

CURRENT AFFAIRS JUNE 2024

1. The counting of votes for General Election to the House of the People – 2024 is being held on _____ 2024
 - a. June 1
 - b. June 2
 - c. June 3
 - d. June 4

Answer: D

The counting of votes for General Election to the House of the People – 2024 and State Legislative Assemblies of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha and bye-elections to Assembly Constituencies shall be held **on 4th June, 2024** (Tuesday) starting 8AM onwards. The counting of votes for GE to the State Legislative Assembly of Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh will start from 6AM on June 2, 2024 (Sunday). CEC Shri Rajiv Kumar along with ECs Shri Gyanesh Kumar and Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu had reviewed the counting day preparations with all CEOs and ROs.

2. Who is the incumbent Commandant, College of Defence Management, Secunderabad?
 - a. Harsh Chhibber
 - b. Sanjay Datt
 - c. R M Khetarpal
 - d. Giridhar Aramane

Answer:

A

Maj Gen Harsh Chhibber took over as the Commandant, College of Defence Management, Secunderabad on 31 May 24 from Rear Admiral Sanjay Datt. An alumnus of the National Defence Academy, Major General Harsh Chhibber was commissioned into the Army Service Corps in December 1988.

3. Who among the following was the Chair of Committee A of the 77th World Health Assembly?
 - a. Preeti Sudan
 - b. C. K. Mishra
 - c. Luv Verma
 - d. Apurva Chandra

Answer: D

Shri Apurva Chandra, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare who was the Chair of Committee A of the 77th World Health Assembly delivered the concluding remarks to the plenary, in Geneva yesterday. Presenting his report on the work of Committee A over the last 6 days, he highlighted the intense agenda with rich discussions in the assembly which culminated into decisions that will shape the future of global health.

4. Red Flag 24, recently seen in the news, is a
- multinational naval defence exercise
 - multinational anti-piracy drill
 - multinational air combat exercise
 - multinational maritime domain awareness

Answer: C

The Indian Air Force (IAF) personnel on Thursday touched down at the United States Air Force's Eielson AF Base in Alaska to participate in 'Red Flag 24', a multinational air combat exercise. 'Red Flag 24' is an advanced training program that spans over a period of two weeks, focusing on honing the skills and tactics required in aerial combat scenarios.

5. India has climbed to the _____ position in the World Economic Forum's Travel & Tourism Development Index 2024
- 29th
 - 49th
 - 39th
 - 19th

Answer:

C

India has climbed to the 39th position in the World Economic Forum's Travel & Tourism Development Index 2024, while US topped the list. India also ranks the highest in South Asia among the lower-middle-income economies. Earlier, India was ranked 54th in 2021 published index.

On an overall index score of 7, where 1 is the worst, and 7 the best, India scored 4.25. India's significant leap in the rankings underscores its growing competitiveness in the global tourism landscape. The biennial index analyzed the travel and tourism sectors of 119 countries, evaluating them on a range of factors and policies that foster tourism development.

6. Phenome India Project, recently seen in the news, is an initiative of
- World Bank
 - CSIR
 - NITI Aayog

d. IISc

Answer: B

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) announced the successful conclusion of the first phase of its groundbreaking longitudinal health monitoring project, the 'Phenome India-CSIR Health Cohort Knowledgebase' (PI-CheCK). To mark this significant milestone, CSIR organized a special event, 'Phenome India Unboxing 1.0', at the National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Goa today, 3rd June. Dr. Souvik Maiti Director, CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB), Dr. Sunil Kumar Singh, Director at CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Dr. Shantanu Sengupta, Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR-IGIB, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Singh, Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR and Dr. Viren Sardana, Senior Scientist at Centre of Excellence for Intelligent Sensors and Systems were among the dignitaries present.

7. The Supreme Court has recently reconstituted its Gender Sensitisation and Internal Complaints Committee. The 12-member committee is headed by _____
- B.V. Nagarathna
 - Sukhda Pritam
 - Hima Kohli
 - Meenakshi Arora

Answer: C

The Supreme Court has reconstituted its Gender Sensitisation and Internal Complaints Committee.

