

CURRENT AFFAIRS AUGUST 2024

1. Swapnil Kusale has recently won the Bronze medal in Men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions at the _____ Olympics 2024.
 - a. London
 - b. Paris
 - c. Tokyo
 - d. Los Angeles

Answer: B

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Swapnil Kusale on winning the Bronze medal in Men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions at the Paris Olympics 2024.

2. Pham Minh Chinh, recently seen in the news, is associated with which of the following countries?
 - a. Philippines
 - b. China
 - c. Vietnam
 - d. Thailand

Answer:

C

The Prime Minister of Vietnam, H.E. Pham Minh Chinh, called on the President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan today (August 1, 2024).

Welcoming the Prime Minister of Vietnam to India, the President said that India-Vietnam relations are built on the firm foundation of close cultural and historical links, and are marked by mutual trust and understanding, and cooperation in international fora. She added that Vietnam is a crucial pillar of India's Act East Policy, and an important partner for our Indo-Pacific Vision.

3. The Ministry of Ayush, Government of India and the World Health Organization signed a Donor Agreement during a signing ceremony organized at WHO Headquarters in Geneva on 31st July, 2024. This agreement, which outlines the financial terms for implementing the activities of the WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre (GTMC) in Jamnagar, _____ was signed by H.E Mr. Arindam Bagchi, Permanent Representative of India to the UN, Geneva and Dr. Bruce Aylward, Assistant Director-General for Universal Health Coverage and Life Course on behalf of Ministry of Ayush and WHO respectively.
 - a. Himachal Pradesh

- b. Gujarat
- c. Madhya Pradesh
- d. Maharashtra

Answer: B

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4. Which of the following ministries has recently launched Version 4.0 Price Monitoring System (PMS) Mobile App?
- a. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
 - b. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare
 - c. Ministry of Finance
 - d. Ministry of Food Processing Industries:

Answer:

A

Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India, has included 16 additional commodities under Price Monitoring from 1st August, 2024, said Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution & New and Renewable Energy, Shri Pralhad Venkatesh Joshi, while launching the Version 4.0 Price Monitoring System (PMS) Mobile App here today. Already 22 commodities were being covered under monitoring of daily prices. Now, price of total 38 commodities will be monitored.

5. Who became the first woman Director General Medical Services (Army) on August 01, 2024?
- a. Meena Verma Reddy
 - b. Sadhna Saxena Nair
 - c. Asha Sharma Menon
 - d. Rekha Gupta Patel

Answer:

B

Lt Gen Sadhna Saxena Nair, on August 01, 2024, assumed the office of Director General Medical Services (Army), becoming the first woman to be appointed to this prestigious position. Prior to this, she was the first woman to hold the post of DG Hospital Services (Armed Forces) on promotion to the rank of Air Marshal.

6. Who is the incumbent Governor of Maharashtra?
- K. Sankaranarayanan
 - Bhagat Singh Koshyari
 - S. M. Krishna
 - C. P. Radhakrishnan

Answer:

D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi met with Governor of Maharashtra, Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan in New Delhi.

7. Har Ghar Tiranga movement is seen in news in relation to
- National flag
 - Constitution
 - Ganga rejuvenation
 - Forest restoration

Answer:

A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has paid tributes to Pingali Venkayya on his birth anniversary and remembered his efforts in giving the Tricolour to the nation. Shri Modi also urged the citizens to support the Har Ghar Tiranga movement by unfurling the Tricolour between 9th and 15th August and sharing their selfies on harghartiranga.com.

8. Prime Minister of India will inaugurate the _____ International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) on 3rd August 2024, at National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex, New Delhi.
- 12th
 - 22nd
 - 32nd
 - 42nd

Answer:

C

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will inaugurate the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) on 3rd August 2024, at around 9.30 AM at National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex, New Delhi. Prime Minister will also address the gathering on the occasion.

The triennial conference, organised by the International Association of Agricultural Economists will be held from 02 to 07 August 2024. The ICAE is being held in India after 65 years.

The theme for this year's conference is, "Transformation Towards Sustainable Agri-Food Systems." It aims to tackle the pressing need for sustainable agriculture in the face of global

challenges such as climate change, natural resource degradation, rising production costs and conflicts. The conference will highlight India's proactive approach to global agricultural challenges and showcase the nation's advancements in agricultural research and policy.

9. Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs is chaired by
- Union Finance Minister
 - Prime Minister
 - Cabinet Secretary (Economic Division)
 - Chief Economic Advisor

Answer: B

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the development of 8 important National High Speed Corridor projects with a Length of 936 km at a cost of Rs. 50,655 crore across the country. Implementation of these 8 projects will generate an estimated 4.42 crore mandays of direct and indirect employment.

10. Ayush Health and Wellness Centres has been renamed as
- Swasthya Sewa Kendra
 - Arogya Suraksha Bhavan
 - Jan Arogya Mandap
 - Ayushman Arogya Mandir

Answer:

D

Ministry of Ayush is implementing the operationalization of Ayush Health and Wellness Centres (AHWCs) [now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush)] under Ayushman Bharat as a component of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments with an objective to establish a holistic wellness model based on Ayush principles and practices. It is envisaged to transform existing Sub-health Centres/Ayush dispensaries to Ayush Health & Wellness Centres to ensure universal access to an expanded range of Primary Health Care services as appropriate to people's needs. Under the NAM, as per the proposals received from State/UT Governments through their State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs), a total of 12,500 units of existing Ayush dispensaries and sub health centres has been approved to be upgraded as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) in the States/UTs. As per the reports received from States/UTs, 12121 Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) have been made functional till date.

11. Jishnu Dev Varma is the incumbent Governor of
- Telangana
 - Andhra Pradesh
 - Goa

d. Karnataka

Answer:A

Telangana Governor, Shri Jishnu Dev Varma met with Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today in New Delhi.

12. The Prime Minister of India has recently inaugurated the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) at National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex, New Delhi. The theme for this year's conference is _____
- Transition to Eco-Friendly Agricultural Practices
 - Evolution of Green Food Production Methods
 - Advancing Resilient and Eco-Conscious Food Systems
 - Transformation Towards Sustainable Agri-Food Systems

Answer:

D

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13. ASHIS (Ayushman Shiksha Sahayata) is an initiative of
- Coal India Limited
 - National Thermal Power Corporation
 - National Highways Authority of India
 - NITI Aayog

Answer: A

Coal India Limited, continuing its commitment to serve the community, launched a noble CSR initiative- CIL ASHIS (Ayushman Shiksha Sahayata) to provide scholarships to 1645 children who lost their parents to covid and were unable to continue their studies further. Coal India Ltd also released appointment letters to 424 beneficiaries under compassionate appointment, who had lost their family members while in service. These compassionate jobs would support the families in times of distress.

14. ASEAN is an important trade partner of India with about _____% share in India's global trade
- 1

- b. 11
- c. 21
- d. 31

Answer: B

ASEAN is an important trade partner of India with about 11% share in India's global trade. The review of AITIGA, signed in 2009, will help create further opportunities for businesses on both sides to enhance the level of India-ASEAN trade. The next meeting of AITIGA Joint Committee will be held in India from 19-22 November 2024.

15. INS _____ is a Shishumar class diesel-electric submarine, commissioned into the Indian Navy on 07 Feb 1992. This is the first ever submarine to be built in India.
- a. Shakshi
 - b. Shalika
 - c. Shankari
 - d. Shalki

Answer:

D

Indian Navy's submarine INS Shalki, is in Colombo, Sri Lanka on a two day visit. The submarine was accorded a ceremonial reception by the Sri Lanka Navy on 02 Aug 24.

During the visit, the Commanding Officer is scheduled to call on the Commander of the Western Naval Area Rear Admiral WDCU Kumarasinghe, followed by visit and briefing of Sri Lanka Navy personnel onboard. Personnel from High Commission of India in Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka Defence Forces are also scheduled to visit the submarine.

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16. Articles 370 and 35(A) were provisions in the Constitution related to
- a. Jammu and Kashmir
 - b. Arunachal Pradesh
 - c. Assam
 - d. Tribal areas

Answer: A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today recalled the Parliament's 5-year-old decision to abrogate Articles 370 and 35(A), calling it a watershed moment that led to a beginning of a new era of progress and prosperity in Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh.

17. PARIVESH Portal comes under

- a. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- b. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare
- c. Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation
- d. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Answer: A

In pursuance of the spirit of 'Digital India' and capturing the essence of Minimum Government and Maximum Governance, the government had launched a single window portal "**PARIVESH (Pro Active and Responsive Facilitation by Interactive and Virtuous Environmental Single-window Hub)**" on 10.08.2018 for Environment clearance (EC), Forest clearance (FC), Wildlife (WL) and Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) clearances. As per the details available on PARIVESH Portal, more than 50, 000 clearances (EC, FC, WL and CRZ) have been granted so far.

