

1. Arogya Manthan' event being organised in _____.

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

Answer b) New Delhi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will preside over the valedictory function of Arogya Manthan in New Delhi on 1 October 2019.

2. Which bank has become first Indian bank to have office in Australia's Victoria?

- a) Indian Bank
- b) SBI
- c) PNB
- d) HDFC Bank

Answer b) SBI. The State Bank of India opened its Melbourne office, becoming the first Indian bank to have a branch in the Australian state of Victoria.

3. Kaushal Dharmamer wins Maldives International Challenge, is associated with _____.

- a) Tennis
- b) Shooting
- c) Badminton
- d) Swimming

Answer c) Badminton. Indian shuttler Kaushal Dharmamer clinched the men's singles title at the Maldives International Challenge with a straight-games win over Siril Verma.

4. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of the Press Information Bureau (PIB)?

- a) KS Dhatwalia
- b) Yashoda Priyan
- c) Murali Bhakshi P
- d) Kuramhara Pandey

Answer a) KS Dhatwalia . The Centre appointed senior Indian Information Service (IIS) official KS Dhatwalia as the new Director General of the Press Information Bureau (PIB).

5. Which bank has launched Express FD?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) SBI
- c) PNB
- d) Axis Bank

Answer d) Axis Bank. Private sector lender Axis Bank, announced the launch of a digital fixed-deposit product. Called 'Express FD', a customer can open an Express FD account in three minutes through the digital mode without opening a savings account with the bank.

6. International Day of Older Persons is observed on _____.

- a) April 10
- b) July 25
- c) September 30
- d) October 01

Answer d) October 01. The International Day of Older Persons is an opportunity to highlight

the important contributions that older people make to society and raise awareness of the opportunities and challenges of ageing in today's world.

7. The theme for International Day of Older Persons 2019 is _____.

- a) The Joy to Age Equality
- b) The Journey to Life
- c) The Journey to Equality
- d) The Journey to Age Equality

Answer d) The Journey to Age Equality. 2019 Theme: "The Journey to Age Equality"

8. Which state has signed MoUs with Oppo, Wadhvani Foundation to support SMEs, startups?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Karnataka
- c) Kerala
- d) Telangana

Answer c) Kerala. The Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) signed Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) with Oppo Mobiles India Private Limited and the Wadhvani Foundation at the second edition of Huddle Kerala 2019.

9. National Nutrition Survey was done by collecting _____.

- a) Urine Samples
- b) Blood Samples
- c) Platelets
- d) Both a and b

Answer d) Both a and b. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare organized first National Nutrition Survey. The ministry took help from UNICEF to complete the survey. The survey was conducted between 2016 and 2018.

10. Sports Ministry inks MoU with NBCC to develop National Sports University at _____.

- a) Imphal
- b) Indore
- c) Ranchi
- d) Madurai

Answer a) Imphal. Department of Sports under Union Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) to provide Project Management Consultancy for development of National Sports University at Imphal, Manipur. The approximate cost of project would be Rs.400 crore.

11. Gandhi Jayanthi is celebrated on _____.

- a) September 02
- b) October 02
- c) April 23
- d) July 31

Answer b) October 02. Gandhi Jayanthi is celebrated on 2 October in India. The Day marks the to mark the birth anniversary of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi.

12. International Day of Non Violence is observed on _____.

- a) September 27
- b) October 02

- c) April 15
- d) July 18

Answer b) October 02. International Day of Non-Violence is observed on 2 October. The day is observed on the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi.

13. Who has conferred 'Vayoshreshtha Samman-2019'?

- a) PM Modi
- b) Ram Nath Kovind
- c) Amit Shah
- d) Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer a) PM Modi. Eminent Senior Citizens & Institutions in recognition of their services towards the cause of elderly persons on 3 October 2019.

14. Who has been appointed as Executive Director for India at IMF?

- a) Varun Singh Tomar
- b) Tarseef Fukri
- c) Surjit S Bhalla
- d) Sanjith Shetty

Answer c) Surjit S Bhalla. The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of Economist Surjit S Bhalla as Executive Director for India on board of International Monetary Fund (IMF).

15. 'The Gandhian Challenge' has launched by_____.

- a) AIM
- b) Atal Tinkering Labs
- c) UNICEF India
- d) All of these

Answer d) All of these. On the occasion of 150th birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog's Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL) and UNICEF India, including Generation Unlimited, launched 'The Gandhian Challenge' for school children.

16. Who has been appointed as MD and CEO of PNB?

- a) S S Mallikarjuna Rao
- b) Vaithyanathan K
- c) Suresh Prabhu
- d) Gopi Yadav

Answer a) S S Mallikarjuna Rao. Ch S S Mallikarjuna Rao was appointed the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Punjab National Bank, an official order said.

17. _____ and Microsoft join forces to develop drugs using AI.

- a) Sun Pharma
- b) Novartis
- c) Cipla
- d) None of these

Answer b) Novartis. Novartis and Microsoft are joining forces to apply artificial intelligence to some of the most intractable problems in healthcare, in one of the most expansive tie-ups so far between big pharma and big tech.

18. Who has been elected as IAA India Chapter's president?

- a) Subhash Chandra

- b) Sudhir Chaudhary
- c) Arnab Goswami
- d) Punit Goenka

Answer d) Punit Goenka. Punit Goenka, managing director and chief executive officer, Zee Entertainment Enterprises, has been re-elected as the president of the India Chapter of the International Advertising Association (IAA).

19. Which state has emerged as the top performers in the school education quality index (SEQI)?

- a) Kerala
- b) Punjab
- c) Chandigarh
- d) Both a and c

Answer d) Both a and c. Kerala and Chandigarh emerged as the top performers in the school education quality index (SEQI) of all states and Union territories, government think tank NITI Aayog said.

20. SoftBank and Oyo in \$100m plus deal for _____ apartment operator.

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

Answer b) Japan. SoftBank Group and Indian hotel startup Oyo have jointly acquired an 80% stake in Japanese rental apartment operator MDI.

21. Who won the most effective Swachhata ambassador award?

- a) Akshay Kumar
- b) Amir Khan
- c) Sachin Tendulkar
- d) Kamal Hassan

Answer c) Sachin Tendulkar At the Safaigiri 2019 organized by the India Today group, the Cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar was awarded “The most effective Swachhata Ambassador”.

22. Who is the Current Prime Minister of Bangladesh?

- a) Abdul Kadhar
- b) Sheikh Hasina
- c) Sadham Hussain
- d) Mohammed Imran

Answer b) Sheikh Hasina. Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is on her 4-day official visit to India from 3rd October to 6 October.

23. Which State has launched Mo Sarkar initiative?

- a) Odisha
- b) Uttarkhand
- c) Kerala
- d) Karnataka

Answer a) Odisha. The Odisha government has launched Mo Sarkar (or My Government) initiative on 3 October 2019.

24. Which bank has signed MoU with Indian Army for new, customised banking experience?

- a) HDFC
- b) SBI
- c) Bank of Baroda
- d) Indian Bank

Answer c) Bank of Baroda. Bank of Baroda, the country's second largest public sector bank, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Army.

25. According to Railway Ministry, which station has emerged top ranking railway stations?

- a) Jaipur
- b) Jodhpur
- c) Durgapura
- d) All of these

Answer d) All of these. . Jaipur, Jodhpur and Durgapura were the top three ranking railway stations among 720 stations. Andheri, Virar and Naigaon railway stations were the top three among 109 suburban stations.

26. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of NBCC?

- a) Raksha Holla
- b) Rashmi Jeyaraj
- c) P K Gupta
- d) Smrithi Raj

Answer c) P K Gupta. The government appointed P K Gupta as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of NBCC, an official order said.

27. Women's World Boxing Championships 2019 is held at_____.

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

Answer a) Russia. The 11th edition of AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships starts in Russia's Ulan-Ude on 3 October.

28. Jessye Norman is passed away at 74, is associated with_____.

- a) Singer
- b) Actor
- c) Politician
- d) Tennis Player

Answer a) Singer. A native of Augusta, Georgia, Norman was one of the rare black singers to reach fame in the opera world.

29. New Commemorative _____ launched on Mahatma Gandhi's 150th anniversary.

- a) Stamp
- b) Rs.150 coin
- c) Mobile
- d) None of these

Answer b) Rs.150 coin. On the occasion of 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Prime Minister Narendra Modi released the commemorative coins of Rs.150 denomination.

30. Who is the current Union Tourism Minister ?

- a) Prahlad Patel
- b) Mani joshi
- c) Udhay Kumar Yadav
- d) Piyush Goyal

Answer a) Prahlad Patel. Single-use plastic will be banned inside and within a 100 metre periphery of all Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) protected monuments across the country. The announcement in this regard was made by Union Tourism Minister Prahlad Patel .

31. Exercise KAZIND-2019, a joint military exercise, between India and _____.

- a) Uzbekistan
- b) Tajikistan
- c) Mongolia
- d) Kazakhstan

Answer d) Kazakhstan. Exercise KAZIND-2019, a joint military exercise, between India and Kazakhstan is being held in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.

32. India's first private train Tejas Express flagged off from _____.

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

Answer b) Lucknow. India's first private train Tejas Express was flagged off by UP CM Yogi Adityanath on Lucknow-Delhi route.

33. World Animal Day observed on _____.

- a) October 04
- b) June 24
- c) July 18
- d) November 07

Answer a) October 04. The mission of World Animal Day, is "To raise the status of animals in order to improve welfare standards around the globe.

34. World Space Week observed on _____.

- a) January 15
- b) February 29
- c) April 03
- d) October 04

Answer d) October 04. World Space Week (WSW) is an annual holiday observed from 4 to 10 October in various parts of the world, including Europe and Asia.

35. Which ministry has launched 'Audio Odigos' for 12 sites of India?

- a) Textile ministry
- b) Ministry of Tourism
- c) Women and child development

d) Both a and b

Answer b) Ministry of Tourism. Yogendra Tripathi, Secretary, Ministry of Tourism in the presence of Usha Sharma, DG, ASI launched the Audio Guide facility Audio Odigos for 12 sites of India(including Iconic Sites).

36. Which state CM has launched awareness campaign to stop power theft?

- a) Chandigarh
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) Karnataka

Answer b) Uttarakhand. Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat launched an awareness campaign — Urjagiri — which aims at stopping power theft and saving.

37. Which cricketer has bagged the Professional Cricketers' Association Players' Player of the Year award ?

- a) Kewin Anderson
- b) Rohit Sharma
- c) Ben Stokes
- d) Ross Taylor

Answer c) Ben Stokes . Ben Stokes bagged the Professional Cricketers' Association Players' Player of the Year award after his splendid show in the ICC Cricket World Cup and the Ashes.

38. Which company has signed Inter Creditor Agreements (ICAs) with Reliance HF, Dewan HF?

- a) New India Assurance
- b) Central Bank
- c) ICICI prulife Assurance
- d) None of these

Answer a) New India Assurance. New India Assurance Company has signed the Deed of Accession for entering into the Inter Creditor Agreements for the Company's exposure.

39. Government launches _____ portal to improve coal supply to power plants .

- a) Swachchata
- b) Rakshtriya
- c) Abimanyu
- d) Prakash

Answer d) Prakash. The government launched a web portal, Prakash, with a view to improving coordination between the power, coal and railway ministries to ensure coal supplies to power plants.

40. RBI cuts repo rate by 25 bps to _____ %, maintains accommodative stance.

- a) 2.31
- b) 4.27
- c) 4.9
- d) 5.15

Answer d) 5.15. The six-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) of the Reserve Bank of India slashed the short-term lending rate, repo rate, by 25 basis points in its fourth bimonthly policy review.

41. World Teachers Day is observed on _____.

- a) June 02
- b) October 05
- c) April 27
- d) November 24

Answer b) October 05. The World Teachers Day is commemorated by UNESCO since 1994. It is on this day the Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers was adopted in 1966.

42. The theme for World Teachers Day 2019 is _____.

- a) Young Teachers: The Future of the Profession
- b) All Teachers: The Future of the Profession
- c) Teachers: The Future of the Profession
- d) Students: The Future of the Profession

Answer a) Young Teachers: The Future of the Profession. Theme: Young Teachers: The Future of the Profession.

43. National Health Authority (NHA) and _____ tie up for Ayushman Bharat Implementation.

- a) Google
- b) Health Ministry
- c) Tata
- d) All of these

Answer a) Google. The National Health Authority (NHA) has joined hands with international giant Google to collaborate as well as strengthen the implementation of government's flagship health insurance scheme, Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY).

44. YSR Vahana Mitra scheme is launched in _____.

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

Answer c) Andhra Pradesh. Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh YS Jagan Mohan Reddy launched YSR Vahana Mitra scheme which provides Rs.10,000 allowance to self-employed drivers of the state.

45. Who has been appointed as new Punjab Lokpal?

- a) Kapilan Raj
- b) Vishnuvi Menon
- c) Surayansh Sai
- d) Vinod Kumar Sharma

Answer d) Vinod Kumar Sharma. Justice Vinod Kumar Sharma has been appointed as new Punjab Lokpal. The State government, however, failed to amend the Punjab Lokpal Act, 1996, hence leaving the Chief Minister and the Cabinet ministers out of its ambit.

