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### **1. Alastair Cook has retired from international cricket, is associated with which country?**

- a) Australia
- b) New Zealand
- c) England
- d) Zimbabwe

Answer c) England. England's highest run-scorer in Test cricket, Alastair Cook, has revealed he would retire from international cricket at the end of the ongoing Test series against India.

### **2. Who is the current Chair of ISRO?**

- a) K Sivan
- b) Gopalsamy
- c) M Ramamoorthy
- d) Alagarsamy R

Answer a) K Sivan. ISRO will conduct 19 missions, including 10 satellites and nine launch vehicles, in the next seven months between September and March, said ISRO Chairman K Sivan. Calling it the "highest density period for launches", Sivan said ISRO has never before launched two satellites within 30 days consecutively for months.

### **3. According to RBI data, Which Island nation has remained the top source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) into India in 2017-18?**

- a) Madagascar
- b) Mauritius
- c) Maldives
- d) Seychelles

Answer b) Mauritius. Island nation Mauritius remained the top source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) into India in 2017-18 followed by Singapore, according to RBI data.

### **4. Who has become the first female athlete to bag the award in the history of Asian Games?**

- a) Kanako Watanabe
- b) Rikako Ikee
- c) Runa Imai
- d) Daiya Seto

Answer b) Rikako Ikee. Japanese swimmer Rikako Ikee, who bagged six gold and two silver medals at the Asian Games 2018, has been named as the quadrennial event's Most Valuable Player. The 18-year-old became the first female athlete to bag the award in the history of Asian Games.

### **5. Who has been taken charge of Secretary in Steel Ministry?**

- a) Binoy Kumar
- b) Arun Roy
- c) Dhulak Gain
- d) Arjun Swamy

Answer a) Binoy Kumar. Binoy Kumar had been posted as Officer on Special Duty in the Ministry. He was Special Secretary, Logistics, in the Department of Commerce. He also held the post of Director General (Supplies & Disposals), where he developed the Government e-Marketplace (GeM).

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**6. Sixth East Asia Summit and 15th India-ASEAN Economic Ministers Meeting held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer c) Singapore. Commerce & Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu attended the 6th East Asia Summit- Economic Ministers Meeting (EAS-EMM) and 15th India-ASEAN Economic Ministers' Meeting (AEM) in Singapore.

**7. Seventh Meeting of National Medicinal Plants Board is held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer d) New Delhi. The Seventh meeting of National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) of Ministry of AYUSH was held under the chairpersonship of Minister of State for AYUSH, Shri Shripad Yesso Naik at New Delhi.

**8. Which among the following award is popularly known as Asia's Nobel Prize.?**

- a) Jnanpith Award
- b) Ramon Magsaysay Award
- c) Pulitzer Prize
- d) Bharat Ratna

Answer b) Ramon Magsaysay Award. Bharat Vatwani and Sonam Wangchuk are among six individuals who received this year's Ramon Magsaysay Award, popularly known as Asia's Nobel Prize.

**9. Who is the current president of Pakistan?**

- a) Dr Arif ur Rehman Alvi
- b) Ashik Abbas
- c) Dr Sabith Hussain
- d) Imran Khan

Answer a) Dr Arif ur Rehman Alvi. Dr Arif ur Rehman Alvi was elected the 13th President of Pakistan after a vote in the Parliament and provincial assemblies. Alvi, a dentist by profession, was a founding member of Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan's political party Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf.

**10. Which company has become 2nd Indian firm to cross ?8 trillion market cap?**

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

Answer c) TCS. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) became only the second Indian company to cross ?8 trillion in market capitalisation after Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries.

**11. Who has been elected as New chairman of Indian Bank's Association for 2018-19?**

- a) Ranjit Shetty
- b) Jyothi Ganga
- c) Bhakshi Muralidharan

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d) Sunil Mehta

Answer d) Sunil Mehta. Sunil Mehta serves as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Punjab National Bank. Dina Bandhu Mohapatra, Managing Director & CEO, Bank of India, was elected as the body's Deputy Chairman.

**12. Conference on E-Mobility in Indian Railways held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Chennai
- b) New Delhi
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) Allahabad

Answer b) New Delhi . The main aim is to discuss strategies for future of mobility in India and to make Indian Railways more efficient, greener and a preferred mode of transport. It acted as a common platform for project developers and other stakeholders.

**13. KAKADU Cup is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer a) Navy. Kakadu Cup 2018 was organised by the Australian Navy as part of its multi-nation maritime exercise. INS Sahyadri had participated in the Kakadu Cup 2018 which involved swimming, running, crossing water and land obstacles.

**14. International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018 held In \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer d) Nepal. The theme of the 3-day event is "Equality begins with Economic Empowerment". The main objective of the summit is to bring together achievers, women business leaders, professionals, international service providers, resource organizations, experts, government representatives and other stakeholders

**15. International Aviation Summit Held In \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Coimbatore
- c) New Delhi
- d) Pune

Answer c) New Delhi. The seminar has been jointly organized by the Airports Authority of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation and International Air Transport Association (IATA). Vision 2035 plans to build 100 new airports across India

**16. Who has been appointed as WPP CEO ?**

- a) Mark Read
- b) Ben Hook
- c) Martin Sorell
- d) Benjamin Darwin

Answer a) Mark Read. Mark Read takes over the position from Martin Sorrell, who resigned from WPP 33 years following allegations of personal misconduct and misuse of company assets.