Answer: Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

18. Coral mass bleaching is a natural phenomenon across the global waters due to change in the global climate change followed by _____
- a. Decrease in salinity levels
 - b. Increase in sea surface temperature
 - c. Increase in nutrient availability
 - d. Decrease in underwater noise pollution

Answer: B

Coral mass bleaching is a natural phenomenon across the global waters due to change in the global climate change followed by increase in sea surface temperature. However, corals have resilience to recover depending upon the restoration of the normal sea conditions. Coral-bleaching events have been reported during March 2024 in Lakshadweep. During 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020, the events of coral bleaching were not significant.

19. Bhoj Wetland is located in
- a. Jaipur
 - b. Srinagar
 - c. Pune
 - d. Bhopal

Answer: D

As reported by Madhya Pradesh State Wetland Authority, Bhoj Wetland in Bhopal faces no threat of delisting from Ramsar Convention list of wetlands of International importance.

20. PMAY-CLSS is a scheme of Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. What does C stand for in the given abbreviation?
- Cost
 - Capital
 - Credit
 - Construction

Answer: C

'Land' and 'Colonization' are State subjects. Therefore, schemes related to housing for their citizens are implemented by States/Union Territories (UTs). However, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs supplements the efforts of States/UTs by providing Central assistance under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U) since 25.06.2015 with an aim to provide all weather pucca houses with basic civic amenities to all eligible urban beneficiaries across the country. The scheme is implemented through four verticals, i.e. Beneficiary-led construction/enhancement (BLC), Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP), 'In-situ' Slum Redevelopment (ISSR) and **Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS)** to provide financial assistance for addressing the housing requirement of eligible beneficiaries of Economically Weaker Section (EWS) / Low Income Group (LIG), as per scheme guidelines, in urban areas. For implementation of CLSS vertical of PMAY-U Mission, Ministry identified three Central Nodal Agencies (CNAs), i.e. National Housing Bank (NHB), Housing and Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO) and State Bank of India (SBI) to channelize the subsidy to the Primary Lending Institutions (PLIs).

21. National Sports Day is celebrated in India on August _____ every year to honor the birthday of Major Dhyan Chand, a legendary Indian hockey player
- 25th
 - 26th
 - 18th
 - 29th

ANSWER: D

National Sports Day is celebrated in India on August 29th every year to honor the birthday of Major Dhyan Chand, a legendary Indian hockey player. The day also aims to recognize the achievements of Indian athletes and promote the value of physical activity and sports in daily life.

22. Recently, the President of India has been bestowed with the highest civilian award of which of the following countries?
- Tonga
 - Uganda
 - Vanuatu

d. Fiji

Answer: D

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu has been bestowed the highest civilian award of Fiji, Companion of the Order of Fiji.

23. Government has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy since_____ for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers.

- a. 2005
- b. 2000
- c. 2010
- d. 2002

Answer: C

Government has implemented Nutrient Based Subsidy Policy w.e.f. 1.4.2010 for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) Fertilizers. Under the policy, a fixed amount of subsidy, decided on an annual/bi-annual basis, is provided on notified P&K fertilizers depending on their nutrient content. Under this policy, MRP is fixed by fertilizer companies as per market dynamics at a reasonable level which is monitored by the Government. While fixing the subsidy rates under NBS, the Government takes into consideration various factors including affordability of farmers to purchase the notified P&K fertilizers.

24. GAIL (India) Limited is accorded which of the following status at present?

- a. Maharatna
- b. Navratna
- c. Miniratna
- d. Trisulratna

Answer: A

The Ministry of Coal, in collaboration with the Ministry of Power& Natural Gas, has facilitated a landmark joint venture agreement between two leading Maharatna CPSEs, Coal India Limited (CIL) and GAIL (India) Limited (GAIL) today (05.08.2024). This agreement marks a major step towards setting of a Coal to Synthetic Natural Gas (SNG) plant using surface coal gasification (SCG) technology.

25. The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi celebrated its _____ anniversary in 2024

- a. Second
- b. Fifth
- c. Seventh

d. Tenth

Answer: C

The Centre for Trade and Investment Law (CTIL) at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi celebrated its seventh anniversary event at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. At the anniversary event, the trade policy think tank of the Government released the Special Issue of the Global Trade and Customs Journal (GTCJ) and its Seventh Anniversary Magazine on “India’s G20 Presidency”.

26. The National Handloom Day is celebrated on August _____ every year in India.
- a. 5
 - b. 6
 - c. 7
 - d. 8

Answer: C

The National Handloom Day is celebrated on August 7 every year in India. The day recognizes and honours the contribution of handloom weavers to the nation's economy and culture. India's handloom sector has a long history of cultural development.

27. Vinesh Phogat, who was seen in the news recently, is associated with
- a. Wrestling
 - b. Climbing
 - c. Badminton
 - d. Shot put

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has conveyed the nation’s anguish as Indian Wrestler, Vinesh Phogat suffered disqualification before her final bout in Paris Olympics.

28. Nandini Sahakar Scheme comes under
- a. NABARD
 - b. Khadi and Village Industries Commission
 - c. National Dairy Development Board
 - d. National Cooperative Development Corporation

Answer: D

Nandini Sahakar Scheme by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) is a women focused framework of financial assistance, project formulation, hand-holding and capacity development aimed at assisting women cooperatives to take up business model based activities

under the purview of NCDC. There is no minimum or maximum limit on financial assistance to projects by women cooperatives.

29. Education is in _____ List of the Constitution

- a. Union
- b. State
- c. Concurrent
- d. Joint

Answer: C

Education is in Concurrent List of the Constitution and majority of Schools/Higher Education Institutions are in the domain of the respective States/UTs. The States/UTs and Centre endeavour to uplift the educational status of the students of the country, including rural and underprivileged students.

30. Narcotics Control Bureau comes under

- a. Ministry of Defence
- b. Ministry of Home Affairs
- c. Ministry of Finance
- d. Enforcement Directorate

Answer: B

The Narcotics Control Bureau (abbr. NCB) is an Indian central law enforcement and intelligence agency under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The agency is tasked with combating drug trafficking and the use of illegal substances under the provisions of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act.

31. Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee, who recently passed away, was the Chief Minister of _____

- a. Uttar Pradesh
- b. West Bengal
- c. Punjab
- d. Bihar

Answer: B

The Vice-President, Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, has expressed condolences on the passing of Shri Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee, former Chief Minister, West Bengal.

32. Who has become the chief advisor to the newly-formed interim government of Bangladesh in August 2024?

- a. Muhammad Yunus
- b. Fakhruddin Ahmed
- c. Fazlul Haque
- d. Iajuddin Ahmed

Answer: A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus on the assumption of his responsibilities as the chief advisor to the newly-formed interim government of Bangladesh.

33. The Indian Hockey team won which of the following medals at the Paris Olympics 2024?
- a. Gold
 - b. Silver
 - c. Bronze
 - d. Platinum

Answer: C

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated the Indian Hockey team for winning a Bronze Medal at the ongoing Olympics in Paris, France.

34. The Boilers Act, _____ in India was established to regulate the safety standards of boilers, ensuring that they are designed, constructed, and operated in a manner that protects both life and property
- a. 1921
 - b. 1922
 - c. 1923
 - d. 1924

Answer: C

The Boilers Act, 1923, a pre-constitution Act, deals with the safety of life and property. Hence, it is important to continue with the enactment by reviewing the provisions of the existing Act and introduction of a new Boilers Bill, 2024 in Parliament.

The Boilers Act, 1923 was comprehensively amended in the year 2007 by the Indian Boilers (Amendment) Act, 2007 wherein inspection and certification by independent third party inspecting authorities was introduced. However, on further examination of the existing Act, a need has been felt for review of the Act and also to incorporate the decriminalised provisions in consonance with the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2023.

35. Who is the Chairperson of TRAI at present?

- a. NeelKanth Mishra
- b. Atul Kumar Chaudhary
- c. Abhay Shanker Verma
- d. Anil Kumar Lahoti

Answer: D

Chairperson: Anil Kumar Lahoti

36. Who has won the Bronze Medal in the Men's Freestyle 57 kg at the Paris Olympics 2024?

- a. Sushil Kumar
- b. Ravi Kumar Dahiya
- c. Vinesh Phogat
- d. Aman Sehrawat

Answer: D

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated wrestler Aman Sehrawat for winning the Bronze Medal in the Men's Freestyle 57 kg at the ongoing Olympics in Paris, France.

37. Neiphiu Rio is the incumbent Chief Minister of _____

- a. Nagaland
- b. Arunachal Pradesh
- c. Tripura
- d. Mizoram

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today met with Chief Minister of Nagaland, Shri Neiphiu Rio in New Delhi.

