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1. Which bank has signed an MoU with Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited to provide seamless telecom services?

- a) City union
- b) ICICI
- c) Indian Bank
- d) Indian Overseas Bank

Answer c) Indian Bank. Indian Bank signed an MoU with Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited to provide seamless telecom services to the Indian Bank at competitive market rates.

2. Which country has become the first country to allow Driverless cars on roads?

- a) USA
- b) UK
- c) Australia
- d) Saudi Arabia

Answer b) UK. The UK wants to be at the forefront in rolling out autonomous driving technology. The Government of the UK forecasts that around 40% of UK cars will have self-driving capabilities by 2035.

3. Which company has emerged as the third strongest and the tenth most valuable insurance brand globally, in Brand Finance Insurance 100 report for 2021?

- a) LIC
- b) New India Insurance
- c) United India Insurance
- d) None of these

Answer a) LIC. The third strongest and the tenth most valuable insurance brand globally, in Brand Finance Insurance 100 report for 2021.

4. International Workers' Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 1st
- b) May 3rd
- c) April 30th
- d) April 27th

Answer a) May 1st. International Labour Day (also known as May Day or International Workers' Day) is celebrated across the world on the 1st of May every year.

5. Amitabh Chaudhry Re-appointed as MD & CEO of _____.

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

Answer b) Axis. Amitabh Chaudhry has been re-appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of the private sector lender Axis Bank for three more years by the bank board.

6. Who has launched SHWAS and AROG Loan Schemes for MSMEs?

- a) SIDBI
- b) NABARD
- c) SEBI
- d) None of these

Answer a) SIDBI. The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), has launched

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two loan products for MSMEs to help them with the required financial support in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

7. Which company has overtake HCL Tech to become third most-valued Indian IT firm?

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

Answer a) Wipro. Wipro regained its position as the 3rd largest Indian IT services company by market capitalization of ₹ 2.65 trillion by suppressing HCL Technologies' ₹ 2.62 trillion market cap.

8. Who has named RBI deputy governor?

- a) Tej Sheshastri
- b) T Rabi Sankar
- c) Manish Pandey
- d) Shubhnam Gupta

Answer b) T Rabi Sankar. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) executive director T Rabi Sankar has been named as the fourth Deputy Governor of the central bank. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved his appointment.

9. Order of the Rising Sun honour belongs to which nation?

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

Answer b) Japan. The Japanese Government recently awarded the "Order of Rising Sun" to a Bengaluru based Japanese teacher, Shyamala Ganesh. She is a Japanese teacher at the Septuagenarian institution and also at the Ohara School of Ikebana in RT Nagar, Bengaluru.

10. World Tuna Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 04
- c) May 02
- d) May 03

Answer c) May 02. It is observed for the first time in 2017. According to the UN, an outsized number of nations worldwide depend upon tuna for both food security and nutrition.

11. World Press Freedom Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 04
- c) May 02
- d) May 03

Answer d) may 03. World Press Freedom Day is observed globally on 3 May every year. It is also known as World Press Day. The day also pays tribute to journalists who have lost their lives.

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12. 'Oxygen on Wheels'- project launched by_____.

- a) Tata
- b) Wipro
- c) Accenture
- d) Mahindra

Answer d) Mahindra. The Mahindra Group Chairman, Anand Mahindra has rolled out a project titled 'Oxygen on Wheels' to ease the transportation of oxygen from producing plants to hospitals and homes, following acute oxygen shortage amid a severe second wave of coronavirus.

13. World Laughter Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 04
- c) May 02
- d) May 03

Answer c) May 02. World Laughter Day is celebrated on the first Sunday of May every year. It is a day to raise awareness about laughter and its many healing benefits. In 2021, the day falls on 02 May 2021.

14. Which bank has allocated Rs 71 crores to help India combat COVID-19 second wave?

- a) SBI
- b) Indian Bank
- c) IOB
- d) ICICI

Answer a) SBI. The public sector bank has allocated Rs 30 crores to set up healthcare facilities such as 1000-bedded makeshift hospitals, 1000- bedded isolation facilities and 250 bed ICU facilities in some of the worst-hit states.

15. Which African country has designated Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF) and OLF-Shene as terrorist organization?

- a) Ethiopia
- b) Nigeria
- c) Uganda
- d) Sudan

Answer a) Ethiopia. This came after several attacks from the organisations in different parts of the country that targeted civilians and public infrastructure over the past couple of years.

16. Which nation's cricket team has become the top-ranked ODI team in the world?

- a) India
- b) Australia
- c) New Zealand
- d) None of the Above

Answer c) New Zealand. New Zealand have replaced reigning world champions England as the No. 1-ranked side in the One-day International rankings.

17. International Firefighters' Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 02

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- c) May 03
- d) May 04.

Answer d) May 04. The day is celebrated to recognise and honour the sacrifices that firefighters make to ensure that their communities and environment are as safe as possible.

18. Yono by SBI Joins Hands with which company?

- a) HCL
- b) Shivrai Technologies
- c) Lambda Digital
- d) None of these

Answer b) Shivrai Technologies. Shivrai Technologies partnered with leading digital banking platform, Yono SBI to help smallholder, marginal, and large-holder farmers by way of a free application.

19. Coal Miners' Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 02
- c) May 03
- d) May 04.

Answer d) May 04. The day is celebrated to show appreciation for the coal miners and honour their accomplishments. Coal miners spend most of the days digging, tunnelling and extracting coal from the mines.

20. RBI imposed ₹3 crore penalty on _____ Bank for non-compliance with its directions in the matter of shifting of securities from one category to another.

- a) ICICI
- b) HDFC
- c) Axis
- d) Equitas

Answer a) ICICI. The monetary penalty has been imposed on the Bank for contravention of certain directions contained in its Master Circular on 'Prudential Norms for Classification, Valuation and Operation of Investment Portfolio by Banks.'

