

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PDF AUGUST 2018

### 1. Which bank has become 7th most valuable bank?

- a) Bandhan Bank
- b) HDFC
- c) Dena Bank
- d) Tamilnadu Mercantile Bank

a) Bandhan Bank. Kolkata-based Bandhan Bank briefly became India's seventh most valued listed lender, surpassing Yes Bank, which has a nearly seven times larger loan book.

### 2. Indian-origin Akshay Venkatesh wins \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Nobel for Botany
- b) Nobel for Chemistry
- c) Nobel for mathematics
- d) Nobel for Physics

c) Nobel for mathematics. New Delhi-born Australian mathematician Akshay Venkatesh has won the prestigious Fields Medal, often dubbed the "Nobel prize for mathematics". The 36-year-old completed his PhD aged 20, did post-doctoral research at MIT, and is currently a professor at Stanford University. Venkatesh, one of the four winners, has worked on number theory, geometry, topology, automorphic forms, and ergodic theory.

### 3. Government has appointed industrialists Kumar Mangalam Birla and YC Deveshwar as non-official independent directors in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) BSNL
- b) Air India
- c) Indian Railways
- d) BHEL

b) Air India. The government has appointed industrialists Kumar Mangalam Birla and YC Deveshwar as non-official independent directors in Air India. Birla is the chairman of the \$44.3 billion Aditya Birla Group, which operates in 35 countries across six continents. Deveshwar is the chairman of Kolkata-based conglomerate ITC, which has a presence in FMCG sector, hotels and IT among others.

### 4. Kadaknath chicken meat is famous in which among following states?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Chattisgarh
- d) Andhra Pradesh

b) Madhya Pradesh. The famous Kadaknath chicken meat from Jabua district of Madhya Pradesh has now got a Geographical Indication (GI) tag. The tag denotes that the product comes from a particular geographical area, and often enhances its commercial value.

### 5. Jalees Sherwani passed away at 70, is association with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Politician
- b) scientist
- c) Journalist
- d) Cinema

d) Cinema. Jalees Sherwani, who had penned lyrics for several Salman Khan films like "Dabangg", "Wanted" and "Tere Naam", passed away at the age of 70. Sherwani died due to prolonged illness and breathed his last on route to the hospital after his health deteriorated.

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**6. ASEAN Foreign Ministers meet begins in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Malaysia
- b) Oman
- c) Qatar
- d) Singapore

d) Singapore. Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong kicked off the 51st ASEAN Foreign Ministers meeting in Singapore.

**7. Neeraj Chopra won Gold Medal at Savo Games in Finland in which event?**

- a) Shot Put
- b) Discus throw
- c) Javelin Throw
- d) Long Jump

c) Javelin Throw. Indian javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra won a gold medal in the Savo Games in Lapinlahti, Finland. Neeraj Chopra made a throw of 85.69 meters and won the gold medal.

**8. Who is the Current Chairman of HDFC?**

- a) Deepak Parekh
- b) J.J. Irani
- c) Keki Mistry
- d) Bala Krishnan

a) Deepak Parekh. HDFC chairman Deepak Parekh was reappointed as non-executive director on the board of Housing Development Finance Corp. Ltd (HDFC), though 22.64% of the shareholders voted against his continuation.

**9. CLSS in this 'C' stands for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Credit
- b) Class
- c) Cheif
- d) Client

a) Credit. HDFC has been awarded the best performing primary lending institution in Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) for the EWS (Economically Weaker Section) and LIG (Low Income Group) category.

**10. Gopalkrishna Gandhi to be awarded the Rajiv Gandhi Sadbhavana Award 2018, who is the former \_\_\_\_\_ Governor.**

- a) Kerala
- b) Gujarat
- c) West Bengal
- d) Assam

c) West Bengal. The advisory committee of the Rajiv Gandhi National Sadbhavana Award has decided to award the Former West Bengal Governor Gopalkrishna Gandhi, this year, with the Rajiv Gandhi Sadbhavana Award 2018.

**11. Which Software is used for converting scanned printed Indian Language documents into a fully editable text format in Unicode encoding?**

- a) E-Aksharayani
- b) E-Akshara
- c) E-Aksharanayan

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d) E-Aksharayan

d) E-Aksharayan. E-Aksharayan is free, desktop software for converting scanned printed Indian Language documents into a fully editable text format in Unicode encoding. The software supports editing in seven Indian languages – Hindi, Bangla, Malayalam, Gurmukhi, Tamil, Kannada & Assamese.

**12. Which organization has become India's Most Valued Company?**

a) CTS

b) TCS

c) Accenture

d) Reliance

d) Reliance. India's richest person Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) beat Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) to become the most valued company in India.

**13. India secured \_\_\_\_\_ rank in the top 100 of the United Nations E-Government Development Index (EGDI) 2018.**

a) 46th

b) 96th

c) 98th

d) 100th

b) 96th. India jumped 22 places to 96th rank in the top 100 of the United Nations E-Government Development Index (EGDI) 2018. Denmark, with an index value of 0.9150, topped the 2018 E-Government Development Survey.

**14. India and USA Military Cooperation Meeting begins In \_\_\_\_\_.**

a) New Delhi

b) Pune

c) Mumbai

d) Bangalore

a) New Delhi. The meeting was co-chaired by Lt Gen Satish Dua, Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC) and Lt Gen Bryan Fenton, Deputy Commander, Indo-Pacific Command.

**15. Which Country has become world's 2nd-biggest stock market?**

a) US

b) China

c) Japan

d) Russia

c) Japan. Following the latest slump, the value of China's stock market fell to \$6.09 trillion, losing its spot as the second biggest stock market to Japan (\$6.17 trillion). This comes amid China's trade war with the US and its campaign to cut debt.

**16. Who is the current President of Zimbabwe?**

a) Emmerson Mnangagwa

b) Robert Mugabe

c) John Steffin

d) Christopher Mahage

a) Emmerson Mnangagwa. Emmerson Mnangagwa has been re-elected Zimbabwe's President after winning presidential elections held for the first time since the ouster of Robert Mugabe. Mnangagwa took over as President last year after Mugabe was ousted by the Army.

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**17. 'Project Roshni' is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Indian Army
- b) Indian Navy
- c) Air Force
- d) Indian Railway

a) Indian Army. Project Roshni by Indian Army is illuminating homes in remote villages of Jammu and Kashmir. The Army Persons have distributed solar lamps in remote areas. Under Project Roshni, the Army has distributed 17,000 such lamps till now.

**18. LS passes bill to create national sports varsity in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Sikkim
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Manipur
- d) Pune

c) Manipur. A bill to establish a National Sports University in Manipur to promote sports education was passed by the Lok Sabha. The National Sports University Bill 2018, which seeks to replace an ordinance promulgated on May 31, was passed by a voice vote.

**19. Dragonfly festival is held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Tamilnadu
- c) Delhi
- d) Gujarat

c) Delhi. This is First-ever festival for insects that help maintain ecosystem and is being organized from Aug 3 to Sept 1 jointly by WWF (World Wide Fund) India and the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS). This will culminate towards a dragonfly census on August 19.

**20. DTAB in this 'D' is stands for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Digital
- b) Drug
- c) Disease
- d) None of these

b) Drug. The Drug Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) recommended the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to lift the ban on Oxytocin.

**21. Who Won 6th Hungarian Formula 1 Grand Prix?**

- a) Lewis Hamilton
- b) Sebastian Vettel
- c) Nico Rosberg
- d) Fernando Alonso

a) Lewis Hamilton. Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes won the Hungarian Grand Prix for the 6th time, at the Hungaroring circuit, in Hungary.

**22. Which state has become first state to implement Biofuel Policy?**

- a) Punjab
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Orissa
- d) Rajasthan

d) Rajasthan. Rajasthan become the first State in the country to implement the national policy

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on biofuels unveiled by the Central government. This policy on biofuels seeks to help farmers dispose of their surplus stock in an economic manner and reduce the country's oil import dependence.

