Community Award in the Junior NBA World Basketball Championship 2018	Sunishka Kartik
867	The Postal Highway Project, for which Government of India (GoI) is providing financial support, is located in which country	Nepal
868	Who has been appointed the head coach of the Indian Women's National Cricket team	Ramesh Powar
869	Which state government has decided to observe September as the "month of nutrition" to create awareness among people living in the state	Rajasthan
870	Chemmanam Chacko, who passed away recently, was noted poet of which language	Malyalam
871	Which state government has launched the eye care scheme 'Kanti Velugu' on the occasion of 72nd Independence Day 2018	Telangana

872	Which committee has been constituted by the Central government to coordinate the discharge of floodwaters from Kerala-Tamil Nadu inter-State projects	Narendra Kumar committee
873	Which telecom company has launched a VOIP based phone service "WINGS"	BSNL
874	The special film festival on theme "Freedom Struggle & Freedom Fighters" has been organized by Films Division of India (FDI) in which city	Mumbai
875	Which has been ranked as India's most patriotic brand , as per survey conducted by UK-based online market research and data analytics firm YouGov	SBI
876	Who has been sworn-in as the new President of Paraguay	Mario Abdo Benítez
877	In which year, Atal Bihari Vajpayee became India's prime minister for first time	1996
878	Which Indian cities has been included in the 2018 Global Liveability Index, which was released by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)	Delhi & Mumbai
879	Nihal Sarin, who has become the 53rd chess Grandmaster from India, belongs to which state	Kerala
880	In which year, Ajit Wadekar, who passed away recently, led the Indian team to historic test series victories in West Indies and England	1971
881	The festival of the historic Esala Maha Perehera has started in which neighboring country of India	Sri Lanka
882	Who is the newly appointed Chairman of Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA)	K S Srinivas
883	Who has been sworn-in as the new President of Mali	Ibrahim Boubacar Keita
884	Legendary singer Aretha Franklin, who passed away recently, had performed at the inaugurations of which of the following Presidents of the United States	Jimmy Carter
885	Rajabhai Godse, who passed away recently, was associated with which political party	Shiv Sena
886	Which city is the venue of the 11th World Hindi Conference (WHC) 2018	Port Louis
887	India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) has revised India's GDP growth to 7.2% for FY19. Ind-Ra belongs to which group	Fitch
888	The International team of scientists has recently cracked the genetic code of which cultivated crop for the first time	Wheat
889	At the 2018 World Hindi Conference (WHC), the Panini Language Laboratory has been gifted by Government of India (GoI) to which country	Mauritius
890	Which Indian sportsperson has clinched India's first Gold in the 18th Jakarta Asian Games 2018	Bajrang Poonia
891	Kofi Annan was from which African country	Ghana
892	What is the scientific name of the deadly agricultural pest "Fall Armyworm", which has been spotted in Telangana	Spodoptera frugiperda
893	FSSAI has constituted which expert committee to look into draft of Food Safety and Standards (Labelling and Display) Regulations 2018	B Sesikeran committee
894	Which Indian woman cricketer has recently announced her	Jhulan Goswami

	retirement from International T20 cricket	
895	Which Indian-American scientist has found simple way to predict Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)	Chander Mohan
896	Which is the autobiography of renowned journalist Kuldip Nayar, who passed away recently	Beyond The Lines
897	Which country is host to the 9th edition of Mountain Echoes Literature Festival 2018	Bhutan
898	Which Indian shooter clinched silver in the men's double trap shooting event at the 2018 Asian Games	Shardul Vihan
899	Which city is the venue of 4th summit of Heads of State/Government of BIMSTEC 2018	Kathmandu
900	Which well-known personality has become the new brand ambassador of the Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP)	Raveena Tondon
901	Which IIT has launched an exclusive incubator "Fabless Chip Design Incubator (FabCI)" to boost chip design	IIT Hyderabad
902	Which Indian female tennis player has won bronze in women's singles at the 18th Asian Games 2018	Ankita Raina
903	Which city is the venue of the 2018 India Banking Conclave (IBC)	New Delhi
904	Who heads the steering committee which recently submitted 'Making India 5G Ready' report to government	AJ Paulraj
905	The Government of India (GoI) has decided to lift ban on retail sale of which life saving drug from September 2018	Oxytocin
906	Vijay Chavan, who passed away recently, was associated to which of the following regional cinemas	Marathi
907	The book "No Spin" is the autobiography of which veteran cricketer	Shane Warne
908	Who has been appointed new chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)	G Satheesh Reddy
909	The 2018 Nallur Kantha Swamy festival has started in which neighbouring country of India	Sri Lanka
910	Which state government is host to the 2018 Krishi Kumbh International Conference and Exhibition	Uttar Pradesh
911	Which state government has decided to organize youths' conclave 'ATAL' in September 2018	Arunachal Pradesh
912	Tejinder Pal Singh Toor, who clinched Gold in men's Shot-Put event at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games, has set new Asiad record of how much meters	20.75m
913	The world's first public blockchain bond "bond-i" has recently launched by which International organization	World Bank
914	Which country is host to the multi-nation counter-terror exercise "SCO Peace Mission 2018"	Russia
915	Fouaad Mirza is related to which sports	Equestrian
916	Mizzima Media Group, which was recently in news, is a company of which country	Myanmar
917	The recently signed MoU between Integrated Defence Staff and which organization aims to set up telemedicine nodes for soldiers in high-altitude areas	ISRO
918	India's first-ever test flight powered by biojet fuel was successfully conducted by which airline	SpiceJet

919	Gopal Bose, who passed away recently, was associated with which sports	Cricket
920	Which city is the venue of the 3rd Indian Ocean Conference (IOC-2018)	Hanoi
921	Who has become the first-ever Indian shuttler to enter a badminton final at the Asian Games	PV Sindhu
922	Which city is the venue of the 4th Asian electoral stakeholders forum (AESF-IV)	Colombo
923	Which Indian economist has been appointed Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	Satya S Tripathi
924	Dutee Chand, who clinched silver in 100m women's race at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games, is belong to which state	Odisha
925	The Union Cabinet has recently approved umbrella scheme "O-SMART" of Ministry of Earth Sciences. What does "O" stands here	Ocean
926	Which of the following Indian sprinters has achieved a rare one-two in men's 800m at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games	Manjit Singh and Jinson Johnson
927	Which country to host the 2019 Asian Youth Weightlifting Championships	North Korea
928	Who has been conferred Praful Bidwai memorial award for 2018	Ulka Mahajan
929	ISRO is planning to use which launch vehicle to send Gaganyaan in space by 2022	GSLV Mk-III
930	Who is the head of the newly formed Prime Minister's Science Technology and Innovation Council (PM-STIAC)	K Vijay Raghavan
931	Who was officially sworn-in as the new President of Zimbabwe	Emmerson Mnangagwa
932	Which country is host to the first-ever SAARC Agriculture Cooperative Business Forum	Nepal
933	Who has created history by becoming the first Indian heptathlete to win an Asian Games gold	Swapna Barman
934	Which union minister is leading the Indian delegation for the 6th RCEP Trade Ministers' Meeting 2018	Suresh Prabhu
935	Who has been appointed India's new High Commissioner to United Kingdom (UK)	Ruchi Ghanashyam
936	The World Bank will provide how much amount of loan facility to Rajasthan for improving the performance of its electricity distribution sector	\$250 million
937	Krishna Kutir, which is in news recently, is associated with which union ministry	Ministry of Women & Child Development
938	Which European country has sanctioned Euro 120 million soft loan to India for National Clean Ganga Mission	Germany
939	Which Indian sprinter clinched gold in men's 1500m race at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games	Jinson Johnson
940	India has signed \$346 million loan agreement with which International organisation for road improvement in Karnataka	ADB
941	India signed MoU with International Energy Agency (IEA) on increasing innovation for the Clean Energy Transition. Where is the headquarters of IEA	Paris
942	Which country has took over the chairmanship of the 5th Summit of BIMSTEC	Sri Lanka
943	Who has been sworn-in as the first female high court Chief	Tahira Safdar