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**17. Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO is organized a tsunami mock drill known as \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) IOWave18
- b) IOTsunami18
- c) IOWater18
- d) IOMock18

Answer a) IOWave18. The exercise, known as 'IOWave18', is being organized by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO, which coordinated the setting up of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (IOTWMS) in the aftermath of December 2004 tsunami.

**18. After Apple.inc, Which company has hit \$1 trillion market capitalisation?**

- a) Microsoft
- b) Wipro
- c) Amazon
- d) ZOHO

Answer c) Amazon. World's richest man Jeff Bezos-led e-commerce major Amazon became the second publicly traded US company to hit \$1 trillion in market capitalisation after Apple. Amazon stock needed to hit a price of \$2,050.27 to reach the \$1 trillion mark. Amazon stock has more than doubled in the last 12 months and has gained more than 70% in 2018.

**19. Which country has become the first Gulf nation to offer permanent residency to expatriates?**

- a) Bahrain
- b) Oman
- c) Kuwait
- d) Qatar

Answer d) Qatar. Qatar has become the first Gulf nation to offer permanent residency to expatriates. The country's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani has issued a decree allowing a maximum of 100 expatriates to gain permanent residency each year.

**20. Facebook to open its 1st ever Asian data centre in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer a) Singapore. Facebook said it will invest over \$1 billion to build its first Asian data centre in Singapore, which is expected to open in 2022. The 11-storey data centre will span 170,000 square metres and "support hundreds of jobs"

**21. India to buy 18 bullet trains from \_\_\_\_\_ for Rs 7,000 crore.**

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

Answer b) Japan. Each train will have 10 coaches and would be able to cruise at the speed of 350 km per hour. The purpose is to launch India's first bullet train by 2022.

**22. Who has been Nominated For 2nd Term As Regional Director WHO South-East Asia?**

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- a) Ajay Singh
- b) Dr Poonam Singh
- c) Rahul Kachori
- d) Dr Sunam Yadhav

Answer b) Dr Poonam Singh. Dr Poonam Singh is the first woman to have been elected to the position of Regional Director for WHO South-East Asia Region after an illustrious career in the Indian civil service,

**23. Who has signed as brand ambassador by BSNL for 2 years?**

- a) Akshay kumar
- b) Abinav Bindhra
- c) Mary Kom
- d) PV Sindhu

Answer c) Mary Kom. State-run telecom firm BSNL roped in Indian boxer MC Mary Kom as its brand ambassador for two years. BSNL will run television commercials, print advertisements and tariff plan endorsement with Kom.

**24. Google has launched a new search engine for scientists called \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Dataset Search
- b) Data Library
- c) Digital Library
- d) None of these

Answer a) Dataset Search. Google launched a new search engine called 'Dataset Search' to help scientists, data journalists and others find data required for their work. It will let people find "datasets wherever they're hosted, whether it's a publisher's site, a digital library," Google said.

**25. NSG in this "N" represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Nation
- b) Nuclear
- c) North
- d) None of these

Answer b) Nuclear. Following the inaugural 2+2 talks with the US, External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj said that both the countries have agreed to work together towards India's entry in the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG).

**26. Who is the Governor of Telengana?**

- a) Chandrasekar Rao
- b) Vamsi Reddy
- c) Vijaya Ragavendra
- d) Narasimhan

Answer d) Narasimhan. The first state assembly of Telangana has been dissolved nine months before the term of the House expires, based on the recommendation of CM K Chandrasekhar Rao and his Cabinet. Governor ESL Narasimhan has asked Rao and his Cabinet to continue as a caretaker government till the new government is formed.

**27. Who is the new MD & CEO of Axis Bank?**

- a) Amitabh Chaudhry
- b) Ranjith Premanand
- c) Shikha Sharma

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d) Karthik Kumar

Answer a) Amitabh Chaudhry. HDFC Life's 54-year-old MD and CEO Amitabh Chaudhry has received the RBI's approval to be appointed as the MD and CEO at Axis Bank. Chaudhry, who will be succeeding Shikha Sharma, will take over the position from January 1, 2019.

**28. Who has been appointed as Managing Director of SBI?**

- a) Dinesh Vidhyaraman
- b) Nandh Agarwal
- c) Shuka Bhav
- d) Anshula Kant

Answer d) Anshula Kant. State Bank of India (SBI) said the government has appointed Anshula Kant as Managing Director of the bank.

**29. Burt Reynolds is passed away at 82, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer b) Actor. Burt Reynolds, known for films like 'Boogie Nights', 'Smokey and the Bandit' and 'Striptease', passed away at the age of 82 in Florida. The cause of death is reportedly cardiopulmonary arrest.

**30. Google rolls out 'Blog Compass' app for indian \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Mathematician
- b) Physicists
- c) Bloggers
- d) Content Writer

Answer c) Bloggers. Technology giant Google launched a new app 'Blog Compass' to help Indian bloggers manage their site and find topics to write about.

**31. Who has been Appointed as Chief Electoral officer for SBI Mutual Fund?**

- a) Akshara Premkumar
- b) Ashwani Bhatia
- c) Asmiya Antony
- d) Anuradha Rao

Answer b) Ashwani Bhatia. She takes over from Anuradha Rao after she returned to State Bank of India (SBI) as Deputy Managing Director. Prior to joining SBI Mutual Fund, Bhatia was in charge of revamping the credit structure and processes of the bank.