### **23. Which company has become First \$1 Trillion Company in History?**

- a) Microsoft
- b) Apple
- c) Google
- d) Yahoo

b) Apple. Apple Inc. became the first U.S.-based company with a market value of \$1 trillion, four decades after it was co-founded by Steve Jobs in a Silicon Valley garage and later revolutionized the worlds of computing, music and mobile communications. The iMac desktop computer, the iPod, iPhone, and iPad were smash hits.

### **23. World Junior Squash Championships 2018 was held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Pune
- b) Delhi
- c) Chennai
- d) Hyderabad

c) Chennai. A total of 171 players including 116 men and 55 women from 28 countries took part in the World Junior Squash Championship.

### **24. Which junction has renamed as Deen Dayal Upadhyaya junction?**

- a) Mughalsarai junction
- b) Varanasi Junction railway st.
- c) Patna Junction railway st.
- d) Gaya Junction railway st...

a) Mughalsarai junction. Uttar Pradesh's iconic Mughalsarai junction was officially named after RSS ideologue Deen Dayal Upadhyaya. BJP President Amit Shah, Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath and Union Railway Minister Piyush Goyal were present at the renaming ceremony of the station.

### **25. Which state will become the first state to give identity cards to gau rakshaks?**

- a) Uttar pradesh
- b) Uttarkhand
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu

b) Uttarkhand. Uttarakhand will become the first state to give identity cards to gau rakshaks (cow protectors), reports quoting officials said. The initiative is aimed at differentiating people who protect cows from those who resort to violence in the name of cow vigilantism.

### **26. Actor Steven Seagal has been appointed as special envoy between which countries?**

- a) US- Japan
- b) Japan- India
- c) Japan- Russia
- d) Russia- US

d) Russia- US. The Russian Foreign Ministry has appointed Hollywood actor Steven Seagal as its special representative for Russian-US humanitarian ties. Adding that he was very grateful for the opportunity, Seagal said, "I've always had a very strong desire to do all I can to help improve Russian-American relations."

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**27. India becomes \_\_\_\_\_ Asian nation to get STA-1 status from US.**

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

b) 3rd. India has become the third Asian nation after Japan and South Korea, and 37th overall, to get the Strategic Trade Authorization-1 status from the US. It paves way for high-technology product sales to New Delhi, particularly in civil space and defence sectors.

**28. Who has been appointed as new Chief Justice of J&K HC?**

- a) Gita Mittal
- b) Racheal
- c) Anu Patnaik
- d) Geetha Gavindhan

a) Gita Mittal . Chief Justice Gita Mittal has been appointed as the Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir High Court (HC). She is the acting Chief Justice of Delhi HC. She is the first woman Chief Justice of J&K HC.

**29. Who has been appointed as Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs?**

- a) Vijaya Kumar
- b) Arun Pattel
- c) Ajay Thakur Singh
- d) Vijay Thakur Singh

d) Vijay Thakur Singh. Ms. Vijay Thakur Singh is currently India's envoy to Ireland and will take over as Secretary (EAST) from October 1 after superannuation of Preeti Saran on September 30. She is a 1985 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service.

**30. World's 1st Hindi-Speaking Robot named as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Machirai
- b) Rajmuhki
- c) Rashmi
- d) Anumaya

c) Rashmi. Ranchi-based software developer Ranjit Srivastava is developing the world's first Hindi-speaking humanoid robot called Rashmi. The robot will speak Bhojpuri, Marathi, and English, and is equipped with facial expressions and recognition systems.

**31. Who has launched Logo And tagline For Geographical Indications?**

- a) Rajnath Singh
- b) Arun Jaitley
- c) Vijaya Kuar
- d) Suresh Prabhu

d) Suresh Prabhu. Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu launched a logo and tagline for Geographical Indications (GI) to increase awareness about intellectual property rights (IPRs) in the country.

**32. Which Government has launched Swachhameva Jayate?**

- a) Andhra pradesh
- b) Telungana
- c) Kerala
- d) karnataka

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d) karnataka. In order to achieve the status of Open Defecation Free (ODF), Karnataka launched “Swachhameva Jayate” a rural cleanliness and sanitation campaign.

### 33. Which government has launched ‘Mukhya Mantri Yuva Nestham’?

- a) Maharastra
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Punjab
- d) Chattisgarh

b) Andhra Pradesh. Under the scheme, an allowance of Rs 1000 per month will be provided to unemployed youth in the state. About 12 lakh youths in the age group of 22-35 years will get the benefit of the scheme.

### 34. Who won the Biel Masters Chess title 2018?

- a) Vaibhav Suri
- b) Prtihu Gupta
- c) Saran Nair
- d) Vishnu Vikram

a) Vaibhav Suri. Grandmaster Vaibhav Suri beat Prtihu Gupta and won the Biel Masters Chess title at Switzerland and made his second Grandmaster-norm in the premier nine-round competition.

### 35. FICCI FLO launches WOW mobile app for \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Child's Wellness
- b) Adult's Wellness
- c) women's wellness
- d) All the above

c) women's wellness. FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO), the women's wing of Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) has launched WOW (Wellness of Women) mobile application aimed at creating awareness on preventive healthcare for women across the country.

### 36. Which Government has launched Shaur Nahin mobile application?

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Arunachal Pradesh
- c) Meghalaya
- d) wesh Bengal

a) Himachal Pradesh . Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur launched ‘horn not ok’ awareness campaign and ‘shaur nahin’ (no noise) mobile application.

### 37. Which Indian golfer won his first title on the European Tour in the form of the Fiji International championship?

- a) Jeev Milkha Singh
- b) Jyoti Randhawa
- c) Arjun Atwal
- d) Gaganjeet Bhullar

d) Gaganjeet Bhullar. Indian golfer Gaganjeet Bhullar won his first title on the European Tour in the form of the Fiji International championship, almost 12 years after turning a professional golfer. Bhullar, who was playing his 106th European Tour event in Fiji, also became the fifth Indian golfer to win on the European Tour. Notably, Bhullar sank five birdies and an eagle

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**38. Asian Games 2018 will be held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Malaysia
- b) Indonesia
- c) Singapore
- d) Bangladesh

b) Indonesia. Indonesia's Capital city Jakarta and the city of Palembang on Sumatra will jointly host Asian Games from August 18, 2018.

**39. Which cricketer has topped in ICC Rankings for Test Batsmen?**

- a) Dinesh Karthik
- b) Virat Kohli
- c) Murali vijay
- d) Suresh Raina

b) Virat Kohli. Virat Kohli scored 149 and 51 in India's 31-run defeat at Edgbaston and went up by 31 points which helped him as the top-ranked batsman.

**40. Karman Kaur Thandi is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tennis
- b) Badminton
- c) Track Events
- d) Swimming

a) Tennis. Karman Kaur Thandi, 20-year-old Delhi girl, jumped 32 places and now ranked 200th in the WTA (Women's Tennis Association) list. In April, India's top singles player Ankita had broken into the top-200 and is now ranked 195 (-4).

**41. Mukhyamantri Kanya Utthan Yojana was launched in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Ahmedabad
- b) Mumbai
- c) Bihar
- d) Patna

c) Bihar. Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar launched 'Mukhyamantri Kanya Utthan Yojana', a scheme for the girl child. The scheme will provide Rs.54,100 for a girl child from her birth until she graduates.

**42. Which country won Women's Hockey Tournament?**

- a) Spain
- b) India
- c) Netherlands
- d) Australia

c) Netherlands. Kitty van Male, top scorer at the Women's Hockey Tournament. Spain won the third-place match by beating Australia 3-1 to claim their first ever World Cup medal. India finished the tournament at the 8th spot.

**43. Rajan Nanda passed away at 76, who was a chairman of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Eicher Motors
- b) Sonalika Group
- c) Ashok Leyland
- d) Escorts

d) Escorts. 3. Escorts Group Chairman Rajan Nanda dies at 76 . Engineering company



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Escort Group's Chairman Rajan Nanda passed away on Sunday at the age of 76 after a brief illness.