46. GMC 2019 was held at _____.

- a) Chennai
- b) Bangalore
- c) Pune
- d) Goa

Answer d) Goa. The Goa Maritime Conclave (GMC) 2019 was held at Goa from 3 October to 4 October 2019. The conclave was inaugurated by the National Security Advisor, Shri Ajit Kumar Doval.

47. International Day of No Prostitution is observed on _____.

- a) October 05
- b) May 19
- c) August 20
- d) December 04

Answer a) October 05. International Day of No Prostitution (IDNP) is an awareness day that was first observed in 2002.

48. Which Bank has inked with CSC e-Governance Services India to expand rural reach ?

- a) ICICI
- b) Axis
- c) HDFC
- d) Indian Bank

Answer a) ICICI. ICICI Bank signed a pact with CSC e-Governance Services India to extend its banking and other services to the country's rural regions.

49. India's first e-waste clinic to be set up in _____.

- a) Jharkhand
- b) Bhopal
- c) West Bengal
- d) Indore

Answer b) Bhopal. The Bhopal Municipal Corporation (BMC) and the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) have joined hands to set up the country's first e-waste clinic here, that would enable segregation.

50. According to WEF report, Which country has become the world's largest EV market?

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

Answer c) India. India has the potential to become the world's largest electric vehicle (EV) market, as per a report by the World Economic Forum and Ola Mobility Institute.

51. Which Indian Cricketer has become the first Indian opener to smash two hundreds in a Test since Sunil Gavaskar in 1978/79?

- a) MS Dhoni
- b) Rohit Sharma
- c) Virat Kohli
- d) Vijay Shankar

Answer b) Rohit Sharma. Rohit Sharma became the first Indian opener to smash two hundreds in a Test since Sunil Gavaskar in 1978/79.

52. World Cotton Day is observed on _____.

- a) April 03

- b) May 29
- c) June 13
- d) October 07

Answer d) October 07. The World Cotton Day (WCD) is being organized by the WTO in collaboration with UN, FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization), UNCTD (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development), International Trade Center and International Cotton Advisory Committee.

53. Britain's Peter Ratcliffe and William Kaelin and Gregg Semenza of US shared the 2019 Nobel prize in the category of _____.

- a) Science
- b) Medicine
- c) Space
- d) All of these

Answer b) Medicine. Britain's Peter Ratcliffe and William Kaelin and Gregg Semenza of US shared the 2019 Nobel Medicine Prize for their work on how cells sense and adapt to oxygen availability.

54. Exercise Nomadic Elephant XIV joint military exercise between India and _____.

- a) Thailand
- b) Mongolia
- c) Thailand
- d) Myanmar

Answer b) Mongolia. The Exercise Nomadic Elephant XIV, 14th edition of Indo–Mongolian joint military training has commenced from 6 October 2019.

55. 39th World Congress of Poets organized in _____.

- a) Chennai
- b) Jaipur
- c) Jamshedpur
- d) Bhubaneswar

Answer d) Bhubaneswar. The 39th World Congress of Poets was inaugurated at the Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology.

56. Who won Japan Open title in ATP?

- a) Novak Djokovic
- b) Andy Murray
- c) Roger Federer
- d) Rafael Nadal

Answer a) Rafael Nadal. World number one Novak Djokovic beat John Millman to mark his return from injury by winning the Japan Open.

57. ITC ties up with _____ govt to improve quality, sales of chilli output.

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

Answer a) Andhra Pradesh. ITC has joined hands with the Andhra Pradesh Government to develop a chilli value chain.

58. Who has been appointed as UNESCO ambassador?

- a) Marina de Tavira
- b) Yalitza Aparicio
- c) Diego Luna
- d) Jorge Antonio Guerrero

Answer b) Yalitza Aparicio. The United Nations' cultural agency UNESCO has appointed Mexican actress Yalitza Aparicio as its goodwill ambassador for indigenous peoples.

59. World Habitat Day is observed on_____.

- a) April 10
- b) January 24
- c) October 07
- d) December 29

Answer c) October 07. The United Nations designated the first Monday of October of every year as World Habitat Day to reflect on the state of our towns and cities, and on the basic right of all to adequate shelter.

60. Theme for World Habitat Day 2019 is_____.

- a) Frontier Technologies as an global tool to transform waste to wealth
- b) Frontier Technologies as an universe tool to transform waste to wealth
- c) Frontier Technologies as an innovative tool to transform waste to wealth
- d) Frontier Technologies as an Science tool to transform waste to wealth

Answer c) Frontier Technologies as an innovative tool to transform waste to wealth . 2019 theme: Frontier Technologies as an innovative tool to transform waste to wealth.

61. Colathur Gopalan is passed away at 100, is associated with_____.

- a) Singer
- b) Politician
- c) Freedom Fighter
- d) Researcher

Answer d) Researcher. Colathur Gopalan, the doyen of nutrition research in India, who lived a hundred years with remarkable contributions, passed away morning in Chennai.

62. Surender Singh creates three world records, is associated with_____.

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

Answer d) Powerlifting. Surender Singh of India created three world records at the ongoing World Powerlifting Championship in Berlin, Germany.

63. Which month is observed as the Breast Cancer Awareness Month?

- a) September
- b) April
- c) May
- d) October

Answer d) October. The month of October is observed as the Breast Cancer Awareness Month every year. The annual campaign aims to raise awareness of the disease.

64. India celebrated its _____ Air Force Day on 8th October.

- a) 54th
- b) 67th
- c) 72nd
- d) 87th

Answer d) 87th. India celebrated its 87th Air Force Day on 8th October 2019. The year 2019 is special because the Indian Air force received the first of 36 long-awaited Rafale fighter jets.

65. Indian Army organizes Veer Kutumb Rally in _____.

- a) Jammu and Kashmir
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Punjab

Answer a) Jammu and Kashmir. Jammu and Kashmir, Crossed Swords Division organized a VEER KUTUMB RALLY at Tanda, Akhnoor.

66. Swiss Scientists Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz and Canadian – American physicist James Peebles shared the noble prize 2019 in the category of_____.

- a) Physics
- b) Chemistry
- c) Botany
- d) Zoology

Answer a) Physics. The 2019 Nobel prize for Physics was awarded to Swiss Scientists Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz and Canadian – American physicist James Peebles.

67. eDant Seva scheme is associated with_____.

- a) Pension
- b) Health
- c) Sports
- d) Education

Answer b) Health. The eDant Seva was launched by the Ministry of Health and Family welfare. It is an initiative under the National Oral Health Program.

68. World Space Week is observed on_____.

- a) September
- b) June
- c) October
- d) July

Answer c) October. World Space Week: 4-10 October

69. Who won 6th MotoGP world title?

- a) Lewis Hamilton
- b) Max veterappan
- c) Johnny Stephen
- d) Marc Marquez

Answer d) Marc Marquez . Marc Marquez wrapped up the 2019 title with four races to spare, as he clinched his eighth overall championships across all classes he has won.

70. Nippon Life invests Rs 6,000 cr to emerge largest shareholder in _____.

- a) ICICI MF
- b) Reliance MF
- c) HDFC MF
- d) Sri Ram MF

Answer b) Reliance MF. Nippon Life Insurance has completed an investment of Rs 6,000 crore in the erstwhile Reliance Mutual Fund to emerge as the single largest shareholder, with 75 per cent stake.

71. Nippon is a _____-based company.

- a) China
- b) Japan
- c) India
- d) USA

Answer a) China. Japan's Nippon Life Insurance has completed an investment of Rs 6,000 crore in the erstwhile Reliance Mutual Fund

72. Who has been appointed as England cricket team head coach?

- a) Stewen Hack
- b) Saferi Mathewson
- c) Chris Silverwood
- d) Saurav Ganguly

Answer c) Chris Silverwood. After much speculation, England have appointed Chris Silverwood as their new head coach across all formats, replacing Trevor Bayliss who stepped down from the role at the end of the home summer.

73. John B Goodenough, M Stanley Whittingham and Akira Yoshino shared noble prize in the category of _____.

- a) Physics
- b) Economics
- c) Chemistry
- d) Biology

Answer c) Chemistry. The 2019 Nobel Prize in Chemistry has been awarded to John B Goodenough, M Stanley Whittingham and Akira Yoshino for the development of lithium-ion batteries.

74. Which planet has the highest number of moon?

- a) Saturn
- b) Neptune
- c) Venus
- d) Jupiter

Answer d) Jupiter. 20 new moons of Saturn were discovered. With this Saturn has a total of 82 moons today. It is the highest of any planet in solar system. Till date Jupiter had the highest number of moons. It has 79 moons.

75. C40 cities climate summit is held at _____.

- a) Geneva
- b) Sweden
- c) Copenhagen
- d) Iceland

Answer c) Copenhagen .The C40 Summit is to take place in Copenhagen between 9th October and 12th October, 2019. The aim of the summit is to show how cities are delivering their strong commitments for healthier, sustainable, resilient and inclusive future.

76. Which Indian women cricketer has become the first woman cricketer to complete 20 years in ODI?

- a) Mithali Raj
- b) Smriti Mandana
- c) Veda Krishnamurthy
- d) Nulan Ghoswami

Answer a) Mithali Raj. She became the first-ever woman cricketer to achieve the milestone. She achieved this feat in the first One-day International (ODI) against South Africa at the Reliance Stadium in Vadodara, Gujarat.

77. World Post Day is observed on _____.

- a) October 09
- b) April 25
- c) December 18
- d) November 02

Answer a) October 09. World Post day happens each year on October 9, the anniversary of the Universal Postal Union (UPU), which started in 1874 in Switzerland.

78. India has ranked _____ out of 141 surveyed countries in the annual global competitiveness index .

- a) 44th
- b) 68th
- c) 82nd
- d) 121st

Answer b) 68th. India has slipped 10 spots to rank 68th out of 141 surveyed countries in the annual global competitiveness index as several other economies in the world climbed up on the list due to improvements in economic and business activities.

79. Who has received Asia Environmental Enforcement Award 2019 by UNEP?

- a) Rajesh Kumar
- b) Ramesh Pandey
- c) Anup Kumar
- d) Irfan Malik

Answer b) Ramesh Pandey. Senior Indian Forest Service officer Ramesh Pandey has been selected for the prestigious Asia Environmental Enforcement Award by the United Nations Environment Programme.

80. 3-day India International Cooperative Trade Fair to be held in _____.

- a) Pune
- b) Amristar
- c) New Delhi
- d) Indore

Answer c) New Delhi. Briefing media in New Delhi, Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar said representatives from over 150 cooperative societies and 35 countries including, Australia, Japan, China, Brazil, US, UK, Germany and Iran are going to participate in the fair.

81. India First Training Squadron at _____.

- a) New Delhi
- b) Zaiwah
- c) Nairobi
- d) Mombasa

Answer d) Mombasa. As part of Indian Navy's Overseas Deployment, four indigenously built ships of Indian Navy's First Training Squadron, Indian Naval Ships Tir, Sujata and Shardul and Indian Coast Guard Ship Sarathi, arrived at Mombasa Kenya, on 07 Oct 19 for a three day visit.

82. MOSAIC Expedition 2019 is held at _____.

- a) Canada
- b) Germany
- c) Greenland
- d) California

Answer b) Germany. Among 300 scientists from the world, a 32 – year polar researcher from Kerala will be the only person to join MOSAIC expedition MOSAIC expedition MOSAIC is Multidisciplinary drifting Observatory for the Study of Arctic Climate.

83. Which country has become the first country to imposed a ban ads for unhealthy sugary drinks?

- a) India
- b) Singapore
- c) Malaysia
- d) Canada

Answer b) Singapore. Singapore imposed a ban ads for the most unhealthy sugary drinks in its latest move to combat rising diabetes rates. It became the first country in the world to ban such ads. The ban was announced by the health ministry of Singapore.

84. The 13th CCHFV was held in _____.

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

Answer d) New Delhi. The 13th Conference of the Central Council of Health and Family Welfare (CCHFV) was held in New Delhi on 10 October 2019.

85. Peter Handke has recieved as noble prize for 2019 under the category of _____.

- a) Literature
- b) Economics
- c) Physics
- d) Chemistry

Answer a) Literature. The Nobel Prize in Literature for the year 2018 was awarded to Polish author Olga Tokarczuk and for the year 2019 was awarded to Austrian author Peter Handke.

86. SUMAN scheme is assciated with _____.

- a) Pregnant women
- b) Adults
- c) Students

d) Girl Child

Answer a) Pregnant women. SUMAN scheme – Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan scheme was launched by the Union Minister Dr Harsha Vardhan at the conference of Central Council of Health and Family Welfare. The scheme provides free medicines for pregnant women.