21. Which brand has partnered with the Indian government to roll out a vaccine finder tool on its mobile app in India?

- a) Google
- b) Facebook
- c) Microsoft
- d) None of these

Answer b) Facebook. The social media giant had, earlier this week, announced a USD 10 million grant for emergency response efforts for the COVID-19 situation in the country.

22. Mark Selby has become World Champion for 4th time in _____.

- a) Darts
- b) Snooker
- c) Golf
- d) Boxing

Answer b) Snooker. In Snooker, Mark Selby became the World Champion for the fourth

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time. Selby won the Championship defeating Shaun Murphy by 18-15 victory at Crucible Theatre, Sheffield.

23. Indian Army has launched the first Green Solar Energy plant in which state?

- a) Mizoram
- b) Sikkim
- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Telangana

Answer b) Sikkim. The Indian Army on April 30, 2021, launched the first Green Solar Energy plant in North Sikkim to harness renewable energy for its troops.

24. What is the name of the world's first Artificial Intelligence ship?

- a) Sunflower 40
- b) Earth 2030
- c) Mayflower 400
- d) Seafarer 66

Answer c) Mayflower 400. Mayflower 400 is the world's first Artificial Intelligence Ship, built by a team of researchers from the marine research organization ProMare in collaboration with IBM.

25. NASA's Parker Solar Probe has detected Natural Radio Emission from which planet's Atmosphere?

- a) Mars
- b) Venus
- c) Mercury
- d) Saturn

Answer b) Venus. NASA's Parker Solar Probe, during a brief swing by Venus in July 2020, detected a natural radio signal from Venus' atmosphere. The Parker Solar Probe was launched in 2018 as a solar mission to analyze the Sun.

26. Cabinet has given its approval for strategic disinvestment in which bank?

- a) SBI
- b) BOI
- c) IDBI
- d) BOB

Answer c) IDBI. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on May 5, 2021 gave its approval for the strategic disinvestment and transfer of management control in IDBI Bank Ltd.

27. India has launched a comprehensive partnership on migration and mobility with which nation?

- a) UK
- b) US
- c) Canada
- d) France

Answer a) UK. India and the UK have launched a comprehensive partnership on migration and mobility that aims to facilitate greater opportunities for the mobility of students and professionals between the two countries.

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28. World Hand Hygiene Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 02
- c) May 04
- d) May 05

Answer d) may 05. The day is organised by the World Health Organization (WHO) to raise awareness among people across the globe about the importance of hand hygiene in warding off many serious infections.

29. International Day of the Midwife is observed on _____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 02
- c) May 04
- d) May 05

Answer d) May 05. This day is celebrated to recognise the work of midwives and raise awareness about the status of midwives for the essential care they provide to mothers and their newborns.

30. Maria Ressa conferred UNESCO World Press Freedom Prize 2021, who belongs to _____.

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

Answer b) Philipines. The \$25,000 prize “recognizes outstanding contributions to the defence or promotion of press freedom especially in the face of danger,” according to UNESCO. The prize was named after Guillermo Cano Isaza, the Colombian journalist.

31. N Rangasamy took oath as the Chief Minister of which state/ UT on May 7th?

- a) Kerala
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Puducherry
- d) None of the Above

Answer c) Puducherry.

32. MK Stalin to be sworn in as _____ Chief Minister on May 7.

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

Answer b) tamil Nadu. The swearing-in ceremony of the DMK president MK Stalin as the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to take place on May 7, 2021, at 9 am at Raj Bhavan in Chennai.

33. Which state has announced Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana?

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

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Answer c) Odisha government has announced Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana for journalists. Odisha has declared the journalists as frontline Covid warriors. It will benefit more than 6500 journalists of the state Odisha.

34. The World's Longest Pedestrian Bridge Opened in _____.

- a) Portugal
- b) Sweden
- c) Poland
- d) Philippines

Answer a) Portugal. The Arouca Bridge offers a half-kilometre (almost 1,700-foot) walk across its span, along a metal walkway suspended from cables. Some 175 meters (574 feet) below, the Paiva River flows through a waterfall.

35. International No Diet Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 02
- c) May 04
- d) May 06

Answer d) May 06. International No Diet Day is observed on May 6, and its symbol is a light blue ribbon. It is an annual celebration of body acceptance, including fat acceptance and body shape diversity.

36. Who has been appointed as Director of Indian Institute of Rice Research?

- a) RM Sundaram
- b) Fazul Ahamed
- c) Janet Billard
- d) Latha Rao

Answer a) RM Sundaram. Raman Meenakshi Sundaram has been appointed as Director of the Indian Institute of Rice Research (IIRR), an arm of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

37. Serum Institute to invest £240 million to expand its vaccine business in _____.

- a) USA
- b) UK
- c) Australia
- d) None of these

Answer b) UK. The serum has already started phase one trials in the UK of a one-dose nasal vaccine for coronavirus, in partnership with Codagenix INC. This was a part of the £533 million of new Indian investment in the UK in growing sectors such as health and technology.

38. Gita Mittal to be awarded Arline Pacht Global Vision Award, who is a former _____.

- a) Chief Justice
- b) IAS
- c) IPS
- d) Ministry

Answer a) Chief Justice. The Award will be presented at IAWJ's Biennial Conference

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during the virtual opening ceremony on May 7, 2021. She shares the honour with Margarita Luna Ramos from Mexico.

39. Nation's first 'Drive in Vaccination Center' unveiled in _____.

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

Answer c) Mumbai. This first of its kind 'Drive-in Vaccination Center' facility has been made available to the citizens at a time when people with disabilities are facing difficulties in getting to the vaccination center.

