

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ - OCTOBER 2020

### 1. With Which country, India signed MOU with SoI on Decarbonization and Energy Transition Agenda?

- a) Denmark
- b) Netherland
- c) Spain
- d) Portugal

Answer b) Netherland. The policy think tank of the Government of India, NITI Aayog and Embassy of the Netherlands, New Delhi.

### 2. SHUKRAYAAN: ISRO to launch Venus Mission by which year?

- a) 2023
- b) 2030
- c) 2025
- d) 2035

Answer c) 2025. The ISRO chairman and his French Counter held talks to review the areas of cooperation between the countries.

### 3. The longest highway tunnel in the World is situated at \_\_\_\_\_.

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

Answer a) India. The 9.02 Km long tunnel connects Manali to Lahaul-Spiti valley throughout the year. Earlier the valley was cut off for about 6 months each year owing to heavy snowfall.

### 4. Which state govt signed MoU with Denmark in water sector?

- a) Punjab
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Uttarakhand
- d) Gujarat

Answer d) Gujarat. Gujarat Government has signed a 5-year Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Denmark in the water sector. The state government arm Gujarat Water Supply and Sewerage Board has signed the MoU with 'Danish Water Forum' through an online interactive platform.

### 5. Alyssa Healy breaks MS Dhoni's wicketkeeping record in T20Is, belongs to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) New Zealand
- b) England
- c) West Indies
- d) Australia

Answer d) Australia. Australian woman cricketer and wicketkeeper, Alyssa Healy broke the record of "Most Dismissal by Wicket Keeper" by MS Dhoni's who made 91 dismissals in 98 T20 Internationals(T20Is) for India.

### 6. Bengal Peerless appointed \_\_\_\_\_ as brand ambassador.

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Sourav Ganguly
- c) Rahul Dravid

d) Srikanth

Answer b) Sourav Ganguly. He will lead the campaign of Bengal Peerless's Residential Project Avidipta II.

### 7. Which Bank launched Green-Tech Initiative "IB-eNote"?

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

Answer c) Indian Bank. The bank for this initiative has customised SharePoint, one of the features of Microsoft Office. The Bank also launched 'Ind Guru', an e-learning platform for its employees.

### 8. Which railway division has launched 'Operation My Saheli'?

- a) South Eastern
- b) Southern
- b) Northern
- d) South Western

Answer a) South Eastern. The South Eastern Railways (SER) has launched the project, "Operation my Saheli" to enhance the security of women passengers in the train throughout the entire journey from the originating point to their destinations.

### 9. "Bongosagar" - a navy Bilateral Exercise between India and \_\_\_\_\_.

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

Answer c) Bangladesh. The second edition of Indian Navy (IN) – Bangladesh Navy (BN) Bilateral Exercise Bongosagar commences in Northern Bay of Bengal. Exercise Bongosagar, is aimed at developing inter-operability and joint operational skills through conduct of a wide spectrum of maritime exercises and operations.

### 10. Which state has launched 'Kritagyata' for online pension submission and tracking?

- a) Assam
- b) Punjab
- c) Haryana
- d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer a) Assam. Chief Minister of Assam has launched a portal "Kritagyata", an online pension submission and tracking system. It has been launched to lend convenience to the pensioners to dispose off their pension related claims.

### 11. Which state has launched "Pathashree Abhijan" scheme for road repair?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) West Bengal
- c) Karnataka
- d) Kerala

Answer b) West Bengal. West Bengal government has launched the "Pathashree Abhijan" scheme. It is a road repair scheme, where more than 7,000 stretches of roads comprising 12,000 kilometers across the state will be repaired in a mission mode and in a time-bound manner.

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### 12. Who has been appointed India's Next Ambassador To Cambodia?

- a) Shaheen Aslam
- b) Devyani Khobragade
- c) Anjali Satupetra
- d) Nisha Patnaik

Answer b) Devyani Khobragade. Ms Khobragade, a 1999-batch Indian Foreign Service officer, is currently serving as a joint secretary in the ministry at its headquarters in Delhi.

### 13. Who has been appointed as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of SBI?

- a) Karamjit Kaur
- b) Navyanak Shriste
- c) Rahul Dange
- d) Charanjit Attra

Answer d) Charanjit Attra. The post fell vacant after Prashant Kumar was appointed Yes Bank CEO in March. SBI had sought applications for the role in June. Attra, who joined the bank, has also served as CFO at ICICI Securities.

### 14. International Day of Non-Violence is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) June 01
- b) July 18
- c) August 27
- d) October 02

Answer d) October 02. The International Day of Non-Violence is observed on 2nd October, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, leader of the Indian independence movement and pioneer of the philosophy and strategy of non-violence.

### 15. International Day for the Elderly is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 1 October
- b) 4 October
- c) 6 October
- d) 9 October

Answer a) 1 October. The theme of 2020 International Day for the Elderly is "Pandemics: Do They Change How We Address Age and Ageing?".

### 16. According to the national crime records bureau (NCRB), Which state topped in economic offences in 2019?

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

Answer b) Maharastra. Rajasthan topped the list for economic offences with 26,920 cases registered in 2019 followed by Uttar Pradesh with 19,968 cases. NCRB statistics claimed that Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra accounted for 38 % of all economic crimes registered in India in 2019.

### 17. World Animal Welfare Day is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 4 October
- b) 7 October
- c) 9 October
- d) 13 October

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Answer a) 4 October. The day aims to raise awareness about improving the welfare standards of the animals across the world and also to celebrate the relationship between humankind and animal kingdom. It also aims to educate the world and full regard to their welfare.

### 18. Who is the world's highest-paid actresses of 2020 as per Forbes?

- a) Angelina Jolie
- b) Meryl Steep
- c) Sofia Vergara
- d) Melissa McCurathy

Answer c) Sofia Vergara. She's followed by Angelina Jolie and Gal Gadot, with \$35.5 million (?260 crore) and \$31.5 million (?230 crore) earnings respectively. Meryl Streep and Melissa McCarthy are also in top 5. Notably, no Indian actress has featured on the list this year.

### 19. World Habitat Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) October 02
- b) October 05
- c) October 09
- d) October 15

Answer b) October 05. The World Habitat Day is celebrated on October 5. The day is celebrated to remind the people that they have all power and responsibility to shape the future of towns and cities. The first Monday of every year is being celebrated as World Habitat Day.

### 20. What is the theme for World Habitat Day 2020?

- a) Remind the people that they have habits
- b) Power and responsibility for all
- c) To shape the future of towns and cities
- d) Housing for All-A better Urban Future

Answer d) Housing for All-A better Urban Future .

### 21. World Space Week is observed between\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 04-10 October
- b) 05-12 October
- c) 07-14 October
- d) 11-18 October

Answer a) 04-10 October. World Space Week (WSW) is observed from October 4 to 10 every year to celebrate science and technology, and their contribution towards the betterment of the human condition.

### 22. What is the theme for World Space Week is?

- a) Contribution towards the betterment of the human condition
- b) Global space and people
- c) Satellites Improve Life
- d) celebrate science and technology

Answer c) Satellites Improve Life.