	Justice in Pakistan	
944	Which country is host to the 4th International Ayurveda Congress (IAvC) 2018	Netherlands
945	Which Indian men's bridge pair have created history by clinching India's first-ever gold in bridge at the Asian Games	Pranab Bardhan and Shibhnath Sarkar
946	Who has been elected as the new chairman of the Indian Banks Association (IBA)	Sunil Mehta
947	Who is the newly appointed Secretary of Ministry of Steel	Binoy Kumar
948	Nepal-Bharat Maitri Pashupati Dharamshala, which is in news recently, is located on the banks of which river	Bagmati River
949	Who has been named for Dr B.C. Roy National Award for 2018 as Eminent Medical Person of the Year	Basant Kumar Mishra
950	Rikako Ikee, who has become the first female athlete to be named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) at Asian Games, is from which country	Japan
951	Which state government has decided to organise employment camps for martyrs' families	Rajasthan
952	Indian men's hockey team defeated which country to win bronze at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games	Pakistan
953	India has recently signed agreements with which European country on combating money laundering and environment	Cyprus
954	Which phenomenon was used by US researchers to develop a wearable device that could generate energy from the swing of an arm while walking or jogging	Piezoelectric effect
955	Alastair Cook, who recently announced his retirement from international cricket, is associated with which country	England
956	The Government of India (GoI) has decided to observe which month as National Nutrition Month (NNM) across country to mark the fight against malnutrition	September
957	Which country is host to the International Women Entrepreneurs Summit (IWES) 2018	Nepal
958	The joint military exercise "Rapid Trident 2018" has started in which country	Ukraine
959	Under what law, the Internal Ombudsman (IO) scheme 2018 gives statutory powers to Internal Ombudsman	Banking Regulation Act
960	Which country has recently announced to launch Mars Mission "HOPE" by 2020	UAE
961	The 2018 edition of Maralal International Camel Derby event was held in which African country	Kenya
962	Which state government has decided to provide free mobile phones to women of BPL families	Rajasthan
963	Aurora Prize Laureate Kyaw Hla Aung, who will donate \$1 million award money to help Rohingya refugees, is from which country	Myanmar
964	Who has been elected as the new President of Pakistan	Arif Alvi
965	The Government of India (GoI) has approved a proposal by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) to increase wages of artisans by over how much percent	36%
966	Which Indian shooter bagged gold in the 50m pistol event at 2018 ISSF World Championship in South Korea	Om Prakash Mitharwal
967	Which two countries will participate in SLINEX-2018 naval	India & Sri Lanka

	exercise	
968	Which country has signed pact with India to collaborate on ISRO's first human spaceflight programme "Gaganyaan"	France
969	On which date, the 2018 International Day of Charity (IDC) was observed recently	September 5
970	Justice Ranjan Gogoi, who is expected to become 46th Chief Justice of India (CJI), hails from which North-East State of India	Assam
971	Which Indian personality has been elected as new Regional Director of WHO South-East Asia	Poonam Khetrapal Singh
972	India has recently signed pact with which European country for establishment of Hindi chair at Sofia University	Bulgaria
973	Which city is the venue of the 2nd World Hindu Congress (WHC) 2018	Chicago
974	Bhagwati Kumar Sharma, who passed away recently, was the renowned author and journalist of which state	Gujarat
975	Recently, the 25th Raising Day of Delta Force celebrated. It is a counter insurgency force of which Indian Armed Force (IAF)	Indian Army
976	Which military communications pact has been signed by India and the United States in the first round of the '2-plus-2-dialogue	COMCASA
977	Which sportsperson has been appointed the new Brand Ambassador of BSNL	MC Marry Kom
978	Section 377, which has been recently decriminalised came into force in which year	1861
979	Burt Reynolds, who passed away recently, was the veteran personality of which field	Film Industry
980	Which movies has become the first Bollywood film ever to release in Saudi Arabia	GOLD
981	The Mahatma Gandhi International Sanitation Convention (MGISC-2018) will be organized by which union ministry	Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
982	Which cricket team has won the 57th edition of Duleep Trophy 2018	India Blue
983	Which Indian sportsperson has been officially named as the Sports Ambassador of Assam	Hima Das
984	Which Indian woman writer has authored a new novel "The Rule Breakers"	Preeti Shenoy
985	Which noted Odia poet will be honoured with the prestigious 39th edition of the 'Sarala Puraskar' award 2018	Satrughna Pandav
986	Which Indian economist has been conferred 'Honoris Causa' by the University of Engineering & Management (UEM) in Kolkata	Bibek Debroy
987	Under which article, the Odisha Assembly has passed a resolution for establishing Legislative Council (Vidhan Parishad) in the state	Article 169
988	Which renowned personality has been made the first Honorary Ambassador of the Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation	Akshay Kumar
989	Chagos Islands, which is in news recently, is the disputed islands between which of the two countries	Mauritius and United Kingdom
990	India's longest rail-cum-road bridge "Bogibeel" will come up over which river	Brahmaputra
991	Who is the head of the committee to select new Chief Economic Advisor (CEA)	Bimal Jalan

992	Who will represent India at the 67th Miss Universe 2018 pageant in Bangkok	Nehal Chudasama
993	Who clinched the men's singles title of US Open 2018	Novok Djokovic
994	Who has become the first Japanese player to clinched the women's singles title of US Open 2018	Naomi Osaka
995	Who has created history by becoming the first Indian to win a medal in IAAF Continental Cup	Arpinder Singh
996	What is the theme of the 2018 International Literacy Day (ILD)	Literacy and skills development
997	The Indian Air Force has successfully carried out the first-ever mid-air refuelling of the indigenously build which aircraft	Tejas
998	Which Indian software company has inked deal with Australian Open as official digital innovation partner	Infosys
999	Which Indian airport is set to become first in Asia to use face recognition as boarding pass for passengers	Kempegowda International Airport
1000	Which state government has recently signed pact with Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) for ethanol plant	Haryana
1001	Which city is host to the first-ever BIMSTEC military exercise "MILEX-18"	Pune
1002	India and France have signed an implementation agreement on 'Mobilise Your City (MYC)' to support which of the following cities	Nagpur, Kochi and Ahmedabad
1003	Which Bollywood personality has been honoured with the Meryl Streep Award for Excellence	Aishwarya Rai Bachchan
1004	Vijay Shankar Vyas, who passed away recently, was the noted personality of which branch of economics	Agriculture Economics
1005	Who will head the panel of secretaries to look into the issues raised on some proposals of the draft e-commerce policy	Ramesh Abhishek
1006	India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has tied up with which software company to create payments network for unorganized retail	FSS
1007	The Indo-US military training Exercise "Yudh Abhyas 2018" will be held at which state	Uttrakhand
1008	Mega Icons' is the new series to be launched by which TV channel	National Geography
1009	BARC has recently re-commissioned an upgraded version of which nuclear reactor	Apsara
1010	Which state government has launched India's first scheme for doorstep delivery of essential government services	Delhi
1011	NITI Aayog has collaborated with which of the following organisations to set up a Model International Center for Transformative Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI)	Intel
1012	Nomadic Elephant 2018 is an army exercise between India and which country	Mongolia
1013	The first-ever tripartite meeting among India, Iran and Afghanistan was held in which city	Kabul
1014	India's first railway university "National Rail and Transportation Institute (NRTI)" is located in which city	Vadodara
1015	Which state government has banned the manufacture, sale and possession of e-cigarettes	Tamilnadu
1016	Who has been appointed new chairman of the Lok Sabha Ethics Committee	L K Advani
1017	Which Indian sportsperson has become the first bowler in	Jhulan Goswami