40. RBI Announces Term Liquidity Facility of Rs. 50,000 Crore For _____.

- a) Industry Sector
- b) Education Sector
- c) Healthcare sector
- d) All the above

Answer c) Healthcare Sector. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das has announced a Covid-19 healthcare package of Rs 50,000 crore, for lending to entities such as vaccine makers, medical equipment suppliers, hospitals and related sectors, besides the patients in need of funds for treatment.

41. Which car company has signed MoU for Supporting MT30 Marine Engine Business?

- a) Honda
- b) Maruti
- c) Rolls Royce
- d) Ford

Answer c) Rolls Royce. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Rolls-Royce have signed an MoU to establish packaging, installation, marketing, and services support for Rolls-Royce MT30 marine engines in India.

42. World Migratory Bird Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 03
- b) May 05
- c) May 08
- d) May 09

Answer c) May 08. World Migratory Bird Day 2021 is observed globally on 8 May. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of migratory birds and the importance of international cooperation to conserve them.

43. World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 03
- b) May 05
- c) May 08
- d) May 09

Answer c) May 08. The World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day is observed every year on 8 May.

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44. The theme for World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day 2021 is_____.

- a) Unstoppable
- b) Dignified life with independence
- c) Unity and neutrality
- d) None of these

Answer a) Unstoppable. Theme 2021 World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day: 'Unstoppable'

45. World Thalassaemia Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 03
- b) May 08
- c) May 06
- d) May 09

Answer b) May 08. The theme for 2021 World Thalassaemia Day is "Addressing Health Inequalities Across the Global Thalassaemia Community".

46. World Athletics Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 03
- b) May 05
- c) May 08
- d) May 09

Answer b) May 05. The first World Athletics Day was observed in 1996. The basic objective of World Athletics Day is to boost the participation of youths in athletics.

47. SLTRO (banking terms) is expand as_____.

- a) Similarity Long Term Repo Operation
- b) Special Large Term Reserve Operation
- c) Special Long Term Repo Operation
- d) Small Liquidity Term Reserve Operation

Answer c) Special Long Term Repo Operation. The Reserve Bank of India recently announced that it is to conduct the first Special Long Term Repo Operation (SLTRO) of Rs 10,000 crores for Small Finance Banks.

48. Who has been named the ICC Men's Player of the Month for April?

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Rohit Sharma
- c) Steve Smith
- d) Babar Azam

Answer d) Babar Azam. The ICC Men's Player of the Month for April was awarded to Pakistan skipper Babar Azam for his outstanding performances across all formats in the series against South Africa.

49. International Day of Argania is observed on_____.

- a) May 01
- b) May 03
- c) May 06
- d) May 10

Answer d) May 10. The argan tree (Argania Spinosa) is a native species of the sub-Saharan region of Morocco, in the southwest of the country, which grows in arid and semiarid areas.

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50. From India, which city has topped in in Global Prime Residential Index by Knight Frank?

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

Answer a) New Delhi. London-based property consultant Knight Frank has ranked New Delhi and Mumbai in 32nd and 36th positions respectively in the Global Prime Residential Index. While Bengaluru moved down by four places in Q1 2021 and is ranked 40; Delhi and Mumbai dipped one place each in the same period.

51. Who has been named “Sportswoman of the Year” at the 2021 Laureus World Sports Awards?

- a) PV Sindhu
- b) Naomi Osaka
- c) Sahar Flinda
- d) Bulaeu Steffina

Answer b) Naomi Osaka. This is Osaka’s second Laureus Sports Awards. In 2019, she won the “Breakthrough of the Year” award.

52. Himanta Biswa Sarma has been named as the _____ Chief Minister of Assam.

- a) 12th
- b) 15th
- c) 18th
- d) 26th

Answer b) 15th. Himanta Biswa Sarma has been named as the 15th Chief Minister of Assam on May 08, 2021. He will replace incumbent Sarbananda Sonowal. He will take the charge of the office with effect from May 10, 2021.

53. Canadian firm partners with SpaceX for moon mission funded with _____ cryptocurrency.

- a) Ethereum
- b) Bitcoin
- c) Polygon
- d) Dogecoin

Answer d) Dogecoin. A Canadian Research and Development Company, Geometric Energy Corporation has announced cooperating with Elon Musk’s SpaceX to launch a mission to the moon. The mission will be funded entirely with Dogecoin Cryptocurrency.

54. Who won ICC Women’s Player award?

- a) Smrithi Mandana
- b) Veda Krishnamurthy
- c) Hamillah-Al-madina
- d) Alyssa Healy

Answer d) Alyssa Healy. These awards recognize and celebrate the best performing male and female cricketers across all formats of international cricket.

55. Who won the Madrid Open title in Men's Singles?

- a) Rafael Nadal

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- b) Dominic Theim
- c) Matteo Berrettini
- d) Alexander Zverev

Answer d) Alexander Zverev . He also lifted his fourth ATP Masters 1000 trophy. He had beaten Rafael Nadal in the quarterfinals and fourth-ranked Dominic Theim in the semifinals. He defeated world number 10 Matteo Berrettini from Italy by 6-7 (8), 6-4, 6-3 in the finals.

56. Which Indian state has launched a digital flood reporting system?

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

Answer b) Assam. With the river Brahmaputra flowing at the crux, Assam is prone to severe floods and erosion every year.

57. National Technology Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 02
- b) May 04
- c) May 07
- d) May 11

Answer d) May 11. Theme: Science and Technology for a Sustainable Future.

58. Which state has launched Auro Scholarship Programme of Sri Aurobindo Society?

- a) Meghalaya
- b) Sikkim
- c) Tripura
- d) Kerala

Answer c) tripura. Auro Scholarship Programme provides the monthly micro-scholarship to the students in order to motivate them towards achieving better learning outcomes once students achieve benchmark performance in 10-min curriculum-aligned Quizzes.