### 23. Which Indian organization's CMO has been recognised in the Forbes list of 'The World's Most Influential CMOs'?

- a) TATA

- b) HDFC
- c) Axis
- d) PNB

Answer b) HDFC. Ravi Santhanam, Chief Marketing Officer (CMO), HDFC Bank has been recognised in the Forbes list of 'The World's Most Influential CMOs'. Ranked at Number 39, he is the only CMO of an Indian company to be featured in the illustrious list which includes marketing heads of Apple, BMW, Lego, Adobe, Microsoft, P&G among others.

### 24. Who has launched Gram Darshan?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Assam
- c) Odisha
- d) Haryana

Answer d) Haryana. Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar on Friday digitally launched 'Gram Darshan', which will allow accessibility to data of development projects of 6,197 gram panchayats of the state. Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala was also present on this occasion.

### 25. Which state launched the first phase of the 'Digital Seva Setu' programme for the rural areas on October 8?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Karnataka
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer a) Gujarat. The state government of Gujarat has announced a 'Digital Seva Setu' programme to ensure optimum utilisation of technology for public welfare in rural areas. The program has been initiated under the Centre's BharatNet Project.

### 26. What is the new brand name of India's premium cotton?

- a) Komal
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- c) Kasturi
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Answer c) Kasturi. The Kasturi Cotton brand will represent Whiteness, Brightness, Softness, Purity, Luster, Uniqueness and Indianness.

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- b) October 04
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- d) October 15

Answer c) October 08. Indian Air Force was officially established on 8 October 1932 by the British Empire as the Royal Indian Air Force. The name was changed to Indian Air Force in 1950.

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- b) Tamil Nadu
- d) Karnataka

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d) Telangana

Answer b) Tamil Nadu. The World Economic Forum and Government of India will jointly establish AMHUB in the state of Tamil Nadu. AMHUB is Advanced Manufacturing Hub and is first of its kind in the country.

**29. Rajeshwar Rao appointed the new Deputy Governor of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) SBI
- b) RBI
- c) NABARD
- d) None of these

Answer b) RBI. The post fell vacant in March 2020 when the previous Deputy Governor N R Vishwanathan resigned citing health issues before his term completed. His term completes in September 2020.

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- b) Suresh Sethi
- c) Vinoth Kanna
- d) Abibulla Heishk

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**33. Ashwani Kumar who passed away, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Former Governor of Manipur
- b) Former Governor of Nagaland
- c) Ex-CBI Director
- d) All the above

Answer d) All the above. He was allotted the Himachal Pradesh cadre and while working as the District Superintendent of Police at Shimla in 1985, he was inducted in the newly created Special Protection Group (SPG), where he worked till 1990.

### 34. Who is the India's youngest billionaires as per Forbes India Rich List 2020?

- a) Acharya Balkrishna
- b) Patanjali Ayurved
- c) Byju Raveendran
- d) Vijay Shekhar Sharma

Answer c) Byju Raveendran. BYJU'S 39-year-old Founder Byju Raveendran is India's youngest billionaire with \$3.05 billion wealth as per Forbes list of India's 100 Richest People.

### 35. Three scientists Roger Penrose, Andrea Ghez and Reinhard Genzel have been awarded the Nobel Prize 2020 in which category?

- a) Chemistry
- b) Physics
- c) Economic Sciences
- d) Physiology or Medicine

Answer b) Physics. The Nobel Prize 2020 in the Physics category has been awarded to Roger Penrose while the other half was jointly awarded to Andrea Ghez and Reinhard Genzel.

### 36. The Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine has been awarded to three scientists for the discovery of which virus?

- a) Hepatitis C
- b) Ebola
- c) H1NI
- d) COVID-19

Answer a) Hepatitis C . Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine was awarded jointly to Harvey J. Alter, Michael Houghton and Charles M. Rice for the discovery of Hepatitis C virus, which is a major source of liver disease that affects millions worldwide.

### 37. When will BRICS Summit 2020 take place?

- a) October 15th
- b) October 25th
- c) November 2nd
- d) November 17th

Answer d) November 17th . Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping will come face-to-face for the very first time since the India-China border standoff in Eastern Ladakh at the virtual BRICS Summit on November 17, 2020.

### 38. Which nation will host Foreign Ministers of all four Quad countries?

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

Answer c) Japan. The Foreign Ministers of all four Quad countries- India, US, Japan, Australia are scheduled to meet today in Tokyo, Japan's capital city.

### 39. Who all have been awarded Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2020?

- a) Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer A. Doudna
- b) Roger Penrose, Andrea Ghez and Reinhard Genzel
- c) Harvey J. Alter, Michael Houghton and Charles M. Rice

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d) John B Goodenough, M Stanley Whittingham and Akira Yoshino

Answer a) Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer A. Doudna. The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2020 has been jointly awarded to Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer A. Doudna for the development of a revolutionary tool for genome editing- CRISPR/Cas9 genetic scissors.

**40. World Cotton Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) September 29
- b) September 30
- c) October 03
- d) October 07

Answer d) October 07. World Cotton Day (WCD) is observed globally on 7th October since 2019. The international day aims to celebrate the advantages of cotton, ranging from its qualities as a natural fibre to the benefits people obtain from its production, transformation, trade and consumption.

**41. Cricketer Najeeb Tarakai is passed away, belongs to\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) New Zealand
- b) Pakistan
- c) Afghanistan
- d) South Africa

Answer c) Afghanistan. He played 12 Twenty20 Internationals (T20Is) for Afghanistan, after making his international debut in the 2014 T20 World Cup. He played his only one-day international against Ireland in 2017.

**42. Who has been appointed as the Director-General of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)?**

- a) Ravinder Jaadh
- b) M A Ganapathy
- c) Umesh Mishra
- d) Rakesh Asthana

Answer b) M A Ganapathy. Senior IPS officer, M A Ganapathy has been appointed as the Director-General of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS). He is a 1986 batch IPS officer of Uttarakhand cadre.

**43. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of SBI?**

- a) Dinesh Kumar Khara
- b) Rajesh Khanna
- c) Vaibhav Dev
- d) Aaryan Dev

Answer a) Dinesh Kumar Khara. His appointment is effective from October 7. Currently, Khara is the Managing Director in-charge of Global Banking & Subsidiaries.

**44. India's fastest AI Super Computer has named as\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) PARAM HFC
- b) PARAM Veer
- c) PARAM Sidhi-AI
- d) PARAM Fast - AIC

Answer c) PARAM Sidhi-AI. The Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) commissioned the largest HPC-AI supercomputer. HPC-AI is High Performance Computing and Artificial Intelligence.



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**45. Wildlife Week is celebrated from \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 3rd to 9th October
- b) 5th to 11th October
- c) 6th to 12th October
- d) 2nd to 8th October

Answer d) 2nd to 8th October. Wildlife Week is annually celebrated across India between 2nd to 8th October with an aim to protect and preserve the flora and fauna of India. The first Wildlife Week was observed in 1957. The Wildlife Week 2020 is celebrated from 2nd October to 8th October 2020.