38. The Government e Marketplace (GeM) platform has completed how many years as of August 2024?

- a. 10
- b. 8
- c. 9
- d. 14

Answer: B

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated all the stakeholders of Government e Marketplace (GeM) platform on completing 8 years.

Shri Modi said that this platform has provided opportunities those belonging to SC, ST and OBC communities and has also gone a long way in furthering women empowerment.

39. Neeraj Chopra has won a Silver Medal in _____ at the Paris Olympics 2024.
- Shooting
 - Archery
 - Javelin throw
 - Wrestling

Answer: C

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Neeraj Chopra for winning a Silver Medal in javelin throw at the ongoing Olympics in Paris, France.

Shri Modi expressed confidence that Neeraj would continue to motivate countless upcoming athletes to pursue their dreams and make India proud.

40. National Medicinal Plants Board comes under
- NITI Aayog
 - Ministry of Ayush
 - Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
 - Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers

Answer: B

The National Medicinal Plants Board under the Ministry of Ayush is implementing a Central Sector Scheme on conservation, development and sustainable management of medicinal plants throughout the country including the Union Territory of Ladakh under which there is a provision to provide project based support to develop different types of herbal gardens and for conservation, resource augmentation of medicinal plants in forest areas.

A project proposal titled "Establishment of Herbal Garden" at the campus of Central Institute for Buddhist Studies (CIBS), Choglamsar, Leh, Ladakh has also been sanctioned for an amount of Rs. 1.35 Lakhs during the financial year 2023-24.

41. The President of India has recently visited which of the following countries?
- Fiji
 - New Zealand
 - Timor-Leste
 - All

Answer: D

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu reached Dili, Timor-Leste this morning (August 10, 2024) on the final leg of her State Visit to Fiji, New Zealand and Timor-Leste. This is the first-ever visit by an Indian Head of State to this country.

42. Varahagiri Venkata Giri was an Indian politician and activist who served as the _____ President of India from 24 August 1969 to 24 August 1974.
- Third
 - Fourth
 - Fifth
 - Sixth

Answer: B

Varahagiri Venkata Giri was an Indian politician and activist who served as the fourth president of India from 24 August 1969 to 24 August 1974

43. World Lion Day is an international annual event on August _____, dedicated to raising awareness and support for the conservation of lions.
- 1
 - 19
 - 10
 - 12

Answer: C

World Lion Day is an international annual event on August 10, dedicated to raising awareness and support for the conservation of lions.

44. Exercise Udara Shakti is a joint air exercise between India and _____
- Thailand
 - USA
 - Japan
 - Malaysia

Answer: D

After successful participation in Exercise Udara Shakti 2024 at Malaysia, the Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent returned to India, on 10 Aug 24. The joint air exercise was conducted in collaboration with the Royal **Malaysian** Air Force (RMAF) from 05 to 09 August 2024 at Kuantan, Malaysia. The IAF participated with Su-30MKI fighter jets.

During the exercise, IAF's Su-30MKI fighter jets engaged in air combat missions alongside the RMAF's Su-30MKM fighters, enabling the crew of both air forces to familiarize with each other's operational protocols, thereby enhancing interoperability, commonality and overall effectiveness in Su-30 aircraft operations. Aimed at bolstering operational efficiency, technical experts of both Air Forces engaged in exchange of their maintenance practices.

45. Uhuru Peak, also known as Kaiser Wilhelm Spitze, is the highest point on Mount _____
- Kilimanjaro
 - Aconcagua
 - Denali
 - Elbrus

Answer: A

In run-up to 78th Independence Day, the Divyangjan expedition team of Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI), under the aegis of Ministry of Defence, has unfurled 7800 sq ft Indian national flag atop Uhuru Summit of Kilimanjaro, the highest peak of African continent.

The team led by Group Captain Jai Kishan, including Divyang Shri Uday Kumar and others undertook Mission Kanchanjanga National Park to Mt Kilimanjaro (Mission K2K) to script another historic achievement, as for the first time an amputee climber successfully completed the endeavor using crutches.

46. World Elephant Day is an international annual event on August _____, dedicated to the preservation and protection of the world's elephants
- 10
 - 12
 - 11
 - 09

Answer: B

World Elephant Day is an international annual event on August 12, dedicated to the preservation and protection of the world's elephants

47. Where is Fort St. George Museum located?
- Kolkata
 - Mumbai
 - New Delhi
 - Chennai

Answer: D

Fort St. George Museum

The modern city of "Chennai" arose from the British settlement of Fort St. George and its subsequent expansion through merging numerous native villages and European settlements around Fort St. George into the city of Madras.

The Fort St. George Museum was organized and opened to the public from 31st January 1948. The idea of setting up museum in this building to house the relics of the Raj found scattered in the Fort was mooted in 1946 by Col. D.M. Reid of old Madras Guards. On the reception of the museum a drawing shows the evolution of the Fort and its construction since 1640. This museum now has more than three thousand five hundred artifacts of colonial period; best among them are displayed in nine galleries.

48. Exercise MITRA SHAKTI is between India and _____
- Sri Lanka
 - Mauritius
 - Bangladesh
 - Bhutan

Answer: A

The 10th edition of India- Sri Lanka Joint Military Exercise MITRA SHAKTI commenced today, at Army Training School, Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka. The Exercise is scheduled to be conducted from 12th to 25th August 2024.

Indian contingent comprising of 106 personnel is being represented by a Battalion of Rajputana Rifles along with personnel from other arms and services. The Sri Lankan contingent is being represented by personnel from Gajaba Regiment of Sri Lankan Army. Joint Exercise MITRA SHAKTI is an annual training event conducted alternatively in India and Sri Lanka. Last edition was conducted in Pune in Nov 2023.

49. The Government of India approved the PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana on 29th February 2024. The scheme has an outlay of Rs 75,021 crore and is to be implemented till FY _____.
- 2025-26
 - 2026-27
 - 2027-28
 - 2028-29

Answer: B

The Government of India approved the PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana on 29th February 2024, with the aim to increase the share of solar rooftop capacity and empower residential households to generate their own electricity. The scheme has an outlay of Rs 75,021 crore and is to be implemented till FY 2026-27.

50. India has recently renewed the Memorandum of Understanding to build the capacity of 1,000 civil service officers from which of the following countries?
- Maldives
 - USA

- c. Singapore
- d. Namibia

Answer: A

India's External Affairs Minister, Dr. S. Jaishankar, and the Maldives' Foreign Minister, Mr. Moosa Zameer, renewed the Memorandum of Understanding MoU for capacity building of 1000 Maldives civil services officers during the period 2024-2029 Malé as part of the development partnership discussions between both the nations on 9th August in Malé, Maldives.

51. The year 2024 marks _____ Independence Day of India.
- a. 75th
 - b. 76th
 - c. 77th
 - d. 78th

Answer: D

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu will address the nation tomorrow (August 14, 2024) on the eve of the 78th Independence Day.

52. Which of the following apps is an initiative of Election Commission that provides a single window for candidates to raise requests for permissions for meeting halls and booking grounds for political rallies?
- a. cVIGIL
 - b. SUVIDHA
 - c. Saksham App
 - d. Know Your Candidate App

Answer: B

SUVIDHA: It is a single window app for candidates to raise requests for permissions for meeting halls, booking grounds for political rallies etc. The technology is a step towards ensuring a level playing field as permissions are accorded on a first in first out basis, without any discretion.

53. Who among the following is not a member of the presently constituted Election Commission of India?
- a. R. V. S. Peri Sastri
 - b. Gyanesh Kumar
 - c. S.S. Sandhu
 - d. Rajiv Kumar

Answer: A

CEC Shri Rajiv Kumar along with ECs Shri Gyanesh Kumar and Dr. S.S. Sandhu held a detailed & comprehensive review of the poll preparedness for the forthcoming Assembly Elections in Haryana at Chandigarh. The term of State Assembly in Haryana is due to expire on 3rd November, 2024 and elections are scheduled for 90 ACs (73 General; 17 SC) in the State.

54. Which of the following is not an oilseed?

- a. Safflower
- b. Soybean
- c. Sesame
- d. Berseem

Answer: D

Oilseeds (7): Safflower – 2, Soybean – 2, Groundnut – 2, Sesame -1;

Forage crops (7): Forage pearl millet-1; Berseem–1, Oats–2; Forage maize-2, Forage sorghum–1,

55. What is the rank of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) in the NIRF 2024?

- a. 1st
- b. 15th
- c. 5th
- d. 24th

Answer: B

From 27th rank in 2023 to 15th this year, the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) under Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India has made a steep jump of 12 spots in its NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework) ranking released by Ministry of Education. This has been a record improvement in the institute's ranking since beginning of NIRF ranking in 2016.