59. Who launched ‘Dost for Life’ mobile app?

- a) SEBI
- b) CBI
- c) CBSE
- d) Railway

Answer c) CBSE. Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has launched a new mobile app for students and parents. The new app ‘Dost for Life’ is an exclusive psychological counselling app for students and parents of CBSE-affiliated schools.

60. A book titled ‘Life in the Clock Tower Valley’ authored by_____.

- a) Shakoor Rather
- b) Kalki Koechlin
- c) Megan Morkle
- d) None of these

Answer a) Shakoor Rather. The book is published by Speaking Tiger, it talks about Kashmir’s pristine past, its grievous present and always-uncertain future. It also includes historical and political information about Kashmir as well as environmental issues that are seldom talked about.

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62. RBI appoints Jose J Kattoor as _____.

- a) Executive Director
- b) Chief Executive Officer
- c) President
- d) Vice President

Answer a) Executive Director. He will look after Human Resource Management Department, Corporate Strategy and Budget Department and Rajbhasha Department.

63. Who has become the first person from India to win the prestigious Sheikh Zayed Book Award?

- a) Amrita Pritam
- b) Jhumpa Lahiri
- c) Khaled Hosseini
- d) Tahera Qutbuddin

Answer d) Tahera Qutbuddin. The Mumbai-born professor won the honour for her book 'Arabic Oration: Art and Function', which was published by Brill Academic Publishers of Leiden in 2019.

64. When is International Nurses Day observed?

- a) May 10th
- b) May 11th
- c) May 12th
- d) May 13th

Answer c) May 12th. International Nurses Day is observed every year on May 12 to honour nurses all over the world. The day was celebrated for the first time by The International Council of Nurses- ICN in 1965.

65. Who was the founder of modern nursing?

- a) Mother Teresa
- b) Elizabeth Blackwell
- c) Clara Barton
- d) Florence Nightingale

Answer d) Florence Nightingale. Florence Nightingale, a British nurse was instrumental in changing the role and perception of the nursing profession.

66. NASA's First Private Astronaut Mission to Space Station is named as _____.

- a) Phenom
- b) Sysly
- c) Axiom
- d) None of these

Answer c) Axiom. Under the agreement, Axiom is to send its astronauts to International Space Station. This is the first private astronaut mission to the space station. The mission has been named as Ax-1.

67. Puducherry has become _____ 'Har Ghar Jal' State/ Union Territory.

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

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Answer a) Fourth. With this, the Union Territory has become the fourth state/ UT to provide assured tap water supply to every rural home under Union Government's flagship programme Jal Jeevan Mission after Goa, Telangana and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

68. The Wildlife Institute of India recently conducted a “Monkey Census” in the state of _____.

- a) Haryana
- b) Punjab
- c) UP
- d) MP

Answer a) Haryana. This in turn is a part of the Wildlife Census 2021. The unique feature of the “Monkey Census” is that the Wildlife Institute of India invited the local people to participate in the census.

69. FIRA is expand as _____.

- a) Finance Inward Remittance Advice
- b) Foreign Inward Remittance Advice
- c) Foreign Implicit Reserved Advice
- d) Fully Inward Reserved Advice

Answer b) Foreign Inward Remittance Advice . The Digital Payment service provider PayPal recently introduced Foreign Inward Remittance Advice. It is an automated process to obtain monthly foreign inward remittance advice.

70. Who has been reappointed as the Prime Minister of Nepal?

- a) KP Sharma Oli
- b) Sher Bahadur Deuba
- c) Pushpakamal Dahal
- d) Madhav Kumar

Answer a) KP Sharma Oli.

71. Which Indian agency was conferred the Green Urja Award?

- a) CERD
- b) WPSI
- c) WTI
- d) IREDA

Answer a) CERD. The agency has been awarded for being the leading public institution in financing institution for renewable energy.

72. Geojit sign an ink pact with _____ to offer three-in-one account.

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

Answer b) PNB. The new service gives customers who have a savings account with PNB, a PNB Demat account and a Geojit trading account. Saving and Demat accounts can be opened online in PNB with a hassle-free approach.

73. Which brand has launched all-electric motorcycle brand ‘LiveWire’?

- a) Hyundai

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- b) Maruti
- c) Honda
- d) Harley-Davidson

Answer d) Harley-Davidson . The company would create a separate electric vehicle-focused division, as it aims to attract the next generation of younger and more environmentally conscious riders.

74. Who has been appointed as the new Chief at the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)?

- a) Daniela Stoffel
- b) V Chandrasekar
- c) Martin Griffiths
- d) None of these

Answer c) Martin Griffiths. Veteran British diplomat Martin Griffiths has been appointed as the new Chief at the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), for a period of five years.

75. Which city has Police launched vehicle helpline ‘COVI Van’ for senior citizens?

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

Answer d) Delhi. South District Police of the national capital has launched a COVI Van Helpline (012- 26241077) for senior citizens in the neighbourhood amid the coronavirus situation here.

76. Which nation has launched classified Yaogan satellites into orbit?

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

Answer b) India. This satellite has joined the previous seven groups in orbit that were launched after 2017. The satellite is to be used for electromagnetic environmental surveys and other related technical tests.

77. The Prime Minister transferred how much amount into bank accounts of 10 crore farmers under the eighth installment under the PM-KISAN?

- a) Rs 19,000 crores
- b) Rs 18,000 crores
- c) Rs 20,000 crores
- d) Rs 21,000 crores

Answer a) Rs 19,000 crores. Prime Minister Narendra Modi directly transferred around Rs 19,000 crores to the bank accounts of 10 crore farmers across the country under the eighth installment of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) on May 14, 2021.

