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Q.1. Who dedicated the Port Anthem to Kolkata Port Trust at Netaji Indoor Stadium in Kolkata?

- (a) Nitin Jairam Gadkari
- (b) Narendra Modi
- (c) Prahlad Singh Patel
- (d) Hardeep Singh Puri
- (e) Narendra Singh Tomar

Ans.1.(b)

Exp. On the 150th celebration of Kolkata Port Trust, Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the Port Anthem at Netaji Indoor Stadium in Kolkata.

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Q.2. On the _____ celebration of Kolkata Port Trust, Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the Port Anthem at Netaji Indoor Stadium in Kolkata.

- (a) 550th
- (b) 112th
- (c) 150th
- (d) 100th
- (e) 123rd

Ans.2.(c)

Exp. On the 150th celebration of Kolkata Port Trust, Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the Port Anthem at Netaji Indoor Stadium in Kolkata.

Q.3. Which of the following has set up a 5-year plan of formulation of National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI) for the period 2019-2024 under the aegis of Financial Inclusion Advisory Committee (FIAC)?

- (a) SEBI
- (b) IRDAI
- (c) RBI
- (d) CBDT
- (e) NABARD

Ans.3.(c)

Exp. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) under the aegis of Financial Inclusion Advisory Committee (FIAC) has set up a 5-year plan of formulation of National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI) for the period 2019-2024

Q.4. Which of the following fintech start-up has been acquired by digital payments gateway provider PayU in India's largest fintech acquisition deal at a valuation of \$185 million?

- (a) PayTm
- (b) PaySense
- (c) PayPal
- (d) PayRemit
- (e) PhonePe

Ans.4.(b)

Exp. In India's largest fintech acquisition deal, digital payments gateway provider PayU has acquired a controlling stake in Nexus Venture Partners-backed fintech start-up PaySense at a valuation of \$185 million

Q.5. National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January on the birth anniversary of_____.

- (a) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam
- (b) Chandrasekhar Azad
- (c) Swami Vivekananda
- (d) Ramakrishna Paramahansa
- (e) Rabindranath Tagore

Ans.5.(c)

Exp. National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January being the birthday of Swami Vivekananda.

Q.6. Which Country has finished the year 2019 as the No.1 shooting nation in the world ?

- (a) USA
- (b) China
- (c) India
- (d) Russia
- (e) Italy

Ans.6.(c)

Exp. India finished the year as the top shooting nation in the world, leapfrogging Olympic heavyweights China and the USA.

Q.7. Which of the following Day is observed as National Youth Day?

- (a) 10 January
- (b) 11 January
- (c) 12 January
- (d) 13 January
- (e) 14 January

Ans.7.(c)

Exp. National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January being the birthday of Swami Vivekananda. The theme for National Youth Day 2020 is the same as 2019 i.e.

“Channelizing Youth Power for Nation Building

Q.8. Name the longest serving ruler of Oman who recently passed away.

- (a) Qasem Soleimani
- (b) Qaboos bin Said
- (c) Esmail Ghaani
- (d) Haitham bin Tariq Al Said
- (e) Tamim Bin Hamad

Ans.8.(b)

Exp. The longest serving ruler of Oman Sultan Qaboos bin Said passed away. He was a charismatic and visionary leader who transformed Oman into a modern and prosperous nation. He was ruling Oman since 1970.

Q.9. Which port is now renamed as the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Port?

(a) Visakhapatnam Port

(b) Kandla Port

(c) Kolkata Port

(d) Chennai Port

(e) Cochin Port

Ans.9. (c)

Exp. PM Narendra Modi on 12th January celebrated the 150th anniversary of the historic Kolkata Port Trust and renamed the port after Bharatiya Jana Sangh founder Shyama Prasad Mukherjee.

Q.10. Indian Railways signs MoU with _____ for Phase 2 of e-Office Execution.

- (a) Google
- (b) BSNL
- (c) Jio
- (d) RailTel
- (e) Infosys

Ans.10. (d)

Exp . After the successful completion of the Phase 1 execution of NIC e-office for 50000 users in 58 units, Indian Railways has signed MoU with RailTel, a miniratna PSU under Ministry of Railways, for the phase 2 of the project. In phase 2, RailTel will register 39000 users over 34 Railway divisions on NIC e-office platform by 30th June 2020.

Q.11. Who among the following Union minister digitally launched the project VISHWAS and CYBER AASHVAST at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar.?

- (a)Prakash Javadekar
- (b)Nirmala Sitharaman
- (c)Smriti Irani
- (d)Ramesh Pokhriyal
- (e)Amit Shah

Ans.11.(e)

Exp. Union Home Minister Amit shah today digitally launched project VISHWAS and CYBER AASHVAST at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar. VISHWAS is acronym for Video Integration and State Wide Advanced Security.

Q.12. Name the Union Minister who launched “Yashaswini Scheme” for Women entrepreneurship in Goa.

- (a)Prakash Javadekar
- (b)Nirmala Sitharaman
- (c)Smriti Irani
- (d)Ramesh Pokhriyal
- (e)Amit Shah

Ans.12.(c)

Exp. Union Minister for Women and Child Development and Textiles, Smriti Irani on 11th January launched Yashaswini Scheme for Women entrepreneurship in Goa. Swasthya Sakhi Project and breast cancer screening initiative were also inaugurated on the occasion.

Q.13. Swasthya Sakhi Project and breast cancer screening initiative was inaugurated by which of the following minister?

- (a) Harsh Vardhan
- (b) Nirmala Sitharaman
- (c) Smriti Irani
- (d) Thawar Chand Gehlot
- (e) Ramesh Pokhriyal

Ans.13. (c)

Exp. Union Minister for Women and Child Development and Textiles, Smriti Irani on 11th January launched Yashaswini Scheme for Women entrepreneurship in Goa. Swasthya Sakhi Project and breast cancer screening initiative were also inaugurated on the occasion.

Q.14. Where is the World Future Energy Summit 2020 held?

- (a) Abu Dhabi
- (b) New Delhi
- (c) Colombo
- (d) Tokyo
- (e) Paris

Ans.14. (a)

Exp. The World Future Energy Summit will begin on 13th January in Abu Dhabi, 33,500 participants from 170 countries and 800 specialist exhibitors are expected to attend the four-day annual event.

Q.15. Tsai Ing-wen has won the second presidential term, from which country she belongs to?

- (a) Hong Kong
- (b) Vietnam
- (c) Thailand
- (d) Taiwan
- (e) Cambodia

Ans.15. (d)

Exp. Taiwan's President Tsai Ing-wen has secured a second term after sweeping to victory in an election dominated by the island's relationship with China.

Q.16. After the death of Sultan Qaboos bin Said, who has sworn in as new Sultan of Oman?

- (a) Qasem Soleimani
- (b) Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan
- (c) Esmail Ghaani
- (d) Haitham bin Tariq Al Said
- (e) Tamim Bin Hamad

Ans.16 (d)

Exp. Oman has named Haitham bin Tariq Al Said as the country's new ruler following the death of his cousin Sultan Qaboos bin Said.

Q.17. Robert Abela has elected as a new leader and prime minister of which of the following country?

- (a) Morocco
- (b) Tunisia
- (c) Malta
- (d) Cambodia
- (e) Algeria

Ans.17. (c)

Exp. Robert Abela wins election to be prime minister of Malta to replace Joseph Muscat, who resigned over the murder of a journalist.

Q.18. Flipkart co-founder and former CEO Sachin Bansal has reportedly acquired _____ for Rs. 100 crore.

- (a) DHFL General Insurance
- (b) Shriram General Insurance
- (c) Cholamandalam MS General Insurance
- (d) Acko General Insurance
- (e) Edelweiss General Insurance

Ans.18.(a)

Exp. Flipkart co-founder and former CEO Sachin Bansal has reportedly acquired DHFL General Insurance from Wadhawan Group Capital (WGC) for around Rs 100 crore.

Q.19. Who received the Prestigious Polly Umrigar award for best Indian international cricketer for 2018-19 at the BCCI Annual Awards held in Mumbai?

- (a) Virat Kohli
- (b) Jasprit Bumrah
- (c) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
- (d) Rohit Sharma
- (e) Shikhar Dhawan

Ans.19.(b)

Exp. India pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah received the prestigious Polly Umrigar Award for the best international cricketer (2018-19) at the BCCI Annual Awards held in Mumbai.

Q.20. Name the tennis player who has won the Men's singles title in the ATP Cup.

- (a) Novak Djokovic
- (b) Rafael Nadal
- (c) Roger Federer
- (d) Denis Shapovalov
- (e) Stefanos Tsitsipas

Ans.20.(a)

Exp. Novak Djokovic helped seal victory for Serbia in the inaugural ATP Cup team event after defeating his long-term Spanish rival Rafael Nadal in singles.

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Q.21. Name the veteran National Award winner Odia Filmmaker, known as 'Father of New Wave Odia Cinema', who passed away recently.

- (a) Manmohan Mohapatra
- (b) Vikas Sabnis
- (c) Gollapudi Maruti Rao
- (d) Bhagbat Prasad Mohanty
- (e) Ganga Prasad Vimal

Ans.21.(a)

Exp. 'Father of New Wave Odia Cinema' Manmohan Mohapatra passes away. Seeta Rati' was released on television and went on to fetch Mohapatra National Award for the Best Feature Film in Odia.

Q.22. Armed Forces Veterans Day is observed on _____ every year.

(a) 11 January

(b) 12 January

(c) 13 January

(d) 14 January

(e) 15 January

Ans.22.(d)

Exp. The Armed Forces Veterans Day is observed on 14 January every year. The day is observed as a mark of respect and recognition of the services rendered by Field Marshal KM Cariappa.

Q. 23. Five-day joint exercise 'Sahyog Kaijin' between India and _____ coast guards starts from January 16 in Chennai.

- (a) China
- (b) Thailand
- (c) Russia
- (d) Myanmar
- (e) Japan

Ans.23.(e)

Exp. Japan Coast Guard's ship 'Echigo' arrived in Chennai on 13th January as part of the annual joint exercises with the Indian Coast Guard. The five-day event 'Sahyog Kaijin' will begin on January 16.

Q.24. Which British Indian yoga champion has won the Global Child Prodigy Award.

- (a) Suhit Rakshit
- (b) Ishwar Sharma
- (c) Shubham Jaglan
- (d) Manav Thakker
- (e) Nimesh Ghosh

Ans.24.(b)

Exp. A 10-year-old school boy and under-11 yoga champion, Ishwar Sharma, from the UK has been honored with the Global Child Prodigy Award 2020 for achievements in spiritual discipline yoga.

Q. 25. Who among the following has been appointed as Director General Of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)?

- (a) S S Deswal
- (b) Anup Kumar Singh
- (c) AP Maheshwari
- (d) Samant Goel
- (e) Rajesh Ranjan

Ans. 25. (c)

Exp. Senior IPS officer AP Maheshwari on 13th January appointed as Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF).

Q.26. Who among the following has been appointed as new 4th RBI Deputy Governor?

- (a) Viral Acharya
- (b) Soma Roy Burman
- (c) Sangita Reddy
- (d) Michael Patra
- (e) Girish Chandra Chaturvedi

Ans.26. (d)

Exp. The government on 14th January appointed Michael Debaprata Patra as the deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

Q.27. Who will become the first woman parade adjutant for the Republic Day parade?

- (a) Shalija Dhami
- (b) Hina Jaiswal
- (c) Anjali Singh
- (d) Shivangi
- (e) Tania Shergill

Ans.27.(e)

Exp. Captain Tania Shergill, an officer with Army's Corps of Signals, will be the first woman parade adjutant for the Republic Day parade.

Q.28. Which Indian Monument has been included in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's '8 Wonders of SCO' list?

- (a) Suranga Bawdi, Bijapur
- (b) Statue of Unity, Gujarat
- (c) Taj Mahal, Agra
- (d) Golconda Fort, Hyderabad
- (e) Qutub Minar, New Delhi

Ans.28.(b)

Exp. The 182-meter tall Statue of Unity in Gujarat has been included in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's '8 Wonders of SCO' list.

Q.29. Which zone of the Indian Railways signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with State Bank of India (SBI) for Doorstep Banking for direct pickup of earnings?