**32. India ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in 'Theft Rankings' regarding Nuclear Materials Security.**

- a) 17th
- b) 18th
- c) 19th
- d) 20th

Answer c) 19th. Nuclear Security Index (NSI) published a report on theft rankings of 'weapon-usable' nuclear materials, in which India holds a score of 46 out of 100.

**33. First 2-day India Idea Summit held in \_\_\_\_\_ by USIBC**

- a) New Delhi

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- b) Pune
- c) Bangalore
- d) Mumbai

Answer d) Mumbai. The theme of the conference is 'US and India connecting our future'. This is the first time that US India Business Council (USIBC) is holding its annual general body meeting in India. The U.S.-India Business Council (USIBC) was formed in 1975.

**34. KAZIND 2018 is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer c) Army. KAZIND 2018 will be held in Otar region, Kazakhstan from 10 to 23 September 2018. This is the third joint military exercise between the two countries. The second edition of the KAZIND exercise was held in India in 2017.

**35. who has becomes first Honorary Ambassador of Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation?**

- a) Akshay Kumar
- b) Virat Kohli
- c) RajiniKanth
- d) Puneeth Rajkumar

Answer a) Akshay Kumar. Actor Akshay Kumar has been known to be a vocal supporter of the Indian Armed Forces (jawan) as well as the farmer (kisan) community. Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation is the social organisation founded by the family of India's second Prime Minister, Lal Bahadur Shastri.

**36. Which city Metro is second-most unaffordable in world?**

- a) Delhi
- b) Hanoi
- c) Singapore
- d) Malaysia

Answer a) Delhi. A study by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) has found that after the fare hike last year, Delhi metro has become the second-most unaffordable transport network in the world after Hanoi in Vietnam.

**37. Who won 14th Grand Slam title?**

- a) Pete Sampras
- b) Juan Martín del Potro
- c) Novak Djokovic
- d) None of these

Answer c) Novak Djokovic. Former world number one Novak Djokovic defeated world number three Juan Martín del Potro 6-3, 7-6(7-4), 6-3 to clinch his third US Open title and overall 14th Grand Slam title.

**38. Who has received Meryl Streep Award for Excellence?**

- a) Jhanvi Kapoor
- b) Anushka Sharma
- c) Aishwarya Rai
- d) Priyanka Chopra

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Answer c) Aishwarya Rai. Actress Aishwarya Rai was honoured with the Meryl Streep Award for Excellence at the Women in Film and Television (WIFT) India Award. Her daughter Aaradhya and mother Brinda Rai also attended the award ceremony.

### **39. Who has claimed US Open title?**

- a) Serena Williams
- b) Naomi Osaka
- c) Laura Siegemund
- d) Annika Beck

Answer b) Naomi Osaka. Naomi Osaka became Japan's first Grand Slam singles champion after she thumped Serena Williams 6-2 6-4 in a controversial U.S. Open final, with the American suffering a mesmerizing meltdown after being handed a code violation.

### **40. Who is the brand ambassador to promote GST and inform people about its benefits?**

- a) Salman Khan
- b) Amir Khan
- c) Deepika Padukone
- d) Amitabh Bachchan

Answer d) Amitabh Bachchan. The expenditure on advertisements through print media stood at nearly ₹127 crore while more than ₹5 crore was spent on advertisements with outdoor media. The Goods and Services Tax (GST) was implemented on July 1, 2017.

### **41. Who is the current CM of Jharkhand?**

- a) Raghubar Das
- b) Draupadi Murmu
- c) Hemant Soren
- d) Babulal Marandi

Answer a) Raghubar Das . Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghubar Das was on a four-day visit to China at the invitation of the International Department of the Communist Party of China (CPC).

### **42. Which area school has bagged top position in National Clean School Award given by HRD Ministry?**

- a) Puducherry
- b) Tamilnadu
- c) Gujarat
- d) Haryana

Answer a) Puducherry. Seven schools from Puducherry were awarded for cleanliness. As many as 52 schools from across the country were bestowed with National Clean School Award in recognition of their efforts in carrying forward Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

### **43. SLINEX-2018 is a joint military exercise between\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Srilanka & Nepal
- b) Srilanka & Bangladesh
- c) Srilanka & India
- d) Srilanka & Singapore

Answer c) Srilanka & India. The exercise which was previously held biannually has been converted to an annual event from this year to enhance cooperation in the maritime domain and to further strengthen mutual trust and interoperability between the two navies.



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**44. Nagaland Government declared Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary as an \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tiger reserve
- b) Elephant reserve
- c) Deer reserve
- d) Monkey Reserve

Answer b) Elephant reserve. The Singphan Elephant Reserve which is the 30th elephant reserve in India, is located in Mon district of Nagaland and spreads over an area of 5825 acres (2357 hac). As per recent census report (2017) Nagaland has around 446 elephants.

**45. 'Sagarmatha Friendship-2' exercise will take place in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) China
- b) Nepal
- c) India
- d) Srilanka

Answer a) China. Nepal will take part in a 12-day-long military exercise with China later this month, Nepalese Army spokesperson Brigadier General Gokul Bhandaree said. The 'Sagarmatha Friendship-2' exercise will take place in China's Chengdu city.

**46. Who has become the first bowler in women's cricket to pick 300 international wickets?**

- a) Jhulan Goswami
- b) vedha Krishnamurthy
- c) Harmanpreet Kaur
- d) Ektha Bisht

Answer a) Jhulan Goswami. Indian pacer Jhulan Goswami became the first bowler in women's cricket to pick 300 international wickets after reaching the landmark figure in India's nine-wicket win over Sri Lanka.