"In exercise of powers conferred by Clause 4(2) of the Gender Sensitisation and Sexual Harassment of Women at the Supreme Court of India (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Regulations, 2013 and all enabling provisions in this behalf, Hon'ble Chief Justice of India has been pleased to re-constitute the Supreme Court Gender Sensitisation and Internal Complaints Committee," an office order said.

The 12-member committee is headed by the Supreme Court judge Hima Kohli, who is the chairperson.

The panel also comprises Justice B.V. Nagarathna, Additional Registrar Sukhda Pritam and senior advocates Meenakshi Arora and Mahalakshmi Pavani.

8. Telangana formation day is celebrated on
- June 1
 - June 2
 - June 3

d. June 4

Answer: B

Telangana set to complete 10 years of its carving out of erstwhile undivided Andhra Pradesh on June 2, 2014,

9. Bernard Arnault, who is the richest person in the world as per latest Bloomberg Billionaires Index, belongs to which of the following countries?
- USA
 - France
 - UK
 - Canada

Answer: B

Bernard Jean Étienne Arnault is a **French** businessman, investor and art collector. He is the founder, chairman and CEO of LVMH, the world's largest luxury goods company. Arnault is the richest person in the world, with an estimated net worth of US\$211 billion as of May 2024, according to Forbes.

10. World Bicycle Day is on
- June 1
 - June 2
 - June 3
 - June 4

Answer: C

Bicycles are one of the oldest and most essential means of transportation. Cycling is not only enjoyable but also a healthy and environmentally friendly mode of transport. Beyond its nostalgic charm, biking offers numerous practical benefits and contributes to environmental sustainability. To emphasise these advantages and encourage bicycle use, **June 3** is celebrated as World Bicycle Day. This day aims to promote physical activity through cycling.

The World Health Organization (WHO) underscores that cycling is an effective way to achieve recommended activity levels, making it an important practice for maintaining health and well-being.

11. The President of India has recently signed the Order dissolving the 17th Lok Sabha in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by Sub-clause (b) of Clause (2) of Article _____ of the Constitution.

- a. 81
- b. 83
- c. 84
- d. 85

Answer: D

The Cabinet, in its meeting held on 05.06.2024, has advised the President to dissolve the 17th Lok Sabha with immediate effect.

The President has accepted the advice of the Cabinet on 05.06.2024 and signed the Order dissolving the 17th Lok Sabha in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by Sub-clause (b) of Clause (2) of Article 85 of the Constitution.

12. Recently Prime Minister of India launched 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' Campaign in connection with
- a. World Wildlife Day
 - b. International Day for Biological Diversity
 - c. International Day of Forests
 - d. World Environment Day

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has launched 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' Campaign on the occasion of World Environment Day. Shri Modi's planted a Peepal tree at Buddha Jayanti Park in Delhi. He has also urged all to contribute in making our planet better and informed that in the last decade, India has undertaken numerous collective efforts which have led to increased forest cover across the nation. This is great for our quest towards sustainable development, Shri Modi added further.

13. Which of the following organizations has been awarded UN's WSIS 2024 "Champion" Award for the project "Mobile-Enabled Disaster Resilience through Cell Broadcast emergency Alerting", recognised under AI, C-7, E-environment, in the category of 'Benefits in all aspects of life - E-environment'?
- a. Centre for Development of Advanced Computing
 - b. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India
 - c. Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council
 - d. Centre for Development of Telematics

Answer:

D

Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT), the premier Telecom R&D centre of the

Government of India, awarded UN's WSIS 2024 "Champion" Award for the project "Mobile-Enabled Disaster Resilience through Cell Broadcast emergency Alerting", recognised under AI, C-7, E-environment, in the category of 'Benefits in all aspects of life - E-environment'.

14. The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 Forum 2024, a High-Level Event, was conducted by International Telecom Union (ITU) in _____
- Rome
 - Geneva
 - Basel
 - London

Answer: B

The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 Forum 2024, a High-Level Event, conducted by International Telecom Union (ITU) in Geneva, Switzerland from 27th May - 31st May, 2024,

15. The year 2024 marks the _____ anniversary of the grand coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.
- 275
 - 250
 - 350
 - 300

Answer: C

To commemorate and celebrate the 350th anniversary of the grand coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, the significant day in our nation's history, an exhibition titled Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj: Celebration of the 350th Anniversary of the Great Coronation is being presented at National Gallery of Modern Art, (NGMA) Jaipur House, New Delhi on June 6th 2024 Thursday at 5:30 P.M, inviting audiences to embark on a voyage through the remarkable time of this legendary figure.