56. Which of the following is Parsi New Year?

- a. Lohri
- b. Baisakhi
- c. Navroz
- d. Hijra

Answer: C

“On the auspicious occasion of Parsi New Year Navroz, I extend my warm greetings and best wishes to all the fellow citizens, especially Parsi brothers and sisters.

57. Amrit Udyan, recently seen in the news, is located in

- a. Kolkata
- b. New Delhi
- c. Pune
- d. Gurgaon

Answer: B

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, graced the opening of Amrit Udyan Summer Annuals Edition, 2024 today (August 14, 2024).

The Amrit Udyan will remain open for the public from August 16 to September 15, 2024 from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM (the last entry - 05:15 PM) except on Mondays which will be maintenance day for the Udyan.

58. Who is the Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare at present?
- a. Narendra Singh Tomar
 - b. Radha Mohan Singh
 - c. Surjit Singh Barnala
 - d. Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Answer: D

The ASEAN-India Fellowship for Higher Education in Agriculture and Allied Science was launched by Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development Shri **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** in the presence of Union Ministers of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Shri Bhagirath Choudhary and Shri Ram Nath Thakur in ICAR, PUSA, New Delhi today.

59. President's Tatrakshak Medal is awarded to
- a. Retired Indian civil servants
 - b. Coast guard
 - c. Armed forces engaged in peacekeeping operations
 - d. Disaster management wing of NSG

Answer: B

The President's Tatrakshak Medal or President's Coast Guard Medal is an Indian military decoration, awarded for exceptional devotion to duty or courage in Indian Coast Guard. It is conferred by the President of India every year on the occasion of national celebrations - the Independence Day and the Republic Day.

60. India has increased its tally of Ramsar sites (Wetlands of International Importance) to _____ from existing 82 by designating some more wetlands as Ramsar Sites
- a. 85
 - b. 90

- c. 95
- d. 199

Answer: A

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Shri Bhupender Yadav said on the eve of Independence Day 2024 that India has increased its tally of Ramsar sites (Wetlands of International Importance) to 85 from existing 82 by designating three more wetlands as Ramsar Sites. In a post on X, Shri Yadav expressed happiness on addition of three Ramsar sites on the eve of Independence Day.

61. Which of the following is a week-long residential program for selected students of class IX to XII?
- a. Prerana
 - b. Prachodana
 - c. Pragnya
 - d. Pravarthana

Answer: A

Prerana is a week-long residential program for selected students of class IX to XII. It is an experiential and inspirational learning program for students with the best-in-class technology where heritage meets innovation. A batch of 20 selected students (10 boys and 10 girls) attend the program, every week from various parts of the country.

Prerana program is running from a Vernacular School, established in 1888, in one of the oldest living cities of India, Vadnagar, Mehsana District, Gujarat. The school stands as a tribute to Vadnagar's indomitable spirit, a living city that has triumphed over challenges like earthquakes and natural calamities and is home to ancient heritage sites and monuments inhabited since the early historic period and in the modern day. The school signifies the fact that extraordinary lives often find their roots in ordinary foundations. Grounded in the timeless wisdom of India's rich civilization, this unique initiative embodies a vision aligned with the principles and ideals of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, who is an alumnus.

62. Which of the following is correct with respect to PM SHRI School?
- a. It is a centrally sponsored scheme by the Government of India
 - b. PM SHRI School stands for "PM Schools for Revitalizing India"
 - c. It aims to develop more than 145300 PM SHRI Schools managed by Central Government/State/UT Government/local bodies
 - d. All statements are incorrect

Answer: A

PM SHRI School (PM Schools for **Rising** India) is a centrally sponsored scheme by the Government of India. This initiative is intended to develop more than **14500** PM SHRI Schools

managed by Central Government/State/UT Government/local bodies including KVS and NVS in which every student feels welcomed and cared for, where a safe and stimulating learning environment exists, where a wide range of learning experiences are offered, and where good physical infrastructure and appropriate resources conducive to learning are available to all students.

63. Government of India plans to achieve Viksit Bharat by _____.
- a. 2030
 - b. 2047
 - c. 2070
 - d. 2100

Answer: B

The Prime Minister of India, Sh. Narendra Modi, during his address from the ramparts of the Red Fort on the occasion of 78th Independence Day today, outlined a series of futuristic goals aimed at shaping India's growth and achieving the target of Viksit Bharat by 2047.

64. Jal Jeevan Mission has achieved the target of providing clean drinking water to how many beneficiaries?
- a. 1 crore
 - b. 2 crore
 - c. 10 crore
 - d. 15 crore

Answer: D

On the occasion of the 78th Independence Day, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi delivered a significant address from the historic ramparts of the Red Fort in New Delhi today. In his address, the PM also highlighted the remarkable achievement of the Jal Jeevan Mission to ensure clean drinking water to 15 crore beneficiaries.

The Prime Minister Modi underscored the transformative impact of the Jal Jeevan Mission, a flagship initiative aimed at providing tap water to rural households across India. When the mission was launched, he noted, only 3 crore rural households had access to tap water. Over the past five years, the mission has made substantial progress, extending 'Nal se Jal' to an additional 12 crore households. As a result, approximately 15 crore beneficiaries now enjoy the benefits of tap water under this ambitious programme.

65. Sugamya Bharat is an initiative aimed at
- a. SC/ST
 - b. PwD
 - c. EWS
 - d. DNT

Answer: B

On the occasion of the 78th Independence Day, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi delivered an address from the ramparts of the Red Fort, in New Delhi today. In his speech, he emphasized the government's ongoing commitment to ensuring dignity and enhancing quality of life for Divyangjan (Persons with Disabilities - PwDs).

The Prime Minister noted that new, compassionate decisions are being made to ensure that the Divyangjan community feels dignified and valued. Key initiatives highlighted included:

Sugamya Bharat: This accessibility program aims to create an inclusive environment by improving physical access to public spaces and transportation for people with disabilities.

66. Hindenburg Research, recently seen in the news, is based in

- a. India
- b. USA
- c. UK
- d. France

Answer: B

Hindenburg Research LLC is a U.S. investment research firm with a focus on activist short-selling founded by Nathan Anderson in 2017. Named after the 1937 Hindenburg disaster, which they characterize as a human-made avoidable disaster, the firm generates public reports via its website that allege corporate fraud and malfeasance

67. Madhabi Puri Buch heads which of the following at present?

- a. RBI
- b. CCI
- c. SEBI
- d. IRDAI

Answer: C

Madhabi Puri Buch is an Indian businesswomen who is the chairperson of the securities regulatory body in India, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). She is the first woman to lead SEBI, and the first person from the private sector to be appointed to this position.

68. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has recently approved the proposal for development of New Civil Enclave at Bagdogra Airport, Siliguri, _____

- a. Bihar
- b. Assam
- c. Sikkim
- d. West Bengal

Answer: D

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the proposal of Airports Authority of India (AAI) for development of New Civil Enclave at Bagdogra Airport, Siliguri, West Bengal at an estimated cost of Rs.1549 crore.

The proposed Terminal Building spans 70,390 sqm and is designed to accommodate 3000 Peak Hour Passengers (PHP), with an annual capacity to handle 10 million passengers. Key components of the project include the construction of an Apron capable of accommodating 10 parking bays suitable for A-321 type aircraft, as well as two link taxiways and Multi-Level Car Parking. Emphasizing environmental responsibility, the Terminal Building will be a Green Building, integrating renewable energy sources and maximizing natural lighting to minimize ecological footprint.

69. EOS-08, recently seen in the news, is a
- a. Satellite
 - b. Drone
 - c. Galaxy
 - d. Pathogen

Answer: A

ISRO's latest Earth Observation Satellite 'EOS-08' launched by the Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV)-D3 today at 9:17 hrs from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Shriharikota.

The primary objectives of the EOS-08 mission include designing and developing a microsatellite, creating payload instruments compatible with the microsatellite bus, and incorporating new technologies required for future operational satellites.

Built on the Microsat/IMS-1 bus, EOS-08 carries three payloads: Electro Optical Infrared Payload (EOIR), Global Navigation Satellite System-Reflectometry payload (GNSS-R), and SiC UV Dosimeter. The EOIR payload is designed to capture images in the Mid-Wave IR (MIR) and Long-Wave IR (LWIR) bands, both during the day and night, for applications such as satellite-based surveillance, disaster monitoring, environmental monitoring, fire detection, volcanic activity observation, and industrial and power plant disaster monitoring.

70. National Space Day is celebrated on August _____
- a. 15
 - b. 20
 - c. 22
 - d. 23

Answer: D

To commemorate the successful launch of Chandrayaan-3 Mission, and soft landing of the Vikram Lander and deployment of the Pragyaan Rover on the Moon on 23rd August, 2023, the Government of India has declared 23rd Day of August of every year as the National Space Day (NSpD). With this achievement, India has joined the elite group of Space fairing nations

becoming only the fourth to land on the surface of the Moon, and the first nation to land near the south pole of the Moon.