78. Which nation has become the world’s first country to ban synthetic cannabinoids?

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

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d) Russia

Answer a) China. China will become the world's first country to ban all synthetic cannabinoid substances. The ban is likely to come into effect on July 1. The move comes as China tries to curb the manufacturing & trafficking of the drug.

79. 'Mission Hausla' launched by _____.

a) UP Police

b) MP Police

c) Assam Police

d) Uttarakhand Police

Answer d) Uttarakhand Police. Besides these, police will also help the public to get medicines meant for Covid-19 management as part of the mission and rations.

80. Who has been appointed Head Coach of Indian Women's Cricket team?

a) Rahul Dravid

b) Mutthiah Muralidharan

c) Ramesh Powar

d) None of these

Answer c) Ramesh Powar. The three-member Cricket Advisory Committee comprising Sulakshana Naik, Madan Lal and Rudra Pratap Singh interviewed the applicants and unanimously agreed on Powar's candidature. A former international, Powar played 2 Tests and 31 ODIs for India.

81. Which airline company has Rebranded itself as 'Go First'?

a) Lufthansa

b) GoAir

c) FireFly

d) Malindo Air

Answer b) GoAir. The decision to rebrand after 15 years is part of the company's attempt to operate the carrier in an ULCC (ultra-low-cost carrier) airline model, to tide over the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

82. International Day of Families is observed on _____.

a) May 02

b) May 06

c) May 11

d) May 15

Answer d) May 15. This day provides an opportunity to promote awareness of issues relating to families and to increase the knowledge of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting families.

83. The theme for International Day of Families 2021 is _____.

a) Families and New Technologies

b) Promote awareness of issues relating to families

c) International community attaches to families

d) None of these

Answer a) Families and New Technologies. This day provides an opportunity to promote awareness of issues relating to families and to increase the knowledge of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting families.

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84. Tianwen-1: spacecraft belongs to _____.

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

Answer a) CHina. Tianwen 1 has been orbiting Mars for three months now. The lander that carried the Zhurong rover touched down the Martian surface successfully. It landed in the Utopia Planitia region.

85. Who has been crowned Miss Universe for the year 2020?

- a) Adline Castelino
- b) Andrea Meza
- c) Julia Gama
- d) Janick Maceta

Answer b) Andrea Meza. The 26-year-old was crowned by her predecessor South Africa's Zozibini Tunzi, who had won the pageant in 2019.

86. Miss India finished at which spot at the 69th Miss Universe pageant?

- a) Third
- b) Fourth
- c) Fifth
- d) Tenth

Answer b) Fourth. She finished fourth behind Peru's Janick Maceta who was third, Brazil's Julia Gama who was second and the winner Andrea Meza from Mexico.

87. Who has developed the new anti-Covid drug 2-DG?

- a) DRDO
- b) Bharat Biotech
- c) ISRO
- d) ICMR

Answer a) DRDO. The 2-DG drug comes in a sachet in powder form and it can be taken orally by dissolving it in water. It helps in faster recovery and also reduces oxygen dependency among COVID patients.

88. Who won Women's Champions League for 1st time?

- a) Chelsea
- b) Manchester United
- c) Barcelona
- d) None of these

Answer c) Barcelona. Barcelona, who had lost 1-4 in the 2019 final, are the first team from Spain to win Women's Champions League.

89. Nuklu Phom got prestigious Whitley Awards 2021, belongs to which Indian state?

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

Answer d) Nagaland. Nuku Phom's name, along with that of five others, was announced

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recently in a virtual award ceremony organized by the UK-based Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN).

90. National Dengue Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 02
- b) May 06
- c) May 09
- d) May 16

Answer d) May 16. The day is an initiative by the Ministry of Healthy and Family Welfare, to raise awareness about dengue and its preventive measures, and preparedness for control of the vector-borne disease before the transmission season begins.

91. International Day of Light celebrated on _____.

- a) May 02
- b) May 07
- c) May 10
- d) May 16

Answer d) May 16. The International Day of Light (IDL) is celebrated on 16 May each year to mark the anniversary of the first successful operation of the laser in 1960 by physicist and engineer, Theodore Maiman.

92. World Telecommunication and Information Society Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 17
- b) May 07
- c) May 10
- d) May 16

Answer a) May 17. The theme of 2021 is “Accelerating Digital Transformation in challenging times”.

93. Which country has become the second one in the world to send a rover to Mars?

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

Answer c) China. Tianwen-1, China’s uncrewed spacecraft successfully landed on the surface of Mars on May 15, 2021. The landing of the spacecraft has made the country only the second in the world to send a rover for exploring the Red Planet. China's ‘Zhurong’ Rover was onboard the lander and the rover will soon be deployed to study the Martian geology and atmosphere.

94. Who won 10th Italian Open title?

- a) Rafael Nadal
- b) Novak Djokovic
- c) Daniil Medvedev
- d) Roger Federer

Answer a) Rafael Nadal. Rafael Nadal beat world number one Novak Djokovic to win a 10th Italian Open title. Second seed Nadal won through 7-5, 1-6, 6-3 in 2hr 49min against the defending champion in the 57th career showdown between the pair.

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95. 6th UN Global Road Safety Week is observed on_____.

- a) 16-22 May
- b) 17-23 May
- c) 19-25 May
- d) 21-27 May

Answer b) 17-23 May. The 6th UN Global Traffic Safety Week, which this year is celebrated between 17 and 23 May, call for 30 km/h (20 mph) speed limits to be the norm for cities, towns and villages worldwide.

96. Which state has launched ‘Ayush Ghar-Dwar’ program?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Assam

Answer b) Himachal Pradesh. Himachal Government has launched the ‘Ayush Ghar-Dwar’ program to keep the home isolated Covid-19 positive patients healthy by practising Yoga.