16. VAN AGNI is a portal related to
- Missile research
 - Forest fire
 - Tiger conservation
 - Armed forces recruitment

Answer: B

On forest fire management, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change made a presentation, outlining the action plan and preparedness to deal with the forest fires in various parts of the country. It was informed that regular forest fire alerts are being disseminated through mobile SMS and emails. A **Forest Fire Alert System portal named VAN AGNI**, which provides pre-fire and near real time forest fire alerts, has also been developed by Forest Survey of India (FSI) to assist the states and other agencies.

17. What is the overall voter turnout recorded in General Elections 2024 at the polling stations?
- a. 70.79%
 - b. 75.79%
 - c. 65.79%
 - d. 61.79%

Answer:

C

In continuation of ECI two press notes dated 01.06.2024 and as per practice followed for release of voter turnout figures in earlier phases, voter turnout of 63.88% has been recorded at polling stations in phase-7 for 57 PCs in the General Elections 2024.

Overall, 65.79% voter turnout recorded in General Elections 2024 at the polling stations. Detailed statistical reports having number of postal votes and Gross voter turnout will be made available on the ECI website after finalisation of details, as received from States/UTs in due course as per standard practice. Postal Ballots include postal ballots given to service voters, absentee voters (85+, PwD, Essential Services etc.) and voters on election duty.

18. As of May 2024, which of the following pillars of IPEF has India not joined?
- a. Supply Chain Resilience (Pillar II)
 - b. Fair Economy (Pillar IV)
 - c. Trade (Pillar I)
 - d. Clean Economy (Pillar III)

Answer: C

Indian delegation led by Secretary, Department of Commerce, Shri Sunil Barthwal participated in the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) Ministerial meeting held in Singapore on 6 June 2024.

IPEF was launched on 23 May 2022 at Tokyo, Japan, comprising of 14 countries – Australia, Brunei, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and USA. The IPEF seeks to strengthen economic engagement

and cooperation among partner countries with the goal of advancing growth, economic stability and prosperity in the region.

The framework is structured around four pillars relating to Trade (Pillar I); Supply Chain Resilience (Pillar II); Clean Economy (Pillar III); and Fair Economy (Pillar IV). **India had joined Pillars II to IV** of IPEF while it has maintained an observer status in Pillar-I.

19. Which of the following is the theme of the World Environment Day 2024?

- a. Ecosystem Restoration
- b. Only One Earth
- c. Beat Plastic Pollution
- d. Land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience

Answer:

D

Theme: Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience

Host: The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will host World Environment Day 2024 with a focus on land restoration, desertification and drought resilience. Land restoration is a key pillar of the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030), a rallying call for the protection and revival of ecosystems all around the world, which is critical to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

20. Who is the current Chairperson and CEO of Railway Board of the Indian Railways?

- a. Jaya Varma Sinha
- b. AK Lahoti
- c. Suneet Sharma
- d. Vinay Kumar Tripathi

Answer:

A

Jaya Varma Sinha is the current Chairperson and CEO of Railway Board of the Indian Railways.

21. The President of India has recently appointed the Prime Minister of India exercising powers vested in her under Article _____ of the Constitution of India.

- a. 72(1)
- b. 74(1)
- c. 85(1)
- d. 75(1)

Answer: D

The President, having satisfied herself on the basis of the various letters of support received, that the BJP-led NDA alliance, which is also the largest pre-election alliance, is in a position to command majority support of the newly constituted 18th Lok Sabha and to form a stable government, appointed Shri Narendra Modi as the Prime Minister of India exercising powers vested in her under Article 75(1) of the Constitution of India.

The President requested Shri Narendra Modi to indicate the date and time of the swearing-in-ceremony to be held at Rashtrapati Bhavan and also advise her about the names of other persons to be appointed as members of the Union Council of Ministers.