To mark this special day in the history of the Indian Space Program, the Department of Space is organizing nation-wide celebrations during August, 2024 to engage and inspire the youth of the Nation towards space science and its applications with the theme "Touching lives while touching the Moon: India's Space Saga"

71. APEDA has recently facilitated the export of India's first ready-to-drink fig juice, made from GI-tagged _____ Figs, to Poland
- Shivneri
 - Raigad
 - Panhala
 - Purandar

Answer: D

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) facilitated the export of India's first ready-to-drink fig juice, made from GI-tagged Purandar Figs, to Poland. This milestone shipment, flagged off by Chairman APEDA, in the presence of all stakeholders, departed on August 1, 2024, via Hamburg port in Germany. This event marks a significant achievement in promoting India's unique agro-products on the global stage.

72. Who is the incumbent Chairperson of APEDA?
- V. K. Vidyarthi
 - Saswati Bose
 - Abhishek Dev
 - Vinita Sudhanshu

Answer: C

Chairman APEDA, Shri Abhishek Dev

73. Project BHISHM is associated with
- Missile development
 - MGNREGA
 - Precision agriculture
 - Heath

Answer: D

Indian Air Force (IAF) and Indian Army have jointly carried out a first-of-its-kind precise para-drop operation of the Aarogya Maitri Health Cube at a high-altitude area close to 15,000 feet. These critical trauma care cubes have been indigenously developed under **Project BHISHM (Bharat Health Initiative for Sahyog Hita and Maitri)**. The operation was conducted in

line with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of providing critical supplies to Humanitarian Aid and Disaster Relief (HADR) affected areas.

74. 17th edition of the International Earth Sciences Olympiad (IESO) was held in _____
- India
 - USA
 - China
 - Japan

Answer: C

The Indian student team has bagged multiple prestigious medals at the 17th edition of the International Earth Sciences Olympiad (IESO) held in Beijing, China, from August 08-16, 2024. The four-membered Indian team comprising students from Gujarat, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, and Rajasthan have won three gold and bronze each and two silver medals across three competition categories (Theory and Practical, Earth System Project, and International Team Filed Investigation).

75. Government of India aims at FMD-Mukt Bharat (FMD-Foot & Mouth Disease) with vaccination by _____.
- 2025
 - 2030
 - 2047
 - 2027

Answer: B

Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan Singh, Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying today review the measures taken by the department towards achieving the goal of FMD-Mukt Bharat (FMD-Foot & Mouth Disease) with vaccination by 2030. Shri Singh said that the Livestock sector is an important sector contributing not only to the Indian economy but to the livelihood of farmers, particularly for the rural household and women who are the major force behind taking care of the livestock. Union Minister observed that health care awareness, accessibility and interest remains an area of concern owing to which there are huge losses in livelihoods. Prof. S.P. Singh Baghel, Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying and Secretary, DAHD, Smt. Alka Upadhy were also present in the meeting.

76. Shankar Dayal Sharma was an Indian lawyer and politician from the state of Madhya Pradesh who served as the _____ President of India, from 1992 to 1997
- Eighth
 - Ninth
 - Seventh
 - Tenth

Answer: B

Shankar Dayal Sharma was an Indian lawyer and politician from the state of Madhya Pradesh who served as the ninth president of India, from 1992 to 1997

77. Who is the incumbent Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?

- a. Kishore Mandappa Chamundeshwari
- b. K. Kailashnathan
- c. Sriramakrishna
- d. Manoj V J

Answer: B

Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry, Shri. K. Kailashnathan met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today in New Delhi.

78. Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur was a king of

- a. Bhopal
- b. Tripura
- c. Kapurthala
- d. Bhutan

Answer: B

Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur was a king (or Maharaja) of Tripura State. He is popularly known as "The Architect Of Modern Tripura"

79. What does N stand for in "IONS" in the context of meetings held in Indian Ocean region?

- a. Naval
- b. Navigation
- c. National
- d. None of the above

Answer: A

The Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) is a series of biennial meetings between the littoral states of the Indian Ocean region. It provides a forum to increase maritime security cooperation, discuss regional maritime issues, and promote friendly relationships among the member states.

80. Admiral Aleksandr Alekseyevich Moiseyev has recently visited India. He represents which of the following countries?

- a. Russia
- b. Belarus

- c. Ukraine
- d. Spain

Answer:

A

Admiral Aleksandr Alekseyevich Moiseyev, Commander-in-Chief, Russian Federation Navy is on an official visit to India from 19 to 22 Aug 24. The visit is a testimony to the longstanding relationship between the navies of Russia and India. The visit aims to strengthen bilateral naval relations between India and Russia, as also to explore new avenues for naval cooperation.

81. The overall tele-density in India increased from 84.51% at the end of March 2023 to _____% at the end of March 2024 at yearly rate of growth of 1.39%, as per annual report released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).
- a. 95.69
 - b. 89.69
 - c. 85.69
 - d. 93.69

Answer: C

Indian telecom sector has witnessed remarkable growth during the financial year 2023-2024, as highlighted in the annual report released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).

The report highlights significant growth trends and key parameters across various services. The Report has been prepared based on the information furnished by the Service Providers. The report shows that the overall tele-density in India increased from 84.51% at the end of March 2023 to 85.69% at the end of March 2024 at yearly rate of growth of 1.39%.

82. FPS Sahay application is an initiative of
- a. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
 - b. Ministry of Food Processing Industries
 - c. Ministry of Finance
 - d. NITI Aayog

Answer:

A

The Union Minister of **Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution** and New and Renewable Energy, Shri Pralhad Venkatesh Joshi launched pilot for transformation of 60 Fair Price Shops into Jan Poshan Kendra. On the occasion, he also launched **FPS Sahay application**, Mera Ration app 2.0, Quality Management System, Quality Manual Handbook, Contract Manual FCI and NABL Accreditation of 3 Laboratories here today.

83. The 3rd India-Japan 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue was seen in the news recently. Who among the following did not participate in the dialogue?
- Defence Minister
 - Home Minister
 - External Affairs Minister
 - All of the above participated

Answer: B

India and Japan will hold 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue in New Delhi on Tuesday (20th August 2024). Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar, Japanese Minister of Defense Kihara Minoru and Minister of Foreign Affairs Ms Yoko Kamikawa will take part in the meeting. On the sidelines of the 2+2 dialogue, a bilateral meeting is scheduled between the Defence Minister and his Japanese counterpart.

84. PARIVESH 2.0 portal comes under
- Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
 - Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
 - Department of Personnel and Training
 - NITI Aayog

Answer: B

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India notified the Living Animal Species (Reporting and Registration) Rules, 2024 under Section 49 M vide Gazette Notification dated 28th February 2024.

As per these rules, every person who is in possession of any living specimen of species listed in Schedule IV of the Wild Life (Protection) Act 1972, **is required to report** the details of such animals and submit an application for registration electronically through the **PARIVESH 2.0** portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/parivesh-ua/hashtag/>) to the Chief Wild Life Warden of the concerned State, **within a period of six months from the issue of gazette notification** and or within thirty days of possession of such animal species.

85. The second edition of the National Conference of Enforcement Chiefs of the State and the Central GST Formations (2024) was held in _____
- Coimbatore
 - Mumbai
 - Lucknow
 - New Delhi

Answer: D

The second edition of the National Conference of Enforcement Chiefs of the State and the Central GST Formations was held in New Delhi today. The conference was chaired by Shri Sanjay Malhotra, Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance. The National Conference comes in the backdrop of special drive being undertaken by both Central and State formations to identify and weed out fake registrations.

86. What was the theme of the 19th CII India-Africa Business Conclave which was held recently?
- Crafting Our Common Destiny
 - Creating One Future
 - Shaping a Shared Tomorrow
 - Building a Unified Future

Answer: B

It is a privilege to address the inaugural session of this uniquely representative august gathering from Africa and Bharat. Both being 1.4 billion each. I welcome all distinguished dignitaries to Bharat.

I extend my warmest greetings to you all and convey the best wishes of the people of India to yours.

The theme of this India-Africa Business Conclave, 'Creating One Future', is deeply embedded in our civilisational ethos, and amplified in the motto of India's G20 Presidency, which stood for 'One Earth, One Family, One Future'.

87. Battle of Monte Cassino was part of
- African civil wars
 - Korean wars
 - Israel-Arab wars
 - World War II

Answer: D

The Battle of Monte Cassino, also known as the Battle for Rome, was a series of four military assaults by the Allies against German forces in Italy during the Italian Campaign of World War II. The objective was to break through the Winter Line and facilitate an advance towards Rome.

88. RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das has been rated “_____” for the second time in a row in Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2024

- a. A+
- b. B+
- c. C+
- d. D+

Answer:

A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated RBI Governor Shri Shaktikanta Das on being rated “A+”, for the second time in a row, in Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2024.

89. Who is the incumbent DG National Cadet Corps?

- a. Gurbirpal Singh
- b. Abi Gamin
- c. Jayanto Nath Chaudhuri
- d. Hrushikesh Moolgavkar

Answer:

A

DG National Cadet Corps Lt General Gurbirpal Singh flagged-off the NCC Girls & Boys Mountaineering Expedition to Mt Abi Gamin (Uttarakhand) on August 21, 2024, from New Delhi. The team comprising 34 cadets, six officers and 20 Permanent Instructors Staff from various NCC Directorates across the country, will participate in this challenging expedition. This is the 88th NCC Cadets’ Mountaineering Expedition since 1970.

90. Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs has recently presided over the _____ anniversary of Income Tax Day observed by Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), in New Delhi

- a. 175th
- b. 155th
- c. 165th
- d. 185th

Answer:

C

Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman presided over the 165th anniversary of Income Tax Day observed by Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), in New Delhi, today. Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Pankaj Chaudhary also graced the event with his presence. Shri Sanjay Malhotra, Secretary, Revenue; Shri Ravi Agrawal, Chairman, CBDT; Members of CBDT and other officers and officials of the Department were present on the occasion. The function was graced by Senior Officers in Government of India.

91. In the first edition of the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar, 33 awards were presented to distinguished scientists in _____ categories.

- a. 2
- b. 4
- c. 3
- d. 5

Answer: B

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu presented the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar-2024 at an award ceremony held at Gantantra Mandap, Rashtrapati Bhavan today (August 22, 2024).

In the first edition of the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar, 33 awards were presented to distinguished scientists in four categories - Vigyan Ratna, Vigyan Shri, Vigyan Yuva, and Vigyan Team.

The Vigyan Ratna Award, given to the scientists who have made lifetime contributions in any field of Science and Technology, was presented to Prof. Govindarajan Padmanabhan, a pioneer of molecular biology and biotechnology research in India. The Vigyan Shri Awards, given to the scientists who have made distinguished contributions to Science and Technology, were presented to 13 scientists for their path-breaking research in their respective domains. The Vigyan Yuva-SSB award, given to recognize scientists who have exceptionally contributed to any field of science and technology, was given to 18 scientists for their significant contribution in the areas spanning from the study on the warming of the Indian Ocean and its consequences, to the development of indigenous 5G base station and communication and precision tests of quantum mechanics. The Vigyan Team Award, given to a team of 3 or more scientists for making ground-breaking research contributions in any field of science and technology, was given to the team of Chandrayaan-3 for the successful landing of Chandrayaan-3 lander near the south pole of the moon.

92. Prime Minister of India has recently paid his respects at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Warsaw. This place is in _____

- a. Russia
- b. Ukraine
- c. Poland
- d. Germany

Answer: C

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a monument in Warsaw, Poland, dedicated to the unknown soldiers who have given their lives for Poland. It is one of many such national tombs of unknowns that were erected after World War I, and the most important such monument in Poland.

93. Who among the following is the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland at present?
- Andrzej Duda
 - Krzysztof Gawkowski
 - Władysław Kosiniak-Kamysz
 - Donald Franciszek Tusk

Answer:

D

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met H.E. Mr. Donald Tusk, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland in Warsaw today. Upon arrival at the Federal Chancellery, Prime Minister was received by Prime Minister Donald Tusk and accorded a ceremonial welcome.

94. The Election Commission of India deploys Observers under Section 20B of the Representation of the People Act, _____ and plenary powers of the Constitution.
- 1950
 - 1951
 - 1947
 - 1919

Answer: B

The Commission deploys Observers under Section 20B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 and plenary powers of the Constitution. The Observers are entrusted with the crucial responsibility of observance of the election process, the fairness, impartiality and credibility which forms the bedrock of our democratic polity. The Commission puts a great deal of faith in its General, Police and Expenditure Observers and the role of such Observers in ensuring free and fair Elections is of utmost importance for the Commission. These Central Observers not only help the Commission in fulfilling its constitutional mandate of conducting free, fair, transparent and inclusive elections but also to enhance the voter awareness and participation in election. The main objective of Election Observation is to identify areas for improvements and to formulate concrete and operative recommendations. These Observers are known for being the eyes and ears of the Commission.

95. Network Planning Group (NPG), frequently referred to in the news, is in relation to
- PM GatiShakti initiative
 - BharatNet Project
 - National Monetization Pipeline
 - International North–South Transport Corridor

Answer: A

The 77th meeting of the Network Planning Group (NPG) under the PM GatiShakti initiative was convened in New Delhi yesterday under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Shri Rajeev Singh Thakur. The meeting focused on evaluating six important infrastructure projects from Ministry of Railways (MoR), Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH), Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) and Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) were evaluated for their alignment with the principles of integrated planning outlined in the PM GatiShakti National Master Plan (NMP). The evaluation and their anticipated impacts of these projects are detailed below.

96. India is celebrating its maiden National Space Day [NSpD-2024] on August 23, 2024 with the theme _____
- Exploring the Stars, Empowering the Nation: India's Space Odyssey
 - Reaching the Skies, Uplifting Lives: India's Cosmic Journey
 - Beyond the Horizon, Within Every Heart: India's Space Mission
 - Touching Lives while Touching the Moon: India's Space Saga

Answer:

D

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced the first National Space Day Celebration at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi today (August 23, 2024). National Space Day is being celebrated to commemorate the successful landing of the 'Vikram' Lander on the surface of the Moon on August 23, 2023. The President presented awards to winners of 'Robotics Challenge' and 'Bharatiya Antariksh Hackathon' on the occasion.

To honour this landmark achievement, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced August 23 as "National Space Day". India is celebrating its maiden National Space Day [NSpD-2024] on August 23, 2024 with the theme "Touching Lives while Touching the Moon: India's Space Saga."

97. National Forensic Sciences University is a public international university located in ____X_____. Identify X.
- Gandhinagar
 - Pune
 - Ranchi
 - Ghaziabad

Answer:

A

National Forensic Sciences University is a public international university located in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India. It is recognized as an Institution of National Importance under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, by an act of the Indian Parliament

98. _____ consists of medicines and equipment for the first line of care for all kinds of injuries and medical situations. It also includes surgical equipment for a basic Operation Room that can manage 10-15 basic surgeries per day.
- SHAKTI Cube
 - VIKRANT Cube
 - BHISHM Cube
 - ASTRA Cube

Answer:

C

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi presented four BHISHM (Bharat Health Initiative for Sahyog Hita & Maitri) Cubes to the Government of Ukraine today. President of Ukraine H.E. Mr. Volodymyr Zelenskyy thanked Prime Minister for the humanitarian assistance. The Cubes will help in expeditious treatment of the injured and contribute to saving precious lives.

Each BHISHM Cube consists of medicines and equipment for the first line of care for all kinds of injuries and medical situations. It also includes surgical equipment for a basic Operation Room that can manage 10-15 basic surgeries per day. The Cube has the capacity to handle about 200 cases of diverse nature in emergency situations such as trauma, bleeding, burns, fractures, etc. It can also generate its own power and oxygen in limited amounts. A team of experts from India has been deployed to provide initial training to the Ukrainian side to operate the Cube.

99. Which of the following envisages provision of Broadband through Public Wi-Fi Hotspot providers, consisting of elements such as Public Data Office (PDO), Public Data Office Aggregator (PDOA), App Provider and Central Registry?
- PM-DISHA
 - PM-VIKAS
 - PM-WANI
 - PM-UDAY

Answer:

C

The PM-WANI framework envisages provision of Broadband through Public Wi-Fi Hotspot providers. It will consist of elements such as Public Data Office (PDO), Public Data Office Aggregator (PDOA), App Provider and Central Registry.

100. Department of Posts has launched a philately scholarship scheme _____ for the promotion of aptitude and research in stamps as a hobby for generating interest regarding philately amongst students
- Sardar Patel VIKAS Yojana
 - Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana
 - Shyama Prasad SHIKSHA Yojana

d. Dr. Ambedkar SAMRIDHI Yojana

Answer:

B

Amateur stamp collectors interested in philately will soon get a boost. With a view to promote and bring philately into the mainstream of the education system, Department of Posts has launched a philately scholarship scheme Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana for the promotion of aptitude and research in stamps as a hobby for generating interest regarding philately amongst students. Shri Krishna Kumar Yadav, Postmaster General of North Gujarat Region, Ahmedabad said it is proposed to grant scholarship of ₹ 6,000/- per annum to those meritorious students of classes 6 to 9, whose academic records are good as well as who have adopted Philately as a hobby. Last date for applying in the prescribed format to appear in the examination to be conducted for the selection of beneficiaries in this scholarship scheme is 18th September, 2024.