	women's cricket to pick 300 international wickets	
1018	Which Indian-origin professor has been awarded an "Outstanding Investigator Award" by the U.S. National Cancer Institute to identify cancer biomarkers	Arul Chinnaiyan
1019	India's first 205T Electric Drive Rear Dump Truck (BH205-E) has been launched by which public sector company	BEML
1020	As per culture study survey by US-based firm Kronos Incorporated, Which country is the world's most hardest working country	INDIA
1021	Who is the author of the book "The Twice-Born – Life and Death on the Ganges"	Aatish Taseer
1022	Goura Chandra Mohapatra, who passed away recently, was the veteran freedom fighter of which state	Odiaha
1023	Which country is host to the 2018 G-20 trade and investment ministerial meeting	Argentina
1024	Every year Hindi Diwas is celebrated on 14 September. In which year, Hindi was chosen to be state language of Union	1949
1025	Under which article of the constitution, President has appointed Justice Ranjan Gogoi as the 46th Chief Justice of India	Article 124
1026	The agricultural festival of Nuakhai has started in which state	Odisha
1027	Who is the author of the book "Bastar Dispatches-A Passage Through the Wilds"	Narendra
1028	India to hold its first-ever global tourism mart in which city	New Delhi
1029	What is the India's ranks in the latest UN's Human Development Index (HDI) report 2018	130th
1030	Which country is host to the World chefs' congress 2018	INDIA
1031	The Delhi government has signed a "Friendship and Cooperation Agreement" with which city to share expertise on 12 fields	Seoul
1032	Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has recently commissioned which indigenously built patrol vessel	Vijaya
1033	Which is the India's first underwater robotic drone	EyeROV TUNA
1034	What is the theme of the 2018 International Day of Democracy	Democracy under Strain-Solutions for a Changing World
1035	National Engineer's Day (NED) is celebrated in India on which date	September 15
1036	India's first exclusive dog park has comes up in which city	Hyderabad
1037	The Ministry of Tourism is organizing the festival of tourism "Paryatan Parv 2018" from which city	New Delhi
1038	Who will be honoured with Meera Puruskar by Rajasthan Sahitya Academy	Sawai Singh Shekhawat
1039	Which launch vehicle of ISRO has successfully launched NovaSAR and S1-4 earth observation satellites of U.K from Sriharikota spaceport	PSLV C42
1040	Which country's team has lifted the 2018 South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Cup	Maldives
1041	Former Asian Games champion Ganpatrao Andalka was associated to which sports, who passed away recently	Wrestling
1042	India's first 'smart fence' pilot project has been launched along which border	Pakistan Border
1043	Which Indian personality has been inducted into the board of the	S Jaishanker

	US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF)	
1044	The Government of India (GoI) has proposed to merge which banks to create India's third largest lender	BoB, Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank
1045	Which country has rolled out world's first hydrogen-powered train	Germany
1046	What is the India's rank on family-owned business list, as per recent published report of Credit Suisse Research Institute (CSRI)	3rd
1047	Who is the author of the book "Kashi-Secret of the Black Temple"	Vineet Bajpai
1048	What is the theme of the 2018 International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	Keep Cool and Carry On-The Montreal Protocol
1049	Mt Everest Friendship Exercise is the name of military exercise between	Nepal and China
1050	What is the purpose of recently launched 'e-Sahaj' portal	Security clearance to businesses
1051	Who has been appointed new Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)	Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas
1052	Which Bollywood personality has been bestowed with Smita Patil Memorial Award 2018	Anushka Sharma
1053	Which global financial institution provides financial support for Dam rehabilitation and Improvement Project (DRIP)	World Bank
1054	According to Mercom India Research, what is the current total installed capacity of solar power generation of India	25GW
1055	The Jharsuguda airport, which is in news recently, is located in which state	Odisha
1056	The women crew of which Indian Naval Sailing Vessel (INSV) has bagged the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure award 2018	INS Tarini
1057	Dolagobinda Pradhan, the veteran freedom fighter has passed away recently. He was from which state	Odisha
1058	The Union Home Ministry has collaborated with which of these organizations to set up Integrated Control Room for Emergency Response (ICR-ER)	ISRO
1059	India's first indigenously developed 500-megawatt (mw) prototype fast breeder reactor is located in which state	Tamilnadu
1060	Who have won the 2018 Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna	Virat Kohli & Meerabai Chenu
1061	Dambulla warehouse, which is in news recently, is located in which country	Sri Lanka
1062	The Indian Air Force (IAF) has recently proposed to set up a drone manufacturing facility in which state	Andhra Pradesh
1063	India's first-ever online and centralised National Database on Sexual Offenders (NDSO) has been launched by which union ministry	Ministry of Home Affairs
1064	What is the strike range of indigenously developed Short-range tactical ballistic missile "Prahara", which is successfully flight tested by DRDO	150 Km
1065	India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has tied up with which Insurance company to provide insurance to all	Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance
1066	Which Indian personality has recently conferred with the Civilian Honour of Mexico	Raghupati Singhania
1067	Which movie has been chosen as the India's official entry to	Village Rockstar

	Oscars 2019	
1068	Which is the India's biggest cyclotron facility, which recently became operational	Cyclone 30
1069	Who was the founder of the Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha (DBHPS)	Mahatama Gandhi
1070	Which country to host the first-ever General Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (ISA)	INDIA
1071	Tran Dai Quang, who passed away recently, was the current President of which country	Vietnam
1072	Which country is host to the 3rd edition of International Business Conference 'MahaBiz 2018'	UAE
1073	Which city is host to the 5th edition of Asian Para Games in 2026	Nagoya
1074	Which state government has announced a novel scheme for the protection of the exotic Neela kurinji plants	Tamilnadu
1075	Which Indian personality has been appointed goodwill ambassador for Nepal tourism	Jaya Prada
1076	Who is the newly appointed chairman of the Steel Authority of India (SAIL)	Anil Kumar Chaudhary
1077	Which country is set to become the world's first country to double its tiger population	Nepal
1078	Which international organisation has approved Country Partnership Framework (CPF) for India to support its transition to higher middle- income country	World Bank
1079	Which country to host the 2018 Women's Boxing World Championship	INDIA
1080	The Ayushman Bharat-National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM) has rolled out from which city	Ranchi
1081	The Jharkhand government has inked MoU with which insurance company for Ayushman Bharat Scheme	NICL
1082	Who has won the 2018 Presidential Election of Maldives	Ibrahim Mohamed Solih
1083	Which state has topped the charts among States in terms of "2018 Ease of Living Index" rankings launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	Andhra Pradesh
1084	What is the theme of the 2018 International Day of Peace	The Right to Peace – The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70
1085	Who has won the women's singles 2018 China Open badminton title	Caroline Marine
1086	Which Metro has become the 2nd largest Metro Rail (MR) network in India	Hyderabad
1087	Which country hosted the first-ever women-only foreign minister conference	Canada
1088	Shamsher Singh Bisht, the noted statehood agitator of which state has recently passed away	Uttarakhand
1089	West Bank, which is in news recently, is the disputed territory between which of the following countries	Israel & Palestine

1090	Who has been named The 2018 Best FIFA Men's Player	Luka Modric
1091	The Nelson Mandela Decade of Peace declared by United Nations recently is	2019 to 2028
1092	What is the purpose of Justice Amitava Roy committee constituted by Supreme Court recently	Prison Reforms
1093	Which Indian personality has been awarded with the UN's highest environmental honour 'Champions of the Earth 2018'	Narendra Modi
1094	Smart City Expo India-2018 has recently held in which city	Jaipur
1095	India has made alliance with which country to eliminate TB	United States
1096	Which section of Aadhaar Act has been struck down by Supreme Court that permit private entities to avail Aadhaar data	Section 57
1097	The 2nd Global RE-INVEST India-ISA Partnership 2018 will be held in which city	New Delhi
1098	What is the proposed universal broadband connectivity speed under National Digital Communications Policy -2018 (NDCP-2018) unveiled recently	50 MBPS
1099	What is the theme of the 2018 World Tourism Day (WTD)	Tourism and the Digital Transformation
1100	India's First TVET Skills Park is to be established in which city	Bhopal
1101	Who is the newly-appointed Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)	Kalesh Nilkhant Vyas
1102	Andhra Pradesh has recently signed pact with which US-based company to set up a solar battery manufacturing plant	Triton Solar Company
1103	Project Unnati is related to	Development of Ports
1104	The Indo-Bangladesh Border conference was held in which city recently	Aizawl
1105	Which state government has decided to create the post of 'firewomen' to break gender stereotypes	Kerala
1106	On which date, the 2018 International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons was observed recently	September 26
1107	Which renowned personality has been named as the brand ambassador of Tribes India	MC Marry Kom
1108	Who heads the Lokpal Search Committee to recommend the chairperson and members of the anti-corruption ombudsman Lokpal	Ranjana Prakash Desai
1109	NITI Aayog has recently signed pact with which cloud services provider to curb the distribution of fake drugs using blockchain	Oracle
1110	Who heads the High Level Advisory Group (HLAG) to look into global trade challenges	Surjit S Bhalla
1111	Which is the India's best institute, according to the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2019	IISc Bengaluru
1112	India's first methanol-based alternative cooking fuel is to be established in which state	Assam