- (a) East Central zone
- (b) South Central Zone
- (c) North Western Zone
- (d) South East zone
- (e) North East Frontier Zone

Ans.29.(b)

Exp. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between South Central Zone of Indian Railways and State Bank of India for Doorstep Banking for direct pickup of earnings covering all 585 Railway stations over SCR Zone.

Q.30. India's flagship global conference on geopolitics and geo-economics Raisina Dialogue 2020 began in which of the following city?

- (a) Kolkata
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Bengaluru
- (e) New Delhi

Ans.30.(e)

Exp. India's flagship global conference on geopolitics and geo-economics Raisina Dialogue began in New Delhi on 15th January. Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the inaugural session.

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Q.31. Name the Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), who inaugurated the 'Digital Exhibition on History of Constitution of India'.

(a) Shripad Yesso Naik

(b) Prahlad Singh Patel

(c) Rao Inderjit Singh

(d) Jitendra Singh

(e) Kiren Rijiju

Ans.31.(d)

Exp. The Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated the 'Digital Exhibition on History of Constitution of India'.

Q.32. Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Steel Shri Dharmendra Pradhan launched _____, an annual one-month long, people centric fuel conservation mega campaign of PCRA.

- (a) Disha
- (b) Saksham
- (c) Nishtha
- (d) Amrut
- (e) Indradhanush

Ans.32.(b)

Exp. 'Saksham', an annual one-month long, people-centric fuel conservation mega campaign of Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) has launched on 16th January by Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Steel Shri Dharmendra Pradhan in a function held in Delhi.

Q.33. Who among the following has been elected as the new President of Guatemala?

(a) Alejandro Giammattei

(b) Manuel Marrero Cruz

(c) Prithvirajsing Roopun

(d) Pravind Jugnauth

(e) Abdelmadjid Tebboune

Ans.33.(a)

Exp. Guatemala swore in Alejandro Giammattei, a conservative physician opposed to gay marriage and abortion, as its new president on 14th January.

Q.34. Which District received Swachhata Darpan Awards 2019 for the best performing districts on key swachhata parameters?

- (a) Meruth (UP)
- (b) Guna (MP)
- (c) Kapurthala (Punjab)
- (d) Puri (Odisha)
- (e) West Champaran (Bihar)

Ans.34.(d)

Exp. Odisha's Puri District received Swachhata Darpan Awards 2019 for innovations and initiatives for Plastic Waste Management by Aamir Khan.

Q.35. Army Day is celebrated every year on_____.

(a) 12 January

(b) 13 January

(c) 14 January

(d) 15 January

(e) 16 January

Ans.35.(d)

Exp. It is celebrated every year to commemorate the day when General (later Field Marshal) K M Cariappa took over the command of Army from General Sir F R R Bucher, the last British Commander-in-Chief in 1949 and became the first Commander-in-Chief of Indian Army post Independence.

Q.36. Who became the 28th Chief of the Army Staff recently?

- (a) Karambir Singh
- (b) Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria
- (c) Manoj Mukund Naravane
- (d) A P Maheshwari
- (e) S S Deswal

Ans.36.(c)

Exp. 28th Chief of the Army Staff : Manoj Mukund Naravane

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Q.37. Name the person who inaugurated 7th Conference of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association India Region in the legislative assembly building in Lucknow on 16th January.

- (a) Narendra modi
- (b) Yogi Adityanath
- (c) Om Birla
- (d) Venkaiah Naidu
- (e) Anandiben patel

Ans.37. (c)

Exp. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla inaugurated 7th Conference of CPA India Region in Lucknow.

Q.38. Which Union Territory hosted the first ever Food Processing Summit to attract investors to the region?

(a) Jammu and Kashmir

(b) Delhi

(c) Chandigarh

(d) Puducherry

(e) Ladakh

Ans.38.(e)

Exp. Union Territory Ladakh is hosting the first ever Food Processing Summit to attract investors to the region.

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Q.39. The fifth edition of Science Film Festival of India, SCI-FFI 2020, was started on 15th January in_____.

(a) Visakhapatnam

(b) Panaji

(c) Kolkata

(d) Chennai

(e) Cochin

Ans.39.(b)

Exp. The fifth edition of Science Film Festival of India, SCI-FFI 2020, was started on 15th January in Goa's capital city Panaji.

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Q.40. Name the prime minister of Russia who resigned recently after its president suggested constitutional amendments to boost power.

- (a) Vladimir Putin
- (b) Sanna Marin
- (c) Abdelmadjid Tebboune
- (d) Dmitry Medvedev
- (e) Manuel Marrero Cruz

Ans.40.(d)

Exp. Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev, who served as a placeholder president in 2008-2012 to allow Putin to observe term limits, said in televised comments that he needed to resign in light of his mentor's proposed changes in government.

Q.41. The Government of India & the Government of Assam signed a loan agreement of \$88 million for the implementation of Assam Inland Water Transport Project with_____.

- (a)Asian Development Bank
- (b)New Development Bank
- (c)International Monetary fund
- (d)Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- (e)World bank

Ans.41.(e)

Exp. World Bank and Government of India Signed \$88 million loan agreement for the implementation of Assam Inland Water Transport Project.

Q.42. Who has won the ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year award at ICC Awards 2019?

- (a) Virat Kohli
- (b) Pat Cummins
- (c) Rohit Sharma
- (d) Ben Stokes
- (e) Deepak Chahar

Ans. 42.(c)

Exp. Indian opener Rohit Sharma won the ODI Player of the Year award.

Q.43. Who has won the ICC Test Player of the Year award at ICC Awards 2019?

- (a) Virat Kohli
- (b) Pat Cummins
- (c) Rohit Sharma
- (d) Ben Stokes
- (e) Deepak Chahar

Ans.43.(b)

Exp. ODI Player of the Year- India opener Rohit Sharma

Spirit of Cricket Award- India skipper Virat Kohli

T20I Performance of the Year - India seamer Deepak Chahar

Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for the ICC Player of the Year - England all-rounder Ben Stokes

Test Player of the Year- Australia fast bowler Pat Cummins

Emerging Cricketer of the Year - Australia's Marnus Labuschagne

Associate Cricketer of the Year - Scotland's Kyle Coetzer

Q.44 Russian Duma (Lower house) approves _____ as the new Prime Minister.

- (a) Mikhail V. Mishustin
- (b) Sanna Marin
- (c) Abdelmadjid Tebboune
- (d) Dmitry Medvedev
- (e) Manuel Marrero Cruz

Ans.44.(a)

Exp: Russian assembly or the Duma on 16th January approved Mikhail V. Mishustin as the new Prime Minister, a little-known technocrat picked by President Vladimir Putin, a day after the Cabinet resigned as part of an unexpected Kremlin shake-up.

Putin proposed major changes to the Russian Constitution that would spread political power more evenly, away from the president to the Parliament, the State Council and other government institutions.

Q.45. Which state government has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the IUCN to red List Orchids?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Andhra Pradesh
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Karnataka
- (e) Assam

Ans.45.(a)

Exp. Arunachal Pradesh government has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the IUCN on 13 January in Arunachal Pradesh.

The state has become the first state to initiate the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) red listing at the state level.

About IUCN Red List: The IUCN's Red List of Threatened Species is a critical indicator of the health of the world's biodiversity. The list has been acting as a powerful tool to inform and catalyze action for biodiversity conservation and policy change. IUCN has projected that it is complexities to protect natural resources.

Q.46. Name the Union Minister who inaugurated the exhibition on Indian Heritage in Digital Space.

- (a)Prakash Javadekar
- (b)Nirmala Sitharaman
- (c)Prahlad Singh Patel
- (d)Ramesh Pokhriyal
- (e)Amit Shah

Ans.46.(c)

Exp. Union minister Culture and Tourism (Independent Charge) Prahlad Singh Patel inaugurated the exhibition on Indian Heritage in Digital Space and First International Heritage Symposium at National Museum, New Delhi.

Q.47. Who will host the 19th council of heads of government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in 2020?

- (a) Japan
- (b) India
- (c) China
- (d) Russia
- (e) Kazakhstan

Ans.47.(b)

Exp. The 19th council of heads of government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) will be hosted by India later this year.

Q.48. The 18th meeting of the SCO's Council of heads of government was held in _____ in 2019.

- (a) Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
- (b) Saint Petersburg, Russia
- (c) Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- (d) New Delhi, India
- (e) Dushanbe, Tajikistan

Ans.48.(c)

Exp. 18th meeting of the SCO's Council of heads of government-held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in 2019.

Q.49. UN lowered India's GDP growth forecast for FY20 to_____.

- (a)5.0%
- (b)5.1%
- (c)4.9%
- (d)5.7%
- (e)5.6%

Ans.49.(d)

Exp. UN lowered its GDP growth estimate for India to 5.7 per cent in the current fiscal (from 7.6 per cent forecast in WESP 2019) and lowered its forecast for the next fiscal to 6.6 per cent (from 7.4 per cent earlier). It has also forecast a growth rate of 6.3 per cent for the fiscal beginning in 2021.

Q.50. Who among the following has been appointed as the Director of the National Book Trust (NBT)?

- (a) Lt Col Yuvraj Malik
- (b) Lt Col Ponung Doming
- (c) Lt Col Jyoti Sharma
- (d) Lt Col Rajneesh Parmar
- (e) Lt Col MS Dhoni

Ans.50.(a)

Exp. Lt Col Yuvraj Malik has been appointed the Director of the National Book Trust (NBT), the organisation announced on 14th January. Malik, who has taken over from Sahitya Akademi-awardee writer Rita Chowdhury, joined the NBT on deputation from the Indian Army on January 8.

Q.51. Who has been appointed the Chairman of the Committee to draft the National Water Policy?

- (a) Usha Thorat
- (b) Nandan Nilekani
- (c) Mihir Shah
- (d) T N Manoharan
- (e) H R Khan

Ans.51.(c)

Exp. Dr Mihir Shah, Distinguished Professor at the University has been appointed the Chairman of the Committee to draft the National Water Policy.

The committee established by the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Government of India will outline the new National Water Policy (NWP) for the country.

The committee, comprising of 11 members including Dr Shah, will draft the National Water Policy (NWP) and will submit this to the government within six months from the date of its constitution.

Q.52. Name the renowned Odissi Danseuse, Yesteryear Odia film actress and Padma Shri awardee who passed away recently.

- (a) Sanjukta Panigrahi
- (b) Minati Mishra
- (c) Madhulitha Mohapatra
- (d) Alokanda Roy
- (e) Sharon Lowen

Ans.52.(b)

Exp. Renowned Odissi Danseuse, Yesteryear Odia film actress and Padma Shri awardee Minati Mishra passed away recently.

Q.53. Which Indian scientist has been awarded Merck Young Scientist Award 2019?

(a)Sethuraman Panchanathan

(b)Sakya Singha Sen

(c)John Mondal

(d)Ravi Prakash

(e)K Thangaraj

Ans.53.(b)

Exp. A senior scientist Sakya Singha Sen from National Chemical Laboratory (CSIR-NCL) Pune, has been awarded “Merck Young Scientist Award 2019” for doing remarkable research in chemical science.

Q.54. India's high power communication satellite _____ was successfully launched on-board Ariane 5 rocket from French Guiana on 17th January.

(a)GSAT-30

(b)GSAT-31

(c)GSAT-11

(d)GSAT-7

(e)GSAT-18

Ans.54.(a)

Exp. India's high power communication satellite GSAT-30 was successfully launched on-board Ariane 5 rocket from French Guiana on 17th January.

Q.55. Name the Eminent Sindhi writer who will be conferred with 29th Saraswati Samman.

(a) Leeladhar Jagoori

(b) Nand Kishore Acharya

(c) Shashi Tharoor

(d) K Siva Reddy

(e) Vasdev Mohi

Ans.55.(e)

Exp. Eminent Sindhi writer Vasdev Mohi will be conferred with 29th Saraswati Samman. He has been selected for this prestigious literary award for his short stories collection- Chequebook

About Vasdev Mohi: Saraswati Samman carries a cash award of 15 lakh rupees, a citation and a plaque. Mr Mohi has authored 25 books of poetry, stories and translations. He has also received Sahitya Akademi Award.