87. Who has launched WHO India Country Cooperation Strategy 2019–2023?

- a) PM Modi
- b) Ram Nath Kovind
- c) Harsh Vardhan
- d) Arjun Munda

Answer c) Harsh Vardhan. Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare Dr Harsh Vardhan as he launched ‘The WHO India Country Cooperation Strategy 2019–2023: A Time of Transition’, here.

88. DHRUV programme is associated with _____.

- a) Youth
- b) Women
- c) Students
- d) All of these

Answer c) Students. The aim is to identify and encourage talented children to enrich their skills and knowledge,” said the HRD Minister before the launch event. “The programme is called DHRUV (after the Pole Star) and every student to be called ‘DHRUV TARA’.

89. Narendra Modi-Xi Jinping ‘informal summit’ is held in _____.

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

Answer b) Chennai. Chinese President Xi Jinping will arrive in Chennai on October 11 for the second “informal summit” with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, New Delhi and Beijing announced on October 9.

90. World Mental Health Day is observed on _____.

- a) April 25
- b) May 19
- c) June 20
- d) October 10

Answer d) October 10 . World Mental Health Day is observed on 10 October every year, with the overall objective of raising awareness of mental health issues around the world and mobilizing efforts in support of mental health.

91. The Theme for World Mental Health Day is _____.

- a) Isolation
- b) Together ; Always
- c) Suicide Prevention
- d) Survival and Heroism

Answer c) Suicide Prevention. Theme is Suicide Prevention

92. Which state Tourism Board to organise ‘City Walk Festival’ from Oct 12 ?

- a) Madhya Pradesh

- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Karnataka
- d) Kerala

Answer a) Madhya Pradesh. Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board will organise a 'City Walk Festival' for local, national and international tourists of all age groups in 11 cities from October 12 to November 10.

93. Kadri Gopalnath is passed away at 69, is associated with _____.

- a) Singer
- b) Pianoist
- c) saxophone exponent
- d) All of these

Answer c) saxophone exponent . Noted saxophone exponent Kadri Gopalnath passed away at a private hospital here, October 11. 2019.

94. Annu Rani won gold at the 59th National Open Athletics Championships in the category of _____.

- a) Discus
- b) Javelin
- c) Shot Put
- d) None of these

Answer b) Javelin. Javelin thrower Annu Rani won a gold medal in the women's javelin throw event at the 59th National Open Athletics Championships on 10 October in Ranchi, Jharkhand. She defeated Sharmila Kumari to win the title.

95. Which state has launched the first Garbage Cafe in India?

- a) Odisha
- b) Chattisgarh
- c) Punjab
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer b) Chattisgarh. Chhattisgarh State government has launched India's first-of-its-kind Garbage Cafe in Ambikapur, North Chhattisgarh.

96. Who won Nobel Peace Prize – 2019?

- a) Abhiy Ahmed Ali
- b) Qari Muhammed
- c) AbiUla Hassan
- d) Steffi Harami

Answer a) Abhiy Ahmed Ali . The 100th Nobel Prize for peace has been awarded to the Ethiopian Prime Minister Abhiy Ahmed Ali for his efforts towards peace and international cooperation. The prize was awarded in particular to honor his initiatives to resolve border conflict with Eritrea.

97. SARAS Aajeevika Mela is associated with _____.

- a) Child
- b) Adults
- c) Students
- d) Women

Answer d) Women. SARAS Aajeevika Mela is an initiative under Deendayal Antyodaya

Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY – NRLM). The objective of the initiative is to bring the rural women SHGs – Self Help Groups under one platform.

98. National Postal Week 2019 is observed on _____.

- a) April 1-7
- b) May 21-27
- c) December 14-21
- d) October 9-15

Answer d) October 9-15. National Postal Week is being celebrated in the country from 9 October to 15 October 2019 to create awareness about the role and contributions of postal sector in social and economic development as well as in lives of people and business.

99. International Day of the Girl Child is observed on _____.

- a) March 19
- b) July 24
- c) October 11
- d) November 02

Answer c) October 11. Since 2012, 11 October has been marked as the International Day of the Girl. The day aims to highlight and address the needs and challenges girls face, while promoting girls' empowerment and the fulfillment of their human rights.

100. The theme for International Day of the Girl Child 2019 is _____.

- a) GirlPower: Unscripted and Unstoppable
- b) GirlForce: Unsimaginable and Unstoppable
- c) GirlForce: Unscripted and Unstoppable
- d) Girlpower: Undoubted and Unstoppable

Answer c) GirlForce: Unscripted and Unstoppable. 2019 Theme — GirlForce: Unscripted and Unstoppable

101. First National Hindi Science writers conference starts in _____.

- a) Jamshedpur
- b) Lucknow
- c) Pune
- d) Nagpur

Answer b) Lucknow. The first National Hindi Science writers conference started in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh with an aim to promote use of Hindi and other Vernacular languages in science writing.

102. SUMAN scheme is associated with _____.

- a) Science
- b) Healthcare
- c) Pension
- d) None of these

Answer b) Healthcare. The initiative aims at assuring dignified, respectful and quality health care at no cost and zero tolerance for denial of services for every woman and newborn visiting the public health facility in order to end all preventable maternal and newborn deaths. It also provides a positive birth experience to both mother and infant.

103. Who has bagged the number one spot on Forbes list of richest Indians for the year 2019?

- a) Mukesh Ambani
- b) Anandh Ambani
- c) Indra Nooyi
- d) Gautam Adani

Answer a) Mukesh Ambani. Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) Chairman Mukesh Ambani bagged the number one spot with \$51.4 billion net worth on Forbes list of richest Indians for the year 2019.

104. India- Bangladesh Navies to participate in maiden bilateral drill at _____.

- a) Kandla
- b) Visakhapatnam
- c) Ennore
- d) None of these

Answer b) Visakhapatnam. Navies of India and Bangladesh will participate for the first time in a IN-BN Bilateral Exercise at Visakhapatnam from 12 to 16 October 2019.

105. Who has awarded Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for the years 2017 and 2018 ?

- a) Krishna Kumar
- b) Vasudev Das
- c) Chandi Prasad Bhatt
- d) Murali Bhaskshinathan

Answer c) Chandi Prasad Bhatt. Chandi Prasad Bhatt was awarded Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for the years 2017 and 2018.

106. Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration awarded to Chandi Prasad Bhatt, is associated with _____.

- a) Social Activitist
- b) Climate Activitist
- c) Freedom Fighter
- d) Environmentalist

Answer d) Environmentalist. Environmentalist Chandi Prasad Bhatt was awarded Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for the years 2017 and 2018 for his services in promoting and preserving national integration in the country.

107. Which state govt has to set up Kanyashree University in Nadia district to empower girls?

- a) Odisha
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Meghalaya
- d) West Bengal

Answer d) West Bengal. The state government of West Bengal is setting up Kanyashree University in Nadia district and Kanyashree colleges across the state so as to empower girls.

108. World Migratory Bird Day is observed on _____.

- a) August 21
- b) November 07
- c) December 27
- d) October 12

Answer d) October 12. World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) is an awareness – raising campaign organized by CMS (Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of wild animals) and AEWA (Agreement on the Conservation of African – Eurasian Migratory water birds) that highlights.

109. The theme for World Migratory Bird Day 2019 is_____.

- a) Protect Birds
- b) Support Bird Conservation
- c) Provide and Protect Bird Habitat
- d) None of these

Answer a) Protect Birds. Theme is Protect Birds.

110. Who has been appointed as chief operating officer of Yes Bank?

- a) Anita Pai
- b) Narkavi Das
- c) Jasneet Bachal
- d) Nirmal Kumar

Answer a) Anita pai. Yes Bank Ltd appointed Anita Pai as chief operating officer and Jasneet Bachal as chief marketing officer, the bank said in an exchange filing.

111. Who has been appointed as MD of Titan?

- a) Ajay Kumar
- b) C K Venkataraman
- c) Vishnu Priyan
- d) SATHYA Moorthy

Answer b) C K Venkataraman. Private sector Titan Company announced that its Managing Director (MD) Bhaskar Bhat has retired after 33 years of service in the company.

112. ADB Grants \$37 Million for a 47.5 MW Floating Solar Project in _____.

- a) Buhrain
- b) Vietnam
- c) Thailand
- d) Kuwait

Answer b) Vietnam. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a \$37 million loan agreement that would finance the installation of a 47.5 MW floating solar project in Vietnam.

113. DHARMA GUARDIAN 2019 - a Joint Military Exercise between India and _____.

- a) Japan
- b) China
- c) Russia
- d) Bangladesh

Answer a) Japan. Joint Military Exercise DHARMA GUARDIAN-2019 between India and Japan will be conducted at counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare School, Vairengte from 19 Oct 2019 to 02 Nov 2019.

114. Who has become First In World To Run A Marathon In Under 2 Hours?

- a) Cakiroglu Kushan
- b) Eliud Kipchoge
- c) Prater Madaer

d) John Holuing

Answer b) Eliud Kipchoge . Kenya's Eliud Kipchoge made history busting the mythical two-hour barrier marathon on a specially prepared course in a huge Vienna park.

115. Vajra Prahar - a a Joint Military Exercise between India and _____.

- a) Russia
- b) Australia
- c) Nepal
- d) USA

Answer d) USA. A joint military training exercise "Vajra Prahar" is conducted in Seattle between October 13, 2019 and October 28, 2019. The exercise is conducted alternately in India and US.

116. International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction is observed on _____.

- a) April 21
- b) July 19
- c) November 02
- d) October 13

Answer d) October 13. The International Day of Disaster Risk Reduction (IDDRR) was begun in 1989 by the United Nations General Assembly. The purpose of the day is to promote global culture towards risk awareness and disaster reduction.

117. The theme for International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2019 is _____.

- a) Promote global culture towards risk awareness and disaster reduction
- b) Awareness towards the importance of reining in the risks that are faced by the global citizens
- c) Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services
- d) None of these

Answer c) Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services .
Theme: Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services.

118. Which country will be hosting the 2019 First Global DXB Challenge?

- a) India
- b) Kuwait
- c) Dubai
- d) USA

Answer c) Dubai. Dubai will be hosting the 2019 First Global DXB Challenge, a large gathering for creative young minds in the fields of robotics and artificial intelligence.

119. Who has conferred with Lifetime Achievement Award at TiECON Chennai 2019?

- a) Vijaya Kumar
- b) MS Ananth
- c) Arvind Ramamoorthy
- d) Siva Ramakrishnan P

Answer b) MS Ananth. Former Director of Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, MS Ananth was conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the TiECON Chennai 2019 event held here.

120. Credit growth slows to _____% in H1.

- a) 8.74
- b) 2.81
- c) 6.13
- d) 9.38

Answer a) 8.74. According to the Reserve Bank of India's scheduled banks' statement of position in India, credit growth in the first half slowed to 8.74 per cent year-on-year (y-o-y) up to September 27, 2019.

121. India, ADB sign 190 million dollar loan agreement for improving road connectivity in _____.

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Kerala

Answer b) Rajasthan.

122. India, Sierra Leone sign six agreements for _____.

- a) Weapons
- b) Rice cultivation
- c) Oil
- d) All of these

Answer b) Rice cultivation. India and Sierra Leone signed six agreements to achieve self-sufficiency in rice production. The agreements include extending a credit line of \$30 million for rice cultivation.

123. Which State government has launched a statewide water grid project to provide a drinking water connection to every household?

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

Answer d) Andhra Pradesh. The Andhra Pradesh State government has launched a statewide water grid project to provide a drinking water connection to every household in the State by 2022.

124. BRICS Culture Ministers' meeting held in _____.

- a) Sweden
- b) Canada
- c) Brazil
- d) Spain

Answer c) Brazil. Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent charge) Prahlad Singh Patel participated in BRICS Culture Ministers' meeting held in Curitiba, Brazil.

125. Who has conferred the Madhya Pradesh government's National Kishore Kumar Samman for 2018-19 ?

- a) PC Sreeram
- b) Priyadarshan
- c) Santhosh Sivan

d) Allu Arjun

Answer b) Priyadarshan. Noted director and producer Priyadarshan, was conferred the Madhya Pradesh government's National Kishore Kumar Samman for 2018-19 at a function held in Khandwa, the birthplace of the legendary singer- actor, Kishore Kumar.

126. Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav is held at _____.

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Maharastra
- c) Odisha
- d) Chattisgah

Answer a) Madhya Pradesh. The flagship and premier festival of Ministry of Culture, the Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav is to be conducted in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh on 14th October, 2019.

127. World Standards Day is observed on _____.

- a) October 14
- b) May 29
- c) November 29
- d) December 12

Answer a) October 14. World Standards Day (or International Standards Day) is celebrated internationally each year on 14 October.

128. Who is the most followed political leader on Instagram?

- a) Rajiv Gandhi
- b) Barack Obama
- c) PM Modi
- d) Jegan Mohan Reddy

Answer c) PM Modi. Indian prime minister Narendra Modi has beaten yet another social media record. With over 30 million followers, the 64-year-old has become the world's most followed political leader on photosharing app Instagram.