22. Antarashtriya Yoga Diwas Media Samman (AYDMS) is an initiative of
- Ministry of Ayush
 - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India
 - Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
 - Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

Answer: C

The Ministry of I&B would continue with the initiative of encouraging private media organisations with Antarashtriya Yoga Diwas Media Samman (AYDMS). **Ministry of Information & Broadcasting had instituted the Antarashtriya Yoga Diwas Media Samman** (AYDMS) on 09.06.2023 for recognizing the contribution of Media Houses/Companies in Print, TV and Radio in spreading the message of Yoga. The award categories include 'Best Media Coverage in Yoga in Newspaper', 'Best Media Coverage in Yoga in Electronic Media (TV)' and 'Best Media Coverage in Yoga in Electronic Media (Radio)'. The Awards for this year, along with the awards of last year's, would be presented at a later date after the completion of this year's celebrations.

23. Communication Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA) is between India and
-
- USA
 - UK
 - Russia
 - France

Answer: A

The first Command and Control Compatibility Board (CCCB) meeting for 2024 between Indian and the U.S. was held at Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi from 04-07 June 2024. The meeting

had participation of a 29 member United States delegation led by Mr Paul Nicholson, Executive Director, US INDOPACOM and a 38 member Indian delegation led by Brigadier Rahul Anand of Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff.

The CCCB is the Technical Expert Group formed under Article XI of the Communication Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA) between India and USA, and is held twice a year. After signing of the historic agreement in September 2018, this is the seventh such meeting between both nations to calibrate, reinforce and achieve steady progress in the bilateral Defence partnership.

24. The Government of India launched the Central Sector Scheme for “Formation and Promotion of _____ Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)” in the year 2020 that is enabling farmers to enhance their bargaining power, leverage economies of scale, reduction in cost of production and enhancing farmers’ incomes through aggregation of their agricultural produce, thus playing a major role towards sustainable incomes.
- a. 5,000
 - b. 20,000
 - c. 10,000
 - d. 15,000

Answer: C

An MoU between CSC SPV and Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare was signed here today to convert FPOs registered under ‘Formation & Promotion of 10,000 FPOs scheme’ into CSCs and help them to deliver citizen-centric services.

As per MoU, 10,000 FPOs will be converted into CSCs. CSC SPV will enable them to provide the services that are available on the Digital Seva Portal. Training and Capacity Building of FPOs will be done by CSCs.

The MoU was signed by Shri Sanjay Rakesh, MD & CEO, CSC SPV and Shri Faiz Ahmed Kidwai, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture in the august presence of Shri Manoj Ahuja, Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

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25. Which of the following is the opening film of the 18th Mumbai International Film Festival being held on 15th June, 2024?
- The Eternal Memory
 - Billy & Molly, an Otter Love Story
 - 20 Days in Mariupol
 - To Kill a Tiger

Answer: B

Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Shri Sanjay Jaju today announced that the 18th edition of the Mumbai International Film Festival will be held from 15th June to 21st June, 2024 in Mumbai. He said that while venue for the festival will be the FD-NFDC Complex, Mumbai, MIFF screenings will also be held in Delhi (Sirifort Auditorium), Chennai (Tagore Film Centre), Pune (NFAI auditorium) and Kolkata (SRFTI Auditorium).

Opening Film of 18th MIFF will be "**Billy & Molly, an Otter Love Story**", will initiate the festival with screenings in Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, Pune, and Chennai on 15th Jun, 2024.

The Closing Film of festival is the film that wins the Golden Conch and will be showcased on 21st Jun, 2024.

26. Pravind Kumar Jugnauth is the incumbent Prime Minister of
- Nepal
 - Mauritius
 - Seychelles
 - Bhutan

Answer: B

Pravind Kumar Jugnauth is a Mauritian politician serving as the prime minister of Mauritius since January 2017.

27. Cherukuri Ramoji Rao, who recently passed away, was associated with
- Film industry
 - Odia literature
 - World Bank
 - Diplomacy

Answer: A

Cherukuri Ramoji Rao was an Indian businessman, media proprietor and film producer. He was head of the Ramoji Group which owns the world's largest film production facility Ramoji Film

City, Eenadu newspaper, ETV Network of TV channels, film production company Usha Kiran Movies. His other business ventures include Margadarsi Chit Fund, Dolphin Group of hotels, Kalanjali shopping mall, Priya pickles, and Mayuri Film Distributors.