1113	What is the theme of 2018 World Rabies Day (WRD)	Rabies-Share the message. Save a life
1114	The 8th Asian Yoga Sports Championship has started in which city recently	Thiruvananthapuram
1115	Ayush Information Cell has recently set up by the Government of India (GoI) in which country	Romania
1116	Who has been appointed the new Director-General of Border Security Force (BSF)	Rajni Kant Mishra
1117	#LooReview Campaign has been launched by the Union Government in partnership with ___?	Google
1118	Who will lead India at the 2018 Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy in Muscat	Manpreet Singh
1119	Sanya Richards-Ross, who will be event ambassador for the Airtel Delhi half marathon, is from which country	United States
1120	Dr. Evan Atar Adaha, who is the official winner of the 2018 UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award, is from which country	South Sudan
1121	Jasdev Singh, who passed away recently, was associated with Doordarshan for 48 years as	Hindi Commentator
1122	The 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine has been awarded jointly to James P Allison and Tasuku Honjo for the discovery of which cancer therapy	Immunotherapy
1123	What is the India's GDP growth forecast for 2018, according to UNCTAD's latest report "Trade and Development Report"	7.0%
1124	India's first AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy is to be set up in which city	Jaipur
1125	Who heads the high-level committee on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)	Injeti Srinivas
1126	Who has been appointed the first-ever female major general in the 47 years history of Bangladesh	Susane Giti
1127	Which Indian origin personality has been named as Chief Economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)	Gita Gopinath
1128	The 17th century 'Oonth Kadal' bridge, which is in news recently, is located in which state	Jammu & Kashmir
1129	Which women physicists has won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physics	Donna Strickland
1130	Who has been named as the flag-bearer of the Indian contingent for the 3rd Paralympic Asian games 2018	Thangvellu Mariyappan
1131	Which union ministry has won the 'Swachhta Hi Seva' award, recently	Ministry of Railways
1132	Which University has been declared the cleanest government university in the Swachh Campus ranking 2018	MDU Rohtak
1133	Which national level entrepreneurship awareness campaign has been launched by SIDBI	Udyam Abhilasha

1134	Which women scientists has won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry	Frances H. Arnold
1135	What is the theme of the 2018 World Habitat Day (WHD)	Municipal Solid Waste Management
1136	Sahyog HOP TAC-2018 is held between India and which country	Vietnam
1137	Which gynecologist has been named winner of the 2018 Nobel Peace Prize	Denis Mukwege
1138	Which IIT has decided to establish an 'Academy of Leadership'	IIT Kharagpur
1139	Which technology-driven futuristic initiative will be roll out by the Civil Aviation Ministry to make hassle-free air travel for passengers	Digi Yatra
1140	The first-ever Regional Conference on 'Women in Detention and Access to Justice' has recently held in which city	Shimla
1141	India has launched which humanitarian assistance operation to provide assistance to the earthquake and tsunami victims in Indonesia	Operation Samudra Maitri
1142	The team of scientists has recently identified regions in the wheat genome responsible for density of which micro-nutrient in wheat grain	Zinc
1143	India has signed \$150 million loan pact with which international organisation to establish its first-ever Global Skills Park (GSP) in Madhya Pradesh	ADB
1144	The 10th Biennial International Exhibition & Conference "India Chem 2018" was held in which city	Mumbai
1145	What is the India's rank in Visa's 2018 Government e-Payment Adoption Ranking (GEAR)	28TH
1146	Who has been appointed the Chief Statistician of India (CSI)	Pravin Shrivastava
1147	India's first 'Methanol Cooking Fuel Program' has launched in which state	Assam
1148	Who has been appointed India's Ambassador to UN Conference on Disarmament	Pankaj Sharma
1149	Which Indian personality has been appointed the Chairman of the Working Committee (WoCo) and Director on the Board of the World Federation of Exchange	Vikram Limaye
1150	What is the current repo rate, as per RBI's 4th bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement for 2018-19	6.5%
1151	Natwar Thakkar, who passed away recently, was the renowned Gandhian from which state	Nagaland
1152	Which Indian sportsperson has won the Girls title in the IBSF World Under-16 Snooker Championships 2018	Keerthana Pandian
1153	Which state government has recently launched the Sashakt Kisan Yojana (SKY) & Krishi Samuh Yojana (KSY)	Arunachal Pradesh
1154	Which state government has recently launched the Nirman	Odisha

	Kusuma programme	
1155	Who has been appointed the new deputy National Security Advisor (NSA)	R N Ravi
1156	Who have been awarded the 2018 Nobel Prize for Economics	William Nordhaus and Paul Romer
1157	Which Indian company has recently announced Rs 1.5 crores Aarohan Social Innovation Awards (ASIA) to push innovation in social work	Infosys
1158	Which Indian organization has won the 'ISSA GOOD Practice Award, Asia & The Pacific 2018'	ESIC
1159	M N Paloor, who passed away recently, was the modernist poet of which language	Malyalam
1160	Who will chair the high-level Strategic Policy Group (SPG) to assist National Security Council (NSC) to review the security affairs of the country	Ajit Doval
1161	Which union Ministry has launched the "India for Humanity	Ministry of External Affairs
1162	Who is the winner of India's first Gold Medal at the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics	Jeremy Lalrinnunga
1163	On which date, the 2018 World Post Day (WPD), is observed recently	October 9
1164	Who clinched India's first gold medal at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Para Games	Sandeep Chaudhary
1165	Who is the author of the book "The Paradoxical Prime Minister- Narendra Modi And His India"	Shashi Tharoor
1166	Kishour Giri, who passed away recently, was the noted singer and music director from which state	Assam
1167	Which sports personality has been honoured with the Ramineni Foundation's outstanding person award	Pullela Gopichand
1168	As per which section of the Representation of the People Act 1951, the Election Commission of India (ECI) to fill casual vacancies in Karnataka but not in Andhra Pradesh	Section 151 A
1169	Which Indian organisation has recently organised Workshop on 'Best Practices in International Arbitration' in New Delhi	NITI Aayog
1170	Who has become the first shooter from India to claim a gold at the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics	Manu Bhaker
1171	What is the India's rank at the 2018 Henley Passport Index	81st
1172	Who has been appointed the new Solicitor General of India	Tushar Mehta
1173	Which Indian armed force has launched an innovative mobile health App 'MedWatch'	Indian AirForce
1174	India's first 2G Ethanol Bio-Refinery will be set up in which state, where ethanol will be produced from rice straw	Odisha
1175	What is the India's rank in the 2018 Oxfam world inequality index	147th