129. Who won Dutch Open To Clinch Maiden BWF World Tour Title?

- a) Raiza Johnson-
- b) Lakshya Sen
- c) Abimanyu Dev
- d) Abhay Krishna

Answer b) Lakshya Sen. Rising Indian shuttler Lakshya Sen clinched his maiden BWF World Tour title by winning the Dutch Open men's singles title after beating Yusuke Onodera of Japan in the summit clash in Almere.

130. Who became the most decorated gymnast in world championship history?

- a) Larry Nassar
- b) Katelyn Ohashi
- c) Simone Biles
- d) Laurie Hernande

Answer c) Simone Biles. Simone Biles became the most decorated gymnast in world championship history, winning gold medals in the balance beam and the floor exercise to increase her career medal total in the championships to 25.

131. Manju Rani settles for silver medal, is associated with _____.

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

Answer d) Boxing. Indian boxer Manju Rani's stupendous debut run at the Women's World Championships ended with a silver medal after she lost the light flyweight (48kg) final to Russia's Ekaterina Paltceva here.

132. Who won Shanghai Masters in ATP 2019?

- a) Daniil Medvedev
- b) Alexander Zverev
- c) Aly Raisman
- d) Gabby Douglas

Answer a) Daniil Medvedev.

133. Which company has been selected as the overall most outstanding company in India's IT services sector in Asiamoney's 2019 outstanding companies poll?

- a) CTS
- b) TCS
- c) Accenture
- d) Wipro

Answer b) TCS. Asiamoney's various investor surveys recognized TCS as the most awarded company of the decade in India including awards like the best-managed companies award, the corporate governance poll.

134. World Bank forecasts India's GDP forecast to _____ percent.

- a) 4
- b) 5
- c) 6
- d) 8

Answer c) 6. World Bank said that India's growth rate is projected to fall to 6% in 2019-20 following the deceleration in the initial quarters of this fiscal.

135. Conference on 'One Nation One Tag – FASTag' held in _____.

- a) Mumbai
- b) Kolkata
- c) Bengaluru
- d) New Delhi

Answer d) New Delhi. Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways Nitin Gadkari inaugurated a conference on 'One Nation One Tag – FASTag' in New Delhi.

136. 3rd India Energy Forum by CERAWEEK held in _____.

- a) Pune
- b) Jaipur
- c) Chennai
- d) New Delhi

Answer d) New Delhi. The third India Energy Forum by CERAWEEK was held in New Delhi from 13-15 October 2019. At the forum the Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Steel Dharmendra Pradhan .

137. Who has been elected as new President of Tunisia?

- a) Kais Saied
- b) Nabil Karoui
- c) Nabeel Islam
- c) Nitheesh Mukh

Answer a) Kais Saied. The Independent law professor Kais Saied won against his rival, Nabil Karoui. He won Tunisia's presidential election with 72.71% of votes.

138. Who won 2019 Booker Prize?

- a) Margaret Atwood
- b) Albert Hoskin
- c) Bernardine Evaristo
- d) Both a and c

Answer d) Both a and c. The 2019 Booker Prize was jointly won by Margaret Atwood and Bernardine Evaristo after judges defied the rules by declaring a tie.

139. Who won 2019 Nobel Prize in Economics?

- a) Abhijit Banerjee
- b) Esther Duflo
- c) Michael Kremer
- d) All of these

Answer d) All of these. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences awarded the prestigious 2019 Nobel Prize for Economics to Indian-American Abhijit Banerjee, his wife, Esther Duflo, and Michael Kremer of United States for their 'experimental approach to alleviating global poverty'.

140. Who will take over as president of the Board of Control for Cricket in India ?

- a) Sachin Tendulkar
- b) Sourav Ganguly
- c) Rahul Dravid
- d) Srikanth

Answer b) Sourav Ganguly. Sourav Ganguly, who will take over as president of the Board of Control for Cricket in India on October 23.

141. Priyanshu, Juhi-Venkat win titles at Bahrain International Series, is associated with_____.

- a) Tennis
- b) Shooting
- c) Badminton
- d) Table Tennis

Answer c) Badminton. Indian shuttler Priyanshu Rajawat overcame top-seed Jason Anthony Ho-Shue from Canada in the final to claim the men's singles title at the Bahrain International Series here.

142. India and _____ launched the second phase of LOTUS HR.

- a) Indonesia
- b) Nepal
- c) Netherland
- d) Bangladesh

Answer c) Netherland. India and Netherlands launched the second phase of the Local

Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuseplant (LOTUS-HR) as a part of a joint collaboration on 14 October.

143. World Students' Day is observed on _____.

- a) June 19
- b) August 24
- c) October 15
- d) December 29

Answer c) October 15. Like every year, we celebrate the birth anniversary of the former President of India, APJ Abdul Kalam as World Students' Day. The late leader was known for his love for students and focus on promoting education.

144. International Day of Rural Women is observed on _____.

- a) October 15
- b) July 01
- c) November 27
- d) December 05

Answer a) October 15. The crucial role that women and girls play in ensuring the sustainability of rural households and communities, improving rural livelihoods and overall wellbeing, has been increasingly recognized.

145. The theme for International Day of Rural Women 2019 is _____.

- a) Rural Women and Girls Building Climate Resilience
- b) Rural Women and All Building Climate Resilience
- c) Rural Women and Men Building Climate Resilience
- d) Rural Women Building Climate Resilience

Answer a) Rural Women and Girls Building Climate Resilience. 2019 Theme: Rural Women and Girls Building Climate Resilience.

146. Who has been appointed as new Controller General of Accounts?

- a) J. P. S. Chawla
- b) Mithran Kumar
- c) Suresh Prabhu
- d) Sath Gowda

Answer a) J. P. S. Chawla . Central government appointed Shri J. P. S. Chawla as the new Controller General of Accounts (CGA) for the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. The appointment with effect from 15 October 2019 on a regular basis.

147. Program GOAL is associated with _____.

- a) Girl Child
- b) Young Tribal women
- c) Adults
- d) Students

Answer b) Young Tribal Women. The GOAL (Going Online As Leaders) program aims to inspire, guide and encourage tribal girls across India to become village level digital leaders for their community.

148. According to Global Hunger Index, India has secured _____ ranked among South Asian countries.

- a) 65th

- b) 82nd
- c) 93rd
- d) 102nd

Answer d) 102nd. The 2019 Global Hunger Index measures hunger of 117 countries. India was ranked 102nd and was the lowest ranked among ranked among South Asian countries. The rest were ranked 66, 94, etc. Especially, India was far behind as compared to the BRICS nations.

149. Shinyuu Maitri-2019 - a Joint Air Force Exercise between India and _____.

- a) Russia
- b) CHina
- c) Nepal
- d) Japan

Answer d) Japan. The Indian Air Force will be carrying out a joint military exercise called 'Shinyuu Maitri' with Japanese Air Self Defence Force (JASDF) from 17 to 23 October 2019.

150. Which airline has become the first airline to use Taxibot on A320 aircraft?

- a) IndiGo
- b) Spicejet
- c) Air India
- d) Lufthansa

Answer c) Air India. Air India became the first airline in the world to use a Taxibot on a A320 aircraft with passengers onboard.

151. Who won CII Design Excellence award?

- a) LG
- b) Sony
- c) Elgi
- d) Kelvinator

Answer c) Elgi. Coimbatore-headquartered air compressor manufacturer Elgi Equipments said in a release it has bagged the 2019 CII Design Excellence Award.

152. World white cane day is observed on _____.

- a) October 16
- b) April 28
- c) August 21
- d) November 24

Answer a) October 16 . On October 15, White Cane Safety Day is observed around the world. White Cane Safety Day celebrates the achievements of blind or visually impaired people.

153. World Food Day observed is on _____.

- a) April 14
- b) July 19
- c) October 16
- d) December 13

Answer c) October 16 . World Food Day is celebrated every year around the world on 16

October in honor of the date of the founding of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in 1945.

154. The theme for World Food Day is _____.

- a) Our Foods Are Our Future, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World
- b) Our Actions Are Our Future, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World
- c) Our Actions Are Our Pillar, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World
- d) Our Foods Are Our Strength, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World

Answer b) Our Actions Are Our Future, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World.

155. World Anaesthesia Day is observed on _____.

- a) April 29
- b) October 16
- c) July 13
- d) September 18

Answer b) October 16. World Anesthesia Day commemorates the first successful demonstration of ether anesthesia on October 16, 1846.

156. IMF lowers growth estimate to _____ %.

- a) 3.9
- b) 4.1
- c) 6.1
- d) 8.9

Answer c) 6.1. The International Monetary Fund cut its estimate for India's growth this year to 6.1% from 7% projected in July.

India and Asian Development Bank, ADB have signed 190 million dollar loan agreement for improving road connectivity in Rajasthan.

157. In World Championships, Mary Kom has signed off with _____.

- a) Gold
- b) Silver
- c) Bronze
- d) None of these

Answer c) Bronze.

158. Who is the brand ambassador of Mastercard?

- a) Sachin Tendulkar
- b) MS Dhoni
- c) Parineeti Chopra
- d) Anushka Sharma

Answer b) MS Dhoni. Mastercard and its brand ambassador MS Dhoni have launched Team Cashless India campaign. It aims to bring more merchants and customers on board to boost digital payments in India.

159. Who won 6th Golden Shoe award?

- a) Leonel Messi
- b) Cristiano Ronaldo
- c) Kakka
- d) Neymar

Answer a) Leonel Messi. Barcelona FC captain Leonel Messi won the Golden Shoe for the 2018/19 season, for being the top scorer in the European leagues with 36 goals (in 34 games). This is his sixth Golden Shoe.

160. Van Dhan Internship Programme to help _____.

- a) Athletics
- b) Adults
- c) Scientists
- d) Tribals

Answer d) Tribals .The Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched the Van Dhan Internship Programme on October 17, 2019.

161. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) awarded _____ biomedical scientists from different institutes across the country.

- a) 22
- b) 29
- c) 35
- d) 46

Answer d) 46. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) awarded 46 biomedical scientists from different institutes across the country for excellence in biomedical research.

162. Who has been as vice chairman of Global body World Steel Association (worldsteel) ?

- a) T V Narendran
- b) Lakshmi Mittal
- c) Sajjan Jindal
- d) Jinder Mahal

Answer c) Sajjan Jindal. Global body World Steel Association (worldsteel) on October 16 said it has elected JSW Steel Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) Sajjan Jindal as its vice chairman.

163. Who has been appointed as Citi's Asia-Pacific CEO?

- a) Arjun Swamy
- b) Peter Babej
- c) John Steffin
- d) Harsh Vardhan

Answer b) Peter Babej. CITI named financial institutions group head Peter Babej as CEO of its Asia-Pacific region, who will begin his transition immediately.

164. Who has takes over as Director Refineries of IndianOil?

- a) Ramakrishna Acharya
- b) Shrikant Madhav Vaidya
- c) Balaji Abhimanyu
- d) Hari Krishnan M

Answer b) Shrikant Madhav Vaidya. Mr. Shrikant Madhav Vaidya has taken over as the Director (Refineries) of IndianOil . He is also a Director on the board of Chennai Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (CPCL) & the 60 MMTPA West Coast Refinery and Petrochemicals Project.

165. Shirui Lily Festival inaugurated in _____.

- a) Manipur
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Assam
- d) Odisha

Answer a) Manipur . Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Tourism and Culture Prahlad Singh Patel inaugurated Shirui Lily Festival, 2019 at Shirui Vangayan Ground of Ukhrul in Manipur.

166. International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed on _____.

- a) October 17
- b) September 26
- c) November 02
- d) January 21

Answer a) October 17. The United Nations' (UN) International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed on October 17 each year since 1993.

167. The theme for International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2019 is _____.

- a) Acting together to Fight for children , their families & Friends to end poverty
- b) Acting together to Stand for children , their families & communities to end poverty
- c) Acting together to empower children , their families & Well Wishers to end poverty
- d) Acting together to empower children , their families & communities to end poverty

Answer d) Acting together to empower children , their families & communities to end poverty . Theme for 2019 is “Acting together to empower children , their families & communities to end poverty.

168. Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has entered into an agreement with _____, an online property marketplace.

- a) Sulekha
- b) BuildOwn
- c) Magicbricks
- d) None of these

Answer c) Magicbricks . Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has entered into an agreement with Magicbricks, an online property marketplace, for the e-auction of more than 500 re-possessed properties worth more than ₹800 crore.

169. Who has been appointed as Special Observer for the ensuing Bye Elections to the State Legislative Assemblies of Sikkim 2019?

- a) Chakravarthy Dev
- b) Shri Vivek Dube
- c) Vajrang Bhupia
- d) Bhadrans Chand

Answer b) Shri Vivek Dube . Election Commission of India appointed Shri Vivek Dube (IPS AP 1981 Retd) as Special Observer for the ensuing Bye Elections to the State Legislative Assemblies of Sikkim 2019 in general and specifically for 10 Poklok -Kamrang Assembly Constituency in Sikkim.