**46. What is the theme for Wildlife Week 2020?**

- a) Exploring Human-Animal Relationships
- b) Wildlife and Human
- c) Relationship between Animal and Human
- d) None of these

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**47. World's first mining robot named 'asteroid mining robot' into space by which country?**

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

Answer c) China. The mining robot will be launched into space by a Chinese Long March series rocket.

**48. Which airport has become the first airport of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) which is entirely solar-powered?**

- a) Hyderabad
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- c) Chennai
- d) Goa

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**49. "Dalle Khursani" Chilli- got GI tag, belongs to which state?**

- a) Meghalaya
- b) Sikkim
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- b) October 05
- c) October 09
- d) October 16

Answer c) October 09. World Post Day is observed on 9th October every year. The purpose of World Post Day is to create awareness of the role of the postal sector in people's and businesses' everyday lives and its contribution to the social and economic development of countries.

**61. Nobel Prize in Peace 2020 is recieved by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) World Food Programme
- b) World safety Programme
- c) World Natural claim and disaster programme

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d) None of these

Answer a) World Food Programme.

**62. Which state government has partnered with Israel to set up 'Centre of Excellence'?**

a) Sikkim

b) Nagaland

c) Meghalaya

d) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer c) Meghalaya. CoE is important for tapping the diverse biodiversity and available resources in the state in terms of its soil and agro-climatic condition.

**63. Ram Vilas Paswan who passed away, is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

a) Union Minister

b) Actor

c) Journalist

d) None of these

Answer a) Union Minister. Ram Vilas Paswan — minister in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's cabinet and the founder of the Lok Janshakti Party — died on Thursday at a Delhi hospital where he was recuperating from heart surgery.

**64. World Mental Health Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

a) October 01

b) October 03

c) October 08

d) October 10

Answer d) October 10. The day is marked by several International organisations spread all over the world. In some countries like Australia, the day is a part of Mental Health Week.

**65. World Migratory Bird Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

a) October 02

b) October 04

c) October 06

d) October 10

Answer d) October 10. The World Migratory Bird Day is celebrated twice a year, that is, on second Saturdays of May and October.

**66. What is the theme for World Migratory Bird Day?**

a) Fly with birds

b) Birds Connect Our World

c) Birds and Humans

d) Connect Bird with life

Answer b) Birds Connect Our World.

**67. Which state has provided 100% Tap Water Connections?**

a) Goa

b) Pondicherry

c) Diu and Daman

d) Kerala

Answer a) Goa. The Ministry of Jal Shakti announced that Goa has become the first state in

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India to provide 100% tap water connections in rural areas. Around 2.3 lakh households were covered in the state.

**68. Jagananna Vidya Kanuka Scheme launched in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer c) Andhra Pradesh. Under the scheme the state government will provide school kits to 43.32 to lakh government school students.

**69. Mukhya Mantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana launched in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Punjab
- d) Odisha

Answer b) Uttarakhand. The Uttarakhand Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat recently launched Mukhyamantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana in Dehradun.

**70. Who got additional charge of Ministry of Consumer Affairs?**

- a) Rajnath Singh
- b) Piyush Goyal
- c) Kiren Rijiju
- d) Arjun Munda

Answer b) Piyush Goyal. The Union Minister Piyush Goyal has been assigned the additional charge of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution in addition to his existing portfolios, following the death of union minister Ram Vilas Paswan.

**71. National Postal Day is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 10 October
- b) 13 October
- c) 18 October
- d) 28 September

Answer a) 10 October. The Day aims to commemorate the role played by the Indian postal department for the past 150 years, which was founded in 1854 by Lord Dalhousie.

**72. Who has topped the Forbes India Rich list for 2020?**

- a) ShivNadar
- b) Mukesh Ambani
- c) Gautam Adani
- d) None of these

Answer b) Mukesh Ambani. The second spot has been retained by Adani Group Chairman Gautam Adani, with a net worth of \$25.2 billion. Tech tycoon Shiv Nadar acquired the third spot with a net worth of \$20.4 billion.

**73. International Day of the Girl Child is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 12
- b) September 11
- c) October 11
- d) September 18

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Answer c) October 11. Every year, International Day of the Girl Child is celebrated by UNICEF. It is celebrated on October 11.

### 74. What is the theme for International Day of the Girl Child 2020?

- a) Nothing without a girl child
- b) Spread awareness about the importance of girl child
- c) Girl and World
- d) My voice, our equal future

Answer d) My voice, our equal future.

### 75. Sadyr Zhaparov is a new PM of which country?

- a) Uzbekistan
- b) Pakistan
- c) Portugal
- d) Kyrgyzstan

Answer d) Kyrgyzstan. Kyrgyzstan's parliament named Sadyr Zhaparov the prime minister, who was freed from prison on by his supporters protesting against the results of the Oct. 4 parliamentary elections.

### 76. Who has been appointed as the Director (Rail and Metro Business) and Member on the Board of BEML Limited?

- a) Shiva Khotra
- b) Ashwin Singh
- c) Rohit Sharma
- d) Amit Banerjee

Answer d) Amit Banerjee. A graduate in Mechanical Engineering from IIT (BHU), Varanasi, Banerjee had joined BEML as assistant engineer in 1984, the company said in a statement.

### 77. Nihal Sarin won Junior Speed Chess Championship, belongs to\_\_\_\_\_.

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

Answer a) India. Indian teenager created history (October 10) by winning the Chess.com's 2020 Junior Speed Online Chess Championship, defeating Russia's Alexey Sarana 18-7 in the final.

### 78. Which nation has become 1st nation to approve genetically modified wheat?

- a) Spain
- b) Italy
- c) Argentina
- d) Uruguay

Answer c) Argentina. Argentina has approved HB4 drought-resistant GMO wheat by biotechnology firm Bioceres, making it the first country in the world to approve a strain of GMO wheat.

### 79. Which country has become the first nation to get Blue Flag certification for 8 beaches in the very first attempt?

- a) Malaysia

- b) Australia
- c) India
- d) Sri Lanka

Answer c) India. India has become the first nation to be awarded Blue Flag certification for all the 8 recommended beaches in a single attempt. India is also the first nation in the "Asia-Pacific" region that has achieved this feat in just about 2 years.

### 80. Paul R Milgrom and Robert B Wilson have won the Nobel Prize 2020 in which category?

- a) Chemistry
- b) Physics
- c) Peace
- d) Economic Sciences

Answer d) Economic Sciences. Nobel Prize 2020 in Economic Sciences has been awarded to Paul R Milgrom and Robert B Wilson for improvements to auction theory and inventions of new auction formats.

### 81. When was International Girl Child Day 2020 observed?

- a) October 11th
- b) October 10th
- c) October 9th
- d) October 8th

Answer a) October 11. The International Girl Child Day was celebrated on October 11, 2020. The day is observed every year to empower women, especially in areas where they have been neglected.

### 82. Which among the following Indian beach has not received Blue Flag certification?

- a) Puri Beach
- b) Kasarkod
- c) Shivrajpur
- d) Varkala

Answer d) Varkala. Eight Indian beaches have been awarded the prestigious Blue Flag certification. The beaches include Shivrajpur (Gujarat), Ghoghla (Diu), Kasarkod and Padubidri (Karnataka), Kappad (Kerala), Rushikonda (AP), Golden Beach (Odisha) and Radhanagar (Andaman & Nicobar Islands).