**47. Which Indian airline has started thier first dedicated cargo service?**

- a) Indigo
- b) Air Express
- c) Spicejet
- d) Jet Airways

Answer c) Spicejet. SpiceJet will start a dedicated air cargo service under the SpiceXpress brand from September 18.

**48. Vostok-2018 is associated with which country?**

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

Answer b) Russia. Russia began its biggest military exercise since the Cold War, involving around 3 lakh troops, 36,000 vehicles and over 1,000 aircraft. The 'Vostok-2018' exercise, being held in eastern Siberia, will last for five days.

**49. Who has become the first Indian to win medal in IAAF Continental Cup?**

- a) Ajay Singh
- b) Vishnu Unnikrishnan
- c) Sampath Yadav Kumar

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d) Arpinder Singh

Answer d) Arpinder Singh. Triple jumper Arpinder Singh created history by becoming the first Indian to win a medal in the IAAF Continental Cup as he clinched a bronze but star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra finished sixth with a below-par show here.

**50. Alibaba is a \_\_\_\_\_ company**

- a) Japan
- b) Russian
- c) US
- d) Chinese

Answer d) Chinese. Chinese billionaire and Alibaba Co-founder Jack Ma today announced he will step down as the company's Executive Chairman on his 55th birthday on September 10, 2019. Ma will be succeeded by current CEO Daniel Zhang.

**51. According to Reuters, Which country has the largest oil supplier to India?**

- a) Iraq
- b) Saudi
- c) Oman
- d) Kuwait

Answer a) Iraq. Ahead of US sanctions on Iranian oil, Iraq has replaced Saudi Arabia as India's largest oil supplier in August, according to Reuters. Despite the lower purchases, Iran remained the third biggest oil supplier to India during the month.

**52. Who has received the Sarala Puraskar award 2018?**

- a) Satrughna Pandav
- b) Sri Govind Mishra
- c) Pandit Umesh Chandra Karto
- d) Pandit Ragavendra

Answer a) Satrughna Pandav. Eminent novelist of India, Sri Govind Mishra will be the Chief Guest of the Sarala Award function. He has been chosen for this honor for his poetry collection 'Misra Dhrupad'. This award consists of a cash award of Rs. 5,00,000/- along with a citation.

**53. AASHA scheme is for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Childrens
- b) Farmers
- c) Womens
- d) Adults

Answer b) Farmers. The Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi approved Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA) to protect income of farmers growing pulses, oilseeds and copra

**54. Who is the new MD & CEO?**

- a) Kishore Kannan N
- b) Prasanth Karthikeyan
- c) Sankar Guru
- d) Vibha Padalkar

Answer d) Vibha Padalkar . HDFC Life has appointed Vibha Padalkar as its new Managing Director and CEO for a period of 3 years effective September 12. Padalkar, who joined the private life insurer in August 2008, was serving as the Chief Financial Officer.

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**55. Who has been appointed as the Sports Ambassador of Assam?**

- a) Hima Das
- b) Sarbananda Sonowal
- c) Sherin Vinoth
- d) Hima Gopal

Answer a) Hima Das. India's ace sprinter Hima Das, who recently became the first Indian woman to win gold in track 400 m event at IAAF World U-20 Athletics Championships in France, was appointed as Sports Ambassador of Assam by the state Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal.

**56. Which among the following reactor is the Asia's first research reactor?**

- a) Dhruv
- b) Cirus
- c) Apsara
- d) Smrithi

Answer c) Apsara. The Bhaba Atomic Research Centre has recommissioned an upgraded version of 'Apsara', the country's oldest research reactor that was decommissioned almost a decade ago. Apsara was first made operational on August 4, 1956, becoming Asia's first research reactor at the time.

**57. Which Indian American scientist has been awarded as Outstanding Investigator Award with USD 6.5 million for cancer biomarkers?**

- a) Arul Chinnaiyan
- b) Nandhu Madappan
- c) Aravind Alagarsamy
- d) Ajay Kumar A

Answer a) Arul Chinnaiyan. Arul Chinnaiyan, an Indian-American scientist and professor at the University of Michigan, has been awarded an "Outstanding Investigator Award" along with a grant of \$6.5 million by the U.S. National Cancer Institute.

**58. Garcha won bronze in the 52nd ISSF World Championships in which field?**

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

Answer c) Shooting. Gurnihal Singh Garcha won bronze in junior men's shooting and qualified in the sixth place at the 52nd ISSF World Championships in Changwon, South Korea. Gurnihal, the 19-year old, was defeated by Elia Sdruccioli of Italy.

**59. 'Rosetta' has developed by\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Google
- b) Twitter
- c) Youtube
- d) Facebook

Answer d) Facebook. Facebook has developed an artificial intelligence (AI) system 'Rosetta' which can detect text from over a billion images like memes and videos in real time. The AI detects rectangular regions in images that potentially contain text and then uses a neural network to recognise and transcribe what's written.

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**60. VS Vyas is passed away aged 87, is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Journalist
- b) Economist
- c) Lyricist
- d) Poet

Answer b) Economist. Padma Bhushan awardee and economist VS Vyas passed away in Jaipur on Wednesday at the age of 87. He was previously a member of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council and worked with former prime ministers including Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Manmohan Singh.