Q.56. Which Union Territory/State signed MoU with NITI Aayog for Development of Infrastructure Projects?

- (a) Delhi
- (b) Jammu and Kashmir
- (c) Ladakh
- (d) Rajasthan
- (e) Madhya Pradesh

Ans.56.(c)

Exp. NITI Aayog and Union Territory of Ladakh signed MoU for Development of Infrastructure Projects in Ladakh.

Aims: NITI Aayog will be supporting the UT's administration through its key initiative 'Development Support Services to States for Infrastructure Projects (D3S-i)' . In an important initiative to promote the development of key infrastructure sectors in the newly constituted Union Territory of Ladakh.

Q.57. According to UN World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2020 report World economy likely to grow _____ in 2020.

- (a) 2.5%
- (b) 2.4%
- (c) 2.6%
- (d) 2.3%
- (e) 2.7%

Ans.57.(a)

Exp. World economy to grow 2.5 percent in 2020, but a flare up of trade tensions, financial turmoil, or an escalation of geopolitical tensions could derail a recovery, according to the United Nations World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2020 released on 18th January.

Q.58. Who has been appointed as India's Vice Chief of Army Staff?

(a) Manoj Mukund Naravane

(b) Arvind Kumar

(c) AP Maheshwari

(d) SK Saini

(e) Vivek Kumar Johri

Ans.58.(d)

Exp. Indian Army's Southern Command Chief, Lt Gen SK Saini will be the force's new vice chief, taking charge a day before Republic Day.

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Q.59. Who has been appointed as Queen's Counsel (QC) for the courts of England and Wales?

(a) Abhay Manohar Sapre

(b) Harish Salve

(c) K S P Radhakrishnan

(d) SK Saini

(e) AP Maheshwari

Ans.59.(b)

Exp. Senior Advocate Harish Salve has been appointed as Queen's Counsel (QC) for the courts of England and Wales.

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Q.60. The Supreme Court appointed former apex court judge Justice _____ as Chairman of road safety committee.

(a) Abhay Manohar Sapre

(b) K S P Radhakrishnan

(c) Harish Salve

(d) Sanjay Karol

(e) A K Sikri

Ans.60.(a)

Exp. SC appointed former apex court judge Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre as head of road safety committee.

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Q.61. Which Indian Singer has been chosen for the 2017 National Lata Mangeshkar Award of the state govt. of Madhya Pradesh(MP)?

(a)Lata Mangeshkar

(b)Vani Jairam

(c)Suman Kalyanpur

(d)Usha Khanna

(e)Geeta Mali

Ans.61.(c)

Exp. Indian singer Suman Kalyanpur was chosen for the 2017 National Lata Mangeshkar Award of the state govt. of Madhya Pradesh(MP).

Q.62. Which Indian Music composer has been chosen for the 2018 National Lata Mangeshkar Award of the state govt. of Madhya Pradesh(MP)?

- (a) A R Rahman
- (b) Kuldeep Singh
- (c) Mithoon
- (d) Mohammed Zahur Khayyam
- (e) Jeet Ganguly

Ans.62.(b)

Exp. Indian Music composer Kuldeep Singh has been chosen for the Lata Mangeshkar award for the year 2018.

Q.63. Which of the following India's star wrestler has won gold medal in Rome Ranking Series in 65kg freestyle category?

- (a) Deepak Punia
- (b) Vinesh Phogat
- (c) Bajrang Punia
- (d) Ravi Kumar Dahiya
- (e) Pooja Gehlot

Ans.63.(c)

Exp. The 25-year-old Bajrang Punia staged a remarkable comeback to secure a 4-3 win against USA's Jordan Michael Oliver in the final of the 65kg freestyle category.

Q.64. Which of the following India's star wrestler has won gold medal in Rome Ranking Series in 61kg freestyle category?

(a) Deepak Punia

(b) Vinesh Phogat

(c) Bajrang Punia

(d) Ravi Kumar Dahiya

(e) Pooja Gehlot

Ans.64.(d)

Exp. Ravi Kumar Dahiya, who competed in the 61kg category instead of his regular 57kg, won gold after getting the better of Kazakhstan's Nurbolat Abdualiyev 12-2 in his final bout.

Q.65. Which country is hosting ICC Under-19 World Cup Cricket 2020?

(a) South Africa

(b) England

(c) India

(d) Australia

(e) New Zealand

Ans.65.(a)

Exp. The ICC Under-19 World Cup Cricket began in South Africa on 17th January.

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Q.66. Who is leading Indian Team at ICC U-19 World Cup Cricket 2020?

- (a) Tilak Verma
- (b) Dhruv Chand Jurel
- (c) Sushant Mishra
- (d) Akash Singh
- (e) Priyam Garg

Ans.66.(e)

Exp. Indian team, under the captaincy of Priyam Garg, will look to defend the title when it begins its campaign against Sri Lanka at the Oval, Bloemfontein, on 19th January.

Q.67. Who has won the WTA Hobart International doubles title?

- (a) Nadiia Kichenok & Sania Mirza
- (b) Zhang Shuai & Peng Shuai
- (c) Astra Sharma & Jessica Moore
- (d) Lizette Cabrera & Samantha Stosur
- (e) Ankita Raina & Karman Kaur Thandi

Ans.67.(a)

Exp. In a stunning comeback after a 2-year-long maternity break from tennis, Sania Mirza won the WTA Hobart International doubles title along with her partner Nadiia Kichenok on 18th January.

Q.68. _____ & _____ are set to become India's first 'Model Sports Villages'..

- (a) Malan and Majuli
- (b) Khimsar and Mandawa
- (c) Janjehli and Chitkul
- (d) Bahadurpur and Kheri Viran
- (e) Matheran and Nako

Ans.68.(d)

Exp. Bahadurpur and Kheri Viran are set to become India's first 'Model Sports Villages' as part of Institute of Management Technology (IMT) Ghaziabad's plan to evolve a sports culture in the country.

Q.69. Name the financial institution which has recently released Global Economic Prospects report.

- (a) Asian Development Bank
- (b) World Trade Organization
- (c) World Bank
- (d) United Nations
- (e) New Development Bank

Ans.69.(c)

Exp. World Bank has released Global Economic Prospects report.

Q.70. Which city is hosting 9th International Children's Film Festival ?

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Kolkata
- (c) Ladakh
- (d) Lucknow
- (e) Bengaluru

Ans.70.(b)

Exp. The 9th International Children's Film Festival begins in Kolkata on 19th January with the screening of Aizaz Khan directed Hamid.

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Q.71. Magh Bihu, an auspicious harvest festival , is celebrated in which state?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Nagaland
- (c) Mizoram
- (d) Meghalaya
- (e) Sikkim

Ans.71.(a)

Exp. Magh Bihu, an auspicious harvest festival, is being celebrated in Assam.

Note: The major festivals celebrated in Assam

Bihu, Baishagu, Ali-Ai-Ligang, Baikho, Rongker, Rajini Gabra Harni Gabra, Bohaggiyo Bishu, Ambubashi Mela and Jonbill Mela

Q.72. The IMF's World Economic Outlook (WEO) Update, revised India's FY 2020 growth forecast to_____.

(a)5.0%

(b)5.7%

(c)4.9%

(d)4.8%

(e)4.8%

Ans.72.(e)

Exp. The International Monetary Fund has slashed its estimate on India's 2019 economic growth to 4.8% from the 6.1% expansion it projected in October, citing a sharper-than-expected slowdown in local demand and stress in the non-bank financial sector.

Q.73. Which rank RBI obtained among central banks in buying gold abroad 2019?

- (a) 2nd
- (b) 3rd
- (c) 4th
- (d) 5th
- (e) 6th

Ans.73.(e)

Exp. RBI ranked sixth among central banks in buying gold abroad.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) bought 7.5 tonnes of gold last October, buttressing its foreign exchange reserves to \$450 billion.

Q.74. What is the rank of India out of 82 countries on a new Social Mobility Index ?

(a) 78

(b) 59

(c) 68

(d) 76

(e) 63

Ans.74.(d)

Exp. India has been ranked very low at 76th place out of 82 countries on a new Social Mobility Index compiled by the World Economic Forum (WEF). Denmark has topped the new Social Mobility Index.

Q.75. Which state has been ranked the best for parameters on efficiency targets in the review of state and Central government water departments by the ministry of Jal Shakti?

(a) Rajasthan

(b) Gujarat

(c) New Delhi

(d) Madhya Pradesh

(e) Bihar

Ans.75.(b)

Exp. Gujarat has been ranked the best for parameters on efficiency targets in the review of state and Central government water departments by the ministry of Jal Shakti. Worst performing New Delhi.

Q.76. Whom among the following will receive the highest Australian civilian honour, the Order of Australia honour ?

(a)Sundar Pichai

(b)Mukesh Ambani

(c)Satya Nadella

(d)Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

(e)Sudha Murty

Ans.76.(d)

Exp. Australia has conferred its highest civilian honour, the Order of Australia honour, on Biocon founder Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw for her contribution towards advancing the country's relationship with India.

Q.77. Who has been elected as president of the Archery Association of India (AAI)?

(a) Vijay Kumar Malhotra

(b) BVP Rao

(c) Arjun Munda

(d) Kiren Rijiju

(e) Raj Kumar Singh

Ans.77.(c)

Exp. Union minister Arjun Munda was on 18th January elected as president of the suspended Archery Association of India (AAI) in its much-delayed elections, which were held here smoothly in the presence of three observers..

Q.78. DRDO has successfully test-fired a 3,500 kilometer range nuclear capable missile, _____ that can be launched from a submarine.

(a) K-2

(b) K-3

(c) K-4

(d) K-5

(e) K-6

Ans.78.(c)

Exp. The test of the K-4 ballistic missile was conducted off the Vizag coast in Andhra Pradesh on 19th January. With this test, India has moved one more step towards the induction of this ballistic missile on the INS Arihant class of nuclear submarines. The missile was developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

Q.79. Which Country defeated the team of the Pakistan Consulate to lift the Diplomat Cup Cricket Championship of 2020 in Sharjah, UAE?

(a) Bangladesh

(b) India

(c) China

(d) Afghanistan

(e) Sri Lanka

Ans.79.(b)

Exp. The team of the Indian Consulate in Dubai on 18th January defeated the team of the Pakistan Consulate to lift the Diplomat Cup Cricket Championship of 2020.

Q.80. Who has won her first gold medal of the 2020 season at the Rome Ranking Series event?

- (a) Vinesh Phogat
- (b) Deepak Punia
- (c) Bajrang Punia
- (d) Ravi Kumar Dahiya
- (e) Pooja Gehlot

Ans.80.(a)

Exp. Vinesh Phogat won her first gold medal of the 2020 season at the Rome Ranking Series event after teen sensation Anshu Malik settled for a silver in 57kg competition, here on 18th January.

Q.81. Who is the author of the book 'The Winning Sixer', released by Anil Kumble?

(a) Harsha Bhogle

(b) Simon Taufel

(c) WV Raman

(d) Kapil Dev

(e) Vijay Lokapally

Ans.81.(c)

Exp. Former Indian Cricketer WV Raman's book 'The Winning Sixer', released by Anil Kumble.

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Q.82. National Immunization Day is observed on _____.

- (a) 16th January
- (b) 17th January
- (c) 18th January
- (d) 19th January
- (e) 20th January

Ans.82.(d)

Exp. National Immunization Day was observed on 19 January 2020. The day was aimed to maintain the NO POLIO status of the country.

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Q.83. Union Minister Ram Vilas Paswan on 20th January announced that the 'One Nation, One Ration Card' scheme will be implemented by _____ across the country.

- (a) June 1
- (b) March 31
- (c) April 1
- (d) March 1
- (e) February 1

Ans.83.(a)

Exp. Union Minister Ram Vilas Paswan on 20th January announced that the 'One Nation, One Ration Card' scheme will be implemented by June 1 across the country.

Earlier on January 1, Paswan had said that this facility has been started in 12 states in the country on the first day of the New Year.