**44. Goa govt launches its own app-based taxi service is called \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) GoaMiles
- b) GoaTaxi
- c) GoaTravel
- d) GoaTaxiService

a) GoaMiles. In a bid to end the taxi issue in Goa, the state government has launched its own app-based taxi service 'GoaMiles'.

**45. M Karunanidhi passed away at 94 in Tamil Nadu, who was a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politician
- b) Writer
- c) Novelist
- d) All the above

d) All the above. DMK chief M Karunanidhi passed away aged 94 at Kauvery Hospital in Tamil Nadu's Chennai, where he was admitted last month after his blood pressure dropped.

**46. Google launches Android 9.0 named as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Waffle
- b) Tart
- c) Pie
- d) Quiche

c) Pie. Google announced 'Pie' as the name for the latest version of the Android operating system, succeeding Android Oreo.

**47. World's largest bird sculpture Jatayu sculpture will be inaugurated in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) TamilNadu
- b) Kerala
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Hyderabad

b) Kerala. The Jatayu sculpture at the Jatayu Earth Center (JEC) at Chadayamangalam in Kollam district, Kerala, said to be world's largest bird sculpture, will be inaugurated on August 17 by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.

**48. Mario Gomez has retired from International Football, is associated from which country?**

- a) Spain
- b) Germany
- c) Portugal
- d) Argentina

b) Germany. Veteran German striker Mario Gomez (33-year-old), who made his debut for Germany in 2007, scored 31 goals in 78 international appearances.

**49. Maitree 2018 Joint Military Exercise between which countries?**

- a) India and Singapore
- b) Russia and US
- c) India and Thailand
- d) Thailand and US

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c) India and Thailand. Exercise 'Maitree' is a joint military exercise between Indian Army and Royal Thai Army and is running on in Thailand from 6 to 19 August 2018.

**50. Italian Bike-Maker Benelli signs MoU for Plant in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) TamilNadu
- b) Kerala
- c) Delhi
- d) Telangana

d) Telangana. The company would initially start assembling CKD (Completely Knocked Down) kits of the bike for Benelli to assemble, manufacture bikes and import exclusive range of the bikes from Italy and SouthEast Asian regions.

**51. International Conference on Sustainable Growth Through Material Recycling inaugurated in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) New Delhi
- b) Pune
- c) Allahabad
- d) Kolkata

a) New Delhi. The conference was inaugurated by the Union Minister of Road Transport, Highways & Ganga Rejuvenation, Nitin Gadkari at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra in New Delhi.

**52. Who is the first-ever Indian to win a gold in javelin throw at Commonwealth Games?**

- a) Neeraj Pandey
- b) Neeraj Chopra
- c) Yasim Khan
- d) Ashik Abbas

b) Neeraj Chopra. Neeraj Chopra, the first-ever Indian to win gold in javelin throw at Commonwealth Games, has been chosen as India's flag-bearer at the opening ceremony of the Asian Games 2018

**53. Who is the current Chairman of TRAI?**

- a) Varun Varma
- b) Sathya Dev
- c) RS Sharma
- d) Vinoth L

c) RS Sharma. The government has reappointed Ram Sewak Sharma as telecom regulator TRAI's Chairman till September 2020 when he turns 65. His reappointment comes on the last day of his current three-year term.

**54. GMRT in this 'M' represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Micrology
- b) Mobile
- c) Medium
- d) Metrewave

d) Metrewave. The Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT) near Pune was used to identify the galaxy while the distance was determined using US-based telescopes. Breaking a 20-year-old distance record, a team led by PhD student Aayush Saxena has found a radio galaxy from a time when the universe was only 7% of its current age, at a distance of 12 billion light-years.

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**55. Which tribal language has become the first Indian tribal language to get a Wikipedia edition?**

- a) Mishing
- b) Paite
- c) Rengma
- d) Santali

d) Santali. Santali has become the first Indian tribal language to get a Wikipedia edition in its own script after the Santali Wikipedia went live earlier this month, according to a report.

**56. Who is the chief of IMF?**

- a) Ranil Salgado
- b) Rabeel Khan
- c) Ajay Singh
- d) Nithil Dixit

a) Ranil Salgado. International Monetary Fund's mission chief for India Ranil Salgado has said that India will be a source of global growth for the next 30 years. "India can be almost what China was for the world economy for a while," he added.

**57. Who has topped a BBC History magazine poll, which listed "100 women who changed the world"?**

- a) Mother Teresa
- b) Marie Curie
- c) Indira Gandhi
- d) Sarojini Naidu

b) Marie Curie. Polish-born scientist Marie Curie, the first person to win two Nobel Prizes, has topped a BBC History magazine poll, which listed "100 women who changed the world".

**58. Who has been selected as next UN human rights chief?**

- a) Antonio Guterres
- b) Nolan Augustin
- c) Michelle Bachelet
- d) Raad al- Hussain

c) Michelle Bachelet. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has chosen former Chilean President Michelle Bachelet to be the world body's new High Commissioner for Human Rights, the UN said on Wednesday.

**59. President inaugurates 'One District One Product' Summit in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Pune
- b) Ahmedabad
- c) Lucknow
- d) Mumbai

c) Lucknow. President Ram Nath Kovind on Friday inaugurated the 'One District One Product' Summit in Lucknow. The summit has been organised by the Uttar Pradesh government to promote traditional industries and spur local trade.

**60. According to IMF forecasts, India's GDP to grow at \_\_\_\_\_ in 2019/20 fiscal.**

- a) 7.4%
- b) 7.5%
- c) 7.6%
- d) 7.7%

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b) 7.5%. India's GDP is poised to grow by 7.3 per cent in the 2018-19 fiscal and 7.5 per cent in 2019-2020 on strengthening of investment and robust private consumption, the IMF said in its latest projection.

**61. An invasive agriculture pest Fall Armyworm is found in\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Karnataka
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Kerala
- d) Andhra Pradesh

a) Karnataka. The Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) discovered an invasive agricultural pest Fall Armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) in Karnataka. Shivamogga's University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences Entomologists C.M. Kalleshwara Swamy and Sharanabasappa suspected the unusual happening in maize crops in Shivamogga this year.

**62. Who has been appointed as Director and General Manager In UIIC?**

- a) S Gopakumar
- b) G Kumarasamy
- c) Alagendra Kumar
- d) Aravind Ramamoorthy

a) S Gopakumar. Gopakumar was serving GIC Housing Finance Ltd as its Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer. United India Insurance Company (wholly owned by the Government of India) is the 2nd Largest General Insurance company with a premium of Rs.16000+ Crore in India.

**63. Who has been elected as Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman?**

- a) Pankaj Advani
- b) Dinesh Varma
- c) Harivansh Narayan Singh
- d) Rio Raj

c) Harivansh Narayan Singh. The BJP-led NDA candidate Harivansh Narayan Singh was elected the Rajya Sabha's Deputy Chairman post, which fell vacant after the retirement of Congress' PJ Kurien on July 1.

**64. Which Union minister has launched Mobile App Niryat Mitra?**

- a) JP Nadda
- b) Suresh Prabhu
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Prakash Javadekar

b) Suresh Prabhu. The app developed by the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) is available both on Android and on IOS platforms. The app provides a wide range of information required to undertake international trade right from the policy provisions for export and import

**65. How many % reservation has been announced for women in Railway Protection Force?**

- a) 30%
- b) 40%
- c) 50%
- d) 60%

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c) 50%. Union Minister of Railways Piyush Goyal announced a 50% reservation for women in the upcoming recruitment of up to 10,000 Railway Police Force jawans. He added that 13,000 jobs are also coming up in Railways for which a computer-based test will be conducted and no interviews will be taken.