170. Who is the current Chief Minister of West Bengal?

- a) Bharath Rajan

- b) Mamata Banerjee
- c) Arjun Munda
- d) Ajay Singh

Answer b) Mamata Banerjee. On the occasion of Durga Puja, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee presented Biswa Bangla Sharad Samman 2019 to 79 community Durga Pujas that received awards in different categories.

171. Which state National Highway has named it as ‘Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Marg’, after the first Sikh guru?

- a) ODisha
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Assam
- d) Punjab

Answer d) Punjab. Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has announced the road starting from Kapurthala, connecting Gobindwal Sahib and terminating near Taran Tarana in the State of Punjab as new National Highway, NH- 703AA and named it as ‘Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Marg’, after the first Sikh guru.

172. Which state has topped in NITI Aayog’s India Innovation Index?

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

Answer d) Karnataka. As per the India Innovation Index (III) 2019 released by NITI Aayog, Karnataka emerged as the Most Innovative State among Major States. The index was released by NITI Aayog’s vice chairman Rajiv Kumar and CEO Amitabh Kant.

173. “OASIS”-Officers Automated Structures Information System was launched by_____.

- a) Navy
- b) Air Force
- c) Army
- d) Railways

Answer c) Army. The Indian Army has begun to digitize its official records under its new programme called “OASIS”-Officers Automated Structures Information System. Under the programme, the records of the army officers are to be digitized. The software is to be hosted in the Army’s intranet.

174. According to Hurun Global Unicorn List 2019, India has emerged as _____ largest ecosystems for more successful start ups.

- a) First
- b) Second
- c) Third
- d) Fourth

Answer c) Third. With 21 unicorns, India has emerged as third largest ecosystems for more successful start ups right behind China and US but ahead of Britain and Israel, according to Hurun Global Unicorn List 2019.

175. Who is the Current President of World Bank?

- a) John Fedrick

- b) Sibin Therattil
- c) David Malpass
- d) Francis Joy

Answer c) David Malpass . World Bank President David Malpass said that he would travel to India and Pakistan later this month where he will discuss the challenges in the financial sector.

176. Which country will host 2020 G7 summit?

- a) USA
- b) Japan
- c) China
- d) India

Answer a) USA. The G7 Summit in 2020 would be held at President Donald Trump’s golf resort in Florida and would cost half the amount than hosting the event at another place, the White House has claimed, rejecting criticism that he “used” his public office to secure big contract for himself.

177. Who has been appointed as the new Director (Operations) of the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant – Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd?

- a) Ajit Kumar Saxena
- b) Lal Mittal
- c) Mahadev Sankar
- d) Krishna Prabhakar M

Answer a) Ajit Kumar Saxena. Ajit Kumar Saxena assumed charge as the new Director (Operations) of the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant – Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd, according to a press release.

178. Nehru Memorial Museum is situated at _____.

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

Answer b) New Delhi. Former culture secretary Raghavendra Singh has been appointed as the director of the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) for the next six months, replacing Shakti Sinha whose tenure ended on October 4.

179. Who is the current Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh?

- a) Harsh Vardhan
- b) Gopi Chander
- c) Ram Gopal Thilak
- d) Kamal Nath

Answer d) Kamal Nath . Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Kamal Nath formally inaugurated the two-day Magnificent Madhya Pradesh Conference started.

180. 7th Military World Games being held in _____.

- a) Russia
- b) Australia
- c) Canada
- d) China

Answer d) China. The 2019 Military World Games (also known as Olympic Games for

military) is being held from 18–27 October 2019 in the capital of Hubei Province, Wuhan, China.

181. A team of researchers from India and United Kingdom collaborated to create a new robot named _____ which encourages children to wash their hands.

- a) Handy
- b) Pepe
- c) Chilli
- d) Meme

Answer b) Pepe. A team of researchers from India and United Kingdom collaborated to create a new robot named Pepe which encourages children to wash their hands.

182. Which company has become the first Indian company to hit Rs. 9 lakh crore m-cap?

- a) Accenture
- b) Wipro
- c) Reliance Industries
- d) Tata Industries

Answer c) Reliance Industries Mukesh Ambani-led Oil-to-telecom major Reliance Industries (RIL) has become the first company in India to hit the market capitalisation (m-cap) of Rs.9 lakh crore.

183. Who has become India's 65th Grand Master?

- a) Raunak Sadhwani
- b) Adhvik Yash
- c) Vishal Menon
- d) Anandh Gosh

Answer a) Raunak Sadhwani. Raunak Sadhwani will be the 65th Indian Grand Master (Chess) at the age of 13 years! On October 18, 2019, Sadhwani with a rating of 2479 has already gained 23 points to cross the stipulated mark of 2500 in live ratings.

184. Who has been elected as the chairman of the banking industry lobby Indian Banks Association for fiscal 2019-20?

- a) Rajnish Kumar
- b) Chaitanya Dev
- c) Vishnu Raj P
- d) Hari Babu Krishna

Answer a) Rajnish Kumar. SBI's head Rajnish Kumar has been elected as the chairman of the banking industry lobby Indian Banks Association for fiscal 2019-20.

185. Who has been appointed as Director (Finance) at NTPC?

- a) Karthik Kumar
- b) Anil Kumar Gautam
- c) Naveen P
- d) Dwarakesh Kanth

Answer b) Anil Kumar Gautam. Anil Kumar Gautam has taken over as Director (Finance) at NTPC Limited. A company statement said that Gautam (aged 57 years) is a Certified Management Accountant & LLB with over 34 years of experience in the power sector.

186. DANX-19, a large scale joint services exercise, is associated with_____.

- a) Pondicherry
- b) Diu and Daman
- c) Delhi
- d) Andaman and Nicobar

Answer d) Andaman and Nicobar. Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) has conducted the second edition of Defence of Andaman & Nicobar Islands 2019 (DANX-19), a large scale joint services exercise from 14 Oct to 18 Oct 19.

187. According to study, which state has topped in capex on irrigation during 2015-19?

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

Answer d) Telangana. Telangana stands seventh among the top 10 States in terms of expenditure incurred on capital outlay/asset creation (capex) by State governments during 2015-2019.

188. According to Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), Which town has emerged as the most polluted in the country?

- a) Loni
- b) Jawli
- c) Chirori
- d) Bhanthla

Answer a) Loni . Ghaziabad's Loni (rural) emerged as the most polluted in the country, a day after stringent measures under the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) was implemented in the city to tackle air pollution.

189. Kalidas Karmakar is passed away at 73, is associated with_____.

- a) Freedom Fighter
- b) Guitarist
- c) Painter
- d) Pianoist

Answer c) Painter. Internationally acclaimed painter of Bangladesh Kalidas Karmakar passed away in Dhaka. He was 73. Karmakar had suffered a cardiac arrest in the afternoon at his residence.

190. India Clinched _____ medals in Asian Junior C'ships.

- a) 18
- b) 21
- c) 28
- d) 39

Answer b) 21. Indian boxers packed quite a heavy punch at the Asian Junior Championships, clinching 21 medals — including six gold and nine silver — to end with the best medal haul among 26 competing countries in Fujairah, UAE.

191. Who has been appointed as the head of the European Central Bank (ECB)?

- a) Xavier Giocanti
- b) Ursula von der Leyen
- c) Mario Draghi

d) Christine Lagarde

Answer d) Christine Lagarde. Former IMF chief Christine Lagarde is appointed as the head of the European Central Bank (ECB). She was nominated to become the president of the European Central Bank by the European Union Council.

192. NAM Summit, 2019 is held at_____.

- a) Azerbaijan
- b) Georgia
- c) Armenia
- d) Turkey

Answer a) Azerbaijan. The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Summit is to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan. The summit is to be held between October 25 and October 26, 2019. The 18th NAM summit will be preceded by Ministerial meetings and senior official meetings.

193. Which has been removed from ‘Grey List’ of Financial Action Task Force (FATF) following the new measures taken by the country on financial security?

- a) Canada
- b) Sweden
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Turkmenistan

Answer c) Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka has been removed from ‘Grey List’ of Financial Action Task Force (FATF) following the new measures taken by the country on financial security.

194. The headquarters of FSSAI is located in _____.

- a) Kolkata
- b) Chennai
- c) Delhi
- d) Kerala

Answer c) Delhi. Ahead of Diwali, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India issued guidelines to the sweet manufacturers. The team interacted with sweet manufacturers and tested food samples. They also gave them a 10-point guidelines.

195. Which country will host Interpol’s General Assembly in 2022?

- a) India
- b) USA
- c) Russia
- d) Indonesia

Answer a) India. India will be hosting the 91st Interpol General Assembly in 2022. The announcement comes after a proposal in this regard received the overwhelming support of member countries at 2019’s congregation held at Santiago in Chile on 19 October 2019.

196. Sultan of Johor Cup is associated with_____.

- a) Kabbadi
- b) Hockey
- c) Cricket
- d) Tennis

Answer b) Hockey. Great Britain beats India with 2-1 in final to win men’s Sultan of Johor Cup hockey tournament held at Johor Bahru in Malaysia.

197. Ekuverin 2019- a Joint Military Exercise between India and _____.

- a) Indonesia
- b) Maldives
- c) Bangladesh
- d) USA

Answer b) Maldives. Indian Army and the Maldives National Defence Force participated in a Joint Military Exercise called 'Ekuverin' at Aundh Military Station in Pune, Maharashtra.

198. World Statistics Day is observed on _____.

- a) June 24
- b) July 19
- c) November 04
- d) October 20

Answer d) October 20. The United Nations Statistical Commission declared the day. As of 2010, 103 countries celebrate a national Statistics Day, including 51 African countries that jointly celebrate African Statistics Day annually on 18 November.

199. World Osteoporosis Day is observed on _____.

- a) January 29
- b) October 20
- c) August 15
- d) September 09

Answer b) October 20 . World Osteoporosis Day is observed annually on October 20th, and launches a year-long campaign dedicated to raising global awareness of the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of osteoporosis and metabolic bone disease.

200. Who has been appointed as Director-General of National Security Guard (NSG)?

- a) Rathore Singh
- b) Vilas Jegan
- c) Anup Kumar Singh
- d) Rana Singh

Answer c) Anup Kumar Singh. Senior IPS officer of Gujarat cadre Anup Kumar Singh has been appointed as Director-General of the National Security Guard (NSG).

201. IMF - in this "M" refers _____.

- a) Money
- b) Mandatory
- c) Monetary
- d) Meeting

Answer c) Monetary. Global Finance Ministers agreed to double a key pool of money that the International Monetary Fund can use to aid distressed countries but again put off giving more votes to major emerging economies.

202. i-SERV is launched by _____.

- a) Bajaj Allianz Life
- b) HDFC Insurance
- c) Yes Bank
- d) Sri Ram Chits Finance

Answer a) Bajaj Allianz Life . Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance has taken yet another step

towards digital disruption by launching i-SERV, a first-of-its-kind video calling service within the life insurance industry.

203. Venmo credit card is launched by _____.

- a) Paypal
- b) BrainTree
- c) Dwolla
- d) WePay

Answer a) Paypal. PayPal is partnering with Synchrony Financial to launch a credit card for Venmo users. The popular peer-to-peer mobile payments app has attracted 40 million users but hasn't been able to turn a profit for its parent company.

24. Which Telecom operator has signed a pact to acquire 26 per cent stake in AMPSolar for Rs 8.4 crore?

- a) Vodafone
- b) BSNL
- c) Reliance
- d) Airtel

Answer d) Airtel. Telecom operator Bharti Airtel has signed a pact with AMPSolar Evolution to acquire 26 per cent stake in the solar power firm for Rs 8.4 crore.

205. Detention centre for illegal foreigners in India is coming up near _____.

- a) Chennai
- b) Bengaluru
- c) Pune
- d) Kolkata

Answer b) Bengaluru. A detention centre to keep illegal foreigners till they are deported is coming up at Nelamangala in Karnataka's Bengaluru Rural district, a police official said.

206. Baliyatra, one of the biggest trade fairs, is associated with _____.

- a) Jharkhand
- b) Odisha
- c) Assam
- d) Nagaland

Answer b) Odisha. Baliyatra, one of the biggest trade fairs of Odisha, is scheduled to begin on November 12. The trade fair will continue for eight days.

207. World Iodine Deficiency Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 28
- b) March 14
- c) October 21
- d) November 16

Answer c) October 21. World Iodine Deficiency Day is observed on 21 October. The aim of the Day is to create awareness of the adequate use of iodine among the people.

208. _____ archaeologists discovered the oldest known natural pearl in the world.

- a) Kuwait
- b) India
- c) Abu Dhabi

d) Bangladesh

Answer c) Abu Dhabi . Abu Dhabi archaeologists discovered the oldest known natural pearl in the world while working at a Neolithic site on Marawah Island, the coast of Abu Dhabi. The Pearl is dubbed as the Abu Dhabi Pearl.

209. Who won the Vogue award for Sportsperson of the Year?

a) Hima Das

b) Dutee Chand

c) PV Sindhu

d) Saina Nehwal

Answer b) Dutee Chand. Odisha sprinter Dutee Chand won the Vogue award for Sportsperson of the Year 2019.