Q.84. Which State government on 21st January introduced the bill in their Assembly to have three capitals in the state?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Punjab
- (c) Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Haryana
- (e) Gujarat

Ans.84.(c)

Exp. The Jaganmohan Reddy government on 21st January introduced the bill in Andhra Pradesh Assembly to have three capitals : Visakhapatnam, Amaravati, Kurnool in the state. The cabinet, earlier in the morning, had approved the three-capital proposal during its meeting at the state secretariat, chaired by CM Reddy.

Q.85. Where did the 50th Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum started?

- (a) Madrid
- (b) Tokyo
- (c) Dubai
- (d) Davos
- (e) New Delhi

Ans.85.(d)

Exp. The 50th Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum opens in Davos, Switzerland on 21st January.

Q.86. Who has been awarded the Crystal Award at 50th Annual Meeting of the WEF, Davos?

- (a) Priyanka Chopra
- (b) Elton John
- (c) Shah Rukh Khan
- (d) David Attenborough
- (e) Deepika Padukone

Ans.86.(e)

Exp. Bollywood actress Deepika Padukone has been awarded Crystal Award at Davos.

Q.87. Corona virus outbreak began in which of the following countries recently?

(a) Russia

(b) Brazil

(c) Saudi Arabia

(d) China

(e) Pakistan

Ans.87.(d)

Exp. The outbreak began in Wuhan, a city of 11 million people. Many of the patients have reportedly been linked to Hua Nan Seafood Wholesale Market, a large seafood and animal market in the city, according to CBS News' Remy Inocencio.

Q.88. Which of the following countries was hit by Cyclone Tino?

- (a) Japan
- (b) Fiji
- (c) Philippines
- (d) China
- (e) Australia

Ans.88.(b)

Exp. Tropical Cyclone Tino strengthened to a Category Three storm on 19th January as it closed in on Tonga after battering Fiji where two people were missing and more than 3,000 fled to emergency shelters.

Q.89. Which company has acquired the Indian operations of Uber Eats, the food delivery business run by Uber for around \$350 million?

(a) Swiggy

(b) FoodPanda

(c) Zomato

(d) Faasos

(e) FreshMenu

Ans.89.(c)

Exp. Online food delivery and restaurant discovery platform Zomato has acquired the Indian operations of Uber Eats, the food delivery business run by Uber, for around \$350 million (Rs 2,485 crore).

Q.90. What was the rank of India among the top 10 nations receiving Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in 2019 according to UNCTAD report?

- (a) 10th
- (b) 8th
- (c) 6th
- (d) 12th
- (e) 21st

Ans.90.(b)

Exp. India ranked 8th among the top 10 nations receiving FDI in 2019, US tops: UNCTAD report.

India was among the top 10 recipients of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in 2019, attracting \$49 billion in inflows, a 16% increase from the previous year, driving the FDI growth in South Asia. The majority went into services industries, including information technology. United States-the largest recipient of FDI- remained stable at \$251 billion.China, the second largest recipient, saw zero-growth in FDI inflows. Its FDI inflows in 2018 were \$139 billion and \$140 billion in 2019.

Q.91. Who has been appointed as managing director of SBI?

- (a) Lingam Venkat Prabhakar
- (b) Sanjiv Chadha
- (c) Atanu Kumar Das
- (d) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- (e) Rajendra Chinna Veerappan

Ans.91.(d)

Exp. The government on 20th January appointed Challa Sreenivasulu Setty as the managing director of the State Bank of India for a period of three years.

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Q.92. Who has been appointed as managing director & CEO of Bank of India?

- (a) Lingam Venkat Prabhakar
- (b) Sanjiv Chadha
- (c) Atanu Kumar Das
- (d) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- (e) Rajendra Chinna Veerappan

Ans.92.(c)

Exp. Bank of India: Atanu Kumar Das as MD & CEO of Bank of India.

Q.93. Who has been appointed as managing director & CEO of Bank of Baroda?

- (a) Lingam Venkat Prabhakar
- (b) Sanjiv Chadha
- (c) Atanu Kumar Das
- (d) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- (e) Rajendra Chinna Veerappan

Ans.93.(b)

Exp. Bank of Baroda - Sanjiv Chadha has been appointed as Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Bank of Baroda (BoB) by Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)

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Q.94. Who has been appointed as managing director & CEO of Canara Bank?

- (a) Lingam Venkat Prabhakar
- (b) Sanjiv Chadha
- (c) Atanu Kumar Das
- (d) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- (e) Rajendra Chinna Veerappan

Ans.94.(a)

Exp. Canara Bank: Lingam Venkat Prabhakar as MD & CEO of Canara Bank.

Q.95. Supreme Court has set up a panel for draft mediation law headed by mediator_____.

(a)Niranjan Bhat

(b)Bimal Jalan

(c)Usha Thorat

(d)VG Kannan

(e)DK Mohanty

Ans.95.(a)

Exp. Supreme Court has set up a panel for draft mediation law headed by mediator Niranjan Bhat.

RBI's Task Force on Offshore Rupee Markets-Usha Thorat

ATM Interchange Free Structure-VG Kannan

Currency Movement-DK Mohanty

Economic Capital Frame Work-Bimal Jalan

Q.96. Indian Navy has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with _____ for 'Sharing of seabed sediments data, products and expertise for Naval Application in Meteorology and Oceanography'.

- (a) National Institute of Oceanography
- (b) Ministry of Earth Sciences
- (c) Geological Survey of India
- (d) India Meteorological Department
- (e) Department of Science and Technology

Ans.96.(c)

Exp. Indian Navy has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Geological Survey of India (GSI) for 'Sharing of seabed sediments data, products and expertise for Naval Application in Meteorology and Oceanography'.

Q.97. Who launched the Book “Human Dignity– A purpose in perpetuity”, written by Former Union minister Ashwini Kumar ?

- (a) Venkaiah Naidu
- (b) Manmohan Singh
- (c) Narendra Modi
- (d) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- (e) Amit Shah

Ans.97.(b)

Exp. Book “Human Dignity– A purpose in perpetuity”, launched by Manmohan Singh.

Q.98. Mohan Sood passed away, He was

- _____.
- (a)Writer
 - (b)Politician
 - (c)Singer
 - (d)Cricketer
 - (e)Artist

Ans.98.(d)

Exp. Former Test batsman and National selector Man Mohan Sood passed away.

Q.99. At what position India ranked in the 2019 Democracy Index's global ranking, according to The Economist Intelligence Unit?

(a) 41th

(b) 43rd

(c) 51st

(d) 62nd

(e) 58th

Ans.99.(c)

Exp. India slipped 10 places to 51st position in the 2019 Democracy Index's global ranking, according to The Economist Intelligence Unit. Top-Norway, Bottom- North Korea

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Q.100. Which state Government has launched Mukhyamantri Krishak Durghatna Kalyan Yojana which will provide financial assistance to family of farmers who die or become handicapped while working in fields?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Bihar
- (d) Uttar Pradesh
- (e) Madhya Pradesh

Ans.100.(d)

Exp. Uttar Pradesh Government has launched Mukhyamantri Krishak Durghatna Kalyan Yojana which will provide financial assistance to family of farmers who die or become handicapped while working in fields.

Q.101. Which country has been declared 'reciprocating territory' by India?

- (a) Russia
- (b) UAE
- (c) Saudi Arabia
- (d) China
- (e) Pakistan

Ans.101.(b)

Exp. Ministry of Law and Justice issued an Extraordinary Gazette Notification, declaring the United Arab Emirates to be a "reciprocating territory" under Section 44A of the Civil Procedure Code, 1908. The notification also declared a list of courts in the UAE to be "superior Courts" under the same section.

Q.102. Which bank recently has launched cardless cash withdrawal facility from its ATMs?

- (a) Axis Bank
- (b) ICICI Bank
- (c) IDFC bank
- (d) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- (e) HDFC Bank

Ans.102.(b)

Exp. ICICI Bank on 21st January launched cardless cash withdrawal facility from its ATMs . ICICI Bank on 21st January launched cardless cash withdrawal facility from its ATMs with a per day transaction limit of Rs 20,000..

Q.103. Ratings agency India Ratings and Research has forecasted India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth for 2020-21 at_____.

(a)4.9%

(b)6.1%

(c)5.5%

(d)6.5%

(e)5.0%

Ans.103.(c)

Exp. Ratings agency India Ratings and Research has pegged India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth for 2020-21 at 5.5%, above the 5% growth that India's statistics office expects for 2019-20.

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Q.104. With which company Hyderabad Metro Rail Limited launched a car and bike pooling service in an effort to strengthen its last mile connectivity project?

- (a) Uber
- (b) Ola
- (c) RedBus
- (d) Rapido
- (e) Goibibo

Ans.104.(c)

Exp. In an effort to strengthen its last mile connectivity project, Hyderabad Metro Rail Limited launched a car and bike pooling service in collaboration with redBus.

Q.105. Before orbiting astronauts on India's first manned mission to space in December 2021, the Indian Space Research Organisation will send a 'lady robot' in the unmanned Gaganyaan spacecraft. What is the name of that human Robot?

- (a) Spacemitra
- (b) Vyommitra
- (c) Spacefriend
- (d) Gaganmitra
- (e) Sophia

Ans.105.(b)

Exp. Before orbiting astronauts on India's first manned mission to space in December 2021, the Indian Space Research Organisation will send 'Vyommitra', a 'lady robot' in the unmanned Gaganyaan spacecraft. SRO will undertake two unmanned missions December 2020 and June 2021.

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Q.106. Who has been conferred with the "Champion of Change Award-2019"?

(a)Niranjan Bhat

(b)Om Birla

(c)Hemant Soren

(d)VG Kannan

(e)DK Mohanty

Ans.106.(c)

Exp. Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren on 21st January was conferred with the "Champion of Change Award-2019" for his work in the Barhait and Dumka assembly constituencies in the state.

Q.107. Apurvi Chandela and Divyansh Singh Panwar has bagged gold medals in the women and men's category respectively at the Meyton Cup in Innsbruck, Austria. They are associated with which sports?

- (a) Gymnastics
- (b) Wrestling
- (c) Shooting
- (d) Badminton
- (e) Table tennis

Ans.107.(c)

Exp. Olympic quota winners Apurvi Chandela and Divyansh Singh Panwar started the year with a bang by bagging gold medals in the women and men's 10m air rifle events respectively at the Meyton Cup in Innsbruck, Austria.

Q.108. IndianOil has signed an MoU with which Country's National Petroleum Authority (NPA)?

- (a) Ghana
- (b) UAE
- (c) Mali
- (d) Saudi Arabia
- (e) Iraq

Ans.108.(a)

Exp. IndianOil has signed an MoU with Ghana's National Petroleum Authority (NPA) to offer assistance and technical expertise to the country in implementing its National LPG Promotion Policy.

Q.109. Who has become the 1st woman president of Greece?

- (a) Kyriakos Mitsotakis
- (b) Sanna Marin
- (c) Katerina Sakellaropoulou
- (d) Christine Lagarde
- (e) Kristalina Georgieva

Ans.109.(c)

Exp. Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis nominated Katerina Sakellaropoulou as the country's new president.

Q.110. What is the rank of India as per the Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI-2019)?

- (a) 74th
- (b) 76th
- (c) 78th
- (d) 80th
- (e) 82nd

Ans.110.(d)

Exp. India's ranking in the Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI-2019) has slipped from 78 to 80 compared to the previous year, said Transparency International on 23rd January, while questioning the "unfair and opaque political financing" in the country. Its score of 41 out of 100 remains the same. New Zealand and Denmark was at the top of the global corruption perception index 2019.

Q.111. What is the rank of India as per the 2020 Global Talent Competitiveness Index?

(a)63rd

(b)84th

(c)68th

(d)72nd

(e)80th

Ans.111.(d)

Exp. India has moved up eight places to the 72nd position in the 2020 Global Talent Competitiveness Index that ranks nations on the ability to grow, attract and retain talent. Switzerland topped the list of 132 nations

Q.112. Which state is ranked top in SKOCH State of Governance 2019?

- (a) West Bengal
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Karnataka
- (d) Maharashtra
- (e) Kerala

Ans.112.(b)

Exp. Gujarat topped SKOCH State of Governance 2019. Gujarat, which was ranked 5th in 2018 replaces 2018 leader West Bengal.