97. World Hypertension Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 17
- b) May 07
- c) May 10
- d) May 16

Answer a) May 17. The theme for World Hypertension Day 2021 is Measure Your Blood Pressure Accurately, Control It, Live Longer.

98. ‘MOMA Market’ for vegetable launched by which state CM?

- a) Manipur
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer a) Manipur. Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh has launched a smartphone application “Manipur Organic Mission Agency (MOMA) Market” for home delivery of fresh vegetables to ensure that people get fresh vegetables at their doorsteps during the COVID-19 induced curfew.

99. Google Cloud partnered with _____ for providing satellite internet service.

- a) NASA
- b) SpaceX
- c) ISRO
- d) RSA

Answer b) SpaceX. It will help in providing fast internet service to the rural areas. This service will be available to customers before the end of 2021.

100. International Museum Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 02
- b) May 05
- c) May 09
- d) May 18

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Answer d) May 18. The theme of International Museum Day 2021: “The Future of Museums: Recover and Reimagine”. It is coordinated by the International Council of Museums (ICOM).

101. World AIDS Vaccine Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 02
- b) May 05
- c) May 09
- d) May 18

Answer d) May 18. The first World AIDS Vaccine Day was thus observed on May 18, 1998, to commemorate the anniversary of Clinton’s speech.

102. India’s first Agriculture Export Facilitation Centre set up at _____.

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

Answer c) Pune. The Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce Industries and Agriculture and NABARD (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development) recently launched the first Agricultural Export Facilitation Centre.

103. India’s Tejaswini Shankar Wins Consecutive _____ Titles In USA.

- a) Long jump
- b) Discus throw
- c) High Jump
- d) Athletics

Answer c) High jump. Representing Kansas State University, India’s Tejaswini Shankar won back-to-back men’s high jump titles in the Big 12 Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Manhattan, USA.

104. Who has been elected as President of the Central Tibetan Administration?

- a) Penpa Tsering
- b) Kalsang Dorjee Aukatsang
- c) Wangdu Tsering
- d) Dorjee Pesur

Answer a) Penpa Tsering. The former speaker of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, Penpa Tsering, has been elected as the new President of the Central Tibetan Administration. This was informed by the officials on May 14, 2021.

105. Who has become the first Indian fighter to become MMA World Champion?

- a) Chaitanya Gavali
- b) Sunny Khatri
- c) Mohammed Farhad
- d) Arjan Singh Bhullar

Answer d) Arjan Singh Bhullar . Arjan ‘Singh’ Bhullar became the first Indian fighter to win the ONE Heavyweight World Title at the top-level (Mixed Martial Arts) MMA Championship event in Singapore on May 16, 2021, after defeating the longtime heavyweight king Brandon ‘The Truth’ Vera.

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106. Which organization has signed India with Digital Transformation of Tribal Schools?

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

Answer a) Microsoft. This includes the introduction of Ashram Schools and Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) in tribal areas.

107. “Simorgh” - Most Powerful Supercomputer belongs to_____.

- a) Iran
- b) Iraq
- c) Pakistan
- d) Syria

Answer b) Iraq. The supercomputer has been developed indigenously by Tehran’s Amirkabir University of Technology (AUT). It has been named after a mythical Phoenix-like bird ‘Simurgh’.

108. Rajanarayanan who is passed away, is associated with_____.

- a) Tamil folklorist
- b) Journalist
- c) Writer
- d) Both a and c

Answer d) Both a and c. Noted Tamil folklorist and acclaimed writer Ki. Rajanarayanan has passed away. Famously called by his Tamil initials as KiRa, he was known as the pioneer of ‘Karisal Literature’. KiRa was honoured with the Sahitya Academy award in 1991 for his novel ‘Gopalapurathu Makkal’.

109. Which organization has joined global consortium to build undersea cable network?

- a) Airtel
- b) VI
- c) Reliance Jio
- d) All the above

Answer c) reliance Jio. Telecom operator Reliance Jio is constructing the largest international submarine cable system centred on India with global partners and submarine cable supplier Subcom to cater to increased data demand.

110. Haiyang-2D - a observation satellite belongs to_____.

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

Answer c) China. China has successfully sent a new ocean-monitoring satellite into orbit as part of its effort to build an all-weather and round-the-clock dynamic ocean environment monitoring system that would provide early warning on marine disasters.

111. World Metrology Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 11
- b) May 14

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- c) May 18
- d) May 20

Answer d) May 20. The theme for World Metrology Day 2021 is Measurement for Health.

112. Which company has bought SoftBank-backed SB Energy in \$3.5 billion deal?

- a) Reliance
- b) Adani
- c) Tata
- d) None of these

Answer b) Adani. Indian renewable energy company, Adani Green Energy Ltd (ADNA.NS) would buy SoftBank Group Corp-backed (9984.T) SB Energy Holdings Limited for an enterprise value of \$3.5 billion.

113. India is the _____ largest insurance-technology market in Asia-Pacific.

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

Answer b) 2nd. The data showed that at least 335 private insurtechs are operating in Asia-Pacific, with about 122 of them disclosing \$3.66 billion in aggregate capital raised via private placement deals.

114. World Bee Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 11
- b) May 14
- c) May 18
- d) May 20

Answer d) May 20. The theme of World Bee Day 2021 is “Bee engaged: Build Back Better for Bees”..

115. When is the International Day for Biological Diversity observed?

- a) May 21st
- b) May 22nd
- c) May 23rd
- d) May 24th

Answer b) May 22. The International Day for Biological Diversity was observed on May 22nd. This year, the theme of the day is “We’re part of the solution”.