**66. Chandrayaan-2 lander is named as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Kalam
  - b) Sarabhai
  - c) Dhruv
  - d) Vikram
- d) Vikram. The lander of India's second lunar exploration mission 'Chandrayaan-2', scheduled for next year, will be named 'Vikram' in honour of ISRO Founder Vikram Sarabhai. Marking his 99th birth anniversary on Sunday

**67. Who has become 3rd woman Chief Justice of Madras HC?**

- a) VK Tahilramani
  - b) Thulasi Nair
  - c) Anuradha Sreenivas
  - d) Srimathi K
- a) VK Tahilramani. Justice Vijaya Kamlesh Tahilramani was sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court, making her the third woman appointed to the position.

**68. NASA has launched the first-ever mission to 'touch' the Sun is named as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Parker Sun Probe
  - b) Parker Solar Probe
  - c) Parker System Probe
  - d) None of these
- b) Parker Solar Probe. NASA successfully launched its Parker Solar Probe, aimed to enter the Sun's corona (outer atmosphere), where no spacecraft has gone before. Parker Solar Probe is the first NASA mission to be named after a living individual, Dr Eugene Parker.

**69. Who is the first woman Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir High Court?**

- a) Gita Mittal
  - b) Shakshi Dingal
  - c) Renuga Shasthri
  - d) Hima VasudevKumar
- a) Gita Mittal. Justice Gita Mittal was sworn in as the first woman Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir High Court.

**70. Special meeting of Senior Officials of BIMSTEC held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Jaipur
  - b) Kathmandu
  - c) Delhi
  - d) West Bengal
- b) Kathmandu. A special meeting of Senior Officials of the Bay of Bengal Initiatives for Multi-Sectoral, Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) was held in Kathmandu.

**71. According to the World Economic Forum (WEF) ranking, India secured \_\_\_\_\_ rank out of 180 countries on the Environmental Performance Index 2018.**

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- a) 86th
- b) 91th
- c) 149th
- d) 177th

d) 177th. According to the World Economic Forum (WEF) ranking, India has been placed 177th rank out of 180 countries on the Environmental Performance Index 2018. The Union Environment Ministry has rejected the score by considering it as arbitrary and unscientific.

### **72. Who has been appointed as directors on RBI board?**

- a) S Gurumurthy
- b) Ravindran L
- c) Ramamoorthy Vishwas
- d) Arjun Ramasamy

a) S Gurumurthy. The government appointed Swaminathan Gurumurthy and Satish Kashinath Marathe as part-time non-official directors on the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) board, for a period of four years.

### **73. Unified payment terminal MOPAD has been launched by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Amazon
- b) Paypal
- c) SBI
- d) Paytm

c) SBI. State Bank of India (SBI) launched its latest customer-friendly digital initiative Multi Option Payment Acceptance Device (MOPAD) at a shopping mall, in Visakhapatnam.

### **74. Which park has become 11th biosphere reserve in World Network of Biosphere Reserves (WNBR)?**

- a) Khangchendzonga
- b) Manas
- c) Bandipur
- d) Ranthambore

a) Khangchendzonga. The decision to include Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve in WNBR was taken at the 30th Session of International Coordinating Council (ICC) of Man and Biosphere (MAB) Programme of UNESCO held at Palembang, Indonesia.

### **75. Which country government has planned to ban internet from 12 am to 6 am for teens under 17?**

- a) Singapore
- b) Malaysia
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Pakistan

b) Malaysia. The Malaysian government is considering to ban internet from 12 am to 6 am daily for teenagers under 17 years of age, Deputy Health Minister Lee Boon Chye said. The move aims at reducing video game and social media addiction among teens.

### **76. According to Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Which city has ranked first in Ease of Living Index?**

- a) Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Chennai

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d) Pune

d) Pune. Maharashtra's Pune has topped the Ease of Living Index rankings released by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. While Navi Mumbai has grabbed the second spot, Greater Mumbai was ranked third, and national capital Delhi was ranked 65th.

**77. Somnath Chatterjee passed away at 89, Who is a Ex-\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Lok Sabha Speaker
- b) Rajya Sabha Speaker
- c) Union Minister
- d) None of these

a) Lok Sabha Speaker. Former Lok Sabha Speaker Somnath Chatterjee passed away aged 89 in Kolkata. The veteran politician had been put on ventilator support after being re-admitted to the hospital following kidney ailments.

**78. Vidiadhar Surajprasad Naipaul passed away at 85, is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politician
- b) Journalist
- c) Author
- d) Actor

c) Author. Vidiadhar Surajprasad Naipaul, 85 years old, passed away on 11th August. He is a Trinidad-born Indian-origin author.

**79. Nepal-India Literature Festival 2018 commenced at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Kathmandu
- b) Ahmedabad
- c) Pune
- d) Birgunj

d) Birgunj. The festival was inaugurated by Chief Minister of Province 2 Mohammad Lal Babu Raut. The main aim of the festival is to strengthen Indo-Nepal ties. Around 250 participants from India and Nepal attending the two-day festival.

**80. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Which place has set to overtake Qatar as world's richest place by 2020?**

- a) US
- b) Macau
- c) Ireland
- d) Norway

b) Macau. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Macau in China would overtake oil-rich Qatar with the highest per-capita gross domestic product of any country or jurisdiction on earth, by 2020.

**81. SWAT in this 'T' represents\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tactics
- b) Training
- c) Translate
- d) Tamper

a) Tactics. Ahead of the Independence Day, the Delhi Police inducted India's first all-woman Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team for anti-terrorist operations. 36 women commandos from the northeastern states have been inducted into this squad.

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**82. CBA in this 'B' represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Board
- b) Bank
- c) Botanical
- d) Boeing

b) Bank. The World Bank has mandated the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) to issue the world's first blockchain-based bond. The Kangaroo bond, referring to foreign bonds issued in Australia in the local currency, has been named bond-i, an acronym standing for Blockchain Offered New Debt Instrument. (It's also a reference to Bondi Beach, an iconic spot in Sydney).

**83. Which city has been named as world's most liveable city?**

- a) Vienna
- b) Lagos
- c) Melbourne
- d) Dhaka

a) Vienna. Austria's capital Vienna has topped the Economist Intelligence Unit's Global Liveability Index for the first time, beating Australian city Melbourne, which had topped the list for the past seven years.

**84. Balram Das Tandon passed away at 90, who was a \_\_\_\_\_ governor.**

- a) Meghalaya
- b) Manipur
- c) Chhattisgarh
- d) Punjab

c) Chhattisgarh. Chhattisgarh Governor Balram Das Tandon passed away at the age of 90 after suffering a cardiac arrest.

**85. Which railway station has ranked as India's cleanest Station?**

- a) Gujarat
- b) Karnataka
- c) Himachal Pradesh
- d) Rajasthan

d) Rajasthan. Rajasthan's Jodhpur railway station was ranked the cleanest station in the A1 Category in a cleanliness report released by the Ministry of Railways. Jodhpur was followed by stations Jaipur and Tirupati in cleanliness in the A1 Category of railway stations. Rajasthan's Marwar topped among the A Category railway stations, followed by Phulera and Warangal.

**86. India's first genetic bank for wildlife conservation inaugurated in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Chennai
- b) New Delhi
- c) Mumbai
- d) Hyderabad

d) Hyderabad. It is India's first genetic resource bank where the genetic material will be stored for posterity which will further the cause of conservation of endangered species.

**87. Which department of karnataka government has launched a Green Mysuru?**

- a) Forest
- b) Agriculture



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- c) Electric Board
- d) None of these
- a) Forest. The Forest Department of Karnataka is to launch a Green Mysuru drive on 15th August 2018 under Hasiru Karnataka programme.

**88. India to participate in SCO Peace Mission 2018 exercise at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Japan
- b) China
- c) USA
- d) Russia
- d) Russia. India will participate for the first time in the joint SCO Peace Mission Exercise, a part of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) initiatives, being conducted by Central Military Commission of Russia from August 22-29 at Chebarkul. India became a full member of the SCO in June 2017.

**89. Who has been appointed as chairperson of National Commission for Women?**

- a) Lalitha Kumaramangalam
- b) Rekha Sharma
- c) Gowri Thiyagarajan
- d) Hima Vinoth
- b) Rekha Sharma. Sharma, 54, was earlier a member of the Commission and was holding the additional charge of chairperson after Lalitha Kumaramangalam demitted office in September last year. She belongs to Haryana.