1176	Which Indian sportsperson has clinched Gold in the 10-metre air pistol event at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games	Saurabh Chaudhary
1177	Which Indian sportsperson has clinched men's individual recurve gold at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Para-Games	Harvinder Singh
1178	Which state government has decided to set up anti-terrorist force 'Kavach'	Haryana
1179	Who has been chosen as India's first 'Miss Trans Queen	Veena Sendre
1180	Which Indian javelin thrower has won silver in the men's F46 category of the 2018 Asian Para Games	Sunder Singh Gurjar
1181	Which IIT has collaborated with Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (TNeGA) to enhance data-driven governance	IIT Madras
1182	Which of the following cities is the venue of the 17th CHG of meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)	Dushambe
1183	Which state government to launch a new scheme 'Blue Revolution-Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries'	Meghalaya
1184	Who has been appointed as the new CEO & MD of low cost carrier AirAsia India	Sunil Bhaskaran.
1185	ISRO has recently signed pact with which state University to set up the Satish Dhawan Center for Space Science	Jammu.
1186	The Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) has launched a Roll on-Roll off (Ro-Ro) service in Assam from Neamati to	Majuli.
1187	Annapurna Devi, who passed away recently, was the renowned Hindustani musician of which gharana	Maihar Gharana
1188	India has recently elected to the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC). The headquarters of UNHRC is located at	Geneva
1189	The Coffee Day Malnad Ultra Marathon 2018 has started in which state	Karnataka
1190	NITI Aayog has signed pact with which technological giant for AI tools in agriculture & healthcare	Microsoft
1191	India's first-ever India-Israel Innovation Centre (IIIC) has launched in which city	Bengaluru
1192	The biography of late Anumolu Ramakrishna titled 'Building a Legacy' is authored by whom	V Pattabhi Ram
1193	Which IIT has signed pact with Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in research and education	IIT Kharagpur
1194	Which Indian state has won the FAO's Future Policy Gold Award for 100% organic farming	Sikkim
1195	The World Bank has ranked India at which position in its first-ever Human Capital Index (HCI)	115th
1196	The National Stock Exchange (NSE) has recently signed pact with which state government to fuel MSMEs growth in state	Uttarakhand
1197	Which country's team has won the 2018 Sultan Johar Cup	Britain

	Junior Hockey	
1198	What is the India's rank at the 2018 Global Hunger Index (GHI)	103rd
1199	Which Indian folk artist has won the 2018 Fukuoka Arts and Culture Prize	Teejan Bai
1200	Who has won the 2018 New Academy Prize in Literature, which is formed in protest to the Nobel Literature Prize	Maryse Conde
1201	India and which country have launched their first joint programme for Afghanistan to train its diplomats	China
1202	Who has won the 2018 Shanghai Masters Tennis tournament	Novok Djokovic
1203	Who has been appointed Director-General of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)	Shekher C Mande
1204	Which noted historian has authored the book "Maharana Pratap-The Invincible Warrior"	Rima Hooja
1205	Who has been honored as the India Social Entrepreneur of the Year (SEOY) 2018	Prema Gopalan
1206	Who has been appointed the new Chairperson of National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPDR)	Priyanka Kanungoo
1207	Which country to host the 2019 IAAF World Relays	Japan
1208	Who led the Indian delegation at the 6th RCEP Inter-sessional Ministerial Meeting (IMM)	CR Chaudhary
1209	On which date, the 2018 Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas is celebrated in India	October 15
1210	Paul Allen, who passed away recently, co-founded Microsoft with Bill Gates in which year	1975
1211	India's first agri and food business online learning platform has launched in which city	Warangal
1212	Which is the official mascot of 2018 Men's Hockey World Cup	Olly
1213	ICICI was formed in 1955 at the initiative of which International organisation	World Bank
1214	Who is the author of the book "Half the Night is Gone", which is shortlisted for The Hindu Prize 2018	Amitabh Bagchi
1215	Who has been elected as new Chairman of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)	Nimesh Shah
1216	Who has won the India's first medal in athletics at the Youth Olympic Games 2018	Suraj Powar
1217	The ancient city "Prayaga" was renamed as "Allahabad" by which Mughal emperor	Shah Jahan
1218	Swastha Bharat Yatra' national campaign has been launched for which purpose	Safe Food
1219	"Coming together with those furthest behind to build an inclusive world of universal respect for human rights and dignity". This was theme of which day	2018 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
1220	What is the theme of the 2018 World Food Day (WFD)	Our Actions Are Our Future

1221	What is the theme of the 12th Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM-2018)	Global Partners for Global Challenges
1222	Who has won the 2018 Man Booker Prize for Fiction	Anna Burns
1223	Who has become the India's first silver-medalist in archery at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games	Akash Malik
1224	What is the India's rank in the WEF's Global Competitiveness Index (GCI) for 2018	58th
1225	Which G7 country has officially legalized recreational use of marijuana	Canada
1226	Which country has successfully tested world's largest unmanned transport drone "FH-98"	China
1227	Under which article of the Constitution, the President of India can accept resignation of Council of Ministers	Article 75
1228	Which has become the first and only government corporation in India to launch a chat-enabled help-desk service program 'Ask Disha'	IRCTC
1229	Which Indian social entrepreneur has been conferred with the IOC Sports and Active Society Development Grant award for 2018	Suheil Tondon
1230	BSNL has recently signed pact with which technological giant to leverage Industry 4.0 for manufacturing excellence	Nokia
1231	The 5th edition of the Women of India Organic Festival will be held in which city	New Delhi
1232	Which cricket statistican has authored the book "Indian Sports: Conversations and Reflections"	Vijayan Bala
1233	Who is leading the Indian delegation at the 8th European Congress on SMEs	Alka Arora
1234	Which state is set to become the India's first smoke-free State	Kerala
1235	Who has been named for 2018 Hridaynath Award for lifetime achievement	Mohammed Zahur Khayyam Hashmi
1236	Which Union Minister of India will be honoured with the 2018 Carnot Prize of Kleinman Center for Energy Policy	Piyush Goyal
1237	The first-ever joint maritime exercise will be conducted between ASEAN and which country	China
1238	Which national party will form new government in Bhutan	Druk Nyamrup Tshogpa
1239	Which country to host four nation summit on Syria crisis	Turkey
1240	Which state has recently celebrated the Kati Bihu festival 2018	Assam
1241	The scientists of which space agency have found superflares flares from the Young Red Dwarf Stars imperiling planets	NASA
1242	Who has won the Wildlife Photographer Of The Year 2018	Marsel van Oosten
1243	Which Indian photographer has won the 2018 Young Wildlife Photographer of the Year (Asia) Award for 'Pipe Owls'	Arshdeep Singh
1244	Which Indian-American personality has been honored with US	Minal Patel Davis

	Presidential award for Combating Human Trafficking	
1245	Which city is the venue of the 4th Edition Of Global Partners' Forum	New Delhi
1246	Who is the head of IRDA panel to study feasibility of paying claims in installments	Suresh Mathur
1247	In which year, the Azad Hind Government was formed by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose	1943
1248	The 2018 Vishwa Shanti Ahimsa Sammelan (VSAS) has started in which state	Maharashtra
1249	Which US-based Dalit writer has won the 2018 Shakti Bhatt First Book Prize	Sujatha Gidhla
1250	The 27th IAEA Fusion Energy Conference (FEC 2018) has started in which city	Gandhi Nagar
1251	Who heads the parliamentary standing committee on labour to examine the functioning of Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)	Kirit Somiya
1252	Which bank has become the India's first PSU bank to introduce comprehensive wealth business services for its clients	SBI
1253	What is "poly-Oxime", that was developed recently by Indian researchers and was making news	A Skin Gel
1254	Who is the author of the book "Nehru and Bose : Parallel Lives"	Rudrangshu Mukherjee
1255	What is the India's rank in the valuable nation brand list, according to Brand Finance's Nation Brand report 2018	9TH
1256	Who has been honoured with the 19th Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award for Excellence in Public Administration	Fali S Nariman
1257	Sittwe Port, which is in news recently, is located in which country	Mayanmar
1258	Which UN organization is supporting the Green Climate Fund (GCF), which has recently approved \$43 million for India's coastal communities	UNDP
1259	On which date, the National Police Commemoration Day (NPCD) is observed	October 21
1260	Which cricket team has won the 2018 Vijay Hazare Trophy	Mumbai
1261	Japanese biologist Osamu Shimomura, who passed away recently, won the 2008 Nobel Prize in chemistry for discovery of _____	Green fluorescent protein
1262	Which country has officially opened the world's longest sea-crossing bridge	China
1263	Which Indian personality has been chosen for the 2018 Seoul Peace Prize	Narendra Modi
1264	Which city is the venue of the 2018 WETEX (Water, Energy, Technology, and Environment Exhibition)	Dubai
1265	Which Indian personality has been crowned the Miss Deaf Asia	Nishtha Dudeja