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Q.113. As per the Airpocalypse-IV, an annual report released by Greenpeace India, Which is the most polluted city in the country in 2018?

- (a) Dhanbad
- (b) Lunglei
- (c) Jharia
- (d) Noida
- (e) Ghaziabad

Ans.113.(c)

Exp. Jharia, known worldwide for its underground coal fires, continued to be the most polluted city in the country in 2018, while neighbouring, Dhanbad, came in second according to Airpocalypse-IV, an annual report released by Greenpeace India on 22nd January.

Q.114. As per the Airpocalypse-IV, an annual report released by Greenpeace India, Which is the least polluted city in the country in 2018?

- (a) Dhanbad
- (b) Lunglei
- (c) Jharia
- (d) Noida
- (e) Ghaziabad

Ans.114.(b)

Exp. Lunglei in Mizoram was the least polluted city in India, followed by Meghalaya's Dowki, according to the report. Six of the top-10 polluted cities are in Uttar Pradesh: Noida, Ghaziabad, Bareilly, Allahabad, Moradabad and Firozabad.

Q.115. The Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) has extended USD 35.80 million (about Rs 250 crore) line of credit to _____government to fund the country's rural electrification programme.

- (a) Ghana
- (b) Burundi
- (c) Suriname
- (d) Venezuela
- (e) Aruba

Ans.115.(c)

Exp. The Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) on 22nd January it has extended USD 35.80 million (about Rs 250 crore) line of credit to Suriname government to fund the country's rural electrification programme.

Q.116. Which company has partnered with Apollo Hospitals to launch Health EMI Cards?

(a) Mahindra Finance

(b) HDFC Ergo

(c) Bajaj Finserv

(d) LIC India

(e) IDFC First Bank

Ans.116.(c)

Exp. Bajaj Finserv has launched digitized health EMI cards covering an entire family with a credit limit ranging between Rs 40,000 and Rs 4 lakh. The 0% EMI cards, which will be accepted across all centres of Apollo Hospitals in the country, has a personal accident insurance cover of Rs 1 lakh.

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Q.117. Who has won the Global Citizen Prize: Cisco Youth Leadership Award for 2019 ?

(a) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

(b) Priya Prakash

(c) Sunanda Patnaik

(d) Aayushi Dholakia

(e) Anjum Chopra

Ans.117.(b)

Exp. Priya Prakash, the founder and CEO of India based HealthSetGo, has won the Global Citizen Prize: Cisco Youth Leadership Award for 2019 for her school health programme that aims at providing 360 degree healthcare support to children.

Q.118. Which country will train Indian flight surgeons for Gaganyaan mission?

- (a) USA
- (b) Russia
- (c) France
- (d) China
- (e) Italy

Ans.118.(c)

Exp. France will train Indian flight surgeons to enable them to monitor the health of astronauts selected for the ambitious human space mission Gaganyaan.

Q.119. The World Archery conditionally lifted the suspension from which country recently?

- (a) Russia
- (b) China
- (c) India
- (d) Pakistan
- (e) Austria

Ans.119.(c)

Exp. The World Archery on 23rd January conditionally lifted the suspension on India, less than a week after the embattled national federation held its elections.

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Q.120. The 3rd Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2020 held at_____.

- (a) Bengaluru
- (b) Bhubaneswar
- (c) Kolkata
- (d) Guwahati
- (e) Pune

Ans.120.(d)

Exp. The 3rd Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2020 was held at Karmabir Nabin Chandra Bordoloi Indoor Stadium in Guwahati, Assam. Top :- Maharashtra

Q.121. Who inaugurated India's first global Mega Science Exhibition "Vigyan Samagam" in Delhi?

- (a) Prakash Javadekar
- (b) Jitendra Singh
- (c) Prahlad Singh Patel
- (d) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- (e) Narendra Singh Tomar

Ans.121.(b)

Exp. The Union Minister of State (I/C) Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh said that three-tier teams should be set up for scientific research involving older and younger generations, so that continuity can be maintained in research work.

Q.122. In which city India's first war memorial for service animals including dogs, horses and mules will be built?

- (a) Meerut
- (b) Kanpur
- (c) Ahmedabad
- (d) New Delhi
- (e) Dehradun

Ans.122.(a)

Exp. Meerut city in Uttar Pradesh will be host to India's first war memorial for service animals including dogs, horses and mules. This place will dedicate itself to the contributions and heroics of animals who have helped the army in counter-insurgency operations in Kashmir and in the battlefield during the Kargil War.

Q.123. In which country of Africa, India established the first convention centre to honour the memory of Mahatma Gandhi.

- (a) Ghana
- (b) Burundi
- (c) Niger
- (d) Burkina faso
- (e) Mali

Ans.123.(c)

Exp. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and President of Niger Mahamadou Issoufou on 22nd January jointly inaugurated the first convention centre established in Africa by India to honour the memory of Mahatma Gandhi.

Q.124. Which Prepaid payment Instrument's certificate of authorization (CoA) has been cancelled by RBI?

- (a) PayU
- (b) Oxygen
- (c) Mobikwik
- (d) Idea Money
- (e) Vodafone m-pesa

Ans.124.(e)

Exp. The Reserve Bank of India on Tuesday cancelled the Certificate of Authorisation (CoA) of Vodafone m-pesa after its voluntary surrender of authorisation.

Q.125. Which Co-operative bank has decided to convert into small finance bank?

- (a) Saraswat Co-operative Bank
- (b) Punjab & Maharashtra Co-operative Bank
- (c) Mahanagar Co-operative Bank
- (d) Janalaxmi Co-operative Bank
- (e) New India Co-operative Bank

Ans.125.(e)

Exp. The New India Co-operative Bank (NICB) on 22nd January said its shareholders have decided to convert it into a small finance bank.

Reason: The move comes after a slew of regulatory changes by the RBI following the Rs 4,500-crore PMC Bank fraud and to ensure better regulation of such lenders which are heavily influenced by regional political heavyweights.

Q.126. RBI has hiked the short-term investments by foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) from 20 % to _____ % of the total FPI investment in Central government securities (including Treasury Bills) or state development loans.

- (a) 25
- (b) 30
- (c) 35
- (d) 40
- (e) 45

Ans.126.(b)

Exp. In a move that could lead to higher foreign inflows, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has hiked the short-term investments by foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) from 20 per cent to 30 per cent of the total FPI investment in Central government securities (including Treasury Bills) or state development loans.

Q.127. Government of India and the World Bank signed USD 210 million loan agreement for which State's Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project?

- (a)Gujarat
- (b)Karnataka
- (c)Maharashtra
- (d)Kerala
- (e)Bihar

Ans.127.(c)

Exp. The Government of India, the Government of Maharashtra and the World Bank on 24th January signed a loan agreement of USD 210 million.

List of loan by World Bank

\$147 Million-Jharkhand

\$31.58 mn- Uttarakhand

\$ 400M- India Elimination of Tuberculosis(TB)

\$328M-Andra Pradesh

\$250 million-Develop Rajasthan's Roads and Highways

\$250-m-Kerala

\$287 Mn- Tamil Nadu

Q.128. National Girl Child Day is celebrated every year on_____.

- (a)23rd January
- (b)24th January
- (c)25th January
- (d)26th January
- (e)27th January

Ans.128.(b)

Exp. National Girl Child day is celebrated every year on January 24 across the country. Its objective is to provide maximum support and facilities to the girls of the country in every respect.

Q.129. On which day, International Day of Education is observed?

- (a) 23rd January
- (b) 24th January
- (c) 25th January
- (d) 26th January
- (e) 27th January

Ans.129.(b)

Exp. The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 24 January as International Day of Education, in celebration of the role of education for peace and development. Theme 2020: "Learning for people, planet, prosperity and peace".

Q.130. The Indian wrestling team has clinched 7 medals (4 gold, 2 silver, and a bronze) in the 1st UWW (United World Wrestling) Matteo Pellicone Ranking Series 2020. Where was this tournament held?

- (a) Abu Dhabi
- (b) Paris
- (c) Rome
- (d) Beijing
- (e) Tokyo

Ans.130.(c)

Exp. The Indian wrestling team has clinched 7 medals (4 gold, 2 silver, and a bronze) in the 1st UWW (United World Wrestling) Matteo Pellicone Rome Ranking Series 2020 held from January 15 – 18, 2020 in the Italian Capital, Rome.

Q.131. Jair Messias Bolsonaro was the chief guest of this year's Republic day parade. He is the president of which country?

- (a) Brazil
- (b) Denmark
- (c) Cuba
- (d) Sweden
- (e) Finland

Ans.131.(a)

Exp. The 71st Republic day ceremony that lasted one and a half hours, was witnessed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the chief guest of this year's parade, Brazilian president Jair Messias Bolsonaro as President of India, Ram Nath Kovind took the salute.

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Q.132. Which Indian force was seen for the first time taking part in this Republic Day Parade at the Rajpath?

- (a) MARCOS
- (b) NDRF
- (c) NSG
- (d) SPG
- (e) ITBP

Ans.132.(b)

Exp. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) saw its tableau, depicting its humanitarian efforts during catastrophes such as cyclones and floods, rolling down the Rajpath for the first time this Republic Day Parade. The force was raised in 2006 for specific tasks of relief and rescue during natural and man-made disasters or similar life-threatening situations.

Q.133. Which gun system, commanded by Capt. Mrigank Bharadwaj, was part of the Republic Day celebrations at Rajpath for the first time?

(a) Chinook

(b) Shakti

(c) Trishul

(d) Dhanush

(e) Nag

Ans.133.(d)

Exp. The 'Dhanush' gun system, commanded by Capt. Mrigank Bharadwaj, was part of the Republic Day celebrations at Rajpath for the first time.

Q.134. With which major money transfer brand, Bharti Airtel recently joined hands to launch real-time payments into bank accounts in India and mobile wallets across Africa?

- (a) Remitly
- (b) PayPal
- (c) Western Union
- (d) MoneyGram
- (e) Ria Money transfer

Ans.134.(c)

Exp. Bharti Airtel giant recently associated with the major money transfer brand Western Union to launch real-time payments into bank accounts in India and mobile wallets across Africa.

Q.135. Who took over as the new Chairman of the Forum of the Election Management Bodies of South Asia (FEMBoSA) for the year 2020?

- (a) Nripendra Mishra
- (b) Sunil Arora
- (c) Vasdev Mohi
- (d) Manoj Kohli
- (e) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty

Ans.135.(b)

Exp. Chief Election Commissioner Sunil Arora on 24th January took over as the new Chairman of the Forum of the Election Management Bodies of South Asia (FEMBoSA) for the year 2020 at the annual meeting of the poll management bodies of Saarc countries. According to a release from the poll panel, Arora took over from outgoing Chair K.M. Nurul Huda of Bangladesh during the 10th meeting of FEMBoSA.

Q.136. Ban on which player was lifted recently by the Rowing Federation of India (RFI), after the intervention of Indian Olympic Association (IOA) president Narinder Batra?

- (a) Baljinder Singh
- (b) Shilpi Pandey
- (c) Dattu Bhokanal
- (d) Ketki Singh
- (e) Samarth Sadashiv

Ans.136.(c)

Exp. Dattu Bhokanal's two-year suspension on charges of tanking a race during the 2018 Asian Games was on 23rd January lifted by the Rowing Federation of India (RFI), after the intervention of Indian Olympic Association (IOA) president Narinder Batra.

Q.137. National Voters' Day is celebrated on _____ every year since 2011.

- (a) 24th January
- (b) 25th January
- (c) 26th January
- (d) 27th January
- (e) 28th January

Ans.137.(b)

Exp. The Day is celebrated on 25th January every year since 2011. It is celebrated at over ten lakh locations across the country including polling stations, district and state headquarters, to mark the Foundation day of Election Commission of India, which was established on 25th January 1950. National Voters' Day Theme 2020 : "Electoral Literacy for Stronger Democracy".

Q.138. The conferment of how many Padma Awards has been approved by the President this year in 2020?

(a)118

(b)141

(c)132

(d)127

(e)114

Ans.138.(b)

Exp. This year 2020 the President has approved conferment of 141 Padma Awards including 4 duo cases (in a duo case, the award is counted as one). The list comprises 7 Padma Vibhushans, 16 Padma Bhushans and 118 Padma Shris.