101. Which of the following is not a feature of the recently approved Unified Pension Scheme?

- a. Assured pension of 50% of the average basic pay drawn over the last 12 months prior to superannuation for a minimum qualifying service of 25 years
- b. Assured family pension of 60% of pension of the employee immediately before her/his demise
- c. Assured minimum pension of 20,000 per month on superannuation after minimum 10 years of service
- d. lump sum payment at superannuation in addition to gratuity

Answer:

C

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS).

The salient features of the UPS are:

Assured pension: 50% of the average basic pay drawn over the last 12 months prior to superannuation for a minimum qualifying service of 25 years. This pay is to be proportionate for lesser service period upto a minimum of 10 years of service.

Assured family pension: @60% of pension of the employee immediately before her/his demise.

Assured minimum pension: @10,000 per month on superannuation after minimum 10 years of service.

Inflation indexation: on assured pension, on assured family pension and assured minimum pension

Dearness Relief based on All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (AICPI-IW) as in case of service employees

lump sum payment at superannuation in addition to gratuity

1/10th of monthly emoluments (pay + DA) as on the date of superannuation for every completed six months of service this payment will not reduce the quantum of assured pension

102. Vigyan Dhara is a scheme of

- a. Department of Science and Technology
- b. Department of Higher Education
- c. NITI Aayog
- d. Ministry of Women and Child Development

Answer: A

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved continuation of the three umbrella schemes, merged into a unified central sector scheme namely 'Vigyan Dhara' of **Department of Science and Technology (DST)**.

The scheme has three broad components:

Science and Technology (S&T) Institutional and Human Capacity Building,

Research and Development and

Innovation, Technology Development and Deployment.

103. Union Cabinet has recently approved BioE3 policy of the

- a. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- b. Department of Pharmaceuticals
- c. Department of Higher Education
- d. Department of Biotechnology

Answer:

D

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved the proposal 'BioE3 (Biotechnology for Economy, Environment and Employment) Policy for Fostering High Performance Biomanufacturing' of the Department of Biotechnology.

The salient features of BioE3 policy include innovation-driven support to R&D and entrepreneurship across thematic sectors. This will accelerate technology development and commercialization by establishing Biomanufacturing & Bio-AI hubs and Biofoundry. Along with prioritizing regenerative bioeconomy models of green growth, this policy will facilitate expansion of India's skilled workforce and provide a surge in job creation.

104. Who is the incumbent Chairman -cum- Managing Director of Coal India Limited?

- a. B. Veera Reddy
- b. Vinay Ranjan
- c. Debasish Nanda
- d. P M Prasad

Answer: D

Shri PM Prasad, has assumed the charge of Chairman -cum- Managing Director of Coal India Limited on 1st July, 2023. Prior to this, he was holding charge of Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) from 01/09/2020.

105.10th India International MSME Startup Expo & Summit 2024 was held in _____

- a. Hyderabad
- b. New Delhi
- c. Bengaluru
- d. Pune

Answer: B

An MSME should not be looked upon as merely a small enterprise, its thinking should not be small or negative since MSMEs are a big force, they are successful, they are the strength of the nation, are giving employment to millions of countrymen and contribute to nation building. This was stated by Union Commerce and Industry Minister, Shri Piyush Goyal at the 10th India International MSME Startup Expo & Summit 2024 in **New Delhi** today.

106.Anthony Albanese is the incumbent Prime Minister of _____

- a. UK
- b. Australia
- c. New Zealand
- d. Canada

Answer: B

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today spoke with the Prime Minister of Australia, Mr Anthony Albanese. Both leaders took stock of progress in the bilateral relations and cooperation in the multilateral fora, including the Quad.

107.How many new districts have been created in Ladakh in August 2024?

- a. 10
- b. 2
- c. 4
- d. 5

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated the people of Ladakh for the creation of five new districts. He remarked that the new districts of Zaskar, Drass, Sham, Nubra, and Changthang will now receive more focused attention, bringing services and opportunities even closer to the people.

108. Janmashtami celebrates _____

- a. Birth of Shiva
- b. Birth of Rama
- c. Birth of Krishna
- d. Marriage of Krishna

Answer: C

Krishna Janmashtami, also known simply as Krishnashtami, Janmashtami, or Gokulashtami, is an annual Hindu festival that celebrates the birth of Krishna, the eighth avatar of Vishnu.

109. Which of the following statues was in the news in August 2024 in association with its collapse?

- a. Statue of Unity
- b. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Statue
- c. Thiruvalluvar Statue
- d. Gommateshwara Statue

Answer: B

Indian Navy notes with deep concern the damage caused this morning to the statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj that was unveiled on Navy Day on 04 Dec 2023 as a dedication to the citizens of Sindhudurg.

Along with the State Government and concerned specialists, the Navy has deputed a team to immediately investigate the cause of this unfortunate accident and initiate steps to repair, restore and reinstate the statue at the earliest.

110. The National Civil Rights Museum is a complex of museums and historic buildings in Memphis, _____

- a. USA
- b. Germany
- c. UK
- d. Australia

Answer: A

The National Civil Rights Museum is a complex of museums and historic buildings in Memphis, Tennessee; its exhibits trace the history of the civil rights movement in the United States from the 17th century to the present. The museum is built around the former Lorraine Motel, which was the site of the 1968 assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. Two other buildings and their adjacent property, also connected with the King assassination, have been acquired as part of the museum complex.

111.Prem Singh Tamang is the incumbent Chief Minister of _____

- a. Ladakh
- b. Meghalaya
- c. Sikkim
- d. Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: C

Chief Minister of Sikkim, Shri Prem Singh Tamang met with Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi yesterday in New Delhi.

112.International Buddhist Confederation, in collaboration with the Nava Nalanda Mahavihara will organise a two-day International Conference on the Life and Living Legacy of Guru _____Conference on 28th and 29th August, 2024 at Nalanda.

- a. Dharmakirti
- b. Shantarakshita
- c. Buddhaghosa
- d. Padmasambhava

Answer: D

International Buddhist Confederation, in collaboration with the Nava Nalanda Mahavihara will organise a two-day International Conference on the Life and Living Legacy of Guru Padmasambhava Conference on 28th and 29th August, 2024 at Nalanda, Bihar. Also known as Guru Rinpoche Guru Padmasambhava lived in the eighth century in ancient India. One of the most revered figures in Buddha Dhamma today, he is credited with the dissemination of Buddha Dhamma across the Himalayan belt.

113.Who is the incumbent Chief of the Naval Staff?

- a. Shashi Tripathi
- b. Dinesh K Tripathi
- c. V Srinivas

d. Giridhar Aramane

Answer: B

Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff accompanied by Mrs. Shashi Tripathi, President of Navy Welfare and Wellness Association (NWWA) arrived on his maiden visit to Southern Naval Command (SNC), Kochi on 26 Aug 24 after taking over the helm.

114. ICAR-CIFE and VAMNICOM have recently signed an MoU to enhance cooperative management in _____

- a. Fisheries
- b. Poultry
- c. Dairy
- d. Horticulture

Answer: A

In a significant stride towards fostering collaboration in the field of cooperative management within the fisheries sector, the Central Institute of Fisheries Education (ICAR-CIFE) and the Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Monday (August 26, 2024). This is an important step forward in realization of the vision of establishment of 2 lakh PACS, Dairy and Fishery Cooperatives in every Panchayat.

ICAR-CIFE and VAMNICOM Sign MoU to Enhance Cooperative Management in Fisheries

115. Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) celebrates its _____ foundation day in 2024

- a. 50th
- b. 57th
- c. 54th
- d. 60th

Answer: C

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah will attend the 54th Foundation Day celebration of Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) as the Chief Guest on Wednesday (August 28, 2024) in New Delhi. On the occasion, the Home Minister will deliver the Dr. Anand Swaroop Gupta Memorial Lecture on "New Criminal Law - Citizen Centric Reforms." Shri Amit Shah will also honour the recipients of the President's Medal for Distinguished Service (PSM) and President's Medal for Meritorious Service (MSM) for the years

2023 and 2024. During the function, the Home Minister will also release a special edition of the Bureau's publication "Indian Police Journal" on new criminal laws.

116.Paralympics 2024 will be held in

- a. London
- b. Los Angeles
- c. Paris
- d. Canberra

Answer: C

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today wished the Indian contingent participating in the Paris Paralympics 2024. Praising the courage and determination of athletes, he said 140 crore Indians were rooting for their success.

117.Prime Minister has recently chaired the meeting of the 44th edition of PRAGATI, the ICT-based multi-modal platform. Which of the following accurately describes PRAGATI?