	2018	
1266	Which Indian scientist will be honoured with the ICFA's first-ever World Agriculture Prize	M S Swaminathan
1267	Which Indian organisation has won the 2018 UN Award for excellence in promoting investments in sustainable development	Invest India
1268	The International Conference on Status and Protection of Coral Reefs (STAPCOR 2018) was held in which union territory of India	Lakshadweep
1269	Druzhba-III' has started between which of the following countries	Russia and Pakistan
1270	The 15th edition of International Dance Festival "Udbhav Utsav" was held in which city	Gwalior
1271	Which of the following is the India's first engine-less train	Train 18
1272	Who will head the Group of Ministers (GoM) to strengthen legal & institutional frameworks to deal with & prevent sexual harassment at workplace	Rajnath Singh
1273	Which city is the venue of the 11th Global Agriculture Leadership Summit 2018	New Delhi
1274	Who will chair the High Level Steering Committee to review National Indicator Framework (NIF) for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Chief Statistician of India
1275	Which Nobel Prize winner will be honoured by Harvard University for her work promoting girls' education	Malala Yousafjai
1276	Yeshwant Deo, who passed away recently, was the veteran personality of which field	Music
1277	Who has been sworn-in as the new Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court	Naresh Harishchandra Patil
1278	The world's largest airport 'Under One Roof' has officially opened in which city	Istanbul
1279	India's first Justice City will come up in which city	Amravati
1280	Louis Cha, who passed away recently, was the noted journalist and martial arts novelist of which country	Hong Kong
1281	Which country will be the Partner Country at the 25th DST – CII Technology Summit 2019	Netherlands
1282	Who is the chairperson of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC)	Finance Minister
1283	Who has been selected for 2018 Ezhuthachan Puraskaram, the highest literacy prize of the Kerala government	M. Mukundan
1284	Who has been appointed as the new Director General (DG) of Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)	S S Deswal
1285	Which Indian cricketer has officially been inducted into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame	Rahul Dravid
1286	Which state government has recently launched "Soura Jalanidhi" scheme	Odisha
1287	What is the India's rank in the World Bank's Ease of Doing	77th

	Business Index 2018	
1288	Which country has launched the world's first Sovereign Blue Bond	Seychelles
1289	Which union territory falls under jurisdiction of Calcutta High Court	Andaman & Nicobar Islands
1290	Which is the only Indian film has been included in BBC's 100 best foreign language films list of the 21st century	Pathar Panchali
1291	Which Indian Sculptor designed the world's 'tallest statue' Statue of Unity	Ram V Sutar
1292	Which decommissioned aircraft carrier will be converted into India's first-ever moored maritime museum-cum-marine adventure centre	INS Viraat
1293	India has officially signed a \$950 million contract with which country for the purchase of two upgraded Krivak III-class stealth frigates	Russia
1294	Which Indian company has been named an Official Partner of FIH Men's Hockey World Cup 2018	Tata Steel
1295	Ntozake Shange, who passed away recently, was the acclaimed playwright and poet of which country	United States
1296	Simone Biles, who has become the first ever gymnast to win 13 world championship gold medals, is from which country	USA
1297	RBI has recently permitted banks to provide PCE to NBFC bonds. What does 'PCE' stands for	Partial Credit Enhancement
1298	What is the theme of the United Nations for 2018 World Cities Day (WCD)	Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities
1299	India and which country have signed a loan pact of Rs 18.17 crore for the construction of the Turga Pumped Storage in West Bengal	Japan
1300	Recently, the first-ever India-US Dialogue On Intellectual Property (IP) was launched in which of the following cities	New Delhi
1301	Who has been named the Brand Ambassador of 2018 Women's World Boxing Championships (WWBC)	Mary Kom
1302	Which city has topped the Ola Mobility Institute (OMI)'s 'Ease of Moving Index 2018' in public transport	Kolkata
1303	Under the provisions of which article of the constitution, the President appoint judges of Supreme Court (SC)	Article 124
1304	Which city is the venue of the National Seminar on Entrepreneurship and Business Development in Ayurveda	New Delhi
1305	RBI has started process to set up PCR for capturing borrowers' details. The acronym "PCR" stands for	Public Credit Registry
1306	IAMAI has constituted which AR/VR Committee to promote the technologies in India	Namrita Mahindro committee
1307	V. Rathinam, veteran freedom fighter and member of Indian	Tamilnadu

	National Army (INA) has passed away. He belonged to which state	
1308	The first WHO Global Conference on Air Pollution and Health was held in which city	Geneva
1309	'Little India Gate', which is in news recently, is inaugurated in which of the following cities	Medan
1310	The researchers of which country have develop web-based tool to monitor fake news on Facebook & Twitter	United States
1311	Which Indian player has clinched the 2018 World Billiards Championship title at Leeds in UK	Sourabh Kothari
1312	The Enforcement Directorate (ED) works under which union ministry	Ministry of Finance
1313	Which Indian woman table tennis player has won silver at Under-21 Belgium Open	Ayahika Mukherjee
1314	The researchers of which IIT has launched India's first indigenously-developed microprocessor	IIT Madras
1315	Which IIT has recently organised the 'Young Innovators Programme YIP 2018'	IIT Kharagpur
1316	India has recently donated 3 lakh Dollars for peacekeeping initiative of which organization on issues of conduct & discipline	UN
1317	India's first asymmetrical cable-stayed bridge "Signature Bridge" has recently inaugurated in which city	New Delhi
1318	The Union government has awarded which state police for citizen services under an e-governance project "CCTNS"	Assam
1319	Which noted journalist has been chosen for the prestigious Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award	N. Ram
1320	The Government of India (GoI) has recently approved operationalisation strategy for Operation Greens for which of the following crops	Tomato, Onion and Potato
1321	Who has been appointed India's new Ambassador to Iran	Gaddam Dharmendra
1322	Which sports journalist is the author of the book "The Fire Burns Blue: A History of Women's Cricket in India"	Karunya Keshav
1323	What is the theme of the 2018 National Ayurveda Day (NAD) of India	Ayurveda for Public Health
1324	The newly-built Ekana cricket stadium is located in which CITY	Lucknow
1325	Which renowned personality has been honoured with 'Distinguished Fellow Award' by India Global in Boston	Anupam Kher
1326	Supreme Court has recently given nod for a separate High Court for which of the following states/UTs	Andhra Pradesh
1327	Who has been elected the new President of International Boxing Association (AIBA)	Gafur Rakhimov
1328	Which international organisation has recently inked \$172 million loan pact to make farming viable in Andhra Pradesh	World Bank
1329	For which term, India has been elected as a member of the	2019 to 2022

	International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Council	
1330	Who has been appointed the new Secretary General of Lok Sabha	Snehlata Shrivastava
1331	Who has won the 2018 Fuzhou China Open Badminton tournament	Kento Momota
1332	Which Indian wrestler has been ranked world No. 1 rank in 65 Kg category	Bajrang Poonia
1333	M777 Howitzers, which are recently inducted into Indian Army, are procured from which country	United States
1334	Ananth Kumar, who passed away recently, was in charge of which of the following union ministries	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
1335	Which Indian mountaineer has recently been awarded an honorary doctorate by a prestigious University of Strathclyde	Anurima Sinha
1336	What is the theme of the 2018 World Science Day for Peace and Development	Science, a Human Right
1337	Which state government is celebrating the “Jashn-e-Virasat-e-Urdu” festival	Delhi
1338	Which Indian journalist has won the 2018 London Press Freedom Award for Courage	Swati Chaturvedi
1339	As per latest US-based National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) report, which of the following cities is the India's most congested city	Bengaluru
1340	Which article of the Constitution provides free legal assistance to the poor and weaker sections of the society	Article 39 A
1341	Who is the author of the book “Notes of a Dream The Authorized Biography of A.R. Rahman”	Krishna Trilok
1342	The Union HRD ministry has launched the LEAP initiative for higher education faculty. What does ‘LEAP’ stands for	Leadership for Academicians Programme
1343	Which India's restoration project has won the 2018 UNESCO Asia-Pacific award for conservation in Award of Distinction category	LAMO Centre
1344	The first-ever bilateral naval exercise ‘Samudra Shakti 2018’ has started between India and which country	Indonesia
1345	Which social initiative has been launched by Twitter India to boost youth engagement for 2019 General Elections	#PowerOf18
1346	Who has become the first Indian to climb Mt Giluwe in Papua New Guinea	Satyarup Sidhanta
1347	The 17th ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Council Meeting was held in which country	Singapore
1348	Who has been honoured with the 2018 Munin Barkotoki Literary Award	Debabhuson Borah
1349	What is the theme of the 2018 campaign of World Diabetes Day (WDD)	The Family and Diabetes
1350	India's first multi-modal terminal has recently inaugurated on	Ganga