Q.139. Which of the following person has not been given Padma Vibhushan 2020 Posthumously?

- (a) George Fernandes
- (b) Arun Jaitley
- (c) Sushma Swaraj
- (d) Chhannulal Mishra
- (e) Sri Vishveshateertha Swamiji

Ans.139.(d)

Exp.

Name: Chhannulal Mishra

Field: Art

State: Uttar Pradesh

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Q.140. Anerood Jugnauth has been awarded Padma Vibhushan 2020. He is the former President & Prime Minister of_____.

- (a)Guatemala
- (b)Brazil
- (c)Mauritius
- (d)Canada
- (e)Cuba

Ans.140.(c)

Exp.

Name : Sir Anerood Jugnauth (Former President & Prime Minister of Mauritius)

Field : Public Affairs

Q.141. Which state government on 26th Janaury launched 'Shiv Bhojan' scheme, which is aimed at providing a meal to the poor for just 10 rupees, on the occasion of the 71st Republic Day?

- (a)Gujarat
- (b)Rajasthan
- (c)Kerala
- (d)Andhra Pradesh
- (e)Maharashtra

Ans.141.(e)

Exp. The Shiv Sena-led Maharashtra government on 26th Janaury launched 'Shiv Bhojan' scheme, which is aimed at providing a meal to the poor for just 10 rupees, on the occasion of the 71st Republic Day.

Q.142. Ganga Yatra under Namami Gange mission begins from which city ?

- (a) Gorakhpur
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Varanasi
- (d) Bijnor
- (e) Allahabad

Ans.142.(d)

Exp. UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Uttarakhand CM Trivendra Singh Rawat and Union Minister Sanjeev Baliyan will launch the yatra from Bijnor, a place where Ganga enters Uttar Pradesh. Eight Union ministers and many UP ministers, incharge of the districts the yatra will pass through, will also participate.

Aim: Yatra is to promote bio-diversity and to make the villages situated on the banks of the holy river more developed and prosperous.

Q.143. Which institute was on the first place among the Indian institutes in top 100 of FT MBA ranking 2020?

- (a) Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Bangalore
- (b) Indian School of Business (ISB), Hyderabad
- (c) IIM, Calcutta
- (d) IIM, Ahmedabad
- (e) IIM, Lucknow

Ans.143.(a)

Exp. Four Indian institutes have made it to the top 100 list of the Financial Times (FT) Global MBA Ranking 2020. The pack is lead by the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Bangalore at 27 rank followed by Indian School of Business (ISB) at 28. IIM Calcutta has bagged 42 rank while the IIM Ahmadabad is at 61.

Top 3 :

1. Harvard Business School, US
2. University of Pennsylvania: Wharton, US
3. Stanford Graduate School of Business, US

Q.144. Who has been appointed as the secretary of National Commission for Minorities?

(a) Nripendra Mishra

(b) Sunil Arora

(c) B Anand

(d) Vasdev Mohi

(e) Manoj Kohli

Ans.144.(c)

Exp. B. Anand was appointed as the secretary of National Commission for Minorities. He is also holding additional charge of financial advisor, department of biotechnology and ministry of earth sciences.

Q.145. Who took over as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Indian Banks Association (IBA) ?

- (a) V G Kannan
- (b) Rajnish Kumar
- (c) Sunil Mehta
- (d) B Anand
- (e) Sanjay Kumar Singh

Ans.145.(c)

Exp. Sunil Mehta took over as Chief Executive Officer of the Indian Banks Association, IBA on 27th January. He succeeds V G Kannan, who stepped down on December 31, 2019. Sunil Mehta was heading Punjab National Bank, PNB as an MD & CEO.

The term of the CEO of IBA is for the three years while the chairman term is for only one year. Currently, the managing committee of IBA has SBI chief Rajnish Kumar as Chairman year 2019-20 along with three deputy chairmen and honorary secretary.

Q.146. Which of the following has won the Election Commission of India's award for its voter awareness and education campaign in 2019:

(a) The Hindu Telugu

(b) The Hindu Tamil

(c) The Hindu English

(d) The Hindu Kannada

(e) The Hindu Bengali

Ans.146.(b)

Exp. The Hindu Tamil has won the Election Commission of India's award for its voter awareness and education campaign in 2019 as part of the poll panel's national awards given on the occasion of the 10th National Voters Day.

Q.147. Name the Vice-Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, who has been conferred 'Harit Ratna Award 2019' by the All India Agricultural Students Association for dissemination of ₹30-crore entrepreneurship project in agri-business and for motivating students to the agriculture sector in the State?

- (a) V G Kannan
- (b) N Kumar
- (c) Sunil Mehta
- (d) B Anand
- (e) Sanjay Kumar Singh

Ans.147.(b)

Exp. N Kumar, Vice-Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, has been conferred 'Harit Ratna Award 2019' by the All India Agricultural Students Association for dissemination of ₹30-crore entrepreneurship project in agri-business and for motivating students to the agriculture sector in the State.

The award was conferred at the 5th National Youth Convention at Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya in Raipur.

Q.148. International Customs Day (ICD) is observed on_____every year.

(a)25 January

(b)26 January

(c)27 January

(d)28 January

(e)29 January

Ans.148.(b)

Exp. International Customs Day (ICD) is observed on 26 January every year. The day recognizes the role of custom officials and agencies in maintaining border security. The day marks the anniversary of the formation of the Customs Co-operation Council (CCC).

The day was instituted by the World Customs Organization (WCO) in 1953 during the session of the Customs Cooperation Council (CCC) which was held in Brussels, Belgium.

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Q.149. Name the National Basketball Association (NBA) legend who died on 26th January in a helicopter crash in suburban Los Angeles?

- (a) George Atkinson
- (b) Andre Emmett
- (c) Ryan Costello
- (d) Kobe Bryant
- (e) Bart Starr

Ans.149.(d)

Exp. National Basketball Association (NBA) legend Kobe Bryant died on 26th January in a helicopter crash in suburban Los Angeles.

Q.150. Who won the maximum awards at 62nd edition of the Annual Grammy Awards?

- (a) Lizzo
- (b) Lady Gaga
- (c) Billie Eilish
- (d) Tanya Tucker
- (e) Beyonce

Ans.150.(c)

Exp. Album of the Year “When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?” by Billie Eilish

Record of the Year “Bad Guy” by Billie Eilish

Song of the Year “Bad Guy” Billie Eilish & Finneas O’Connell, songwriters (Billie Eilish)

Q.151. Which album won the award for 'Best Rock Album' at the Grammy 2020 Awards?

- (a) Trauma
- (b) In The end
- (c) Bad Guy
- (d) Higher
- (e) Social Cues

Ans.151.(e)

Exp. Best Rock Album "Social Cues" by rock band Cage The Elephant

Q.152. Railways minister Piyush Goyal targeted the entire network of the Indian Railways to run on electricity by which year?

(a)2022

(b)2024

(c)2025

(d)2027

(e)2030

Ans.152.(b)

Exp. Commerce and industry, and railways minister Piyush Goyal on 27th January said the entire network of the Indian Railways will run on electricity by 2024 and become a net-zero emission network by 2030.

Q.153. Which country joined hands to NTPC as PMC for about 300 MW solar power projects?

(a) Benin

(b) Mali

(c) Niger

(d) Senegal

(e) Togo

Ans.153.(e)

Exp. The Letter of Engagement of NTPC as PMC for development about 300 MW Solar Power Projects by Togo was handed over here on 28th January by Mr. Kondi Mani, Charge d' Affaire, Embassy of Togo, New Delhi.

Q.154. In which city Indian Railways has commissioned country's first governmental Waste to Energy Plant, having capacity of 500 Kg waste per day?

- (a) Visakhapatnam
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Varanasi
- (d) Bhubaneswar
- (e) Kolkata

Ans.154.(d)

Exp. Indian Railways has commissioned country's first governmental Waste to Energy Plant, having capacity of 500 Kg waste per day, in Mancheswar Carriage Repair Workshop at Bhubaneswar in East Coast Railway. This Waste to Energy Plant, a patented technology called POLYCRACK, is first-of-its-kind in Indian Railways and fourth in India.

Q.155. Who has been appointed as the First head (Ambassador) of future EU diplomatic mission to the UK after Brexit?

- (a)Jair Messias Bolsonaro
- (b)Joao Vale de Almeida
- (c)Paulo Guedes
- (d)Sergio Moro
- (e)Joice Hasselmann

Ans.155.(b)

Exp. Portuguese diplomat Joao Vale de Almeida was appointed as the head of future EU diplomatic mission to the UK after Brexit.

Q.156. Who has been nominated Life President of Asian Tennis Federation?

(a) Nripendra Mishra

(b) Sunil Arora

(c) Anil Khanna

(d) Vasdev Mohi

(e) Manoj Kohli

Ans.156.(c)

Exp. Senior sports administrator Anil Khanna, who recently decided not to contest the President's post of the Asian Tennis Federation, was on 27th January nominated Life President of the continental body.

Q.157. Who gave away awards and prizes related to the Republic Day 2020 at Rashtriya Rangshala Camp, Delhi Cantt. On 28th January?

- (a) Narendra modi
- (b) Yogi Adityanath
- (c) Rajnath Singh
- (d) Venkaiah Naidu
- (e) Ram Nath kovind

Ans.157.(c)

Exp. Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh gave away awards and prizes related to the Republic Day 2020 at Rashtriya Rangshala Camp, Delhi Cantt. On 28th January.

Q.158. Jameela Malik passed away recently. She was _____.

- (a) Producer
- (b) Actor
- (c) Singer
- (d) Cricketer
- (e) Hockey Player

Ans.158.(b)

Exp. Actor Jameela Malik, known for her critically acclaimed roles in a handful of movies in Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu, besides television serials, passed away.

Q.159. Vinay Sinha passed away recently. He was _____.

- (a) Producer
- (b) Actor
- (c) Singer
- (d) Cricketer
- (e) Hockey Player

Ans.159.(a)

Exp. Filmmaker Vinay Sinha, best known for producing cult comedy "Andaz Apna Apna", has passed away. He was 74.

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Q.160. Sunita Chandra passed away recently. She was _____.

- (a) Producer
- (b) Actor
- (c) Singer
- (d) Cricketer
- (e) Hockey Player

Ans.160.(e)

Exp. Sunita Chandra, former India women's hockey team captain, passed away in her sleep on Monday. She was Arjuna Award winner.

Q.161. In which city Veermata Jijabai Bhosale Udyan and Zoo is located where country's first and biggest 'walk-through' aviary was inaugurated ?

- (a) Ahmedabad
- (b) Kolkata
- (c) Mumbai
- (d) Bengaluru
- (e) Hyderabad

Ans.162.(c)

Exp. Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray inaugurated the country's first and biggest 'walk-through' aviary at the Veermata Jijabai Bhosale Udyan and Zoo, as part of the Republic Day festivities, here on 26th January.

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Q.163. World's largest meditation centre has been inaugurated on the occasion of 75th anniversary of the formation of Shri Ram Chandra Mission (SRCMIN) in Nandigama mandal, Rangareddy district of

-
- (a) Mysore
 - (b) Chennai
 - (c) Mumbai
 - (d) Bengaluru
 - (e) Hyderabad

Ans.163.(e)

Exp. 75th anniversary of the formation of Shri Ram Chandra Mission (SRCMIN) and Heartfulness Institute, a magnificent meditation centre slated to be the world's largest has been inaugurated in Nandigama mandal, Rangareddy district on 28th January.

Hyderabad region and the nation get another global landmark in the field of achieving spiritual solace and human transformation.

Q.164. The 13th edition of the International Children's Film Festival was held in_____.

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Kathmandu
- (c) Beijing
- (d) Dhaka
- (e) Colombo

Ans.164.(d)

Exp. The 13th edition of the International Children's Film Festival of Bangladesh was inaugurated in Dhaka. The theme of International Children's Film Festival 2020 is 'Under The World'.

Q.165. The Oxford Hindi Word of the Year 2019 is_____.