### 83. Who won the men's singles title in French Open 2020?

- a) Rafael Nadal
- b) Novak Djokovic
- c) Dominic Thiem
- d) Roger Federer

Answer a) Rafael Nadal. Rafael Nadal beat Novak Djokovic 6-0, 6-2, 7-5 to win the men's single title of the 13th French Open. With this victory on October 11, 2020, Nadal is now equal to Roger Federer's all-time record of winning 20 Grand Slams titles.

### 84. LTC (banking terms) is expand as\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) leave travel concession
- b) low travel concession
- c) low transfer concession
- d) None of these

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Answer a) leave travel concession. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has announced leave travel concession (LTC) cash voucher scheme and special festival advance scheme for government employees with an aim to increase consumer spending.

### 85. Who won 2020 Eifel Grand Prix?

- a) Mac Verstappen
- b) Henry Mark
- c) Lewis Hamilton
- d) Michael Schumacher

Answer c) Lewis Hamilton. This is Hamilton's 7th win of the season and 91st career race victory, which was till now achieved only by Michael Schumacher.

### 86. World Arthritis Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 02 October
- b) 05 October
- c) 11 October
- d) 15 October

Answer c) 11 October. The day is celebrated to raise awareness about arthritis, an inflammatory condition which causes pain and stiffness in joints which can worsen with age.

### 87. ADB approved 300 million US dollar loan for which state water supply?

- a) Kerala
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Rajasthan

Answer d) Rajasthan. India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a 300 million US dollar loan to finance inclusive and sustainable water supply and sanitation infrastructure and services in 14 secondary towns of the state of Rajasthan.

### 88. India secured\_\_\_\_\_ rank in Commitment to Reducing Inequality (CRI) Index.

- a) 110th
- b) 129th
- c) 38th
- d) 72nd

Answer b) 129th. India has been ranked 129 among 158 countries in the 2020 Commitment to Reducing Inequality (CRI) Index. The third edition of the index focuses on Fighting Inequality in the time of COVID-19.

### 89. Which state has become 1st state to have completely digital, hi-tech classrooms?

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

Answer b) kerala. Chief Minister, Pinarayi Vijayan has declared the state public education sector completely digital as Kerala has become the first state in the country to have high-tech classrooms in all its public schools.

### 90. International Day for Disaster Reduction is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 13 October



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- b) 16 October
- c) 13 September
- d) 16 September

Answer a) 13 October. The day is celebrated to promote a global culture of risk-awareness and disaster reduction and also celebrates how people and communities around the world are reducing their exposure to disasters and raising awareness about the importance of reining in the risks that they face.

### 91. Exercise Suraksha Kavach- Joint Anti Terrorist Exercise By\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Army and Police
- b) CPRF and Police
- c) Army and CPRF
- d) Police and CRF

Answer a) Army and Police. Agnibaaz Division organized a joint exercise for both Indian Army and Maharashtra Police at Lullanagar Pune recently (09 Oct 2020).

### 92. A 16-year old Aava Murto has become a Prime Minister of one day for which country?

- a) Sweden
- b) Norway
- c) Finland
- d) Mexico

Answer c) Finland. A 16-year old Aava Murto assumed the post of Finland's Prime Minister for one day on 7th October 2020 to raise awareness about gender equality. It was done as part of the "Girls Takeover" Program. Murto hails from the small village of Vaaksy in Southern Finland.

### 93. Which nation has granted regulatory approval to its second COVID-19 vaccine?

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

Answer b) Russia.

### 94. World Students Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.

- a) October 19
- b) October 12
- c) October 15
- d) October 07

Answer c) October 15. Theme: Learning for people, prosperity and peace.

### 95. Which state govt has launched 'Sujal' Mission to provide tap water fit for drinking?

- a) Assam
- b) Haryana
- c) Himachal Pradesh
- d) Odisha

Answer d) Odisha. Chief Minister of Odisha, Naveen Patnaik has inaugurated "Sujal", 'Drink from Tap Mission' scheme, to provide round the clock supply of quality tap drinking water in all urban areas of the state.

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**95. What are the Vaccines developed by Russia for Covid-19?**

- a) Sputnik V
- b) EpiVacCorona
- c) Both a and b
- d) None of these

Answer c) Both a and b.

**96. Which Bank has launched 'The HealthyLife Programme' for its customers?**

- a) HDFC
- b) Axis Bank
- c) SBI
- d) RBI

Answer a) HDFC. India's leading private sector bank, HDFC Bank and Apollo Hospitals have collaborated to launch the "HealthyLife Programme", a holistic healthcare solution.

**97. When is the World Food Day celebrated?**

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

Answer b) October 16.

**98. World Food Day 2020 marks \_\_\_\_\_ anniversary of Food and Agricultural Organisation.**

- a) 74th
- b) 75th
- c) 77th
- d) 100th

Answer b) 75th.

**99. Which bank won Central bank of the year award 2020?**

- a) Bank of Ghana
- b) Bank of Canada
- c) SBI
- d) PNB Paribas

Answer a) Bank of Ghana. "Bank of Ghana" has won the Central bank of the year award 2020. Apart from this, Mark Carney (Governor of the Bank of England) has won the Governor of the year at the Central bank of the year award 2020.

**100. International Day of Rural Women is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 03
- b) October 17
- c) October 15
- d) october 29

Answer c) October 15. The theme for this International Day of Rural Women is "Building rural women's resilience in the wake of COVID-19"

**101. Which nation has elected as the president of ISA?**

- a) France
- b) China

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- c) Japan
- d) India

Answer d) India. The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has informed that India has been re-elected as President while France as the Co-President of International Solar Alliance (ISA) at the virtual meeting of ISA's Third Assembly. The tenure will be for a time period of two years.

### 102. Which govt has announced to set up the world's biggest Zinc Smelter project?

- a) Haryana
- b) Sikkim
- c) Gujarat
- d) Tamil Nadu

Answer c) Gujarat. Gujarat government has signed a pact with Vedanta Group firm Hindustan Zinc Ltd (HZL) to set up a greenfield zinc smelter in the state.

### 103. International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed annually on \_\_\_\_\_

- a) November 11
- b) November 17
- c) October 17
- d) October 11

Answer b) October 17. International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed annually on October 17 all over the globe. It is celebrated in the view of creating awareness among the people to know about those who are struggling and living in poverty.

### 104. Mission Shakti launched in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu

Answer b) Uttar Pradesh. It aims to reduce crime against women in the state. Under the scheme, the state will have a separate room for women complainants in 1,535 police stations spread all over the state.

### 105. KAPILA Campaign is launched by \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Ministry of Education
- b) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare
- c) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- d) Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer a) Ministry of Education. The Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank recently launched KAPILA campaign. It is Kalam Programme for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness campaign.