116. International Tea Day is observed on _____.

- a) May 21st
- b) May 22nd
- c) May 23rd
- d) May 24th

Answer a) Mat 21st. Every year, on May 21, the United Nations observes International Tea Day. The resolution to celebrate International Tea Day was adopted in 2019 by the United Nations food and Agriculture Organization.

117. Which company has overtaken Amazon as the stock most commonly owned as a top-10 holding by hedge funds, according to new Goldman Sachs data?

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- a) Apple
- b) Microsoft
- c) Facebook
- d) None of these

Answer c) Facebook. Among 807 hedge funds assessed by analysts, 27% owned Facebook shares, and 57% of those owned it as a top-10 holding, at the end of first quarter. Meanwhile, Amazon saw the largest slip in hedge fund ownership.

118. Which Indian state has been ranked first in establishing Health and Wellness Centres under Ayushman Bharat Program?

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

Answer d) Karnataka. Karnataka is leading in implementing the project for 2020-2021. While the Centre had set a target of establishing 2,263 centres, the State has upgraded 3,300 centres till March 31. With a score of 90 out of 95.

119. Which state has launched the 'Amrit Vahini' App for the online booking of hospital beds?

- a) Chattisgarh
- b) Bihar
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer c) Jharkhand. 'Amrit Vahini' App, the state government would be able to provide better facilities for the people infected with the coronavirus.

120. Pinarayi Vijayan took oath as Kerala Chief Minister for _____ time.

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

Answer b) 2nd. Pinarayi Vijayan was sworn as Kerala Chief Minister for the second time in the shadow of the Covid-19 crisis in the state. The oath ceremony took place with Covid protocols in place at the Central Stadium in Thiruvananthapuram.

121. Sreejesh appointed FIH Athletes' Committee member, who is associated with _____.

- a) Hockey
- b) Cricket
- c) Boxing
- d) Wrestling

Answer a) Hockey. Star India hockey team goalkeeper PR Sreejesh was re-appointed as a member of the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Athletes' Committee during the virtual meeting of the world body's Executive Board. He has been a member of the panel since 2017.

122. Which Indian sports federation was honoured with the prestigious Etienne Glichitch Award on May 21st?

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- a) All India Tennis Association
 - b) All India Football Federation
 - c) Badminton Association of India
 - d) Hockey India
- Answer d) Hockey India.

123. Which Indian bank has issued the first-ever foreign portfolio investor (FPI) licence to the GIFT IFSC alternative investment fund (AIF) of True Beacon Global?

- a) HDFC
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- d) None of these

Answer c) Kotak Mahindra Bank. This is the first FPI licence issued to an AIF incorporated in GIFT IFSC by any custodian bank or designated depository participant (DDP) in the country.

124. Who has been appointed as CEO of Reserve Bank Innovation Hub?

- a) Khalinder Yash
- b) Rajesh Bansal
- c) Pooja Das
- d) Vridhesh Pokriyal

Answer b) Rajesh Bansal . The Reserve Bank Innovation Hub would develop internal infrastructure to promote fintech research and facilitate engagement with innovators and start-ups.

125. Who has topped the Forbes Highest paid Athletes list 2021?

- a) Lionel Messi
- b) Cristiano Ronaldo
- c) McGregor
- d) Lyander Pyash

Answer c) McGregor. The factors used by Forbes' for calculation include all prize money, salaries and bonuses earned between May 1, 2020, and May 1, 2021.

126. World Turtle Day celebrated on _____.

- a) 23 May
- b) 25 May
- c) 26 May
- d) 21 May

Answer a) 23 May. The theme of 2021 World Turtle Day is "Turtles Rock!".

127. International Day to End Obstetric Fistula observed on _____.

- a) 23 May
- b) 25 May
- c) 26 May
- d) 21 May

Answer a) 23 May. The theme 2021: "Women's rights are human rights! End fistula now!".

128. Which state CM has launched 'Sanjeevani Pariyojana' for quick medicare access at home?

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- a) Bihar
- b) Haryana
- c) Punjab
- d) Assam

Answer b) Haryana. Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on May 24, 2021 launched 'Sanjeevani Pariyojana', a supervised home care initiative to largely help people with mild to moderate symptoms in rural areas to access quick medical care at home.

129. Indian Commonwealth Day is observed on_____.

- a) 22 May
- b) 23 May
- c) 24 May
- d) 25 May

Answer c) 24 May. This year the theme for Commonwealth Day is: Delivering a Common Future.

130. International Missing Children's Day is observed on_____.

- a) 22 May
- b) 23 May
- c) 24 May
- d) 25 May

Answer d) 25 May. This day is observed for missing children who have found their way home, remember those that are victims of crime, and continue efforts to seek out those that are still missing.

131. World Thyroid Day is celebrated on_____.

- a) 22 May
- b) 23 May
- c) 24 May
- d) 25 May

Answer d) 25 May. The thyroid is a butterfly-shaped gland in the throat that produces T3 (Thyroxine) and T4 (Triiodothyronine) and maintained by the Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH). It regulates the metabolism of the body and abnormalities in this may cause dysfunctioning body systems.

132. Which internet browser will be retired for certain versions of Windows 10 by June 2022?

- a) Mozilla Firefox
- b) Internet Explorer
- c) Opera
- d) Google Chrome

Answer b) Internet Explorer. Internet Explorer-based websites and applications will continue to work on new Microsoft Edge (Internet Explorer) mode till 2029.

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- b) All India Football Federation
- c) Badminton Association of India

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d) Hockey India

Answer d) Hockey India. Hockey India was honoured prestigious Etienne Glichitch Award on May 21, 2021, for its contribution and work towards the growth and development of Hockey in India.

134. Who has been appointed as the new CBI Chief?

- a) Rakesh Asthana
- b) YC Modi
- c) Subodh Jaiswal
- d) SS Deswal

Answer c) Subodh Jaiswal. IPS officer, Subodh Jaiswal has been appointed Director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). He was the most senior officer among the three shortlisted for the post of CBI Director.