**90. According to the UK based survey, Which brand has been ranked as Indias most patriotic brand?**

- a) TATA
- b) Patanjali
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Reliance
- c) State Bank of India. According to the survey conducted by UK-based online market research and data analytics firm, \*YouGov\* Country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI) is considered to be the most patriotic brand

**91. Operation Madad has been launched by?**

- a) Navy
- b) Army
- c) Air Force
- d) CPRF
- a) Navy. The Southern Naval Command (SNC) launched 'Operation Madad' for assisting the Kerala administration and undertaking disaster relief operations due to the unprecedented flooding experienced in many parts of Kerala.

**92. Who is the New captain of Barcelona Football Team?**

- a) Andres Iniesta
- b) Lionel Messi
- c) Sergio Busquets
- d) Gerard Pique
- b) Lionel Messi. Lionel Messi has succeeded Andres Iniesta as captain of Barcelona, after the

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Spaniard ended his 22-year stay at the club to join Japanese side Vissel Kobe in May. Sergio Busquets will be the vice-captain

### 93. Who is the current Prime Minister of Pakistan?

- a) Wasim Akhram
  - b) Abdul Khaffer
  - c) Imran Khan
  - d) Mohammed Shamim
- c) Imran Khan. Former cricketer and Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chief Imran Khan was elected the Prime Minister of Pakistan after a vote in the country's lower house of parliament. Khan's party had emerged as the single-largest in recently-concluded elections but failed to win an absolute majority.

### 94. Aretha Franklin passed away at 76, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Singer
  - b) Actor
  - c) Writer
  - d) Journalist
- a) Singer. Aretha Franklin, the long-reigning Queen of Soul, died at the age of 76 from advanced pancreatic cancer.

### 95. Atal Bihari Vajpayee passes away aged at 93, Who was a Ex- \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) President
  - b) Prime Minister
  - c) Union Minister
  - d) Lok Sabha Speaker
- b) Prime Minister. Former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna awardee Atal Bihari Vajpayee passed away aged 93 at AIIMS Delhi, where he was being treated since nine weeks.

### 96. Ajit Wadekar passed away aged at 77, ia associated with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Cricket
  - b) Hockey
  - c) Kabbadi
  - d) Chess
- a) Cricket. Former India Test captain Ajit Wadekar passed away in Mumbai today aged 77 following a prolonged illness.

### 97. Who tops list of India's wealthiest women?

- a) Renuka Sasthri
  - b) Indu Jain
  - c) Smita Crishna
  - d) Roshni Nadar
- c) Smita Crishna. Smitha V. Crishna, a third-generation heir of the Godrej family, ranks first in the Kotak Wealth Hurun-Leading Wealthy Women 2018 list with an estimated wealth of ₹ 37,570 crore. Roshni Nadar, CEO and executive director at HCL

### 98. Who has become Brand Ambassador for Road Safety Campaigns?

- a) Aamir Khan
- b) Akshay Kumar
- c) Salman Khan

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- d) Shah Ruhk Khan
- b) Akshay Kumar. Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping, Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Nitin Gadkari launched three short films for generating public awareness towards road safety.

### **99. Who has been elected as the Speaker of Pakistan parliament?**

- a) Nabel Aslam
- b) Sabith Hussain
- c) Ashik Abbas
- d) Asad Qaiser
- d) Asad Qaiser. Asad Qaiser of Pakistan Tehrik-e Insaf (PTI) party has been elected as the Speaker of Pakistan's parliament. He secured 176 votes and defeat Khursheed Shah. He was sworn in as the Speaker of the National Assembly, Parliament's lower house on 15th August

### **100. Twenty fourth World Congress of Philosophy held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tokyo
- b) Shanghai
- c) Beijing
- d) Moscow
- c) Beijing. The event was organized by the International Federation of Philosophical Societies and Peking University.

### **101. Who is the current President of Paraguay?**

- a) Horacio Cartes
- b) Hugo Velázquez Moreno
- c) Fátima Díaz Benza
- d) Mario Abdo Benitez
- d) Mario Abdo Benitez. Benitez clinched the top spot after defeating his closest rival, Efrain Alegre from the liberal opposition alliance, by four percentage points in the nation's elections. 46-year-old Benitez replaces Horacio Cartes. Both are from the conservative Colorado Party.

### **102. Mali country is located in which continent?**

- a) Africa
- b) Australia
- c) North America
- d) South America
- a) Africa. Mali is the eighth-largest country in Africa. Ibrahim Boubacar Keita reelected as Mali president

### **103. Bajrang won India's 1st gold at 2018 Asian Games in which event?**

- a) Swimming
- b) Wrestler
- c) Pole Vault
- d) None of these
- b) Wrestler. Wrestler Bajrang Punia defeated Japan's Daichi Takatani in the men's freestyle 65kg final to win India's first gold medal at the 2018 Asian Games.

### **104. Who has become 1st Indian to take 5 catches on Test debut?**

- a) Hardik Pandya

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- b) R Ashwin
- c) V Kohli
- d) Rishabh Pant
- d) Rishabh Pant. Twenty-year-old Rishabh Pant has become the first Indian cricketer to take five catches in his Test debut, playing against England on Day 2 of the third Test.

### 105. Who is the President of Afghanistan?

- a) Ashraf Ghani
- b) Nabeel Aslam
- c) Nitheesh Therattil
- d) Mohammed Anwar
- a) Ashraf Ghani. Afghanistan on August 19th celebrated its 99th Independence Day, with President Ashraf Ghani laying a wreath at the Independence Minaret to pay tributes to security forces who lost their lives.

### 106. Imran Khan sworn in as \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Minister of Pakistan.

- a) 21st
- b) 22nd
- c) 23rd
- d) 24th
- b) 22nd. Pakistan's Cricket World Cup-winning captain and Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf chief Imran Khan took oath as the 22nd Prime Minister of Pakistan at the President House in Islamabad.

### 107. UNFAO to declared 2019 as International Year of \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Rice
- b) Cereals
- c) Millets
- d) All the above
- c) Millets. The adoption of this proposal by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (UNFAO) with the support of its Member Nations will enable it to be moved to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) for the declaration of an upcoming year as International Year of Millets.

### 108. India's First project of Swadesh Darshan launched in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Sikkim
- b) Manipur
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Punjab
- b) Manipur. The Manipur Governor, Dr. Najma A. Heptulla inaugurated the project 'Development of North East Circuit: Imphal & Khongjom' implemented under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.

### 109. Who has been appointed as Chairman of Marine Products Export Development Authority?

- a) Saravana Moorthy
- b) Ajay Raj
- c) Ravi Kumar
- d) KS Srinivas

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d) KS Srinivas. He served as Joint Secretary in Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare in Ministry of Agriculture.

### 110. Which state government has launched Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana?

- a) Odisha
- b) Punjab
- c) Gujarat
- d) Maharastra

a) Odisha. On the occasion of 72nd Independence Day, Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik launched Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) which provides annual cashless health coverage of Rs 5 lakh per beneficiary family per annum.

### 111. Who has become India's latest Woman Grandmaster?

- a) Vaishali R
- b) Krithiga Devi
- c) Janani S
- d) Hima Vinoth

a) Vaishali R. The sister of R Praggnanandhaa, Vaishali R (17-year-old), became India's latest Woman Grandmaster (WGM) after earning her third and final WGM norm at Riga Technical University Open at Latvia.

### 112. World Cup for shooting in 2020 is held at \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Sydney
- b) New Delhi
- c) Moscow
- d) Dubai

b) New Delhi. New Delhi has been granted hosting rights of the Combined ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) World Cup, to be held before the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. India is scheduled to host the World Cup next year from February 20 to 28, which will offer Olympic quota places for Tokyo.