### 106. According to Global Hunger Index, 2020, India secured \_\_\_\_\_ rank among 107 countries.

- a) 24th
- b) 47th
- c) 69th
- d) 94th

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Answer d) 94th. According to the report, India ranked 94th among 107 countries. The report put India under serious category with the score of 27.2.

### 107. The centre plans to make India Trans Fat free by which year?

- a) 2030
- b) 2024
- c) 2022
- d) 2021

Answer c) 2022. The Union Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan announced that India has set a target of becoming trans-fat free by 2022. This target is year ahead of the target of World Health Organisation.

### 108. Who has been appointed as the Interim President of the International Weightlifting Federation(IWF)?

- a) Abinav Mishra
- b) Michael Irani
- c) karamjeet Gaurav
- d) John Steffin

Answer b) Michael Irani. Dr Michael Irani of Great Britain (GBR) has been appointed as the Interim President of the International Weightlifting Federation(IWF), at the meeting of the IWF Executive Board, in accordance with the constitution of IWF. Michael Irani was appointed following the resignation of IWF President Tamás Aján.

### 109. Which state tops the Intellectual Property India annual report?

- a) Punjab
- b) Haryana
- c) Himachal Pradesh
- d) None of these

Answer a) Punjab. In the Intellectual property India annual report, By statewise Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh took the First, Second and third places respectively.

### 110. Maritime Exercise SLINEX-20 is being currently held between which two nations?

- a) India, South Africa
- b) India, Sri Lanka
- c) Sri Lanka, Australia
- d) Japan, India

Answer b) India, Sri Lanka. The 8th edition of the annual Indian Navy (IN) and Sri Lankan Navy (SLN) bilateral maritime exercise SLINEX-20 starts from October 19 to October 21, 2020.

### 111. The 8th Edition of annual Indian Navy (IN) – Sri Lanka Navy (SLN) SLINEX-20 is scheduled off \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Trincomalee
- b) Visakhapatnam
- c) Both a and b
- d) None

Answer a) Trincomalee. Maritime exercise SLINEX-20 starts from October 19 to October 21, 2020, in Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

### 112. Who won the Denmark Open title in women's singles?

- a) PV Sindhu
- b) Akane Yamaguchi
- c) Carolina Marin
- d) Nozomi Okuhara

Answer d) Nozomi Okuhara. In Badminton, former World Champion Nozomi Okuhara clinched the Denmark Open title beating three-time world champion Carolina Marin in women's singles.

### 113. Who has been elected as the Chairman of Indian Banks' Association (IBA)?

- a) Sakalp Pandit
- b) Haraman Preet
- c) Rajkiran Rai
- d) Praveen Raj

Answer c) Rajkiran Rai. The Managing Director and CEO of Union Bank of India, Rajkiran Rai G has been elected as the Chairman of Indian Banks' Association (IBA) for the term 2020-21. He succeeds Rajnish Kumar as the IBA Chairman after Kumar recently retired as SBI Chief.

### 114. Which state's Chief Minister launched Mission Shakti?

- a) Delhi
- b) UP
- c) MP
- d) Telangana

Answer b) UP.

### 115. Who published the Global Tuberculosis report of 2020?

- a) UNESCO
- b) RBI
- c) UN
- d) WHO

Answer d) WHO. World Health Organisation(WHO) has published global tuberculosis (TB) report of 2020.

### 116. Bepicolombo is a joint mission of

- a) European Space Agency and ISRO
- b) European Space Agency and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency
- c) ISRO and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency
- d) None of the above

Answer b) European Space Agency and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency.

### 117. \_\_\_\_\_ has been selected as the next permanent representative of India to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

- a) Vishal V Sharma
- b) Audrey Azoulay
- c) Irina Bokova
- d) None

Answer a) Vishal V Sharma.

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**118. Kati Bihu is celebrated in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer a) Assam. The Kati Bihu is also known as Kangali Bihu, the festival of the poor (the word "Kongal" means "poor") is celebrated in mid-October when the crops are at growing stage and the granaries of the farmers are depleting.

**119. India secured \_\_\_\_\_th rank in most powerful country in Asia Power Index 2020.**

- a) 6
- b) 7
- c) 4
- d) 9

Answer c) 4. India has been ranked at 4th position, with a score of 39.7 out of 100, in the Asia Power Index 2020, released by the Sydney-based Lowy Institute.

**120. World Osteoporosis Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 17 October
- b) 20 October
- c) 23 October
- d) 28 October

Answer b) 20 October. In 2020 the Global WOD Campaign theme is "THAT'S OSTEOPOROSIS".

**121. World Statistics Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 17 October
- b) 19 October
- c) 29 October
- d) 20 October

Answer d) 20 October. The World Statistics Day 2020 theme "Connecting the world with data we can trust."

**122. India's first Multi-Modal Logistics park in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Assam
- c) Odisha
- d) Kerala

Answer b) Assam. The Union Minister Nitin Gadkari laid the foundation stone of the first multi modal Logistic Park of India in Assam.

**123. 'Mo Bidyut' portal has been launched by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Odisha
- d) Tripura

Answer c) Odisha. Odisha Chief Minister, Naveen Patnaik has launched the electricity consumer service portal "Mo Bidyut" and a mobile app through video conference.

**124. Police Commemoration Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 21
- b) October 24
- c) October 26
- d) October 30

Answer a) October 21. Every year National Police commemoration Day is observed on October 21. The day is observed to pay homage to the CRPF personnel who lost their lives during an ambush by the Chinese troops in 1959 in the hot spring area of Ladakh region.

**125. India ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in OECD International Migration Outlook report.**

- a) 2nd
- b) 4th
- c) 7th
- d) 9th

Answer a) 2nd. China retained its top spot with 4.3 lakh migrants, which was 1 per cent lower than the 2019 report.

**126. Zarina Roshan Khan who passed away, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politician
- b) Classical Dancer
- c) TV actress
- d) Journalist

Answer c) TV Actress. Zarina had begun her career as a stunt woman, before taking up acting as a profession and has featured in several shows and films.

**127. International Chef's Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 03
- b) October 20
- c) october 25
- d) October 30

Answer b) October 20. The day aims to celebrate and honour the noble profession and educate people around the world about eating healthy. It is also the day for experienced chefs to pass on their knowledge and culinary skills to the next generation with a sense of pride and commitment.

**128. ADB and India inks USD 177 million loan for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Sikkim
- c) Telangana
- d) Maharashtra

Answer d) Maharashtra. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India have signed a loan agreement worth USD 177 million, to upgrade 450 km of state highways and major district roads in Maharashtra.

**129. "Malabar-2020" - a naval exercise between \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) India - US
- b) US - Japan
- c) Japan - Australia
- d) All the above

Answer d) All the above. In 2020, the exercise will be held in a 'non-contact – at sea'

format. It aims to increase cooperation and enhance safety and security in the maritime security domain.

### 130. Who won the gold medal in women's event of the 2020 Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship?

- a) Deepika kakar
- b) Elavenil Valarivan
- c) Raani Sambath
- d) None of these

Answer b) Elavenil Valarivan . In Shooting, the world number one Elavenil Valarivan of India won the gold medal in women's event of the 2020 Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship.