**61. Brij Katyal is passed away, who is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politics
- b) Cinema
- c) Scientist
- d) None of these

Answer b) Cinema . Bollywood writer Brij Katyal, who wrote the story of Shashi Kapoor starrer 'Jab Jab Phool Khile' passed away after battling cancer.

**62. Who has been appointed as the next Chief Justice of India?**

- a) Raj Kamal
- b) Siva Kumar
- c) Ranjan Gogoi
- d) Vishnu Vijayakumar

Answer c) Ranjan Gogoi . President Ram Nath Kovind gave his approval to appoint Justice Ranjan Gogoi as the next Chief Justice of India. Gogoi will assume office on October 3, 2018, after the retirement of the current Chief Justice, Justice Dipak Misra.

**63. e-Rythu app has been launched by which state government?**

- a) Karnataka
- b) Kerala
- c) Maharastra
- d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer d) Andhra Pradesh. The Andhra Pradesh government on Wednesday launched an app, e-Rythu, to digitise agricultural marketplaces and payments. It will help farmers buy, sell and receive payments for their products through phones in an easy and secure way.

**64. Hindi Diwas is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) September 14
- b) September 15
- c) September 16
- d) September 17

Answer a) September 14. On September 14, 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted Hindi as the official language of a newly independent nation. The Indo-Aryan language had been in use across large sections of India in multiple forms by then and had in fact been carried outside the shores of the country by those who settled in other parts of the world through centuries.

**65. India, US annual combat exercise Yudh Abhyas 2018 to be held at \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Uttarakhand

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- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Pune

Answer b) Uttarakhand. The 2-Week long Yudh Abhyas 2018 exercise will be conducted at Chaubatia in Uttarakhand from 16 to 29 September, 2018. It will be fourteenth edition of exercise in Yudh Abhyas series which was started in 2004 under US Army Pacific Partnership Program.

**66. Which state has topped in 4G Coverage in India?**

- a) Haryana
- b) Bihar
- c) Kolkatta
- d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer c) Kolkatta. Kolkata has topped OpenSignal's list of 4G availability with over 90.7% coverage, across all of India's 22 telecom circles for the May-July period this year. It is followed by Punjab (89.8%), Bihar (89.2%), Madhya Pradesh (89.1%) and Odisha (89%).

**67. According to the recent report, Which country has become World's 5th largest nuclear weapons state?**

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

Answer a) Pakistan. According to the recent report, Pakistan could become world's 5th largest nuclear weapons state after Russia, United States, France and China in terms of possession of total nuclear warheads.

**68. India-Mongolia Joint Exercise 'Nomadic Elephant 2018' held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Ulaanbaatar
- b) Tov Province
- c) Ulan - Ude
- d) Bayangol

Answer a) Ulaanbaatar. The 12 days long Nomadic Elephant-2018 has begun at Mongolian Armed Forces (MAF) Five Hills Training Area, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

**69. According to Report, India ranks \_\_\_\_\_ globally in family-owned businesses.**

- a) 1st
- b) 2nd
- c) 3rd
- d) 4th

Answer c) 3rd. India ranks third globally in terms of number of family-owned businesses with 111 companies having a total market capitalisation of \$839 billion, according to a Credit Suisse report.

**70. India ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in UN Human Development Index.**

- a) 100th
- b) 112th
- c) 129th
- d) 130th

Answer d) 130th. India has climbed up one spot to rank 130 out of 189 countries in the latest Human Development Index (HDI) released by the United Nations Development Programme.

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**71. Who has been appointed as the chairman of Lok Sabha ethics panel?**

- a) L K Advani
- b) Ramnath Govind
- c) Nirmala Sitharaman
- d) Ajay Gokhle

Answer a) L K Advani. Senior BJP leader L K Advani has been renominated as the chairman of the Ethics Committee of the Lok Sabha by Speaker Sumitra Mahajan. The Committee examines complaints relating to unethical conduct by members of Parliament.

**72. Which among the following ministries has launched 'National Scholarship Portal Mobile App'?**

- a) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- b) Minister For Minority Affairs
- c) Ministry of External Affairs
- d) Maulana Azad Education

Answer b) Minister For Minority Affairs. The "National Scholarship Portal Mobile App" will ensure a smooth, accessible and hassle-free scholarship system for students from poor and weaker sections.

**73. New Majerhat bridge to be constructed in\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Bhopal
- b) West Bengal
- c) Kolkata
- d) Sikkim

Answer b) West Bengal. The West Bengal government is to demolish the Majerhat bridge in South Kolkata. A portion of the bridge collapsed on September 4 and killed three people. Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee said an expert panel headed by Chief Secretary has suggested opinion to raze the bridge completely and to construct a new bridge in a year.

**74. IBM headquarters is situated in\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) London
- b) Brooklyn
- c) New York
- d) Los Angeles

Answer c) New York. American technology firm IBM has teamed up with IIT Bombay to 'accelerate' AI research in India through its AI Horizons Network.

**75. INS Tarini is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer c) Navy. All the six members of the Indian Navy's first all-women crew, who sailed across the globe aboard INSV Tarini in 254 days, have been given the Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award.

**76. Which country has launched world's first hydrogen-powered train?**

- a) Germany
- b) France
- c) Russia

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d) Japan

Answer a) Germany. Germany launched the world's first zero-emission hydrogen trains which will run on a 100-kilometre stretch.