### 113. International Conference on Recent Advances in Food Processing Technology (iCRAFPT) gets held at \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Bangalore
- c) Chennai
- d) Thanjavur

d) Thanjavur. The theme of the conference was "Doubling farmers' income through food processing". The conference provides a strong platform for knowledge sharing and meaningful delegation among industry, academia, researchers and farmers which will potentially impact the food sector growth to a newer height.

### 114. Who is the 1st Indian woman wrestler to win gold at Asiad?

- a) Meera Chandar
- b) Vinesh Phogat
- c) Anu Chellian
- d) Christina James

b) Vinesh Phogat . Two-time CWG champion Vinesh Phogat defeated Japan's Irie Yuki in the women's freestyle 50kg final to become the first Indian woman wrestler to win gold at the Asian Games.

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**115. Who has become the first man to claim all nine ATP Masters 1000 titles?**

- a) Roger Federer
  - b) Rafael Nadal
  - c) Novak Djokovic
  - d) Andy Murray
- c) Novak Djokovic. World number six Novak Djokovic defeated world number two Roger Federer 6-4, 6-4 in the final of the Cincinnati Masters to become the first man to claim all nine ATP Masters 1000 titles.

**116. 16-yr-old Saurabh bags India's 1st \_\_\_\_\_ gold at Asiad 2018.**

- a) Swimming
  - b) Wrestling
  - c) Tennis
  - d) Shooting
- d) Shooting. Sixteen-year-old shooter Saurabh Chaudhary won the men's 10m Air Pistol event to bag India's first shooting gold at the 2018 Asiad. The junior world record holder shot a total score of 240.7 to set Games record, while another Indian shooter

**117. Centre declares Kerala floods as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Calamity of Severe Nature
  - b) Calamity of Heavy Nature
  - c) Calamity of High Nature
  - d) Calamity of water Nature
- a) Calamity of Severe Nature. The Centre has declared the Kerala floods as a 'Calamity of Severe Nature', categorising it as a Level 3 disaster.

**118. HELINA is related to \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Anti-tank Weapons
  - b) Software Virus
  - c) Agriculture Pesticide
  - d) None of these
- a) Anti-tank Weapons. The indigenously designed and developed guided bombs Smart Anti Airfield Weapon (SAAW) successfully flight tested from IAF aircraft at Chandan range in Jaisalmer. The missile is one of the most advanced anti-tank weapons in the world.

**119. World Humanitarian Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 18 August
  - b) 19 August
  - c) 20 August
  - d) 21 August
- b) 19 August. The campaign launched on World Humanitarian Day is "#NotATarget". People in cities and towns struggle to find food, water, and safe shelter, while fighting drives millions from their homes.

**120. Sadbhavana Diwas or Harmony Day is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) August 18
  - b) August 19
  - c) August 20
  - d) August 21
- c) August 20. Sadbhavana Diwas or Harmony Day is celebrated on August 20 each year all

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over India to commemorate the birth anniversary of the former Prime Minister of India named Rajiv Gandhi. Sadbhavana meaning – having good feelings for others.

### **121. Who has inaugurated Panini Language Laboratory in Mauritius?**

- a) Narendra Modi
  - b) Ram Nath Govind
  - c) Arun Jaitley
  - d) Sushma Swaraj
- d) Sushma Swaraj. The lab is gifted by the Indian government and will help MGI in teaching Indian languages in Mauritius.

### **122. Which month of 2018 has declared as National Nutrition Month?**

- a) July 2018
  - b) August 2018
  - c) September 2018
  - d) October 2018
- c) September 2018. Union Ministry of Women and Child Development announced to observe September 2018 as the National Nutrition Month to mark the country's fight against malnutrition.

### **123. Who Won Western And Southern Open 2018?**

- a) Roger Federer
  - b) Rafael Nadal
  - c) Novak Djokovic
  - d) Andy Murray
- c) Novak Djokovic. He became the first men's tennis player in history to win all nine Masters 1,000 tournaments after finishing as the runner-up in Cincinnati five different times.

### **124. Ten day long 'Esala Maha Perahera' festival begins in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Nepal
  - b) Thailand
  - c) Pakistan
  - d) Sri Lanka
- d) Sri Lanka. The Kandy Esala Perahera also known as 'The Festival of the Tooth' is a grand festival celebrated in July or August in Kandy, Sri Lanka.

### **125. Which among the following countries India has conducted Maitree Military Exercise?**

- a) Nepal
  - b) Thailand
  - c) Pakistan
  - d) Sri Lanka
- b) Thailand. A two-week long platoon level military exercise called 'Exercise Maitree 2018' concluded at Jammu & Kashmir Srinagar.

### **126. World Mosquito Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) August 18
- b) August 19
- c) August 20
- d) August 21

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c) August 20. World Mosquito Day is a commemoration of British doctor Sir Ronald Ross's discovery in 1897 that female mosquitoes transmit malaria between humans. Mosquito name comes from Spanish word meaning "little fly".

### 127. Who is the 13th Jammu and Kashmir Governor?

- a) Satya Pal Malik
- b) VN Nohra
- c) Nivin Patnaik
- d) Rakesh Vinay

a) Satya Pal Malik. Satya Pal Malik was sworn in as the 13th Governor of Jammu and Kashmir. Malik, who had quit the Congress in 1987 and joined BJP in 2004, was previously the Governor of Bihar.

### 128. Which company has become 1st Indian company to hit ₹8 trillion m-cap?

- a) Patanjali
- b) Reliance
- c) NSE
- d) L&T

b) Reliance. Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries (RIL) became the first Indian company to hit ₹8 trillion or ₹8 lakh crore in market capitalisation after its stock rallied 1.31% to hit a record high of ₹1262.50.

### 129. Kuldip Nayar passed away at 95, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Politician
- b) Actor
- c) Scientist
- d) Journalist

d) Journalist. Veteran journalist Kuldip Nayar passed away at the age of 95 in a Delhi hospital. He had started his career in Urdu journalism and later served as the Editor of The Indian Express.

### 130. International Day of Remembrance and tribute to the Victims of Terrorism is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 20 August
- b) 21 August
- c) 23 August
- d) 24 August

b) 21 August. This day is observed in order to commemorate the core values of the United Nations and is an indiscriminate threat that affects people and countries across the globe.

### 131. VVS Laxman wrote down his autobiography titled as \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 284 and Beyond
- b) 282 and Beyond
- c) 281 and Beyond
- d) 283 and Beyond

c) 281 and Beyond. The autobiography will be released by the Westland Publications on November 20, 2018. Indian cricketer VVS Laxman who announced his retirement from international cricket in 2012, played 134 Tests, scoring 8,781 runs at an average of 45.97.



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**132. Whose autobiography has been named as “No Spin”?**

- a) Shane Warne
- b) Ricky Pointing
- c) Glenn Maxwell
- d) Muthaiah Muralidharan

a) Shane Warne. Australian cricketer Shane Warne’s autobiography “No Spin” will have a global release on October 4. The memoir is written with cricketer and TV presenter Mark Nicholas.

**133. Who has been appointed as New chief of Chhattisgarh Lokayukta?**

- a) Meera Govind
- b) Steffi John
- c) TP Sharma
- d) Anu Srinivasa

c) TP Sharma. Sharma will head the Chhattisgarh Lok Ayog, set up to deal with corruption cases against public servants. Sharma, the state’s fourth chief Lokayukta, will succeed Justice (retired) Shambhu Nath Shrivastava, who was appointed to the post on August 14, 2013.

**134. Who is the only Indian in Forbes’ list of top paid female athletes 2018?**

- a) Saina Nehwal
- b) Sania Mirza
- c) Deepika
- d) PV Sindhu

d) PV Sindhu. With earnings of \$8.5 million (nearly ₹60 crore), Rio Olympic silver medallist PV Sindhu is the only Indian to feature in Forbes’ list of top 10 highest-paid female athletes of 2018.

**135. Iran unveiled its first domestic fighter jet named \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Kulasar
- b) Kowsar
- c) Pulsar
- d) Sulabi

b) Kowsar. The aircraft is nicknamed ‘Kowsar’, which in Islam is a river in paradise and also the title of a chapter in the Koran. This defence programme was motivated by repeated threats from Israel and the US. Iran celebrates National Defence Industry Day on August 22.