210. Who is the current President of Indonesia?

a) Prabowo Subianto

b) Ma'ruf Amin

c) Sandiaga Uno

d) Joko Widodo

Answer d) Joko Widodo. Indonesia's President Joko Widodo popularly known as Jokowi has been sworn into office for his second and final five-year term.

211. Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu (Bridge) is located in _____.

a) Ladakh

b) Nubra Valley

c) Tso Miriri

d) Rohtang Pass

Answer a) Ladakh. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu (Bridge) in Ladakh. It is named in honor of Colonel Chewang Rinchan who was one of the highly decorated officers in Indian Army from Ladakh. He was also a Maha Vir Chakara awardee (1952).

212. Which airline has set record with nearly 20-hour commercial flight from New York to Sydney?

a) Emirates

b) Singapore Airlines

c) Qantas

d) Air New Zealand

Answer c) Qantas. Australia's Qantas on Sunday completed the first non-stop commercial flight from New York to Sydney, which was used to run a series of tests to assess the effects of ultra long-haul flights on crew fatigue and passenger jetlag.

213. Who has released the book titled 'Bridgital Nation'?

a) PM Modi

b) Ram Nath Singh

c) Om Birla

d) Harsh Vardhan

Answer a) PM Modi. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that positivity, creativity and constructive mind-set is essential for fast growing aspirational India.

214. Who has received the Most Eminent Senior Citizen Award 2019?

- a) M Venkaiah Naidu
- b) K Parasaran
- c) Gajendra Chakravarthy
- d) Ruben Stalin

Answer b) K Parasaran. Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu presented Most Eminent Senior Citizen Award to legal luminary and former Attorney General K. Parasaran at a function in New Delhi.

215. National Police Day is observed on _____.

- a) March 28
- b) October 21
- c) July 14
- d) May 25

Answer b) October 21. Prime Minister Narendra Modi recalled the valour of police personnel who perform duty under trying circumstances. On Police Commemoration Day, the prime minister saluted police forces and their families.

216. Kuhoo Garg and Dhruv Rawat won Egypt International mixed doubles title, is associated with _____.

- a) Table Tennis
- b) Tennis
- c) Shooting
- d) Badminton

Answer d) Badminton. Kuhoo Garg and Dhruv Rawat put up a brilliant effort to win the mixed doubles title at the Egypt International 2019 in Cairo.

217. Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath to launch integrated emergency number _____.

- a) 100
- b) 112
- c) 111
- d) 155

Answer b) 112. The Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh is all set to launch a new integrated emergency number 112 for police, medical and fire emergencies and also the women helpline 1090.

218. Who is the Union Minister of state for Culture and Tourism ?

- a) Harsh Vardhan
- b) Ram Vilas Paswan
- c) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
- d) Prahlad Singh Patel

Answer d) Prahlad Singh Patel. Union Minister of state for Culture and Tourism Prahlad Singh Patel will inaugurate e-portal of Centre for Cultural Resources and Training and YouTube Channel in New Delhi with an aim to take India to a newer digital pinnacle and to promote Indian culture.

219. Which state government has decided that no Government jobs will be provided to persons with more than 2 children after 1 January 2021?

- a) Odisha

- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Assam
- d) Manipur

Answer c) Assam. On October 21, 2019, the Assam Cabinet decided that no Government jobs will be provided to persons with more than 2 children after 1 January 2021.

220. India's highest bridge inaugurated, is named as _____.

- a) Col Chewang Rinchen
- b) Col Chewang Norphel
- c) Col Sonam Wangyal
- d) Col Sonam Wangchuk

Answer a) Col Chewang Rinchen. Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh inaugurated the highest bridge in India. The bridge was named after the "Lion of Ladakh" Col Chewang Rinchen. It stands at 14,650 feet across the Shyok river.

221. AYUSH, Defence ministry inks MoU to provide traditional _____.

- a) Cloth
- b) Medicine
- c) Food
- d) All the Above

Answer b) Medicine. Union Ministry of AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Sowa Rigpa and Homoeopathy) and Ministry of Defence signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for integration of AYUSH under health establishments of Directorate General of Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS).

222. Hunar Haat to be held in _____.

- a) February
- b) January
- c) November
- d) December

Answer c) November. Ministry of Minority Affairs is to organize Hunar Haat from 1 November to 10 November 2019.

223. Hunar Haat is held at _____.

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Punjab
- d) Sikkim

Answer a) Uttar Pradesh. Ministry of Minority Affairs is to organize Hunar Haat from 1 November to 10 November 2019 at North Central Zone Cultural Centre in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.

224. President Kovind attended the enthronement ceremony of Emperor Naruhito at _____.

- a) Japan
- b) Russia
- c) China
- d) Indonesia

Answer a) Japan. The enthronement ceremony of Emperor Naruhito was held on 22 October

2019. The President Ram Nath Kovind attended the Ceremony in Tokyo, Japan. This visit by President Kovind is the first presidential visit to Japan after a gap of 19 years.

225. India-Bangladesh Stakeholders Meet 2019 begins in _____.

- a) Shillong
- b) Bhuvaneshwar
- c) Chennai
- d) Guwahati

Answer d) Guwahati. The two-day India-Bangladesh Stakeholders Meet has begun in Guwahati. Assam and Tripura Chief Ministers, Commerce Minister of Bangladesh Tipu Munshi, Road Transport and Highway Minister of State V K Singh took part in the inaugural ceremony among others.

226. According to NCRB 2017 data, Which state is most unsafe for women?

- a) Chandigarh
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Kerala

Answer b) Uttar Pradesh. In a grim reminder of how unsafe Indian cities are for women and children, the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) ranks Uttar Pradesh as most unsafe for women, while listing Madhya Pradesh as the rape capital.

227. Which company has launched Storyboxes to bring its sellers closer to customers?

- a) Flipkart
- b) Snapdeal
- c) Amazon
- d) Club Factory

Answer c) Amazon. Amazon India launched Storyboxes on Monday to bring its 5.5 lakh sellers closer to its customers. An India-first innovation, Amazon Storyboxes is a packaging initiative that aims at showcasing inspiring stories of its sellers to millions of people who shop on the Amazon.in marketplace.

228. Which Container Terminal has become fastest to reach one million container handling milestone?

- a) Bharat Mumbai
- b) Reliance Terminal
- c) LPG Terminal
- d) Adani Oil Terminal

Answer a) Bharat Mumbai. Bharat Mumbai Container Terminals (BMCT), the facility run by Singapore's PSA International Pte Ltd at Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) near Mumbai, handled its one millionth twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) last week, becoming the fastest to reach the feat for a terminal in India.

229. Which state has the highest Parsi population in the country?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Karnataka
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer a) Maharashtra. Maharashtra has the highest Parsi population in the country, followed by Gujarat.

230. Who is the current Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas?

- a) Naveen Patnaik
- b) Dharmendra Pradhan
- c) Prakash Javadekar
- d) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi

Answer b) Dharmendra Pradhan. Oil Minister Dharmendra Pradhan will visit Russia and Japan between October 22 and 26 to boost energy ties with the two nations. The visit is a follow-up to the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Vladivostok, Russia, for the Eastern Economic Forum last month, an official statement said here.

231. Who is the current Minister of Railway?

- a) Shri Raghavendra
- b) Piyush Goyal
- c) Harsh Vardhan
- d) Amit Shah

Answer b) Piyush Goyal. The central government is planning to provide WiFi service inside trains in the next four to four-and-a-half years. The announcement was made by the Union Minister for Railways Piyush Goyal. The WiFi service is available at around 5150 railway stations in India. It plans to provide WiFi services at all 6,500 stations by the end of next year.

232. Sindhu Sudarshan: Indian Army's exercise is held in _____.

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Gujarat
- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Assam

Answer a) Rajasthan. Indian Army to conduct exercise codenamed as 'Sindhu Sudarshan' in the deserts of Rajasthan from 29 November to 4 December 2019.

233. Who has been named as the ambassadors for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's new initiative called 'Bharat Ki Laxmi' movement?

- a) Anushka Sharma
- b) Deepika Padukone
- c) PV Sindhu
- d) Both b and c

Answer d) Both b and c. Actor Deepika Padukone and shuttler PV Sindhu has been named as the ambassadors for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's new initiative called 'Bharat Ki Laxmi' movement.

234. Bharat Ki Laxmi is associated with _____.

- a) Girl Child
- b) Women
- c) Adults
- d) Youths

Answer b) Women. The Bharat Ki Laxmi campaign underscores the cause of women empowerment as well as celebrates extraordinary achievements of extraordinary women of India. PM Modi also shared a video in this regard.

235. Who has been appointed as new Power Secretary?

- a) Vedha Kumar A

- b) Arunchal Hasmeen
- c) Sanjeev Nandan Sahai
- d) Rishabh Muntkin Yash

Answer c) Sanjeev Nandan Sahai . The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of senior IAS officer Sanjeev Nandan Sahai as the new power secretary. The order in this regard was issued by Union Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions.

236. India trains _____ officers in AML and CFT.

- a) Bangladesh
- b) Myanmar
- c) Nepal
- d) Sri Lankan

Answer c) Nepal. Government of India is training officers of Government of Nepal on ‘Anti Money Laundering (AML) and Countering Financing of Terrorism (CFT)’ in India

237. India trains Nepali officers in AML and CFT is held in_____.

- a) Chennai
- b) New Delhi
- c) Bengaluru
- d) Kathmandu

Answer c) Bengaluru. Government of India is training officers of Government of Nepal on ‘Anti Money Laundering (AML) and Countering Financing of Terrorism (CFT)’ in India at the Regional Centre of National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes and Narcotics (NACIN) in Bengaluru.

238. According to QS India University Rankings, Which institute has emerged as the best higher education institute in India?

- a) IIT-Bombay
- b) IIT-Madras
- c) IIT-Kolkata
- d) IISc-Bengaluru

Answer a) IIT-Bombay. The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay, has emerged as the best higher education institute in India for the second consecutive year, according to the QS India University Rankings 2020 released.

239. India and Switzerland decide to carry forward working together in the area of _____.

- a) Medicine
- b) Rail Transport
- c) Air Ways
- d) Information Technology

Answer b) Rail Transport. The two sides at meetings that concluded last evening have followed upon the 1st meeting of Joint Working Group (JWG) held between two sides after the MoU for cooperation in rail sector was signed in 2017.

240. Which company has bagged Udyog Rattan Award from the Government?

- a) Light Speed
- b) Tally
- c) ADP LLC

d) Marg ERP

Answer d) Marg ERP. The promoters of Marg ERP, which provides inventory and accounting software to over one million active users including to 2,50,000 MSMEs, has bagged Udyog Rattan Award from the Government.

241. Regional labour conference 2019 held in _____.

- a) Pune
- b) Bhopal
- c) Cuttack
- d) Bhubaneswar

Answer d) Bhubaneswar. Minister of State for Labour and Employment Santosh Kumar Gangwar said both the Central and state governments are making coordinated efforts for the welfare of labourers. He was addressing the Regional Labour Conference in Bhubaneswar.

242. International Day of Mole Day to foster interest in chemistry is observed on _____.

- a) June 21
- b) November 04
- c) April 26
- d) October 23

Answer d) October 23. Celebrated annually on October 23, Mole Day commemorates Avogadro's Number (6.02×10^{23}), which is a basic measuring unit in chemistry. Mole Day was created as a way to foster interest in chemistry.

243. Toyota plans to launch compact EV in India in partnership with _____.

- a) Honda
- b) Hero
- c) Suzuki
- d) Benz

Answer c) Suzuki. Japanese auto major Toyota Motor Corporation said it plans to introduce a compact battery electric vehicle (BEV) in India in association with compatriot Suzuki Motor Corporation.

244. International Day of Mole Day to foster interest in chemistry is observed on October 23, timing from _____.

- a) 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m
- b) 7:02 a.m. to 7:02 p.m
- c) 8:02 a.m. to 9:02 p.m
- d) 9:02 a.m. to 10:02 p.m

Answer a) 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m. Celebrated annually on October 23 from 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m., Mole Day commemorates Avogadro's Number (6.02×10^{23}), which is a basic measuring unit in chemistry. Mole Day was created as a way to foster interest in chemistry.

245. The Theme for International Day of Mole Day to foster interest in chemistry 2019 is _____.

- a) DespicaMOLE Me!
- b) DespicaFOSTER Me!
- c) DespicaMOLE FOSTER!
- d) DespicaMOLE to CHEMISTRY!

Answer a) DespicaMOLE Me!. 2019 theme: DespicaMOLE Me!.

246. Which state has decided to abolish the no detention policy?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Sikkim
- c) West Bengal
- d) Karnataka

Answer c) West Bengal. The West Bengal government has decided to re-introduce the pass-fail system in classes five and eight to abolishing the no-detention policy. The announcement was made by the State Education Minister Partha Chatterjee.