- a. Proactive Governance and Swift Implementation
- b. Pro-Active Governance with Timely Action
- c. Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation
- d. Pro-Active Governance and Timely Execution

Answer: C

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi earlier today chaired the meeting of the 44th edition of PRAGATI, the ICT-based multi-modal platform for Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation, involving Centre and State governments. This was the first meeting in the third term.

118.Which of the following is an initiative launched in April 24, 2022 by the Indian government to rejuvenate and develop water bodies across the country?

- a. PM KUSUM
- b. Mission Amrit Sarovar
- c. E-flow
- d. Neeranchal

Answer: B

The Mission Amrit Sarovar was launched on 24th April 2022 and completed on 15th August, 2023. The Mission was aimed at developing / rejuvenating 75 Amrit Sarovar (Pond) in each district of the Country, totaling about 50,000 Amrit Sarovars across the country.

119.How many years has the Jan Dhan Yojana completed as of 2024?

- a. 8
- b. 9
- c. 10
- d. 5

Answer: C

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today penned a post on social media platform LinkedIn, marking 10 years of Jan Dhan Yojana.

The post titled 'A Decade of Financial Inclusion - the PM Jan Dhan Yojana' highlights the transformative outcomes of this initiative.

120.In which year was the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund launched?"

- a. 2020
- b. 2022
- c. 2024
- d. 2023

Answer:

A

Since its launch by the Prime Minister in 2020, AIF has been instrumental in supporting creation of 6623 warehouses, 688 cold stores and 21 silos projects, resulting in additional storage capacity of about 500 LMT in the country. This includes 465 LMT of dry storage and 35 LMT of cold storage capacity. With this additional storage capacity 18.6 LMT of food grains and 3.44 LMT of horticulture produce can be saved annually. Rs. 47,575 Crore has been sanctioned for 74,508 projects under AIF till date. These sanctioned projects have mobilized an investment of Rs 78,596 Crore in agriculture sector, out of which Rs.78,433 Crore has been mobilised from private entities. In addition, infrastructure projects sanctioned under AIF have helped in generating more than 8.19 Lakh rural employment opportunities in the agriculture sector.

121.La Ganesan is the incumbent Governor of _____

- a. Nagaland
- b. Manipur
- c. Sikkim
- d. Mizoram

Answer: A

The Governor of Nagaland Shri La Ganesan met Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today.

122.National Sports Day is observed on August _____ every year

- a. 23
- b. 26
- c. 29
- d. 31

Answer:

C

National Sports Day is observed on August 29 every year. Sports are an integral part of life. These activities are not only fun to play but also improve our health and physical fitness.

123.Asola-Bhati Wildlife Sanctuary is located in _____

- a. Delhi
- b. Lakshadweep
- c. Madhya Pradesh
- d. Assam

Answer: A

Asola-Bhati Wildlife Sanctuary covering 32.71 km² area on the Southern Delhi Ridge of Aravalli hill range on Delhi-Haryana border lies in Southern Delhi as well as northern parts of Faridabad and Gurugram districts of Haryana state

124.Prime Minister of India launched the Global Campaign #Plant4Mother on _____2024

- a. 5th July
- b. 5th June
- c. 22nd March
- d. 15th August

Answer: B

Union Minister said that the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched the Global Campaign #एक_पेड़_मां_के_नाम #Plant4Mother on the occasion of World Environment Day, on 5th June 2024 and to ensure the Prime Minister resolution our Ministries today started #एक_पेड़_मां_के_नाम #Plant4Mother campaign as a mass movement. Shri Chouhan requested to all officers/ employees and the school student present during the occasion to participating in the movement and to pay their respect to their mother and mother earth by planting trees.

125.Which of the following hosted a groundbreaking National Workshop on the Right to Repair Framework for the Mobile and Electronic Sectors in August 2024?

- a. TRAI
- b. CII
- c. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

d. Department of Consumer Affairs

Answer: D

The Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA), Government of India, hosted a groundbreaking National Workshop on the Right to Repair Framework for the Mobile and Electronic Sectors here today. The event was aimed at establishing a consensus among industry stakeholders on key parameters for accessing and evaluating repairability index, promoting longevity in product design, and democratizing repair information to enhance consumer experiences in reusing the mobile and electronics products they own.

126. Manish Narwal has recently won a silver medal in the P1 Men's _____m Air Pistol SH1 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

- a. 5
- b. 10
- c. 20
- d. 50

Answer: B

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi expressed happiness as Manish Narwal wins the Silver in the P1 Men's 10m Air Pistol SH1 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

127. Indian athlete Preeti Pal has recently won a bronze medal in the 100m T_____ event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.

- a. 25
- b. 45
- c. 35
- d. 55

Answer:

C

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Indian athlete, Preeti Pal on winning Bronze medal in the 100m T35 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

128. The Prime Minister of India has recently laid the foundation stone of Vadhvan Port worth around Rs 76,000 crore in _____

- a. Maharashtra
- b. Gujarat
- c. Andhra Pradesh
- d. West Bengal

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple development projects in Palghar, **Maharashtra** today. The projects of today include laying the foundation stone of Vadhvan Port at a cost of around Rs 76,000 crore, and inauguration and laying the foundation stone of 218 fisheries projects worth around Rs 1,560 crore. Shri Modi launched the national rollout of Vessel Communication and Support system at a cost of around Rs 360 crore. The Prime Minister also laid the foundation stone for important fishery infrastructure projects including development, upgradation and modernization of fishing harbours, fish landing centers and construction of fish markets. He handed out transponder sets and Kisan Credit Cards to fishermen beneficiaries.

129. Who among the following won a bronze medal in R2 Women 10m Air Rifle SH1 event at the Paris Paralympics 2024?

- a. Sona Agarwal
- b. Sonika Agarwal
- c. Monakshi Agarwal
- d. Mona Agarwal

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Indian shooter, Mona Agarwal on winning the Bronze medal in R2 Women 10m Air Rifle SH1 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

130. Indian shooter Avani Lekhara has recently won a _____ medal in the R2 Women's 10m Air Rifle SH1 event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.

- a. Gold
- b. Bronze
- c. Silver
- d. Diamond

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Indian shooter, Avani Lekhara on winning the Gold medal in R2 Women 10m Air Rifle SH1 event in Paris Paralympics 2024.

The Prime Minister said Avani Lekhara also created history as she is the 1st Indian woman athlete to win 3 Paralympic medals.

131. Indian Institute of Petroleum is located in _____

- a. Dehradun
- b. Roorkee
- c. Bhopal

d. Kanpur

Answer: A

Location: Dehradun

132. Rubina Francis has recently won a bronze medal in the P2 Women's _____m Air Pistol SH1 event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.

- a. 10
- b. 20
- c. 50
- d. 100

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Rubina Francis on winning Bronze in P2 - Women's 10M Air Pistol SH1 event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.

133. Who among the following inaugurated the National Conference of District Judiciary at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi in 2024?

- a. Prime Minister of India
- b. Chief Justice of India
- c. President of India
- d. Attorney General of India

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Conference of District Judiciary at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi today. The Prime Minister also unveiled the stamp and coin commemorating 75 years of the establishment of the Supreme Court of India. The two-day Conference, organized by the Supreme Court of India, hosts five working sessions to deliberate and discuss the issues related to the District Judiciary such as Infrastructure and Human Resources, Inclusive Courtrooms for all, Judicial Security and Judicial Wellness, Case Management and Judicial Training.

134. Which of the following states is going to polls in the General Election to the legislative assembly in October 2024?

- a. Karnataka
- b. Haryana
- c. Uttar Pradesh
- d. West Bengal

Answer: B

The Election Commission of India had announced the schedule for General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Jammu and Kashmir and Haryana vide Press Note No. ECI/PN/128/2024 dated 16th August, 2024 wherein the date of poll for J&K (Phase-3) and Haryana was fixed on 1st October, 2024 (Tuesday), date of Counting on 04.10.2024(Friday) and date of completion of election process on 06.10.2024 (Sunday).

135.The Prime Minister of India has recently released a commemorative postage stamp celebrating _____ years of the Supreme Court of India.

- a. 85
- b. 75
- c. 95
- d. 125

Answer: B

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today released a commemorative postage stamp celebrating 75 years of the Supreme Court of India. The stamp was unveiled during the inaugural session of the District Judges Conference held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.

Supreme Court Chief Justice Dr D Y Chandrachud; Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of Law & Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, and other distinguished dignitaries were present at the event.

The commemorative stamp symbolizes the Supreme Court's invaluable contribution to India's judicial system and its pivotal role in shaping the legal landscape of the Nation. The Supreme Court, established on January 28, 1950, has been at the forefront of upholding the rule of law, safeguarding the rights of citizens, and ensuring the administration of justice across the country.