**136. First-ever IAF-RMAF joint air exercise begins in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Singapore
- b) Afghanistan
- c) Malaysia
- d) Russia

c) Malaysia. This is the inaugural bilateral exercise between Indian Air Force (IAF) and the the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF).

**137. Who is the new Governor of Bihar?**

- a) Ganga Prasad
- b) Baby Rani Maurya
- c) Kaptan Singh Solanki
- d) Lalji Tandon
- d) Lalji Tandon.

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**138. Which airport is the World's second fastest growing airport?**

- a) Bengaluru Kempegowda
- b) Chennai Airport
- c) Chatrapati shivaji airport
- d) Indira Gandhi International Airport

a) Bengaluru Kempegowda. As per the RoutesOnline company report, Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), Bengaluru is next to Tokyo's Haneda Airport which is the world's fastest growing airport, in terms of actual growth in number of passengers.

**139. Fourth BIMSTEC summit to be held on 30th and 31st of this month in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Kathmandu
- b) Pune
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) New Delhi

a) Kathmandu. Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) will be held at Kathmandu in Nepal on August 30 and 31

**140. Who is the current PM of Australia?**

- a) Scott Morrison
- b) Malcolm Turnbull
- c) Nelson Andrews
- d) Nicolo Sebastian

a) Scott Morrison. Liberal Party leader Scott Morrison was elected Australia's fifth Prime Minister in five years after successfully challenging the leadership of former Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull.

**141. Who has become Japan's first female fighter pilot?**

- a) Yuna Riosushima
- b) Hinata Mei
- c) Misa Matsushima
- d) Koharu Hina

c) Misa Matsushima. First Lieutenant Misa Matsushima became Japan's first female fighter pilot, having completed her training earlier this week. The 26-year-old will be stationed at the Nyutabaru Air Base and begin flying F-15 fighter jets.

**142. India Banking Conclave 2018 held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Mumbai
- b) Allahabad
- c) Bangalore
- d) New Delhi

d) New Delhi. Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) and the government Think Tank NITI Aayog organised two-day 'India Banking Conclave' (IBC) in New Delhi between August 23 and August 24, 2018.

**143. Aeolus satellite has been launched at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Russia
- b) France
- c) Japan
- d) USA

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b) France. This satellite will be put into orbit at an altitude of 320 kilometers (200 miles) above the Earth which will track global winds, allowing for improved weather forecasting.

**144. Sanjay Gandhi National Park is situated in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Mumbai
- c) Kolkata
- d) Hyderabad
- b) Mumbai.

**145. Who is the new brand ambassador of Sanjay Gandhi National Park?**

- a) Raveena Tandon
  - b) Twinkle Khanna
  - c) Shilpa Shetty
  - d) Ajay Devgan
- a) Raveena Tandon. Actor Raveena Tandon creates awareness about its initiatives like 50 crore tree plantation drive, eco-tourism in Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP), conservation of leopards

**146. Mizzima media is associated from which country?**

- a) Vietnam
  - b) Thailand
  - c) Myanmar
  - d) Nepal
- c) Myanmar. Prasar Bharati and Mizzima Media of Myanmar signed a Memorandum of Understanding to boost centuries old ties between India and Myanmar. It will also strengthen India's soft power in its neighbourhood.

**147. Who has been appointed as DRDO Chairman?**

- a) Visvesh Kumar
  - b) G Satheesh Reddy
  - c) Vaibhav Moorthy S
  - d) Aravind Manimaran
- b) G Satheesh Reddy. The government has appointed scientist G Satheesh Reddy as the Chairman of the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO), three months after S Christopher completed his term in May this year.

**148. Which bank has ranked as best state-run bank for digital transactions?**

- a) Tamilnadu Mercantile Bank
  - b) Punjab National Bank
  - c) HDFC
  - d) Syndicate Bank
- b) Punjab National Bank. Punjab National Bank (PNB) said that a Department of Financial Services report has ranked it as the best state-owned bank in terms of digital transactions. "The bank is fully committed to 'Digital India' initiative

**149. Who has honoured with Asia Game Changer of the 2018 award?**

- a) Mukesh Ambani
- b) PV Sindhu
- c) Kiran Bedi

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d) Indra Nooyi

d) Indra Nooyi. PepsiCo's India-born Chairman and CEO Indra Nooyi will be honoured with the 2018 Asia Game Changer of the Year award by global cultural organisation Asia Society. Nooyi has been selected in "recognition of her pioneering business achievements"

**150. Which country has become the world's first country to provide free sanitary products to all students?**

a) England

b) Ireland

c) Scotland

d) Wales

c) Scotland. Scotland has become the world's first country to provide free sanitary products to all students in a bid to tackle "period poverty".

**151. World Sanskrit Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

a) August 23

b) August 24

c) August 25

d) August 26

d) August 26. The World Sanskrit Day, also known as Sanskrit Diwas, is being celebrated on August 26. The Day is aimed at promoting and reviving the ancient Indian language of Sanskrit.

**152. International Water Colour Festival in \_\_\_\_\_.**

a) Ranchi

b) Patna

c) Jamshedpur

d) Dhanbad

a) Ranchi. Five-day long 'International water colour festival' is held in Ranchi at Audrey House, to promote the rich art and culture of Jharkhand.

**153. Jhulan Goswami announced her retirement, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

a) Cricket

b) Kabbadi

c) Hockey

d) None of these

a) Cricket. Goswami is currently the leading wicket-taker in the women's ODI format and also the first woman to pick up 200 ODI wickets. She played 68 T20 Internationals and took 56 wickets at an economy rate of 5.45.

**154. ICOMOS in this 'M' represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

a) Multi

b) Movement

c) Monuments

d) Memorable

c) Monuments. The International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), a global monument conservation body, has launched an initiative to assess the damage to the rich cultural and built heritage in flood-devastated Kerala and set up an emergency response platform.

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**155. Sea Prayer book has been written by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Marc Forster
- b) Khaled Hosseini
- c) Keigo Higashino
- d) Yann Martel

b) Khaled Hosseini. "Sea Prayer", the new book of writer Khaled Hosseini will be released on 30th August 2018. Khaled Hosseini is an Afghan-born American novelist. He has written books like "The Kite Runner", "A Thousand Splendid Suns" and "And the Mountains Echoed".

**156. Tejinderpal Singh won India's 1st \_\_\_\_\_ gold at Asiad 2018.**

- a) Swimming
- b) Athletics
- c) Wrestling
- d) Shooting

b) Athletics. Tejinderpal Singh won India's first Athletics medal at the Asian Games 2018 in the form of his Shot Put gold. The 23-year-old threw 20.75 metres in his fifth attempt to take the first spot in the final of the event. Tejinderpal's gold-winning attempt was an Asian Games record and a national record.

**157. Who is the President of Mexico?**

- a) Enrique Peña Niet
- b) Angelica Rivera
- c) Felipe Calderón
- d) Joaquín Guzmán

a) Enrique Peña Niet. The US and Mexico reached a deal to replace the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) with the 'United States-Mexico Trade Agreement'. Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto said his country wanted to incorporate NAFTA partner Canada into the new deal.

**158. Who has become the first Indian to bag gold in javelin throw at the Commonwealth Games earlier this year?**

- a) Ratna Padey
- b) Neeraj Chopra
- c) Sandeep Yadav
- d) Vishnuvi Kumar

b) Neeraj Chopra. Neeraj Chopra became the first-ever Indian javelin thrower to win a gold medal at the Asian Games. The 20-year-old junior world record holder hurled the javelin to a distance of 88.06m to bag the Asiad gold. Notably, Neeraj had also become the first Indian to bag gold in javelin throw at the Commonwealth Games earlier this year.