	which River	
1351	Which Indian city is the venue of the regional meeting of the World Customs Organisation (WCO)	Jaipur
1352	Which city is the principal seat of the Madhya Pradesh High Court	Jabalpur
1353	India has recently signed pact with which country to collaborate on cancer research	United Kingdom
1354	Who has been honoured with the "Lifetime Achievement Award" at the 6th Indian Social Work Congress in New Delhi	Martha Farrell
1355	ISRO has successfully launched GSAT-29 satellite into space from which launch vehicle	GSLV MK III
1356	Who has been appointed the new Chief Representative for Asia and the Pacific by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS)	Siddharth Tiwari
1357	Which state police has launched e-learning portal 'Nipun' for training its personnel	Delhi Police
1358	Which Indian sportsperson has been appointed as UNICEF India's first-ever Youth Ambassador	Hima Das
1359	What is the theme of the 2018 World Pneumonia Day (WPD)	Stop Pneumonia: Invest in Child Health
1360	Which city is the venue of the 2018 South Asian Regional Conference on Urban Infrastructure	New Delhi
1361	The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has recently lifted sanctions against which African nation after 9 years	Eritrea
1362	Where is the headquarters of National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC)	New Delhi
1363	Prof. T N Srinivasan, who passed away recently, was the renowned personality of which field	Economics
1364	The Himalayan State Regional Council (HSRC), which is recently set up by NITI Aayog, will be chaired by whom	V K Saraswat
1365	On which date, the 2018 International Day for Tolerance was observed recently	November 16
1366	Which state government has launched the 'Gau Samridhi Plus scheme' for dairy farmers	Kerala
1367	Which banks has launched the India's first interactive credit card with buttons	IndusInd Bank
1368	Which word has been chosen 'Word of the Year 2018' by Oxford Dictionaries	Toxic
1369	The Union Government has set up tribunal to decide on ban on two Tripura militant groups "NLFT & ATTF". Who is the head of the tribunal	Suresh Kait
1370	The Union Government has signed a \$300 million loan pact with which international organisation to boost infra funding by IIFCL	ADB
1371	The birth anniversary of which freedom fighter is celebrated as	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad

	National Education Day (NED) in India	
1372	William Goldman, the Oscar-winning screenwriter and novelist has passed away. He was from which country	United States
1373	Which city is the venue of the 8th National Conference of Women in Police (NCWP)	Ranchi
1374	The Maharashtra government has recently granted reservation to which community under a new category called 'Socially and Educationally Backward Class	Maratha
1375	The first-ever Naturopathy Day has recently celebrated on which date in India	November 18
1376	Who has been appointed the new Secretary of Revenue	Ajay Bhushan Pandey
1377	Which Indian personality has been conferred with the Global Education Leaders Award 2018	Saroj Kumar Gulati
1378	What is the theme of the 2018 World Toilet Day (WTD)	When Nature Calls
1379	The INDO-Russian joint exercise "INDRA 2018" has started in which of the following cities	Jhansi
1380	The researchers at which IIT have devised a Decision Support System (DSS) to boost LPG distribution in households below poverty line	IIT Kharagpur
1381	The 14th edition of International theatre festival for children "Jashne Bachpan 2018" has started in which city	New Delhi
1382	Who has been elected the new President of Interpol	Kim Jong Yang
1383	The Cloud seeding project of which IIT has been approved by the Union Government to induce artificial rain to clear Delhi air	IIT Kanpur
1384	The first-ever business festival of Indo-Japan Business Council (IJBC) was held in which city	Pune
1385	The world's first underground hotel has opened in which city	Shanghai
1386	Which Indian personality has been awarded the Mexico's highest civilian honour "Mexican Order of the Aztec Eagle"	Shyama Prasad Ganguly
1387	Which country's team clinched Under-17 boys Subroto Cup International Football Tournament 2018	Bangladesh
1388	The researchers at which IIT have developed smartphone-based sensor to detect adulteration in milk	IIT Hyderabad
1389	India's first National Institute of Inter-Faith Studies will be set up in which state	Punjab
1390	Who has become the first player to score 11,000 runs in Ranji Trophy cricket	Wasim Jafar
1391	Which state government has launched 'Bhudaar' portal to make land records accessible to people	Andhra Pradesh
1392	What is the India's rank at the 2018 IMD World Talent Ranking	53rd
1393	Who has become the first Indian golfer to win European Tour 'Rookie of the Year' Award	Shubankar Sharma
1394	Which bank has been brought under the purview of RTI, CVC	J & K Bank

	and State Legislature	
1395	Kartarpur corridor, which was recently approved by Union Cabinet, is located in which district of Punjab	Gurdaspur
1396	Who has been named the youngest-ever UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador	Millie Bobby Brown
1397	Who has been appointed as the first 'Youth Advocate' of the north-eastern region by UNICEF India	Nahid Afrin
1398	Ustad Imrat Khan, the noted Indian classical musician has passed away. He belonged to which Sitar gharana	Imadkhana Gharana
1399	Which Indian personality has been honoured with the third Sayaji Ratna Award 2018	Amitabh Bachchan
1400	Which IIM has recently signed pact with Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) to promote startup ecosystem in East and Northeast India	IIM Calcutta
1401	Which Indian actress is awardee of FIAPF Award at the 12th Asia Pacific Screen Awards (APSA) 2018	Nandita Dass
1402	Which filmmaker is the recipient of Lifetime Achievement Award at the 49th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2018	Dan Wolman
1403	Which Indian organisation has developed a new technology 'Impact Based Forecasting Approach' to monitor impact of rain & deal with natural disasters	IMD
1404	Which music director has composed the Odisha Men's Hockey World Cup-2018 anthem	A R Rehman
1405	Which of these cities is the venue of 12th World Congress on Mountain Medicine	Medicine
1406	In which year, Mary Kom won her first gold in the Women's World Boxing Championship	2002
1407	Which country to host 50th Union World Conference on Lung Health in 2019	INDIA
1408	Which city is the venue of the first-ever India Russia Strategic Economic Dialogue	St. Petersburg
1409	Which state government has come out with lexicons of 21 rare tribal languages to preserve vanishing native languages in State	Odisha
1410	Who has become the first Indian to win gold in Senior Commonwealth Fencing Championship 2018 in Canberra	Bhavani Devi
1411	Which country's national team has won the 2018 ICC Women's World Twenty-20 tournament	Australia
1412	India's first-ever autism township will come up in which of the following Indian states	West Bengal
1413	Which Indian shuttler has clinched the men's singles title at the 2018 Syed Modi International Badminton Championships	Sameer Verma
1414	Which country has decided to venture into Internet of things (IoT) with new satellite system 'Marathon'	Russia