**77. Dolagobinda Pradhan is passed away at 93, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politician
- b) Freedom Fighter
- c) Actor
- d) Both a and b

Answer d) Both a and b. Veteran freedom fighter and former Odisha minister Dolagobinda Pradhan passed away aged 93 after a brief illness. Pradhan had joined the Quit India movement and was also jailed during the freedom movement.

**78. Captain Raju is passed away at 68, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Actor
- b) politician
- c) Former Army officer
- d) Both a and c

Answer d) Both a and c. Veteran actor-director and a former army officer Captain Raju passed away at the age of 68 in Kochi, Kerala. In July, he was airlifted to Kochi after falling unconscious due to a stroke in a flight to the UAE, while going to attend his son's wedding in USA.

**79. Jaipur Literature Festival begins in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Austin
- b) Houston
- c) Dallas
- d) None of the above

Answer b) Houston. The festival is the world's largest free literary gathering, started with a soulful music performance by Indian Sufi singer Zila Khan.

**80. India has ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in family-owned businesses.**

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

Answer c) Third. India has a total of 111 companies and \$839 billion total market capitalization. India follows China (159 companies) and the US (121 companies). Korea came in fourth place, with 43 companies followed by Indonesia in the 5th place.

**81. World Ozone Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) September 16
- b) September 17
- c) September 18
- d) September 19

Answer a) September 16. On December 19, 1994, the UN General Assembly proclaimed September 16 to be the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, commemorating the date when the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer was signed in 1987.

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**82. India gets first ever gender-neutral hostel in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer b) Mumbai. After the Supreme Court scrapped Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) that criminalised homosexuality, India has become the first-ever country to have a gender-neutral hostel.

**83. Which country will host 2022 Asian Para Games?**

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

Answer d) China. Asian Paralympic Committee (APC) confirmed that Hangzhou in China will host the fourth edition of Asian Para Games in 2022.

**84. Who is the current CFO of SBI?**

- a) Anshula Kant
- b) Vikrama Dev
- c) Hari Krishnan
- d) Prasanth Kumar

Answer d) Prasanth Kumar. Kumar was designated as Deputy Managing Director (HR) & Corporate Development Officer of India's largest bank.

**85. Surgical Strike Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) September 27
- b) September 28
- c) September 29
- d) September 30

Answer c) September 29. UGC has directed varsities and higher educational institutions across the country to observe September 29 as 'Surgical Strike Day'.

**86. Mirabai Chanu has received Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Swimmer
- b) Weightlifter
- c) Boxer
- d) None of the above

Answer b) Weightlifter. weightlifter Mirabai Chanu will receive the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, the country's highest sporting honour, on September 25.

**87. Indian Air Force plans to set up a 'strategic base' in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Chennai
- b) Bangalore
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Delhi

Answer c) Andhra Pradesh. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has proposed to the Andhra government its plans to establish a drone manufacturing facility in Anantapur district, a cyber security centre in Amaravati, and turn Rajahmundry and Vijayawada airports into asset positioning bases.



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**88. Who has been appointed as the ambassador of Skill India Mission (SIM)?**

- a) Varun Dhawan
- b) Ajay Devgn
- c) Anushka Sharma
- d) Both a & c

Answer d) Both a & c. The two stars of the film 'Sui Dhaaga – Made in India', have been signed on to promote and endorse the Skill India Mission (SIM), chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

**89. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission?**

- a) Kamlesh Nilakanth
- b) Ramamoorthy
- c) Ajay Kumar
- d) Vishnu Vardhan

Answer a) Kamlesh Nilakanth. Kamlesh Nilakanth Vyas, Director of Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, has been appointed as the Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission and the Secretary of Department of Atomic Energy. His tenure will end on May 2021. He has replaced Shekhar Basu.

**90. ISRO launched its technology incubation centre in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Agartala
- b) Shillong
- c) Assam
- d) Guwahati

Answer a) Agartala. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched a space technology incubation centre in Agartala, Tripura.

**91. Which country has become first country in the world to develop Cooling Action Plan?**

- a) US
- b) Germany
- c) Scotland
- d) India

Answer d) India. During World Ozone Day celebrations on September 17, Union Environment Minister Harsh Vardhan released a draft India Cooling Action Plan (ICAP) which lists out actions which can help reduce the cooling demand, thus helping in reducing emissions.

**92. Which is the first Indian Film has win the Toronto International Film Festival's prestigious Award?**

- a) Dil Chata Hai
- b) Mard Ko Dard Nahi Hota
- c) Sholay
- d) Chak De India

Answer b) Mard Ko Dard Nahi Hota. Director Vasan Bala's action thriller 'Mard Ko Dard Nahi Hota' (The Man Who Feels No Pain) has won the top award ie., Grolsch People's Choice Midnight Madness Award at the 43rd Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF).

**93. Who is the current Chairman-cum-Managing Director of National Insurance Company Limited (NICL)?**

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- a) Tajinder Mukherjee
- b) Rani Patel
- c) Monika Ray
- d) Vijaya Rajan

Answer a) Tajinder Mukherjee. Ms. Tajinder Mukherjee has been designated as Chairman-cum-Managing Director of National Insurance Company Limited (NICL).

**94. Among the following players, Who is having a nicknamed as ‘Colonel’?**

- a) Mikhail Youzhny
- b) Rafael Nadal
- c) Marcos Baghdatis
- d) Nicolás Almagro

Answer a) Mikhail Youzhny. Russia’s Mikhail Youzhny, who is nicknamed ‘Colonel’, retired from professional tennis one win short of 500 career wins. Youzhny, who reached the US Open semifinals twice in his career, was playing his career’s final tournament in the St. Petersburg Open in Russia.