### 131. ICMR approves "COVIRAP" test developed by \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) IIT Madras
- b) IISc Bangalore
- c) IIT Kharagpur
- d) IIT Pune

Answer c) IIT Kharagpur. The Indian Council of Medical Research recently approved the covid-19 test called COVIRAP. It is a Diagnostic machine that was developed by the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur. This kit gives close test results as produced by RT-PCR.

### 132. India conducted the final trial of which anti-tank guided missile?

- a) Nag
- b) SANT
- c) HELINA
- d) NAMICA

Answer b) Nag. India on October 22, 2020 successfully carried out the final trial of the Nag anti-tank guided missile with a warhead.

### 133. Which ship was commissioned into the Indian Navy on October 22, 2020?

- a)INS Kavaratti
- b)INS Kailash
- c)INS Vikrant
- d)INS Chakrata

Answer a) INS Kavaratti. The Indian Army Chief General, Manoj Mukund Naravane on October 22, 2020, commissioned the last of the four indigenously built Anti-Submarine Warfare-ASW stealth corvette 'INS Kavaratti' into Indian Navy at Naval Dockyard, Vishakhapatnam.

### 134. How many central government employees will benefit from Union Cabinet's bonus payment?

- a)30 lakh
- b)20 lakh
- c)15 lakh
- d)40 lakh

Answer a) 30 lakh. The Union Cabinet on October 21, 2020 approved bonus for central government employees for the year 2019-2020. Over 30.67 lakh employees are expected to benefit from this decision.



**135. India held business forum with which country on bilateral trade and investment on October 20, 2020?**

- a) Australia
- b) Germany
- c) Japan
- d) Vietnam

Answer d) Vietnam. The Union Cabinet on October 21, 2020 approved bonus for central government employees for the year 2019-2020. Over 30.67 lakh employees are expected to benefit from this decision.

**136. Which state has emerged as the top destination for attracting the highest number of domestic tourists visiting the state in 2019 as per the Indian Tourism Statistics (ITS) 2020?**

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Maharashtra

Answer c) Uttar Pradesh. Uttar Pradesh has emerged as the top destination for attracting the highest number of domestic tourists visiting the state in 2019 as per the Indian Tourism Statistics (ITS) 2020, released by the Ministry of Tourism.

**137. Which state has topped the list with nearly 68 lakh foreigners visiting the state in 2019?**

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

Answer b) Tamil Nadu. In terms of Foreign tourists, Tamil Nadu has topped the list with nearly 68 lakh foreigners visiting the state in 2019.

**138. Which state government has decided to implement Smart Black Board Scheme?**

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

Answer d) Tamil Nadu. The Tamil Nadu State government has decided to implement the smart blackboard scheme in more than 80,000 Government schools to ensure a better teaching environment.

**139. When is United Nations Day observed?**

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

Answer a) October 24. The United Nations Day will be observed on October 24, 2020. The UN Day commemorates the day when UN Charter entered into force in 1945. The UN Charter paved the way for the United Nations.

**140. The Nag anti-tank guided missile has been developed by\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) ISRO

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- b) NASA
- c) DRDO Correct Image
- d) Both C and D

Answer c) DRDO. The Nag anti-tank guided missile has been developed by the Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), to engage highly fortified enemy tanks in a day and night conditions.

### 141. Which ministry launches the “Life in Miniature” projects?

- a) Ministry of Tribal affairs
- b) Ministry of State for Culture and Tourism
- c) Ministry of Skill development
- d) Ministry of Railways

Answer b) Ministry of State for Culture and Tourism. Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism, Shri Prahlad Singh Patel virtually launched “Life in Miniature” project.

### 142. Which among the following company has teamed up Microsoft to target space customers?

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

Answer a) SapceX. Microsoft is joining hands with the SpaceX which is led by Elon Musk( billionaire entrepreneur). This is being done to target space customers.

### 143. World Development Information Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Oct 18
- b) Nov 18
- c) Oct 24
- d) Nov 24

Answer c) Oct 24 . World Development Information Day is observed on October 24 annually to draw attention of world to development problems & necessity of strengthening international cooperation to solve them.

### 144. India Meteorological Department commissioned the \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Services in South Asia

- a) Hurricanes
- b) Flash Flood
- c)Thunderstorm
- d) Earthquake

Answer b) Flash Flood. India Meteorological Department commissioned the Flash Flood Guidance Services in South Asia on October 23, 2020. The Flood Guidance Service will include warning about threats six hours in advance, warnings about risks 24 hours in advance.

### 145. Vega roped in \_\_\_\_\_ as brand ambassador.

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Manish Pandey
- c) Shryas Iyer
- d) Rohit Sharma

Answer d) Rohit Sharma. Vega, for its men’s personal grooming electronics range under

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the 'Vega Men' brand. Rohit Sharma will feature as the brand ambassador for 'Vega Men' range in the upcoming digital campaign.

**146. World Polio Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Oct 18
- b) Nov 18
- c) Oct 24
- d) Nov 24

Answer c) Oct 24. The World Polio Day is celebrated annually on October 24, to raise awareness for polio vaccination and eradication of polio.

**147. Andorra Joins International Monetary Fund as 190th Member, belongs to which continent?**

- a) Africa
- b) North America
- c) India
- d) Europe

Answer d) Europe. Europe's Andorra formally joined the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on 16 th October, becoming the crisis lender's 190th member state as the tourism and trade-dependent principality struggles with the coronavirus pandemic.

**148. Which state has secured the first place under PM-SVANidhi Scheme?**

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

Answer a) Uttar Pradesh. PM-SVANidhi is one of the most ambitious schemes of Central Government. It aims to benefit street vendors in rural, urban and pre-urban areas.

**149. Which nation has sought 500 million support from the World Bank for COVID 19 vaccine in the country?**

- a) Bangladesh
- b) Nepal
- c) Pakistan
- d) Sri Lanka

Answer b) Bangladesh. Bangladesh has sought financial support worth USD 500 million from the World Bank for COVID 19 vaccine in the country. The fund will be utilised for the procurement and distribution of the vaccine.

**150. Which nation will remain in the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) grey list till February 2021?**

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

Answer d) Pakistan. Pakistan will remain on the grey list of global terror financing watchdog, Financial Action Task Force (FATF) till February 2021, as it has not fulfilled six out of the 27 mandates to check terror funding.

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### 151. Which bank has shut down operations in Sri Lanka?

- a) Axis bank
- b) SBI
- c) ICICI
- d) HDFC

Answer c) ICICI. The Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, having considered the request made by ICICI Bank, has granted approval to close down the business operation of the bank in Sri Lanka and cancel the licence issued to it.

### 152. "Life in Miniature" project has launched by \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Amit Shah
- c) Prahlad Singh Patel
- d) Arjun Munda

Answer c) Prahlad Singh Patel. Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (I/C), Prahlad Singh Patel has virtually launched the "Life in Miniature" project, a collaboration between the National Museum, New Delhi, Ministry of Culture, and Google Arts & culture.

### 153. Who won Portuguese Grand Prix 2020?

- a) Max Verstappen
- b) John Abraham
- c) Samuel Moses
- d) Lewis Hamilton

Answer d) Lewis Hamilton. This was the 12th round of the 2020 Formula One World Championship. This is Hamilton's 8th win of the season and 92nd career race victory.