135. Which nation recently honoured Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen with its top award in social sciences?

- a) Denmark
- b) France
- c) Spain
- d) Germany

Answer c) Spain. Indian economist and Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen was awarded Spain's top Princess of Asturias Award in the Social Sciences category on May 26, 2021.

136. Guillermo Lasso has taken oath as first right-wing President of which nation in 14 years?

- a) Venezuela
- b) Colombia
- c) Peru
- d) Ecuador

Answer d) Ecuador. Guillermo Lasso was sworn in on May 24, 2021 as Ecuador's first right-wing president in 14 years. He won Ecuador's Presidential Elections 2021 with over 52 percent of votes against Andres Arauz.

137. India-Israel signed 3-year program for Cooperation in which field?

- a) Agriculture
- b) IT
- c) Defence
- d) All the above

Answer a) Agriculture. Under the new work programme, 13 Centres of Excellence (CoEs) were set up to make Indian farmers aware of Israeli farm and water technologies.

138. Which healthcare company won Gold Stevie Award 2021?

- a) Athena Health
- b) Spice Health
- c) AGS Health
- d) Omega Healthcare

Answer b) Spice Health. SpiceHealth, a healthcare company founded by the promoters of SpiceJet, has won the Gold Award at the 2021 Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards for 'Most Valuable Medical Innovation' under Covid19.

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139. Smart Kitchen Scheme has introduced by _____.

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

Answer b) Kerala. Chief Minister of Kerala, Pinarayi Vijayan, announced a secretary level committee will formulate guidelines and recommendations on implementation of “Smart Kitchen Scheme” in state to fulfil commitments of LDF.

140. NASA Partnered with _____ to develop Earth System Observatory.

- a) DRDO
- b) RSA
- c) ISRO
- d) CSA

Answer c) ISRO . The US space agency, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is developing a new system called the Earth System Observatory, to mitigate efforts related to climate change and disaster mitigation.

141. Cheetah to be re-introduced in India from _____ in November.

- a) Africa
- b) Canada
- c) America
- d) All the above

Answer a) Africa. Cheetah, the world’s fastest land animal which was declared extinct in India in 1952, is expected to be re-introduced into the country in November this year at the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh.

142. Which among the following is the largest museum in the world?

- a) Metropolitan Museum of Art
- b) Louvre
- c) State Hermitage Museum
- d) Victoria and Albert Museum

Answer b) Louvre. The Louvre, which is located in Paris, France, is the world's largest museum. The museum got its first female president in 228 years when Art Historian Laurence des Cars were appointed to the post on May 28, 2021.

143. Which company will acquired 64% stake in BigBasket?

- a) Tata
- b) Reliance
- c) Cognizant
- d) None of these

Answer a) Tata. Tata Digital has acquired a majority stake in online grocery BigBasket, a deal that pits the country’s largest conglomerate against entrenched e-commerce players.

144. The Indian Broadcasting Foundation (IBF) is being renamed as _____.

- a) Indian Broad and Digital Foundation
- b) Indian Broadcasting and Digital Commission
- c) Indian Broadcasting and Digital Foundation

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d) Indian Broadcasting Meterological Foundation

Answer c) Indian Broadcasting and Digital Foundation . IBDF is in the process of forming a new wholly-owned subsidiary to handle all matters pertaining to digital media.

145 Amnesty International Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 18
- b) May 21
- c) May 28
- d) May 31

Answer c) May 28. Amnesty International Day is observed every year on May 28, because it was on this day in 1961 that this non-governmental organization was founded in London.

146. World Digestive Health Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 18
- b) May 21
- c) May 29
- d) May 31

Answer c) May 29. The theme of WDHD 2021 is “Obesity: An Ongoing Pandemic.”

147. International Everest Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 18
- b) May 21
- c) May 29
- d) May 30

Answer c) May 29. Nepal decided to observe the day as International Everest Day in 2008 when the legendary climber Hillary passed away.

148. International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers is observed on_____.

- a) May 18
- b) May 21
- c) May 24
- d) May 29

Answer d) May 29. The day is celebrated to pay tribute to all the men and women who have served and continue to serve in United Nations peacekeeping operations for their high level of professionalism, dedication, and courage and to honour the memory of those who have lost their lives in the cause of peace.

149. Which nation will host the suspended 14th IPL edition?

- a) Saudi Arabia
- b) UAE
- c) South Africa
- d) Sri Lanka

Answer b) UAE.

150. World No-Tobacco Day is observed on_____.

- a) May 23
- b) May 26
- c) May 28
- d) May 31

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Answer d) May 31. The annual campaign is an opportunity to raise awareness on the harmful and deadly effects of tobacco use and second-hand smoke exposure, and to discourage the use of tobacco in any form.

151. The theme for World No-Tobacco Day 2021 is _____.

- a) Commit to quit
- b) Discourage the use of tobacco in any form
- c) Raise awareness on the harmful and deadly effects of tobacco use
- d) None of these

Answer a) Commit to quit.

152. Mary Kom won _____ Medal at 2021 Asian Boxing Championships.

- a) Gold
- b) Silver
- c) Bronze
- d) All the above

Answer b) Silver. This is the second silver for Mary Kom at the Asian Championships who has previously won silver in 2008. Apart from this, she won world championship titles on five occasions including 2003, 2005, 2010, 2012, and 2017.

153. India's first indigenous Temperature Data Logger is named as _____.

- a) AmbiTAG
- b) TempDATA
- c) IndLOG
- d) None of these

Answer a) AMbiTAG. IIT Ropar has developed "AmbiTAG" which is India's first indigenous temperature data logger developed for cold chain management.