247. Who has received Sakharov Prize 2019?

- a) Xu Zhiyong
- b) Lutpulla Mutellip
- c) Ilham Tohti
- d) Goa Xichendpa

Answer c) Ilham Tohti . The European Union (EU) Parliament awarded the ‘Sakharov Prize for Human Rights’ to Uighur intellectual Ilham Tohti (49), who has been jailed and sentenced to life imprisonment in China for “separatism”.

248. Which country will host 24-team Club World Cup?

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

Answer b) China. World football’s governing body has confirmed that an expanded version of its showpiece event, featuring 24 teams, will take place there in June and July 2021.

249. Who has been appointed as secretary in Department of Public Enterprises?

- a) Mukesh Nath
- b) Sailesh
- c) Krishna Kumar
- d) Genga Reddy

Answer b) Sailesh. Sailesh assumed charge as secretary in the Department of Public Enterprises under the Union Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises here, an official statement said.

250. First “Global Bio-India 2019” Summit is held at _____.

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

Answer c) New Delhi. The Global Bio-India 2019, one of the largest biotechnology stakeholders conglomerate will be held for the first time in India at New Delhi from 21st to 23rd November, 2019.

251. Government of _____ and the World Bank have signed 165 million USD loan agreement to strengthen smallholder farmers .

- a) Odisha
- b) Assam
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Kerala

Answer a) Odisha. The Government of Odisha and the World Bank have signed 165 million USD loan agreement to strengthen smallholder farmers. The aim of the loan is to implement “Integrated Irrigation Project for Climate Resilient Agriculture”.

252. One touch ATVM is launched by _____.

- a) Railways
- b) Army
- c) Navy
- d) Central Bureau of Investigation

Answer a) Railways. On October 24, 2019, the Indian Railways launched the “one touch ATVM” at 42 suburban stations. The purpose of the service is to render fast ticketing to millions of commuters, especially in the Mumbai Suburban Network.

253. Among the following countries, Indians will No Longer Require Visas To Visit _____.

- a) Mexico
- b) Spain
- c) Brazil
- d) China

Answer c) Brazil. Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro, the South American nation will drop its requirement that visiting Chinese and Indian tourists or businesspeople obtain visas.

254. DEFCOM 2019 to be held in _____.

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

Answer a) New Delhi. The DEFCOM 2019 is scheduled to be held on 26 and 27 November 2019 at Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi.

255. Vigilance Awareness Week is observed from _____.

- a) 16th October, 2019 and 1st November, 2019
- b) 19th October, 2019 and 2nd November, 2019
- c) 25th October, 2019 and 1st November, 2019
- d) 28th October, 2019 and 2nd November, 2019

Answer d) 28th October, 2019 and 2nd November, 2019. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is to observe Vigilance Awareness Week between 28th October, 2019 and 2nd November, 2019. The directions for the observance will be issued by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC). Every year last week of October is observed as Vigilance Awareness Week.

256. Theme of Vigilance Awareness Week is _____.

- a) Wisdom-a way of life.
- b) Modesty-a way of life.
- c) Honest-a way of life.
- d) Integrity-a way of life.

Answer d) Integrity-a way of life.

257. Who has been appointed as the Lt Governor of Jammu and Kashmir?

- a) Arvind Ramamoorthy

- b) Divya Loshini
- c) Girish Chandra Murmu
- d) Chinnmayishri A

Answer c) Girish Chandra Murmu . IAS officer Girish Chandra Murmu has been appointed as the Lt Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, according to an official spokesperson.

258. India Secured _____ rank in Global Innovation Index 2019.

- a) 24th
- b) 38th
- c) 52nd
- d) 61st

Answer c) 52nd. Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal released Global Innovation Index (GII) 2019 in New Delhi on July 24, 2019. India gained five ranks benefit to get 52nd rank, earlier in 2018 India was at 57th position. It ranked the innovation performance of 129 countries and economies around the world.

259. Which district has become first kerosene-free district?

- a) Chiloda
- b) Gandhi Nagar
- c) Kalol
- d) Rajkot

Answer b) Gandhi Nagar. Union home minister and BJP president Amit Shah said that Gandhinagar district has become the first kerosene-free district in the state.

260. India and _____ will explore possibilities for cooperation in green urban mobility and Artificial Intelligence during their Fifth Biennial Inter Governmental Consultations (IGC).

- a) Japan
- b) Germany
- c) Canada
- d) Sweden

Answer b) Germany. India and Germany will explore possibilities for cooperation in green urban mobility and Artificial Intelligence during their Fifth Biennial Inter Governmental Consultations (IGC) here on November 1.

261. India and the _____ are now getting set to collaborate on futuristic military technologies to develop drone swarms.

- a) Russia
- b) Australia
- c) USA
- d) Portugal

Answer c) USA. India and the US are now getting set to collaborate on futuristic military technologies to develop drone swarms, which can overwhelm and destroy the air defences of an adversary, as well as the counter-measures to thwart such attacks launched by an enemy.

262. Which is the world's loudest bird?

- a) White bellbird
- b) Black Humming Bird
- c) Sprinter Bird
- d) Speedy Hell Bird

Answer a) White bellbird. Researchers from the University of Massachusetts in the U.S. have found that the White Bellbirds are the loudest bird in the world.

263. Government e-Marketplace (GeM) has partnered with _____ for payment related services.

- a) Canara
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Federal Bank
- d) HDFC Bank

Answer c) Federal Bank. The Government e-Marketplace (GeM) signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Federal Bank for payment-related services.

264. Who has been as appointed as SSC Chairman?

- a) Vinod Gowda
- b) Braj Raj Sharma
- c) Philips Stephen
- d) Yarmshan Goswami

Answer b) Braj Raj Sharma. The Central government has appointed Braj Raj Sharma as the Chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC). He will replace Pankaj Kumar, who has been appointed as CEO of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).

265. Wushu - a martial art, is associated with _____.

- a) Japan
- b) Russia
- c) China
- d) Nepal

Answer c) China. Praveen Kumar has scripted the history by becoming the first Indian man to win a gold medal at Wushu World Championships.

266. Ayurveda Day is observed on _____.

- a) October 25
- b) July 29
- c) August 16
- d) November 02

Answer a) October 25. On 25th October, 2019, Government of India is to organize 4th Ayurveda day. The day is being celebrated by Ministry of AYUSH as Dhanvantari Jayanti falls on the day. Dhanvantari is a Hindu god who cures diseases.

267. 18th NAM Summit is held at _____.

- a) Almaty
- b) Baku
- c) Tbilisi
- d) Yerevan

Answer b) Baku. Vice President, M. Venkaiah Naidu will lead the Indian delegation at 18th Summit of Heads of State and Government of Non-Aligned Movement (NAM). The summit will be held at Baku, Azerbaijan on 25 to 26 October 2019 .

268. UN Day is observed on _____.

- a) February 18
- b) April 23

- c) May 12
- d) October 24

Answer d) October 24. The UN Day marks the entry into force of the UN Charter in 1945. However, the day is being commemorated since 1948. In 1971, UN recommended that the day be observed as public holiday by member nations.

269. Theme of UN Day 2019 is _____.

- a) Our Planet. Our Future.
- b) Our Life. Our Future.
- c) Our Nature. Our Future.
- d) Our Planet. Our Lives.

Answer a) Our Planet. Our Future.

270. India jumps to _____ position in World Bank's Ease of Doing Business 2020 report.

- a) 22nd
- b) 38th
- c) 55th
- d) 63rd

Answer d) 63rd. India has moved 14 places to be 63rd among 190 nations in the World Bank's ease of doing business ranking released on the back of multiple economic reforms by the Narendra Modi government. However, it failed to achieve government's target of being at 50th place.

271. Who is the current Tunisia's president?

- a) Kais Saied
- b) Mounira Hamdi
- c) Youssef Chahed
- d) Nabil Karoui

Answer a) Kais Saied. Saied's win delivered a heavy blow to a governing elite accused of failing to improve living standards or end corruption since the 2011 revolution that introduced democracy after years of authoritarian rule.

272. Who has been appointed as NHAI Chairman?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Amit Shah
- c) Abdul Khadhar
- d) Sukhbir Sandhu

Answer d) Sukhbir Sandhu. In a major reshuffle, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi appointed Sukhbir Singh Sandhu as the Chairman of the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI).

273. Who is the current Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate ?

- a) Harsh Vardhan
- b) Prakash Javadekar
- c) Arjun Munda
- d) Shri Raghavendra Kumar

Answer b) Prakash Javadekar. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change launched the first national protocol to enumerate the snow leopard population in the country on the occasion of International Snow Leopard Day.

274. World Polio Day is observed on _____.

- a) April 28
- b) May 14
- c) October 24
- d) November 02

Answer c) October 24. World Polio Day was established by Rotary International over a decade ago to commemorate the birth of Jonas Salk, who led the first team to develop a vaccine against poliomyelitis.

275. Who is the current Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas and Steel?

- a) Arjun Munda
- b) Shri Ragavendra
- c) Dharmendra Pradhan
- d) Amit Shah

Answer c) Dharmendra Pradhan. Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas and Steel, Dharmendra Pradhan addressed the Ministerial Meeting of Global Forum on Steel Excess Capacity in Tokyo.

276. 29th ministerial meet of BASIC countries was held at _____.

- a) Tokyo
- b) Beijing
- c) New Delhi
- d) Uruguay

Answer b) Beijing. The 29th ministerial meet of BASIC countries was held at Beijing between October 25-26, 2019. The BASIC countries include Brazil, South Africa, India and China.

277. World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is observed on _____.

- a) October 27
- b) June 14
- c) April 18
- d) November 02

Answer a) October 27. This commemorative day was chosen by UNESCO (the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) in 2005 to raise awareness of the significance and preservation risks of recorded sound and audiovisual documents (films, sound and video recordings, radio and television programmes).

278. Theme for World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is _____.

- a) Engage the Present through sound and Images
- b) Engage the Future through sound and Images
- c) Engage the Life through sound and Images
- d) Engage the past through sound and Images

Answer d) Engage the past through sound and Images. Theme 2019 – Engage the past through sound and Images

279. Who has been appointed as the chairman of Airports Authority of India ?

- a) Ajay Singh
- b) Abhay Krishna
- c) Amar Nath
- d) Arvind Singh

Answer d) Arvind Singh. Senior IAS officer Arvind Singh has been appointed as the chairman of Airports Authority of India and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu will head the National Highways Authority of India as part of a major bureaucratic reshuffle effected by the Centre.

280. Who is the first woman prime minister of Belgium?

- a) Sophie Wilmes
- b) Angel Morkel
- c) Steffila John
- d) Josephina Andrews

Answer a) Sophie Wilmes. Belgian Budget Minister Sophie Wilmes has been chosen as the country's new caretaker prime minister — a first for a woman, the current premier Charles Michel said.

281. Who is the current chief minister of Haryana?

- a) Narain Arya
- b) Satyadev Jeyadev
- c) Manohar Lal Khattar
- d) Pravin Parikar

Answer c) Manohar Lal Khattar. Manohar Lal Khattar took oath as Haryana chief minister for the second term and will lead the BJP-JJP coalition government in the state.

282. Indian Overseas Bank headquarter is situated in_____.

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

Answer b) Chennai. Public sector Indian Overseas Bank unveiled an healthcare insurance policy through online platform in association with Universal Sompo General Insurance Company Ltd.

283. Kotak Mahindra Bank launches first overseas branch at _____.

- a) USA
- b) Australia
- c) Dubai
- d) Canada

Answer c) Dubai. Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd has launched its first overseas branch at Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC), the lender said. This is in addition to the banking unit at the International Financial Centre at GIFT City in Gujarat.

284. BASIC countries are_____.

- a) Brazil, India, China, Australia and South Africa
- b) Brazil, India, China, Argentina and South Africa
- c) Brazil, India, China and South Africa
- d) Brazil, India, China, Indonesia and South Africa

Answer c) Brazil, India, China and South Africa . The BASIC countries are the block of Brazil, India, China and South Africa formed based on an agreement in 2009. They committed to act jointly at the Copenhagen Climate Summit. The countries announced plans and targets accordingly. The grouping also agreed to provide technical aid to G77 countries.

285. Exercise Shakti-2019, a bilateral exercise between the Indian Army and _____.

- a) USA Army
- b) Russian Army
- c) French Army
- d) Australian Army

Answer c) French Army. Exercise Shakti-2019, a bilateral exercise between the Indian Army and French Army, is to be held at the Foreign Training Node at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan from 31 October to 13 November.

286. World Bank to fund USD 6 bn annual lending support to _____.

- a) Australia
- b) India
- c) China
- d) Japan

Answer b) India. World Bank, the multi-lateral funding agency, has announced that it is to continue providing a \$6 billion annual lending target for India to support infrastructure development and alleviate poverty.

287. Who has been appointed as the next Chief Justice of India (CJI)?

- a) Sharad Arvind Bobde
- b) Abbas Arvind
- c) John Sahayam
- d) Ravinder Ramamoorthy

Answer a) Sharad Arvind Bobde. President Ram Nath Kovind appointed Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde as the next Chief Justice of India (CJI). Justice Bobde would become the 47th CJI and will take oath on November 18.