28. INS Rajali is an Indian naval air station located near Arakkonam, Ranipet district,

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

Answer:

C

INS Rajali is an Indian naval air station located near Arakkonam, Ranipet district, Tamil Nadu in southern India. It operates under the Southern Naval Command of the Indian Navy, and has the longest military runway in Asia.

29. What does “I” stand for in the “SIGHT” Programme of the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM)?

- a. Information
- b. Interventions
- c. Institution
- d. Integrations

Answer: B

India has taken a crucial step towards demand creation of Green Hydrogen and its derivatives in the country. Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) has issued Request for Selection (RfS) for Selection of Green Ammonia Producers for the production of Green Ammonia in India through cost based competitive bidding under Mode 2A of **Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition (SIGHT)** Programme of the National Green Hydrogen Mission being implemented by the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE).

30. A Two-week 4th Mid-Career Training Programme for mid-level Civil Servants of Gambia in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India completed successfully on 7th June 2024 in New Delhi. Where is Gambia located?

- a. South America
- b. South Pacific
- c. Western Atlantic
- d. West Africa

Answer: D

A Two-week 4th Mid-Career Training Programme for mid-level Civil Servants of Gambia in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India completed successfully on 7th June 2024 in New Delhi. The program was attended by 30 officers representing key ministries in Gambia. The event marked successful implementation of India Gambia MoU on Personnel Administration and Governance 2019-24.

The Gambia, officially the Republic of the Gambia, is a country in West Africa. Geographically, The Gambia is the smallest country in continental Africa

31. Which of the following portfolios has been allocated to Suresh Gopi in the newly constituted Union Council of Ministers?
- Ports, Shipping and Waterways.
 - Petroleum and Natural Gas
 - Information and Broadcasting
 - Road Transport and Highways

Answer: B

Shri Suresh Gopi

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas; and

Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism.

32. Who among the following has been appointed as the Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare in the newly constituted Union Cabinet?
- Jagat Prakash Nadda
 - Shivraj Singh Chouhan
 - Manohar Lal
 - H. D. Kumaraswamy

Answer: A

Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda

Minister of Health and Family Welfare; and

Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers.

33. How many members of the newly constituted Union Council of Ministers hold Cabinet rank?
- 25
 - 30

- c. 35
- d. 33

Answer: B

CABINET MINISTERS: 30

34. World Accreditation Day is on
- a. June 8
 - b. June 10
 - c. June 12
 - d. June 9

Answer: D

On 9 June each year, World Accreditation Day highlights the work that accreditation and conformity assessment does to improve so many aspects of life, whether for consumers, society as a whole, business or government.

35. The Quality Council of India (QCI) operates as an autonomous body under
- a. NITI Aayog
 - b. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
 - c. Ministry of Heavy Industries
 - d. Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Answer:

D

The Quality Council of India (QCI) operates as an autonomous body under the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Its primary objective is to establish and operate national accreditation structures, promote quality through the National Quality Campaign, and ensure adherence to quality standards across various sectors of the economy.

36. JIMEX 24 is a maritime exercise between India and
- a. Mauritius
 - b. Malaysia
 - c. Japan
 - d. Thailand

Answer: C

Indian Navy's indigenous Stealth Frigate INS Shivalik arrived at Yokosuka, Japan to participate in the bilateral Japan – India Maritime Exercise 2024 (JIMEX 24). This is the eighth edition of JIMEX, since its inception in 2012.

37. Suresh Gopi, Member of Parliament from _____, Kerala, has officially taken charge as the Minister of State for the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

- a. Vatakara
- b. Ponnani
- c. Mavelikara
- d. Thrissur

Answer:

D

Shri Suresh Gopi, Member of Parliament from Thrissur, Kerala, has officially taken charge as the Minister of State for the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. Shri Gopi, who has been an influential figure in various fields, steps into this role following his predecessor, Shri Rameswar Teli.

38. Section 146 of the Motor Vehicles Act, _____ requires motor vehicles plying on Indian roads to compulsorily have an insurance policy covering third party risks.

- a. 2016
- b. 1988
- c. 1978
- d. 1968

Answer: B

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39. Who has recently assumed charge as the Minister of State for Science and Technology (Independent Charge)?