### 154. India-assisted hydroelectric project in \_\_\_\_\_ wins UK engineers' body award.

- a) Maldives
- b) Bhutan
- c) Nepal
- d) Japan

Answer b) Bhutan. India-assisted Mangdechhu Hydroelectric project in Bhutan has been awarded the Brunel Medal-2020, an award conferred by the UK's top engineering body, Institute of Civil Engineers.

### 155. India's First Sand Dune Park to Come Up in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Goa
- b) CHennai
- c) Mumbai
- d) Vishakapatnam

Answer a) Goa. The World Bank has sanctioned Rs 3 crores to the Goa state government for the project. Now Goa is set to be home to the country's first sand dune park under a project funded by The World Bank which has accepted the proposal of the Biodiversity Board of the state and has sanctioned a sum of 3 crores for the project.

### 156. Mahesh Kanodia who passed away, is associated with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Film Musician
- b) Actor
- c) Politician

d) Both a and c

Answer d) Both a and c. Famous Gujarati film musician, singer and former Parliamentarian Mahesh Kanodia passed away. He was born at Kanoda village of Mehsana district on January 27, 1937.

**157. Alpha Condé won the 3rd Term as President of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Uruguay
- b) Spain
- c) Guinea
- d) Portugal

Answer c) Guinea. Alpha Condé, the incumbent president of Guinea and leader of Rally of the Guinean People (Rassemblement du Peuple Guinéen – RPG) party won the 3rd the term as the President of Guinea by winning the 2020 presidential elections.

**158. Which state has topped in Anemia Mukh Bharat Index in country?**

- a) Punjab
- b) Haryana
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu

Answer b) Haryana. Haryana is the best State in Anemia Mukh Bharat (AMB) Index with 46.7 among 29 states in the country. Further, in the year 2019-20, the state had achieved 93 per cent of immunization.

**159. Which company has topped in Forbes' list of World's Best Employer 2020?**

- a) Apple
- b) Samsung
- c) Microsoft
- d) Alibaba

Answer b) Samsung. Amazon, IBM, Microsoft and LG are among the top 5 in the list respectively. The global list features 750 multinational and large corporations headquartered in 45 countries.

**160. World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 27
- b) October 30
- c) November 02
- d) November 05

Answer a) October 27. The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is observed globally on 27 October every year. The day was chosen by UNESCO to raise awareness of the significance and preservation risks of recorded sound and audiovisual documents.

**161. What is the theme for World Day for Audiovisual Heritage ?**

- a) Your Window to the World
- b) Significance and preservation risks of recorded sound
- c) Make a smart World
- d) None of the above

Answer a) Your Window to the World. The theme of the World Day for Audiovisual Heritage 2020: "Your Window to the World".

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**162. Vigilance Awareness Week 2020 is observed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 25 October, 01 November
- b) 28 October, 04 November
- c) 27 October, 02 November
- d) None of the above

Answer c) 27 October to 2 November . The is observed every year by the Central Vigilance Commission during the week in which the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (31 October) falls.

**163. Vulture conservation centres to be established in which among the following states?**

- a) Tripura and Uttar Pradesh
- b) Karnataka and Maharashtra
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) All the above

Answer d) All the above. The new vulture conservation centres are to be established in the states of Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

**164. Which state has become first state to fix floor price for vegetables?**

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

Answer b) Kerala. Kerala has become the first state to set floor prices for vegetables which would be 20% above the production cost, CM Pinarayi Vijayan said.

**165. Operation “Meri Saheli” was launched by Ministry of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Railways
- b) Finance
- c) Health
- d) None of the above

Answer a) Railways.

**166. PM Modi inaugurated “Arogya Van’ in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Gujarat
- d) Tamil Nadu

Answer c) Gujarat. PM Modi inaugurated “Arogya Van” in Kevadia, Gujarat. The Prime Minister is on a two day visit to the state and will participate in the Ekta Diwas celebrations that is to be held on October 31, 2020.

**167. “Green Delhi” mobile application has launched by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Goa
- b) Pudhucherry
- c) Delhi
- d) Chandigarh

Answer c) Delhi. The Chief Minister of Delhi, Shri Arvind Kejriwal launched the Green Delhi mobile application. The application will help the citizens to inform the state government about the pollution causing activities.

**168. The Union Cabinet recently approved MoC to expand cooperation in Information and Communication Technologies field between India and which nation?**

- a) Germany
- b) France
- c) Japan
- d) Indonesia

Answer c) Japan . The Union Cabinet on October 29, 2020 approved the signing of MoC between India and Japan to expand bilateral cooperation in Information and Communication Technologies field.

**169. Plastic Premier League tournament to be played in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Lahore
- b) Lucknow
- c) Patiala
- d) Indore

Answer d) Indore. A unique Plastic Premier League (PPL) tournament is being played in Indore, Madhya Pradesh to free the city from single-use plastic.

**170. Which organization has tied up with NSDC to empower 1 lakh women with digital skills?**

- a) HP
- b) TCS
- c) CTS
- d) Microsoft

Answer d) Microsoft. Microsoft has collaborated with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to impart digital skills to more than one lakh underserved women in India over the next ten months.

**172. Who has been appointed as new Chief Information Commissioner?**

- a) Yashvardhan K. Sinha
- b) Aslam Malik
- c) Abhinav M Mishra
- d) Sudha Kongara

Answer a) Yashvardhan K. Sinha. Government of India has approved the name of Former Foreign Service officer, Yashvardhan Kumar Sinha as the new Chief Information Commissioner.

**173. World's first scientoon book has launched by \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer a) India. World's first scientoon book entitled "Bye Bye Corona", written by 'scientoonist' Dr Pradeep Srivastava, former Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR-Central Drug Research Institute (CDRI).

**174. India has decided to extend how much Line of Credit to Central Asia for development projects?**

- a) USD 1.5 billion
- b) USD 2 billion

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- c) USD 3 million
- d) USD 1 billion

Answer d) USD 1 billion. India on October 28, 2020 announced an additional Line of Credit worth USD 1 billion for development projects in Central Asian countries.

### **175. Union Cabinet has approved signing of MoU in the field of health and medicine between India and which nation?**

- a) Cameroon
- b) Nigeria
- c) Denmark
- d) Cambodia

Answer d) Cambodia. The Union Cabinet on October 29, 2020 approved the signing of MoU between India and Cambodia to expand cooperation in the field of health and medicine.

### **176. Who has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of India of Cognizant?**

- a) Rajesh Nambiar
- b) Varun Das
- c) Suriya Kumar Yadav
- d) Abhimanyu Dev

Answer a) Rajesh Nambiar. Nasdaq-listed IT firm Cognizant has appointed Rajesh Nambiar as the Chairman and Managing Director of India and a member of Cognizant's Executive Committee effective November 9, 2020.