288. Zozo Championship cup is associated with _____.

- a) Tennis
- b) Badminton
- c) Golf
- d) Snooker

Answer c) Golf.

289. Who won the Zozo Championship 2019?

- a) Rory McIlroy
- b) Scheffler John
- c) Li Lefty
- d) Tiger Wood

Answer d) Tiger Wood. Tiger Woods won the Zozo Championship by three strokes, matching Sam Snead's record of 82 PGA Tour victories.

290. Mukesh Ambani led-Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) has become the world's _____-largest energy entity with high market capitalization.

- a) Second
- b) Third
- c) Fifth
- d) Sixth

Answer d) Sixth. Mukesh Ambani led-Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) has become the world's

sixth-largest energy entity with high market capitalization. RIL overtook British oil major BP Plc in terms of market capitalization to become the world's sixth-largest energy entity.

291. The 5th International Conference on ROADTECH was held in _____.

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

Answer c) New Delhi. The 5th International Conference on ROADTECH (Sustainable Roads and Highways-Smart Use of Available Resources for Green and Sustainable Roads) was held in New Delhi on 30 October.

292. DPIIT - in this "P" represents _____.

- a) Police
- b) Promotion
- c) Prefer
- d) Palindrome

Answer b) Promotion. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) launched a new exercise to relax India's foreign direct investment (FDI) norms.

293. N Venkatachala is passed away at 89, is associated with _____.

- a) Freedom Fighter
- b) Athletics
- c) Justice
- d) Guitarist

Answer c) Justice. Former judge of the Supreme Court (SC), Justice N Venkatachala, has passed away at the age of 89.

294. Odisha Disaster Preparedness Day is observed on _____.

- a) October 29
- b) October 30
- c) October 14
- d) October 18

Answer a) October 29 . Odisha Disaster Preparedness Day and National Day for Disaster Reduction is observed every year on 29 October

295. Theme of Odisha Disaster Preparedness Day for year 2019 is _____.

- a) Empowering Community for Disaster Resilience
- b) Empowering Community for Disaster Relief
- c) Empowering Unity for Disaster Resilience
- d) Empowering Unity for Disaster Relief

Answer a) Empowering Community for Disaster Resilience. Theme of Odisha Disaster Preparedness Day for year 2019- 'Empowering Community for Disaster Resilience'.

296. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)?

- a) Slova Zerina
- b) Rafael Mariano Grossi
- c) Lassina Zerbo

d) Yukiya Amano

Answer b) Rafael Mariano Grossi . Rafael Mariano Grossi of Argentina has been appointed as the new Director General of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), a United Nations' nuclear watchdog. The Argentine diplomat will succeed late Yukiya Amano as the new chief of IAEA.

297. India signs MoU with _____ to launch RuPay card in Gulf Kingdom.

- a) Qatar
- b) Kuwait
- c) Saudi Arabia
- d) Dubai

Answer c) Saudi Arabia. India signed an agreement with Saudi Arabia to launch the RuPay card in the country, making it the third nation in the West Asia to initiate India's digital payment system which will benefit not only the 2.6 million Indians in the Gulf Kingdom but also Haj and Umrah pilgrims.

298. Microsoft set to invest \$200 mn in _____, boost connected car tie-up.

- a) Red Taxi
- b) Ola
- c) Uber
- d) Fast Track

Answer b) Ola. Ride-hailing company Ola is set to unveil a connected car project in partnership with Microsoft Corp., which will also invest around \$200 million in Ola's parent, ANI Technologies Pvt. Ltd, two people aware of the deal said.

299. According to Financial Times Masters in Management Rankings 2019, Which is the best B-school in India?

- a) IIM Chennai
- b) Bengaluru Business School
- c) IIM-Calcutta
- d) IIM-Delhi

Answer c) IIM-Calcutta. Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta has ranked 17 globally in the latest Financial Times' Masters in Management Rankings 2019.

300. _____ researchers create first ever Indian Brain atlas.

- a) ISRO
- b) IIIT Hyderabad
- c) IIM Hyderabad
- d) None of these

Answer b) IIIT Hyderabad . Researchers at the IIIT Hyderabad said that the first ever Indian Brain Atlas (IBA) has been created. They stated that the next step is to prepare atlases for different age groups to study age related affects on brain anatomy.

301. Bandhan Bank headquarter is situated in _____.

- a) Chennai
- b) Delhi
- c) Kolkata
- d) Thrissur

Answer c) Kolkata. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed Rs 1 crore penalty on Bandhan Bank for non-compliance with promoter holding norms.

302. Among the following Indian CEOs, Who were featured in HBR's top 10 best-performing 2019 CEOs?

- a) Shantanu Narayen
- b) Ajay Banga
- c) Satya Nadella
- d) All the above

Answer d) All the above. The 6th spot is held by Adobe CEO Shantanu Narayen, followed by MasterCard CEO Ajay Banga, ranked 7th and Microsoft chief Satya Nadella on 9th spot. The list also features India-born CEO of DBS Bank Piyush Gupta on 89th spot.

303. Leeladhar Jagoori received 2018 Vyas Samman, who is associated with_____.

- a) Journalist
- b) Teacher
- c) Poet
- d) All the above

Answer d) All the above. Jagoori is a journalist, teacher, and poet of Hindi literature. He has written books, including Natak Jari Hai, Shankha Mukhi Shikharon Par, and Anubhav Ke Aakash Mein Chand. He received the Sahitya Akademi Award. In 2004, he was awarded Padma Shri, the fourth highest civilian honour, for his contributions to Hindi literature.

304. Who is the first Lt Governor of the union territory of J&K?

- a) G C Murmu
- b) Swagadh Kirushan
- c) Gita Mittal
- d) Chand Meisiri

Answer a) G C Murmu. G C Murmu was sworn in as first Lt Governor of the union territory of J&K after the bifurcation of the state into two union territories of J&K and Ladakh. The oath of office to Murmu was administered by Jammu and Kashmir Chief Justice Gita Mittal at Raj Bhawan at the foothills of the Zaberwan range, J&K on 31 October.

305. Who has been appointed as the first Lt. Governor of Ladakh?

- a) Radha Krishna Mathur
- b) Ruben Stalin
- c) Vedha Krishnamurthy
- d) Latha Rao

Answer a) Radha Krishna Mathur. Ex-IAS Officer Radha Krishna Mathur took oath as the first Lieutenant Governor of the Union Territory (UT) of Ladakh. The UT of Ladakh came into being on 30 October after the centre's decision to end special status to J&K and split it into two union territories.

306. Who is the new President of Argentina?

- a) Axel Kicillof
- b) Alberto Fernandez
- c) Mauricio Macri
- d) Aníbal Fernández

Answer b) Alberto Fernandez . Alberto Fernandez and his running mate, former president Cristina Kirchner, won Argentina's presidential elections 2019. They defeated President Mauricio Macri.

307. Ex-gratia Scheme is launched by which state?

- a) Meghalaya
- b) Assam
- c) Nagaland
- d) Himachal Pradesh

Answer c) Nagaland. The state government of Nagaland has launched an ex-gratia scheme for students studying outside Nagaland, called 'Nagaland Government Ex-gratia Scheme for Students Studying outside Nagaland' (NGESSO).

308. National Unity Day is also called as _____.

- a) Randi Ekta Diwas
- b) Rashtriya Ekta Diwan
- c) Rashtriya Ekta Diwas
- d) Randi Ekta Diwas

Answer c) Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.

309. National Unity Day is observed on _____.

- a) October 19
- b) October 24
- c) October 25
- d) October 31

Answer d) October 31. The official statement for Rashtriya Ekta Diwas by the Home Ministry of India cites that the National Unity Day "will provide an opportunity to re-affirm the inherent strength and resilience of our nation to withstand the actual and potential threats to the unity, integrity and security of our country."

310. Who is the Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare ?

- a) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- b) Prakash Javadekar
- c) Harsha Vardhan
- d) DV sadanandha Gowda

Answer c) Harsha Vardhan. Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare released the 14th National Health Profile (NHP) 2019 & its e-book (digital version) here.

311. Who is the Chief Minister of Assam?

- a) Himanta Biswa Sarma
- b) Sarbananda Sonowal
- c) Pema Kandu
- d) Tarun Gogoi

Answer b) Sarbananda Sonowal. In Assam, the third edition of the Guwahati International Film Festival will be inaugurated by Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal in the presence of noted filmmaker Madhur Bhandarkar in Guwahati.

312. Chirag Shetty, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy enter French Open finals, is associated with _____.

- a) Badminton
- b) Tennis
- c) Table tennis
- d) None of these

Answer a) Badminton. Indian men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Ranikireddy & Chirag Shetty grabbed 9th position in latest BWF badminton rankings. They became the first Indian pair to enter the finals of a BWF world tour super 750 event at the French open Last week

313. World Cities day is observed on _____.

- a) October 01
- b) October 12
- c) October 19
- d) October 31

Answer d) October 31. The United Nations General Assembly has designated the 31st of October as World Cities Day. The Day is expected to greatly promote the international community's interest in global urbanization, push forward cooperation among countries in meeting opportunities and addressing challenges of urbanization, and contributing to sustainable urban development around the world

314. Theme of World Cities day 2019 is _____.

- a) Changing the world: innovations and better life for future generations
- b) Changing the Universe: innovations and better life for future generation
- c) Changing the world: growth and better life for future generations
- d) Changing the Universe: innovations and better life for next generations

Answer a) Changing the world: innovations and better life for future generations.

315. World Thrift day is observed on _____.

- a) October 29
- b) October 31
- c) November 01
- d) November 05

Answer b) October 31. World Thrift day observed on October 31 worldwide & in India, it is observed on 30th October since 1948 as 31st October being the date of assassination of former PM Indira Gandhi.

316. Ravinder settles for silver, is associated with _____.

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

Answer c) Wrestling. At the Under-23 world wrestling championship in Budapest, Indian grappler Ravinder settled for a silver medal after going down to Kyrgyzstan's Ulukbek for a 3-5 loss in the final in 61-kg . Ulukbek is the current Asian u-23 champion.

317. ICAO - in this "C" represents _____.

- a) Cement
- b) Civil
- c) Comic
- d) Criminal

Answer b) Civil. India has approached the world body ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) after Pakistan denied permission for PM Modi to use its air space. The overflight clearances are granted by other countries according to ICAO guidelines.

318. ASI finds 2,000-year-old trade center in _____.

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

Answer c) Andhra Pradesh. The ASI (Archaeological Survey of India) recently discovered that the present-day state of Andhra Pradesh had a maritime center near the banks of Swarnamukhi river around 2,000 years ago.

319. Who won 10th Swiss Open Crown in Tennis Tournament?

- a) Rafael Nadal
- b) Roger Federer
- c) Stan Wawrinka
- d) Novak Djokovic

Answer b) Roger Federer. The Swiss Open is played in Roger Federer's hometown of Basel, and has always had special significance for him. As a 12-year-old in 1993, Federer received a medal from Basel champion Michael Stich when he served as a ball boy.

320. Who has been appointed as President and CEO of STAR Labs?

- a) Pranav Mistry
- b) Abhimanyu Dev
- c) Narendra Prasad
- d) Harsh Vardhan

Answer a) Pranav Mistry. Computer scientist Pranav Mistry has been appointed as the President and CEO of STAR Labs (Samsung Technology & Advanced Research Labs), an independent entity of Samsung Electronics.

321. Who has been selected as Chairman and Managing Director of GAIL?

- a) Manoj Jain
- b) Viraj Mishra
- c) Sangeet Manaas
- d) Vishnu Raj V

Answer a) Manoj Jain. Manoj Jain, currently the Director (Business Development) at GAIL (India) Ltd, was selected by government headhunter PESB to helm India's biggest natural gas company.

322. Peugeot Motocycles headquarter is situated in_____.

- a) USA
- b) Canada
- c) India
- d) France

Answer d) France. Mahindra Two Wheelers Europe, a subsidiary of Mahindra & Mahindra, will acquire 100 per cent ownership of Peugeot Motocycles (PMTTC) to drive future growth in core European markets and expand into new geographies, including select Asian markets.

323. Union government plans to make _____ the first Indian union territory (UT) to run entirely on renewable energy.

- a) Pondicherry
- b) Diu
- c) Daman

d) Ladakh

Answer d) Ladakh. The Union government plans to make Ladakh the first Indian union territory (UT) to run entirely on renewable energy. The newly carved out union territory has already about 30 megawatts (MW) of small hydro projects, and the government wants to install solar generation units to meet all its power demand from renewable energy sources.

324. UPI stands for _____.

- a) United Payments Interface
- b) Unified Payments India
- c) Unified Payments Interface
- d) Unified Performance Interface

Answer c) Unified Payments Interface. The Government of India in its major boost towards cash less digital economy launched the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) channel. The transactions through the channel has reached One Billion in the month of October.