1415	Which Indian sportswoman has been named captain of the ICC Women's World Twenty20 XI	Harmanpreet Kaur
1416	Which renowned scientist has been appointed as Chairperson of the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB)	Nageshwara Rao Guntur
1417	Who is the recipient of the FICA Emerging Artist Award 2018	Anupam Roy
1418	Which bank has designed & developed PaiSA portal for processing interest subvention on bank loans to beneficiaries under DAY-NULM	Allahabad Bank
1419	Which country's team has won the 2018 Davis Cup tennis tournament	Croatia
1420	India has recently signed \$200 million Loan pact with which international organisation for the Bihar State Highways III Project (BSHP-III)	ADB
1421	The West Bengal Green University will soon be renamed as Rani Rashmoni Green University. Rani Rashmoni was the founder of which temple in Kolkata	Dakshineswar Kali Temple
1422	Which sportsperson has clinched women's trap gold at the 62nd National Shotgun championship 2018	Varsha Verman
1423	Who has been awarded the prestigious Swarnajayanti Fellowship by the central government for 2017-18	Punyasloke Bhaduri
1424	Kerch Strait, which is in news recently, connects the Sea of Azov from which of the following seas	Black Sea
1425	Playback singer Mohammed Aziz, who passed away recently, was from which state	West Bengal
1426	Who is the recipient of the 2018 Bharat Ratna Pandit Bhimsen Joshi LTA for Classical Music	Keshav Ghinde
1427	Which state government has launched the 'DataCity' to foster innovation and solve global challenges	Karnataka
1428	Which city is the venue of the first-ever Sustainable Blue Economy Conference 2018	Nairobi
1429	Which state has been adjudged the Best State in Organ Donation at the 9th Indian Organ Donation Day (IODD-2018)	Tamilnadu
1430	The chairman of UPSC is appointed by President under which of the following articles of constitution	Article 316
1431	Which of the following movies has won the coveted Golden Peacock Award at the 49th IFFI 2018	Donbass
1432	Who has been conferred the Best Director Award at IFFI 2018	Lijo Jose Pellisery
1433	Which Indian movies has won the 2018 ICFT UNESCO Gandhi Medal	Walking in the Wind
1434	Which state has become the first Indian state to launch a single emergency number "112	Himachal Pradesh
1435	Which city is the venue of the 13th G20 summit 2018	Buenos Aires
1436	Which state has been adjudged the best state at 2018 IITF Delhi	Uttarakhand

1437	Which Indian philanthropist has been bestowed with the highest French civilian distinction Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur	Azim Premji
1438	The bilateral naval exercise 'Konkan 18' has started between India and which country	United Kingdom
1439	The air force units of India & which country are scheduled to participate in exercise 'Cope India 2019 (CI19)	United States
1440	Who has been elected the first woman President of Georgia	Salome Zurbishvili
1441	Which city is the venue of the South Asia Regional Youth Peace Conference	New Delhi
1442	Who has been appointed the new Chairman of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)	Anil Manibhai Naik
1443	Who has become the first Indian to win the ISSF's highest shooting honour 'Blue Cross'	Abhinav Bindra
1444	What is the theme of the 2018 World AIDS Day (WAD)	Know Your Status
1445	Which country will chair the Kimberley Process (KP) from January 2019	INDIA
1446	The European Union has recently announced to become the world's first climate neutral economy by which year	2050
1447	Which city is the venue of the 2nd International Ambedkar Conclave (IAC-2018)	New Delhi
1448	Which Bangladeshi activist has been chosen for the UNESCO / Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al Jaber al Sabah Prize for Digital Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	Vaskar Bhattacharjee
1449	Which country is the partner country at the International CII Agro Tech 2018	UK
1450	What is the name of India's first locomotive-less train, which was recently in news	Train 18
1451	Which country has recently decided to withdraw its membership from OPEC as of January 2019	Qatar
1452	Who has been awarded the PETA 'Hero to Animals' award for banning the Chinese manjha in Delhi	Imran Hussain
1453	The "rakhi with khaki" initiative of which police station of Chhattisgarh holds the Guinness World Records	Bilaspur Police
1454	Which International organisation will provide a \$85 million loan for skill development in Odisha	ADB
1455	Who has been sworn-in as the new President of Mexico	Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador
1456	Which city is the venue of the Asia Pacific Summit-2018	Kathmandu
1457	Which city is the venue of the 80th Session of the Policy Commission of the World Customs Organization (WCO)	Mumbai
1458	Atlawim Debebe, who won the 2018 Pune International Marathon, is from which country	Ethiopia
1459	EX SHINYUU Maitri-2018 has started between India and which country	Japan

1460	Who has been honoured with the 2018 Men's Ballon d'Or award	Luka Modric
1461	Which state government has announced a new initiative 'PEETHA' to publicize govt. schemes	Odisha
1462	Who has been appointed the new Finance Secretary of India	Ajay Narayan Jha
1463	Who has become the first Indian to be elected in ISSF's judges committee	Pawan Singh
1464	Which noted artist is the winner of the Turner Prize for 2018	Charlotte Prodger
1465	Government of Nagaland has inaugurated a new Project namely- Development of Tribal Circuit under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme. This falls under the ambit of which Central Government Ministry	Ministry of Tourism
1466	India's longest rail-road bridge 'Bogibeel Bridge' has built over which of the following rivers	Brahmaputra
1467	Which union ministry has signed pact with Madame Tussauds Wax Museum to foster tourism	Ministry of Railways
1468	Asian Games gold medalist Swapna Barman has become the brand ambassador for digital banking platform 'YONO'. The app is offered by which Bank	SBI
1469	Who is the author of the book 'Blue Waters Ahoy'	Anup Singh
1470	Nel Jayaraman, who passed away recently, was the noted personality of which field	Agriculture
1471	The UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) has decided to observe which year as the International Year of Millets	2023
1472	Which country's government has recently enacted controversial law to accept foreign blue-collar workers	Japan
1473	Which country is set become the world's first country to make all its public transport free by 2019	Luxemburg
1474	Which state is the venue of the 2018 Startup India Venture Capital Summit	Goa
1475	'AI 4 All Global Hackathon' has been launched by NITI Aayog in partnership with which country's AI start up	Singapore
1476	PRASAD Scheme, which is in news recently, was launched on behalf of which union ministry	Ministry of Tourism
1477	Which state government has launched 'Mukhyamantri Tirth Yatra Yojana' for senior citizens	Delhi
1478	Who has won the 'Glinka World Soil Prize 2018'	Rattan Lal
1479	Ajay Rohera, who has created world record for highest first-class debut score in cricket history, is from which state	Madhya Pradesh
1480	Which state has become the India's first state to have four international airports	Kerala
1481	Who has won the trophy of Mister Supranational 2018	Prathamesh Maulingkar
1482	What is the name of China mission launched to the far side of the Moon recently	Chang'e-4'

1483	Which city is the venue of the 2018 Military Literature Festival (MLF)	Chandigarh
1484	Who has become the youngest Indian golfer to win Asian Tour Order Of Merit	Shubankar Sharma
1485	The Central Government contribution in National Pension Scheme (NPS) has raised to how much percentage from the existing 10%	14%
1486	Which district Courts will become the first in India to accept e-payments	Pune
1487	Which state tourism of India has hosted the first-ever Adventure Next 18 in Asia	Madhya Pradesh
1488	Which distt has become the new district of Arunachal Pradesh	Shi Yomi
1489	As per latest report 'Migration and Development Brief', India is expected to retain its position as the world's top recipient of remittances in 2018. The report is released by which international organisation	World Bank
1490	Which state government has recently launched a 24-hour helpline '181' for women facing harassment	Tamilnadu
1491	Which city is the venue of the Intergovernmental Conference on the Global Compact for Migration for year 2018	Marrakech
1492	Which state houses India's longest railroad bridge named Bogibeel	Assam
1493	Where was International Gita Mahotsav 2018 held from 7th to 23rd December 2018?	Kurukshetra, Haryana
1494	Who was appointed the MD and CEO of Corporation Bank, effective from February 1, 2019?	P V Bharathi
1495	Name the person who was appointed the next High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, on 20th December 2018?	Riva Ganguly Das
1496	Who won the Maharashtra Kesari 2018 title?	Bala Rafique Shaikh
1497	_____ won the men's title in the CCI Western India Squash Championship	Mahesh Mangaonkar
1498	Nirendranath Chakraborty died following a cardiac arrest in Kolkata on 25th December 2018. What was his profession?	Poet
1499	Name the first female speaker of Fiji's Parliament, who died on 22nd December 2018?	Dr. Jiko Luveni
1500	Which state renamed all the childcare institutes currently run in the state as 'Jagannath Ashram'?	Haryana

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