**95. Tran Dai Quang is passed at 61, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Cinema
- b) Scientist
- c) Politics
- d) Both a & b

Answer c) Politics. Vietnam’s President Tran Dai Quang passed away at the age of 61 of a serious illness, the state media reported. Before being appointed Vietnam’s President in 2016, Quang served as the Public Security Minister.

**96. Who has been appointed as new Secretary of Central Vigilance Commission?**

- a) Umesh chandri Kumar
- b) Deepthi Yadav
- c) Mokiya chand
- d) Anindo Majumdar

Answer d) Anindo Majumdar. He was the chief secretary of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and appointed as financial commissioner of Delhi in July.

**97. Burhan Wani is belongs to which country?**

- a) Pakistan
- b) India
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Nepal

Answer b) India. In an attempt to highlight the Kashmir issue, Pakistan released 20 “commemorative” postage stamps, one of which portrays slain terrorist Burhan Wani as a ‘freedom icon’.

**98. TESS- in this "E" represents \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Exoplanet
- b) Exposure
- c) Environment
- d) Explotion

Answer a) Exoplanet. NASA’s Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite, known as TESS, has

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spotted “hot Earth” and “super-Earth” planets in solar systems 49 and 60 light-years away, marking its first discovery since April launch.

**99. Who has become India’s 2nd most capped cricketer?**

- a) Dhoni
- b) Sachin
- c) Dravid
- d) Ganguly

Answer a) Dhoni. MS Dhoni has become India’s second-most capped cricketer, achieving the feat against Pakistan in the Asia Cup. Dhoni, who is currently playing in his 505th international match for India, overtook Rahul Dravid, who represented India in 504 matches.

**100. Ayushman Bharat is related to\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Education
- b) Banking Sectors
- c) Healthcare
- d) All the above

Answer c) Healthcare. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY) in Jharkhand’s Ranchi.

**101. Kalpana Lajmi is passed away at 64, is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politics
- b) Cinema
- c) Scientist
- d) Journalist

Answer b) Cinema. Filmmaker Kalpana Lajmi, known for films like ‘Rudaali’, ‘Chingaari’, ‘Ek Pal’ and ‘Daman: A Victim of Marital Violence’, passed away at the age of 64.

**102. Which Indian film has entered for 2019 Oscars under Best Foreign Language Film category?**

- a) Dangal
- b) Dhadak
- c) Toilet
- d) Village Rockstar

Answer d) Village Rockstar. Assamese film ‘Village Rockstars’ has been announced as India’s official entry for 2019 Oscars’ Best Foreign Language Film category.

**103. Kidambi Srikanth is related to\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tennis
- b) Badminton
- c) Wrestling
- d) None of these

Answer b) Badminton. Kidambi Srikanth and PV Sindhu, India’s top-ranked male and female shuttlers respectively, were knocked out of the BWF China Open tournament in the quarterfinal stage on Friday.

**104. Who has become oldest player to captain India in an ODI?**

- a) Dhoni
- b) Dravid
- c) Kohli

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d) Rohit Sharma

Answer a) Dhoni. India's 37-year-old wicketkeeper MS Dhoni became the oldest player to captain India in an ODI after he led the Indian team against Afghanistan in Rohit Sharma's absence in the Asia Cup.

**105. Who has become 1st Swedish PM to be ousted in no-confidence vote?**

- a) Fredrik Reinfeldt
- b) Gustav Fridolin
- c) Annie Lööf
- d) Stefan Löfven

Answer d) Stefan Löfven. Swedish PM Stefan Löfven became the country's first leader to be ousted in a no-confidence vote. The 61-year-old received 142 votes in his favour while 204 MPs voted against him.

**106. Boeing's 2nd-largest aircraft electronics factory is set up in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Pune
- b) Bangalore
- c) France
- d) Nepal

Answer b) Bangalore. US-based aircraft maker Boeing is setting up an electronics manufacturing and avionics assembly facility in Bengaluru at an investment of ₹1,152 crore. The 36-acre facility will be Boeing's second-largest after its Seattle, Washington unit

**107. Who won the FIFA Fair Play Award?**

- a) Fin Bartels
- b) Fallou Diagne
- c) Florian Trinks
- d) Lennart Thy

Answer d) Lennart Thy. German forward Lennart Thy won the FIFA Fair Play Award on Monday for missing his then team VVV-Venlo's match against PSV Eindhoven to help a leukemia patient.

**108. According to AMRUT, Which state has topped in 'Ease of Living Index' rankings?**

- a) Orissa
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) karnataka

Answer c) Andhra Pradesh. Andhra Pradesh has topped the 'Ease of Living Index' rankings released by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).

**109. Who won FIFA best goal of the year award 2018?**

- a) Mo Salah
- b) Ronaldo
- c) Messi
- d) None of these

Answer a) Mo Salah. Liverpool forward Mo Salah was awarded the 2018 FIFA Puskás award, given for the best goal of the year.

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**110. Who is the current MD & VP of Facebook India?**

- a) Ajit Mohan
- b) Vijender Singh
- c) Hrishikesh
- d) Vishnu Yadav

Answer a) Ajit Mohan. Facebook appointed Hotstar CEO Ajit Mohan as Facebook India's Managing Director and Vice President.