**159. Who is the President of Zimbabwe?**

- a) Joice Mujuru
- b) Grace Mugabe
- c) Robert Mugabe
- d) Emmerson Mnangagwa

d) Emmerson Mnangagwa. Emmerson Mnangagwa was officially sworn in as President of Zimbabwe. He pledged to protect and promote the rights of Zimbabweans at an inauguration ceremony attended by thousands of supporters at a stadium in Harare.

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**160. Who is the current CEO of Prasar Bharati?**

- a) Karthikeyan M Vempati
  - b) Vimal Boopathy
  - c) Arunraj K
  - d) Shashi Shekhar Vempati
- d) Shashi Shekhar Vempati . The agreement was signed in the presence of Prasar Bharati CEO, Shashi Shekhar Vempati and Editor-in-chief and MD, Mizzima in New Delhi. The main aim of the agreement is to maintain cooperation and collaboration in broadcasting and envisions content-sharing covering a wide range of genres

**161. Who has been appointed as Assocham Secretary General?**

- a) Purushoth N
  - b) UK Varma
  - c) Shekar Rao
  - d) Uma Barathi
- b) UK Varma. He succeeds DS Rawat who held the position for nearly 14 years. The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) is one of the apex trade associations of India.

**162. India's Largest Business Incubator Bhamashah Techno Hub Launched In \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Pune
  - b) Haryana
  - c) Jaipur
  - d) Chandigarh
- c) Jaipur. The main aim of the Techno Hub is to strengthen the startup ecosystem in Rajasthan. The incubator will provide end-to-end support to startups, ranging from infrastructure, technology, angel funding, access to venture capitalists, mentorship, exposure to national and international organizations and experts.

**163. NETA app to \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Rate MPs and MLAs
  - b) Transferring funds
  - c) Casting the vote
  - d) Selection purpose of MPs and MLAs
- a) Rate MPs and MLAs. NETA National Electoral Transformation (NETA) Leaders Report Card App, the brainchild of 27-year-old entrepreneur Pratham Mittal is a platform where voters can review and rate their elected representatives and hold them accountable as well.

**164. Third Indian Ocean Conference held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Hoi An
  - b) Da Nang
  - c) Haiphong
  - d) Hanoi
- d) Hanoi. With successive two years in its bag, the third edition of Indian Ocean Conference is set to begin on August 27 at Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam.

**165. BNHS in this 'B' represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Bombay
- b) Board

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- c) Bio
- d) Bi
- a) Bombay. The Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), one of India's premier avian research institutes, will start operating its regional centre on the campus of Wetland Research and Training Centre near Chilika Lake.

**166. Google has launched 'Navlekhā' for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Indian language publishers
  - b) Tourism places in India
  - c) Monuments in India
  - d) Foreign Language Publishers
- a) Indian language publishers. Google has unveiled Project Navlekhā to help Indian language publishers take their content online. "When you search in Indian languages, the content available is just 1% of what's available in English," Google said.

**167. Who has been appointed as UNEP Assistant Secretary-General?**

- a) Divya Tripathi
  - b) Vedha Krishnamurthy
  - c) Sathya Tripathi
  - d) Hema Latha
- c) Sathya Tripathi. Satya Tripathi, an Indian development economist and lawyer, has been appointed the Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

**168. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Colgate-Palmolive India?**

- a) Vishnuvi Menon
  - b) Rigil Gilbert
  - c) Mukul Deoras
  - d) Sabin Therattil
- c) Mukul Deoras. Consumer goods company Colgate-Palmolive India announced the appointment of Mukul Deoras as Chairman with effect from September 1. Deoras, an IIM Ahmedabad graduate, was the Chief Marketing Officer of the US-headquartered parent since 2015.

**169. Who has been elected as DMK's 2nd ever President?**

- a) Durai Murugan
  - b) Alagiri
  - c) Dhayanidhi Maran
  - d) MK Stalin
- d) MK Stalin. Late Tamil Nadu CM Karunanidhi's son MK Stalin was elected President of the DMK at the party's General Council meeting. The 65-year-old is only the second President of the party after Karunanidhi, who held the post for 49 years.

**170. Which country has become 1st country in the World to give students free sanitary products?**

- a) Ireland
- b) Norway
- c) France
- d) Scotland

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d) Scotland. Scotland has become the world's first country to provide free sanitary products to all students in a bid to tackle "period poverty".

**171. Which among the following cities has ranked top in Overall emissions and energy consumption in Transport?**

- a) Mumbai
- b) Bhopal
- c) Chandigarh
- d) Kolkata
- b) Bhopal.

**172. Which country won Title at FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup France 2018?**

- a) China
- b) Japan
- c) Russia
- d) France
- b) Japan. Japan completed the trifecta of Women's World Cups by winning the FIFA U-20 title to add to the 2011 World Cup and 2014 FIFA U-17 titles, becoming the first nation to win all three crowns.

**173. Tez renamed as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Google Transfer
- b) Google Swipe
- c) Google Pay
- d) None of these
- c) Google Pay. Google rebranded its India-based payments app Google Tez into Google Pay and has partnered with four private banks to offer consumer loans online.

**174. India's first interstate connected wind power project commissioned in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Jamnagar
- b) Rajkot
- c) Bhuj
- d) Bhavnagar
- c) Bhuj. 126 MW wind power capacity, part of country's first Inter State Transmission System (ISTS) auction, is commissioned in Bhuj, Gujarat.

**175. Jaipur Foot has been launched by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Smrithi Irani
- b) Arun Jaitley
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) Sushma Swaraj
- d) Sushma Swaraj. Sushma Swaraj inaugurated 'Jaipur Foot' camp

**176. Sushma Swaraj inaugurated 'Jaipur Foot' camp in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Hanoi
- b) Da Nang
- c) Haiphong
- d) Vietnam
- a) Hanoi. External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj who is on a four day two nation tour of



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South East Asia which includes Vietnam and Cambodia, presented free India-made prosthetic limbs for 500 Vietnamese beneficiaries.

**177. Which State CM has inaugurated India's tallest Film Studio?**

- a) Kerala
  - b) Tamilnadu
  - c) Andhra PRadesh
  - d) Karnataka
- b) Tamilnadu. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami has inaugurated India's tallest Film Studio named 'MGR Centenary Film Studio'.

**178. National Sports day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) August 28th
  - b) August 29th
  - c) August 30th
  - d) August 31th
- b) August 29th. The legendary hockey player Dhyan Chand birthday is commemorated as National Sports day. He was famously known as 'The Wizard' for his superb ball control.

**179. Cabinet approved \_\_\_\_\_ rise in outlay for postal bank.**

- a) 78.3%
  - b) 79.1%
  - c) 79.3%
  - d) 80.8%
- c) 79.3%. The Cabinet approved an increase of 79.3% in the project outlay for setting up the India Post Payments Bank to Rs.1,435 crore.

**180. Which hill station has become the wettest place in India this year?**

- a) Cherrapunji
  - b) Nilgiris
  - c) Ooty
  - d) Mahabaleshwar
- d) Mahabaleshwar. Maharashtra's Mahabaleshwar has become the wettest place in India this year, leaving behind Meghalaya's Cherrapunji.

**181. Exercise Peace Mission 2018 ended in\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) China
  - b) Japan
  - c) Africa
  - d) Russia
- d) Russia. Exercise Peace Mission 2018, the joint military exercise of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), ended in Russia. Eight-member states participated in this joint training on combating terrorism.

**182. Who has become first Indian to win Asian Games gold medal in the women's Heptathlon event?**

- a) Swapna Barman
- b) Jyothi Singh
- c) Divya Kumari
- d) Anu Priya L

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a) Swapna Barman. The 21-year-old Swapna Barman logged 6026 points from the seven events competed for two days. She won the high jump (1003 points) and javelin throw (872 points) events and finished second-best in shot put (707 points) and long jump (865 points).

**183. Navlekha has been launched by\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Google
- b) Apple Inc
- c) Reliance
- d) Microsoft

a) Google. At the fourth 'Google for India' event, Google has unveiled Project Navlekhā to help Indian language publishers take their content online. Navlekhā is a word derived from Sanskrit meaning 'a new way to write.'