- (a) Aadhaar' (Aadhaar Card)
- (b) 'Gau-Raksha' (Cow Protection)
- (c) 'Notebandi' (Money Demonetisation)
- (d) 'Nari Shakti' (Women Power)
- (e) 'Samvidhaan' (constitution)

Ans.165.(e)

Exp. The Oxford Hindi Word of the Year is a word or expression that has attracted a great deal of attention and reflects the ethos, mood, or preoccupations of the past year. Samvidhaan is the Hindi translation for the word 'Constitution'.

Q.166. Who has been appointed as a new Prime Minister of Qatar?

- (a) Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdelaziz Al Thani
- (b) Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan
- (c) Esmail Ghaani
- (d) Haitham bin Tariq Al Said
- (e) Tamim Bin Hamad

Ans.166.(a)

Exp. Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdelaziz Al Thani appointed Qatar new PM. Qatar appointed a new Prime Minister replacing Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani.

Q.167. Who has won the 2020 Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement?

- (a) Pavan Sukhdev
- (b) Sunil Arora
- (c) Anil Khanna
- (d) Sanjna Kapoor
- (e) Nethra Kumanan

Ans.167.(a)

Exp. 'Green economy' pioneer Pavan Sukhdev and conservation biologist Gretchen C. Daily won the 2020 Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement.

Mr. Sukhdev was the Special Adviser and Head of UNEP's Green Economy Initiative, a major project launched by then-UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

Q.168. Name the noted theatre personality who will be conferred prestigious French honour, Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters.

(a) Pavan Sukhdev

(b) Sunil Arora

(c) Anil Khanna

(d) Sanjna Kapoor

(e) Nethra Kumanan

Ans.168.(d)

Exp. Noted theatre personality Sanjna Kapoor, the daughter of Bollywood actor Shashi Kapoor, will be conferred prestigious French honour, Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters, for her outstanding contribution to theatre.

Q.169. Indian Navy Launches _____ to Provide Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief at Madagascar.

- (a)'Operation Indradhanush'
- (b)'Operation Vanilla'
- (c)'Operation Madagascar'
- (d)'Operation Shakti'
- (e)'Operation Madad'

Ans.169.(b)

Exp. Indian Navy Ship Airavat, whilst mission deployed in the Southern Indian Ocean has been diverted to Antsiranana based on request received from Madagascar. The ship will undertake Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief mission as part of 'Operation Vanilla' which has been launched to provide assistance to the affected population of Madagascar post devastation caused by Cyclone Diane.

Q.170. Who became the first Indian woman sailor to win World Cup medal?

(a) Sunita Chandra

(b) Jameela Malik

(c) Hina Jaiswal

(d) Sanjna Kapoor

(e) Nethra Kumanan

Ans.170.(e)

Exp. Chennai's Nethra Kumanan clinched a bronze medal in the Sailing World Cup to become the first woman from the country to achieve the feat. Participating in the Hempel World Series in Miami, United States of America, Nethra won bronze in round two of the tournament to create history.

Q.171. Name the state that displayed its tableaux with the theme 'Land of Unique Craftsmanship and Culture' during 71st Republic day & won the Best Tableaux Awards under the States/Union territories (UT) category.

- (a) Assam
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Gujarat
- (e) Karnataka

Ans.171.(a)

Exp. Best Tableaux Awards (States and Union territories):
Assam's (Theme-'Land of Unique Craftsmanship and Culture')

Q.172. Which ministry won the Best Tableaux Awards under the category “Different ministries and departments?”

(a) Ministry of Jal Shakti

(b) Ministry of Civil Aviation

(c) Ministry of Defence

(d) Ministry of AYUSH

(e) Ministry of Railways

Ans.172.(a)

Exp. Best Tableaux Awards (Ministry): Jal Shakti Mission (Theme- Jal Jeevan Mission) Aims at providing functional tap connection to every rural household by 2024.

Q.173. Which Department won the Best Tableaux Awards under the category “Different ministries and departments?”

(a) MARCOS

(b) NDRF

(c) NSG

(d) SPG

(e) ITBP

Ans.173.(b)

Exp. Best Tableaux Awards (Departments): National Disaster Response Force (NDRF).

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Q.174. On which bank The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of ₹1 crore for non-compliance with its know your customer (KYC) norms?

- (a) IDFC
- (b) Axis Bank
- (c) HDFC
- (d) SBI
- (e) CBI

Ans.174.(c)

Exp. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on 29th January it has imposed a penalty of ₹1 crore on HDFC Bank for non-compliance with its know your customer (KYC) norms.

"This action is based on the deficiencies in regulatory compliance and is not intended to pronounce upon the validity of any transaction or agreement entered into by the bank with its customers.

Q.175. Which city became the world's most traffic congested city according to a report by TomTom, the Netherlands-based global provider of navigation, traffic and map products?

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Chennai
- (c) Mumbai
- (d) Bengaluru
- (e) Hyderabad

Ans.175.(d)

Exp. Bengaluru is the world's most traffic congested city.

According to a report by TomTom, the Netherlands-based global provider of navigation, traffic and map products, India's startup hub beat 415 other cities across 57 countries to earn the title in 2019.

Q.176. In which city the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2020, an annual flagship event of TERI was held?

(a) New Delhi

(b) Kathmandu

(c) Beijing

(d) Dhaka

(e) Colombo

Ans.176. (a)

Exp. The World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS), the annual flagship event of TERI held from 29-31 January, 2020 in New Delhi.

Q.177. What was the theme of the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2020 held from 29-31 January, 2020 in New Delhi?

- (a) Advancing sustainable technology World wide
- (b) Attaining the 2030 Agenda: Delivering on our Promise
- (c) Towards 2030 Goals: Making the Decade Count
- (d) Partnerships for a resilient Planet
- (e) Reaching Sustainable development goals

Ans.177. (c)

Exp. Theme: 'Towards 2030 Goals: Making the Decade Count', laying focus on the global efforts being made to meet our 2030 targets.

List of Summits

World Economic Forum's 50th annual meeting- Davos, Switzerland

Global Ayurveda summit- Kerala

2nd International solar alliance 2019-New Delhi

UN Climate Change Conference (COP 25)-Spanish capital city of Madrid

50th World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2020- Switzerland

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Q.178. FICCI in its Economic Outlook Survey has projected the country's annual median GDP growth for 2019-20 at _____.

(a) 4.9%

(b) 5.1%

(c) 6.0%

(d) 5.5%

(e) 5.0%

Ans. 178. (e)

Exp. Industry body Ficci on 29th January projected its Economic Outlook Survey has projected the country's annual median GDP growth for 2019-20 at 5 per cent, in line with the projections made by the National Statistical Organisation (NSO). Growth is likely to improve to 5.5 per cent in 2020-21 as per the projections of Industry body FICCI.

Q.179. Who was conferred with Prestigious Ayurveda Ratan Award 2020 in Brussels, Belgium during Ayurveda Day Celebratio at the European Parliament?

- (a) Pavan Sukhdev
- (b) Vandana Shiva
- (c) Anil Khanna
- (d) Pratap Chauhan
- (e) Nethra Kumanan

Ans.179.(d)

Exp. Dr. Partap Chauhan, the pioneer of Ayurvedic Telemedicine, has Conferred with Prestigious Ayurveda Ratan Award 2020 in Brussels, Belgium during Ayurveda Day Celebratio at the European Parliament.

Q.180. Who has bagged a gold in the men's Keirin individual event of the Six Day Berlin Tournament?

- (a) Ronaldo Singh Laitonjam
- (b) Esow Alben
- (c) Rojit Singh Yangle
- (d) Amit samarth
- (e) Jemsh Singh

Ans.180.(b)

Exp. Indian cyclist Esow Alben has bagged a gold in the men's Keirin individual event of the Six Day Berlin Tournament here.

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Q.190. which state the Assam Rifles has constructed a combined war memorial for the 357 Army and Assam Rifles personnel killed while fighting insurgency in the north-eastern state?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Nagaland
- (c) Arunachal Pradesh
- (d) Tripura
- (e) Meghalaya

Ans.190. (b)

Exp. The Assam Rifles has constructed a combined war memorial in Nagaland for the 357 Army and Assam Rifles personnel killed while fighting insurgency in the northeastern state.

The memorial has been built at Mokokchung, which is also the cultural and intellectual centre of Nagaland.

Q.191. Shri Awardee Eminent social worker, environmentalist, educationist and writer who passed away recently?

- (a) Abdul Ghafoor
- (b) Jameela Malik
- (c) Sunita Chandra
- (d) Tushar Kanjilal
- (e) Vinay Kumar Sinha

Ans.191.(d)

Exp. Eminent social worker, environmentalist, educationist and writer Tushar Kanjilal died at his home in the city.

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Q.192. Which day is observed as Martyrs' Day?

- (a) 30th January
- (b) 31st January
- (c) 29th January
- (d) 28th January
- (e) 27th January

Ans.192.(a)

Exp. Every year January 30 is observed as Mahatma Gandhi's Martyrdom day. This year India is observing the 72nd death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Nathuram Godse killed Mahatma Gandhi on the evening of January 30, 1948.

Q.193. World Leprosy Day is observed on_____.

(a)last Sunday in January

(b)last Monday in January

(c)last Tuesday in January

(d)last Friday in January

(e)last Saturday in January

Ans.193.(a)

Exp. World Leprosy Day is observed on the last Sunday in January. The next World Leprosy Day will be taking place on 26th January 2020. The day was chosen by French humanitarian Raoul Follereau in 1953 to coincide with the anniversary of Mahatma Ghandi's death on 30th January 1948.

Q.194. Which state has emerged as the best performing state in promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all on Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) India Index 2019, according to United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Andhra Pradesh
- (e) West Bengal

Ans.194.(c)

Exp. Telangana has emerged as the best performing state in promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all on Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) India Index 2019, according to United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India.

Q.194. In which State Nagoba Jatara, a tribal festival is held?

- (a)Telangana
- (b)Assam
- (c)Jharkhand
- (d)Manipur
- (e)Maharashtra

Ans.194. (a)

Exp. Nagoba Jatara is a tribal festival held in Keslapur village, Inderavelly Mandal Adilabad district, Telangana, India. It is the second biggest tribal carnival and celebrated by Mesaram clan of Gond tribes for 10 days. Tribal people from Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Orissa and Madhya Pradesh belonging to the Mesram clan offer prayers at the festival.

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Q.195. National Statistical Office, the government of India revises GDP growth rate for 2018-19 downwards to _____.

(a) 4.9%

(b) 5.1%

(c) 6.0%

(d) 6.1%

(e) 5.0%

Ans.195.(d)

Exp. The government on January 31 revised downwards the economic growth rate for 2018-19 to 6.1% from 6.8% estimated earlier, mainly due to deceleration in mining, manufacturing and farm sectors.

Q.196. Which company announced a \$1 million grant for global non-profit organisation Internews that will launch a new initiative to promote news literacy among the Indian public?

(a) Facebook

(b) Infosys

(c) IBM

(d) Google

(e) Twitter

Ans.196.(d)

Exp. Google on 29th January announced a \$1 million grant for global non-profit organisation Internews that will launch a new initiative to promote news literacy among the Indian public.

The funding is part of Google.org's broader, \$10 million commitment to media literacy, in collaboration with the Google News Initiative (GNI).

Q.197. Who has been elected as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of American IT giant IBM?

(a) Ajaypal Singh Banga

(b) Arvind Krishna

(c) Virginia Rometty

(d) Satya Nadella

(e) Sundar Pichai

Ans.197.(b)

Exp. Indian-origin technology executive Arvind Krishna has been elected Chief Executive Officer of American IT giant IBM after a “world-class succession process”, succeeding Virginia Rometty.

Q.198. Who became the first-ever hockey player worldwide to win the prestigious 'World Games Athlete of the Year' award?

- (a) Manpreet Singh
- (b) Rani Rampal
- (c) Mandeep Singh
- (d) Navjot Kaur
- (e) Navneet Kaur

Ans.198. (b)

Exp. Indian women's team captain Rani Rampal on 30th January became the first-ever hockey player worldwide to win the prestigious 'World Games Athlete of the Year' award.

The World Games announced the winner on 30th January after 20 days of polling by sports fans worldwide.

Q.199 The ninth edition of joint military training exercise between India-_____, SAMPRITI-IX will be conducted at Umroi, Meghalaya.