**111. Which is the India's 100th airport?**

- a) Sikkim
- b) Manipur
- c) Meghalaya
- d) None of these

Answer a) Sikkim. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated Pakyong Airport near Gangtok in Sikkim, which is India's 100th airport and the state's first airport situated at an altitude of 4,500 feet above sea level.

**112. According to Times Higher Education World University Rankings, which is the India's best university?**

- a) IIT Indore
- b) IIT Madras
- c) IISc Bangalore
- d) IIT Bangalore

Answer c) IISc Bangalore. Indian Institute of Science Bangalore has been named the top Indian institute for the fifth straight year in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings and was placed in the 251-300 bracket.

**113. According to HSBC, India will be in \_\_\_\_\_ position in economy by 2030.**

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

Answer b) 3rd. India is forecast to overtake Japan as the world's third-largest economy by 2030, according to a report by UK's HSBC Holdings.

**114. According to The Lancet, India ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in health care and education investment.**

- a) 123rd
- b) 139th
- c) 151th
- d) 158th

Answer d) 158th. The Survey was done in 195 countries. According to the survey, Finland tops the list in the two key sectors. India ranked 158th in the world, below countries like Sudan (157th), Azerbaijan, China and Bosnia Herzegovina.

**115. Dr. Harsh Vardhan inaugurated Air Pollution Control Device WAYU in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

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d) Punjab

Answer c) New Delhi. WAYU (Wind Augmentation Purifying Unit) is developed by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research – National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-NEERI) as a part of Technology Development Project being funded by Department of Science and Technology.

**116. U.N. declared 2019-2028 as the Nelson Mandela \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Decade of Peace
- b) Decade of love
- c) Decade of humanity
- d) All the above

Answer a) Decade of Peace. This incident took place at the Nelson Mandela peace summit honouring the South African leader at the UN. He also unveiled a statue of Nelson Mandela at the UN marking the 100th anniversary of Mandela's birth.

**117. BVRAAM is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer b) Air Force. The Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully test fired the indigenously developed Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile (BVRAAM) Astra from a Su-30 aircraft. It was tested at the Kalaikunda Air Force Station.

**118. Which country has becomes world's first to land rovers MINERVA-III on asteroid Ryugu?**

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

Answer c) Japan. Japan became the world's first country to successfully land two robotic rovers on an asteroid. This is the first time that the world will observe the surface of an asteroid via moving robots.

**119. India to organise 'Gandhi March' in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Scotland
- b) Netherlands
- c) Germany
- d) Argentina

Answer b) Netherlands. India will organise 'Gandhi March' from the iconic Peace Palace at the Hague to Grote Kerk on September 30, to launch the two-year long celebrations of the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

**120. Abbott is to introduce high-sensitive troponin-I blood test in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer d) India. Abbott announced it is to introduce a high-sensitive troponin-I blood test in

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India. This test can predict chances of a heart attack or other cardiac event months to years in advance

**121. Indian Government has set up Ayush Information Cell in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Hungary
- b) Bulgaria
- c) Romania
- d) Slovakia

Answer c) Romania. To encourage practice of ayurveda, India has set up an 'Ayush Information Cell' at its embassy premises in Romania to create awareness about the traditional Indian system of medicine.

**122. World Tourism Day 2018 is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) September 27
- b) September 28
- c) September 29
- d) September 30

Answer a) September 27. Started in 1980 by The United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), World Tourism Day (WTD) is celebrated worldwide annually on September 27. The theme of this year – 'Tourism and the Digital Transformation'

**123. Indo-Bangla border conference held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Mizoram
- b) Nagaland
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Tripura

Answer a) Mizoram. A joint border conference was held between India and Bangladesh at Aizawl and delegates from both sides deliberated on the border issues between the two countries

**124. According to Centre for Civil Society (CCS) , India ranks \_\_\_\_\_ on Economic Freedom Index.**

- a) 95th
- b) 96th
- c) 97th
- d) 98th

Answer b) 96th. As per the 2018 report on Economic Freedom in the World, released by the Centre for Civil Society (CCS) in conjunction with Canada's Fraser Institute, India stands at 96th rank out of 162 countries in economic freedom. Last year, India's rank was 98.

**125. Who has been appointed as new Vice Chief of Indian Air Force?**

- a) Lokesh Kumar
- b) Jashwanth Rai
- c) Soundararajan K
- d) Anil Khosla

Answer d) Anil Khosla. Eastern Air Command chief Anil Khosla will take over as the new vice chief of the Indian Air Force (IAF) with Air Marshal SB Deo set to retire.

**126. Who has been appointed as the new chief of BSF?**

- a) Jadav mishra

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- b) Umesh Bindra
- c) Rajni Kant Mishra
- d) Gunal Mohith

Answer c) Rajni Kant Mishra. The government appointed Rajni Kant Mishra as the Director-General of Border Security Force (BSF) in the place of K.K. Sharma.

**127. Who is the only sportsperson in Forbes India's Maiden List of 22 'Tycoons of Tomorrow'?**

- a) Saina Nehwal
- b) PV Sindhu
- c) Virat Kohli
- d) Hima Das

Answer b) PV Sindhu. Badminton player and Olympian PV Sindhu is the only sportsperson featuring in the Forbes India's maiden 'tycoons of tomorrow' list of 22 young achievers in the fields of business, acting and sports.