### **177. Which state assembly has passed Krishi Upad Mandi (Amendment) Bill?**

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Chattisgarh
- c) Assam
- d) Tamil Nadu

Answer b) Chattisgarh. The Assembly passed the Chhattisgarh Krishi Upad Mandi (Amendment) Bill 2020. It gives strength to the state government to control all agricultural produce markets.

### **178. Which state CM has Launched 'Sumangal' & Student Scholarship Web Portals To Aid Beneficiaries?**

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
- b) Odisha
- c) Kerala
- d) Haryana

Answer b) Odisha. The former portal is to help eligible students of the state to avail scholarship benefits in a seamless and transparent manner, while the latter one is to help people avail inter-caste marriage incentives.

### **179. NTPC Ltd. enters into foreign currency loan agreement under which initiative?**

- a) RED
- b) NATION
- c) GREEN
- d) MONEY

Answer c) GREEN. GREEN or Global Action for Reconciling Economic growth and Environment preservation initiative, India's largest power producer entered into foreign



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currency loan agreement with Japanese Government's financial institution for JPY 50 billion (approx. USD 482 million or Rs. 3,582 crore).

**182. Which state's Chief Minister has launched the 'Dharani' portal?**

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

Answer d) Telangana.

**182. Veteran BJP leader, Keshubhai Patel passed away on October 29, 2020. He had served as the Chief Minister of which state?**

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Gujarat
- c) Maharashtra
- d) West Bengal

Answer b) Gujarat. Former Gujarat Chief Minister Keshubhai Patel passed away on October 29, 2020. He was 92. Keshubhai Patel had served as the Chief Minister of Gujarat for two terms in 1995 and from 1998 to 2001.

**181. China is building the world's highest-altitude cloud computing data centre in which region?**

- a) Taiwan
- b) Hong Kong
- c) Beijing
- d) Tibet

Answer d) Tibet. China is building the world's highest-altitude cloud computing data centre in Tibet. The data centre will meet the data storage needs of the country and South Asian nations like Nepal, Bangladesh and Pakistan.

**182. Who has developed a messaging application called 'Secure Application for the Internet'?**

- a) DRDO
- b) ISRO
- c) Indian Army
- d) Territorial Army

Answer c) Indian Army. The Indian Army has developed a simple messaging application called the Secure Application for the Internet (SAI). The application will support end-to-end secure voice, text and video calling services for the Android platform over the internet.

**183. India signed Electronic Exchange of Customs data agreement with \_\_\_\_\_**

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

Answer a) USA. Department of Posts, Government of India - India Post and United - USPS have signed an agreement for Electronic Exchange of Customs data related to postal shipments exchanged between the two countries.

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**184. USPS stands for \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) United States Postal Service
- b) United States Pilot Service
- c) United states rail service
- d) None of these

Answer a) United States Postal Service.

**185. NISAR satellite belongs to \_\_\_\_\_,**

- a) NASA
- b) ISRO
- c) DRDO
- d) Both a and b

Answer d) Both a and b. India and US recently held the two plus two dialogue. During the meet the country's decided to share space situational awareness information. This will catalyse efforts in creating safe and sustainable space environment.

**186. International Animation Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) 23 Oct
- b) 25 Oct
- c) 28 Oct
- d) 30 Oct

Answer c) 28 Oct. International Animation Day is observed globally on 28 October every year. The day has celebrated the art of animation and also recognise the artists, scientists and technicians behind animation.

**187. India is the \_\_\_\_\_ largest country in terms of population density**

- a) 3rd
- b) 1st
- c) 2nd
- d) 5th

Answer c) 2nd. India is the 2nd largest country in terms of population density with more than 1.3 billion individuals. In spite of having this rich genetic diversity, India has been under-represented in global genome studies.

**188. \_\_\_\_\_ organises the national conference, coinciding with the "Vigilance Awareness Week"**

- a) CBI
- b) CVC
- c) Both A and B
- d) None

Answer a) CBI.

**189. Digital India Award is an initiative to acknowledge the \_\_\_\_\_ activities.**

- a) Administrative
- b) Media persons
- c) Social service
- d) e-Governance

Answer d) e-Governance. Digital India Award formerly known as Web Ratna Awards is an initiative to acknowledge the exemplary initiatives in e-Governance. The Government of

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India (GoI) has been bracing for innovation and transformation in delivery of information/services with adoption of best ICT practices.

**190. Sean Connery who passed away at 90, is associated with\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Politician
- b) Actor
- c) Journalist
- d) Social Activist

Answer a) Politician. Sir Sean Connery, the first actor to portray James Bond, has passed away aged 90. He had also won the Oscar in the Best Supporting Actor category for his role in 1987 film .

**191. 'Dharani' Portal has launched by\_\_\_\_\_.**

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

Answer c) telangana. Telangana Chief Minister, K Chandrasekhar Rao has launched the web portal 'Dharani' for land and property registrations.

**192. World Psoriasis Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 28
- b) October 29
- c) October 21
- d) October 16

Answer b) October 29. World Psoriasis Day is commemorated by International Federation of Psoriasis Associations (IFPA) annually on 29th October.

**193. International Internet Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 12
- b) October 14
- c) October 19
- d) October 29

Answer d) October 29. International Internet Day is observed on 29th October every year. It aims to honour a momentous day in the history of telecommunications and technology. This day also highlights the sending of the 1st electronic message.

**194. World Cities Day is observed on\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 03
- b) October 16
- c) October 30
- d) October 31

Answer d) October 31. The United Nations General Assembly has designated the 31st of October as World Cities Day. The Day is celebrated to promote the international community's interest in global urbanization.

**195. Who has honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the third edition of the India International Film Festival of Boston (IIFFB 2020)?**

- a) Om Puri
- b) Anand Yaswal

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- c) Arjun Ramdas
- d) Amitabh Bachchan

Answer a) Om Puri. Late Indian actor, Om Puri was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the third edition of the India International Film Festival of Boston (IIFFB 2020). The award was received by his wife Nandita Puri.

**196. National Unity Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) October 31
- b) November 02
- c) November 04
- d) November 09

Answer a) October 31. In India, the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day is observed every year on October 31 since 2014, to commemorate the birth anniversary of the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

**197. According to Public Affairs Index, Which state has topped in best governed states?**

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

Answer b) Kerala. According to the index, Kerala was the best governed the state. The report was released by the committee headed by a former Indian Space Research Organisation chairman Kasturirangan.

**198. Malabar Exercise to be held in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Vishakapatnam
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Bay of Bengal
- d) Andaman Island

Answer c) Bay of Bengal. The navies of India, Japan, US and Australia are to participate in the exercise. The second phase of the exercise is to be held between November 17, 2020 and November 20, 2020.

**199. Which bank has named Asia's Safest Bank for 10th consecutive year?**

- a) PNB Paribas
- b) Standard Chartered Bank
- c) DBS
- d) None of these

Answer c) DBS. DBS Bank announced that it has been named "Safest Bank in Asia" for the tenth consecutive year by New York-based trade publication Global Finance.

**200. 8000MW renewable park to light up India-Pak border areas in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Kerala

Answer c) Rajasthan. India's border areas with Pakistan in Rajasthan would soon be illuminated with renewable energy as the state government will soon ink an MoU with National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) and Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)