- (a) Sri Lanka
- (b) Japan
- (c) USA
- (d) China
- (e) Bangladesh

Ans.199.(e)

Exp. The ninth edition of joint military training exercise between India-Bangladesh -- SAMPRITI-IX will be conducted at Umroi, Meghalaya from February 3 to February 16.

Q.200. Chief Executive Officer of “Khelo India Games” has announced that “Lawn bowls” and “_____” will be included in the 3rd edition of Khelo India Games.

- (a) Shooting
- (b) Cricket
- (c) Cycling
- (d) Basketball
- (e) Snooker

Ans.200.(c)

Exp. Chief Executive Officer of “Khelo India Games” has announced that “Lawn bowls” and “cycling” will be included in the 3rd edition of Khelo India Games.

Q.201 Which city has topped the cleanliness charts for two consecutive quarters among cities with over 10 lakh population as per Swachh Survekshan 2020?

- (a) Bhopal
- (b) Navi Mumbai
- (c) Rajkot
- (d) Indore
- (e) Surat

Ans.201.(d)

Exp. Indore has topped the cleanliness charts for two consecutive quarters among cities with over 10 lakh population as per Swachh Survekshan 2020.

Q.202. The Election Commission of India has launched PPRTMS which enables the applicants to track the status of the applications for the party registration. PPRTMS stands for?

- (a) Political Parties Registration Tracking Management System
- (b) Political Policies Registration Tracking Management System
- (c) Political Parties Registration Tuning Management System
- (d) Political Policies Registration Tuning Management System
- (e) Political Personnel Registration Tracking Management System

Ans.202.(a)

Exp. The Election Commission of India has launched a Political Parties Registration Tracking Management System (PPRTMS).

Q.203. Name the Cantonment Boards which was the worst performer among other cantonment boards as per Swachh Survekshan 2020.

- (a) St.Thomas Mount Cantonment Board
- (b) Jhansi Cantonment Board
- (c) Delhi Cantonment Board
- (d) Secunderabad Cantonment Board
- (e) Jalandhar Cantonment Board

Ans.203.(d)

Exp. Secunderabad Cantonment Board in Hyderabad is the worst performer among other cantonment boards as per Swachh Survekshan 2020.

Q.204. What will be the theme of the 107th edition of the Indian Science Congress to be held in Bengaluru?

- (a) science and technology: nation development
- (b) science and technology: rural development
- (c) science and technology: state development
- (d) science and technology: urban development
- (e) science and technology: human resource development

Ans.204.(b)

Exp. The congress has chosen 'science and technology: rural development' as its theme for the 107th edition of the Indian Science Congress.

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Q.205. Which city has topped the cleanliness charts for two consecutive quarters among cities with 1 lakh to 10 lakh population as per Swachh Survekshan 2020?

- (a) Chandrapur
- (b) Rajkot
- (c) Jamshedpur
- (d) New Delhi
- (e) Surat

Ans.205.(c)

Exp. Jamshedpur has topped the cleanliness charts for two consecutive quarters among cities with 1 lakh to 10 lakh population as per Swachh Survekshan 2020.

Q.206. Who among the following has won the Guinea-Bissau's presidential elections held recently?

- (a) Jose Mario Vaz
- (b) Domingos Simoes Pereira
- (c) Umaro Cissoko Embalo
- (d) Aristides Gomes
- (e) Amilcar Cabral

Ans.206.(c)

Exp. Umaro Cissoko Embalo has won the Guinea-Bissau's presidential election.

Q.207. Government of India signed MoU with _____ for selling the products made by women self-help groups under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) on the e-commerce platform.

- (a) Myntra
- (b) Alibaba
- (c) Amazon
- (d) Flipkart
- (e) Snapdeal

Ans.207.(d)

Exp. Government of India signed MoU with Flipkart for selling the products made by women self-help groups under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) on the e-commerce platform.

Q.208. Who among the following has won the 100 Global Child Prodigy Award for singing in most languages during one concert and the longest live singing concert by a child?

- (a) Lydia Sebastian
- (b) Priyanshi Somani
- (c) Akrit Jaswal
- (d) Kautilya Pandit
- (e) Sucheta Satish

Ans.208.(e)

Exp. Sucheta Satish has won the 100 Global Child Prodigy Award for singing in most languages during one concert and the longest live singing concert by a child.

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Q.209. Who among the following has been appointed as its new Chairperson & Managing Director by Shipping Corporation of India?

- (a) Pravin Kumar Purwar
- (b) Harjeet Kaur Joshi
- (c) Ajay Tyagi
- (d) Harsh Kumar Bhanwala
- (e) Dakshita Das

Ans.209.(b)

Exp. Shipping Corporation of India has appointed Harjeet Kaur Joshi as the new Chairperson & Managing Director of the company.

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Q.210. India has extended a line of credit (LoC) of _____ to Cuba to finance solar parks in Cuba.

- (a) USD 50 million
- (b) USD 65 million
- (c) USD 70 million
- (d) USD 75 million
- (e) USD 85 million

Ans.210.(d)

Exp. India has extended a line of credit (LoC) of USD 75 million to Cuba to finance solar parks in Cuba.

Q.211. Name the Payments Bank with which Common Service Centres (CSC) e-Governance Services India has signed a memorandum of understanding for sale of FASTags.

- (a) Paytm Payments Bank Ltd
- (b) Aditya Birla Idea Payments Bank
- (c) FINO Payments Bank
- (d) Airtel Payments Bank
- (e) India Post Payments Bank

Ans.211.(a)

Exp. Common Service Centres (CSC) e-Governance Services India has signed a memorandum of understanding with Paytm Payments Bank Ltd (PPBL) for sale of FASTags.

Q.212. Name the project recently started by Kolkata Police which aims to provide self-defence training to girls studying in schools and colleges in the city.

- (a) Suputri
- (b) Namrata
- (c) Sukanya
- (d) Madhavi
- (e) Surekha

Ans.212.(c)

Exp. Kolkata Police has started the 3rd edition of 'Sukanya' project which aims to provide self-defence training to girls studying in schools and colleges in the city.

Q.213. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has proposed Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC) at Challakere in Chitradurga district of?

(a) Karnataka

(b) Andhra Pradesh

(c) Tamil Nadu

(d) Kerala

(e) Odisha

Ans.213.(a)

Exp. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has proposed Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC) at Challakere in Chitradurga district of Karnataka.

Q.214. sector banks who got the permission from the Central Bank of Sri Lanka to close their operations in Sri Lanka.

- (a) Axis Bank and ICICI Bank
- (b) Axis Bank and Yes Bank
- (c) HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank
- (d) Yes Bank and ICICI Bank
- (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank and ICICI Bank

Ans.214.(a)

Exp. The Central Bank of Sri Lanka has permitted Indian private sector lenders Axis Bank and ICICI Bank to close their operations in Sri Lanka.

Q.215. Union Home Minister recently released a book 'Karmayoddha Granth'. The book is based on the life of?

- (a) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
- (b) Ramnath Kovind
- (c) Hima Das
- (d) Narendra Modi
- (e) Deepa Malik

Ans.215.(d)

Exp. Union Home Minister recently released a book 'Karmayoddha Granth'. The book is based on the life of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Q.216. Which country will conduct the 12th edition of bilateral maritime exercise 'Naseem Al Bahr' with India?

- (a) Oman
- (b) Qatar
- (c) Bahrain
- (d) Kuwait
- (e) United Arab Emirates

Ans.216.(a)

Exp. India and Oman will conduct the 12th edition of bilateral maritime exercise 'Naseem Al Bahr'.

Q.217. National Statistical Office (NSO) has estimated India's GDP growth rate as ___% for the financial year 2019-20.

- (a) 6.5%
- (b) 6.25%
- (c) 5.5%
- (d) 5.0%
- (e) 5.8%

Ans.217.(d)

Exp. National Statistical Office (NSO) has estimated India's GDP growth rate as 5% for the financial year 2019-20.

Q.218. Name the Indian weightlifter who has been banned for 4 years from the sport by the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA).

- (a) Saikhom Mirabai Chanu
- (b) Karnam Malleswari
- (c) Kunjarani Devi
- (d) Punam Yadav
- (e) Sarbjeet Kaur

Ans.218.(e)

Exp. Indian women weightlifter Sarbjeet Kaur has been banned for 4 years from the sport by the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA).

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Q.219. The Union Government has authorized the amount of _____ for 1656 Km long Indradhanush Natural Gas Pipeline Grid project.

- (a) Rs 4559 crore
- (b) Rs 5559 crore
- (c) Rs 6559 crore
- (d) Rs 7559 crore
- (e) Rs 8559 crore

Ans.219.(b)

Exp. The Union Government has authorized the amount of Rs 5559 crore for 1656 Km long Indradhanush Natural Gas Pipeline Grid project.

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Q.220. Which day is celebrated by India as Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) every year to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community in the development of India?

- (a) 13th January
- (b) 12th January
- (c) 11th January
- (d) 10th January
- (e) 09th January

Ans.220.(e)

Exp. India celebrates Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) on 9th January every year to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community in the development of India.

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Q.221. Who among the following has been elected President of Croatia after beating closely the incumbent president Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic?

- (a) Andrej Plenkovic
- (b) Zoran Milanovic
- (c) Miroslav Skoro
- (d) Ivo Josipovic
- (e) Davor Bernardic

Ans.221.(b)

Exp. Zoran Milanovic has been elected President of Croatia after beating closely the incumbent president Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic.

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Q.222. Which day is celebrated globally as World Hindi Day every year?

- (a) 10th March
- (b) 10th February
- (c) 10th January
- (d) 11th January
- (e) 12th January

Ans.222.(c)

Exp. World Hindi Day is celebrated globally on 10th January every year.

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Q.223. Who among the following has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director of State-owned Housing and Urban Development Corporation (Hudco)?

- (a) KK Venugopal
- (b) Hrushikesh Senapaty
- (c) Balkrishna Goenka
- (d) M Nagaraj
- (e) Rishad Premji

Ans.223.(d)

Exp. M Nagaraj has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director of State-owned Housing and Urban Development Corporation (Hudco).

Q.224. Which of the following bank has recently released a research report 'Ecowrap'?

- (a) State Bank of India
- (b) Punjab National bank
- (c) Bank of India
- (d) Bank of Baroda
- (e) Syndicate Bank

Ans.224.(a)

Exp. The State Bank of India has released its research report 'Ecowrap'.

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Q.225. What was India's rank in the recently released Henley Passport Index 2020?

- (a) 86th
- (b) 94th
- (c) 105th
- (d) 84th
- (e) 74th

Ans.225.(d)

Exp. India was ranked 84th in the recently released Henley Passport Index 2020. Top-Japan

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Q.226. Indian Railways is in the process of installing Internet Protocol (IP) based VSS at railway stations. VSS stands for?

- (a) Video Storage System
- (b) Video Servicing System
- (c) Video Surveillance System
- (d) Video Security System
- (e) Video Survey System

Ans.226.(c)

Exp. Indian Railways is in the process of installing Internet Protocol (IP) based Video Surveillance System (VSS) at railway stations.

Q.227. _____ will host the multilateral naval exercise 'MILAN' which aims to enhance professional interaction between foreign-friendly navies and learn from each other's strengths.

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Visakhapatnam
- (c) Port Blair
- (d) Chennai
- (e) Kochi

Ans.227.(b)

Exp. Visakhapatnam will host the multilateral naval exercise 'MILAN' which aims to enhance professional interaction between foreign-friendly navies and learn from each other's strengths.

Q.228. In the report 'Ecowrap', the economic research department of SBI has lowered India's growth rate to _____ in the fiscal year 2020.

- (a) 4.9%
- (b) 4.2%
- (c) 4.4%
- (d) 4.6%
- (e) 4.8%

Ans.228.(d)

Exp. In the report 'Ecowrap', the economic research department of SBI has lowered India's growth rate to 4.6% in the fiscal year 2020.

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Q.229. Name the financial institution which has recently released Global Economic Prospects report.

- (a) Asian Development Bank
- (b) World Trade Organization
- (c) World Bank
- (d) United Nations
- (e) New Development Bank

Ans.229.(c)

Exp. World Bank has released Global Economic Prospects report.