- a. Harsh Vardhan
- b. Jaipal Reddy
- c. G. Kishan Reddy
- d. Jitendra Singh

Answer:

D

Dr Jitendra Singh assumed charge Minister of State(Independent Charge) Ministry of Science and Technology today at Council Scientific and Industrial Research(CSIR) headquarter in New Delhi.

Soon after assuming the charge as Union Minister ,Dr. Jitendra Singh convened a joint meeting of six Science Ministries/ departments and their Secretaries wherein he discussed the first 100 days Action plan under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi.

40. ATL Tinkerpreneur 2024 is an initiative of
- PMO
 - NITI Aayog
 - Department of Science and Technology
 - CSIR

Answer: B

The Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog, is pleased to announce the commencement of applications for the prestigious 'ATL Tinkerpreneur 2024'- a flagship summer boot camp under AIM's Atal Tinkering Labs program. This boot camp is now open to all schools across India including non ATL schools.

ATL Tinkerpreneur 2024 promises to be a transformative experience for participating students. Over a span of 40 days, from June to July, participants will embark on a virtual journey aimed at equipping them with essential digital skills and frameworks. By the end of the boot camp, students will have the tools and knowledge to conceptualize and develop their own online ventures.

41. Who became the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh in June 2024?
- N Chandrababu Naidu
 - Bhavanam Venkatarami Reddy
 - N. Kiran Kumar Reddy
 - Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Shri N Chandrababu Naidu on taking oath as the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh.

42. The National Commission for Indian System of Medicine is the statutory body constituted under NCISM Act, _____
- 2021
 - 2019
 - 2020
 - 2022

Answer:

C

The National Commission for Indian System of Medicine is the statutory body constituted under NCISM Act, 2020 vide Gazette notification extraordinary part II section 1 dated 21.09.2020 and which came into force from 11th of June 2021.

The Commission ensures availability of adequate and high-quality medical professionals of Indian System of Medicine (ISM); adoption of the latest medical research by medical professionals of Indian System of Medicine; and periodic assessment of ISM medical institutions. Since inception, NCISM has taken Initiatives and reforms in several dimensions such as medical education, medical research, medical practice, capacity-building among others, in the field of Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, and Sowa-Rigpa medical systems which resulted in transformation of these system towards global standards.

43. 2024 marks the _____ anniversary of Indian victory over Pakistan in the Kargil War
- 20th
 - 25th
 - 24th
 - 23rd

Answer: B

As a tribute to the valour and sacrifices of heroes of Kargil War, the Indian Army has commenced a Pan-India Motorcycle Expedition today, a journey commemorating the 25th anniversary of Indian victory over Pakistan in the Kargil War of 1999. The expedition serves to showcase significant contribution and honour the legacy of our brave soldiers.

44. Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying conducts Livestock Census across the country in every _____ years since 1919 to produce Animal Husbandry Statistics.
- 2
 - 5
 - 10
 - 7

Answer: B

Animal Husbandry Statistics Department is the backbone of policy formulation as well as implementation of various programmes in Animal Husbandry Sector. The major source of Animal Husbandry Statistics is Livestock Census (LC). Livestock Census is a massive door to door field operation in which data on livestock are collected from each & every household taking actual count of domesticated animals and birds to finally assess the total livestock wealth of the Nation. Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying which is under Ministry of Fisheries,

Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India conducts Livestock Census across the country in every 5 years since 1919 to produce Animal Husbandry Statistics. The last livestock census i.e. 20th LC was conducted in 2019.

45. Which of the following Ministries organizes the Annual Conference of Relief Commissioners of States/ UTs before the onset of monsoon season, to review their preparedness for dealing with any natural disaster, which may occur during the monsoon period?
- Ministry of Defence
 - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 - Ministry of Home Affairs
 - Ministry of Earth Sciences

Answer:

C

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) organizes the Annual Conference of Relief Commissioners of States/ UTs before the onset of monsoon season, to review their preparedness for dealing with any natural disaster, which may occur during the monsoon period. Simultaneously, NDRF organizes capacity building conference for State Disaster Response Forces (SDRFs), Civil Defence, Home Guard & Fire Services of States/ UTs for the preparedness of response forces.

46. 50th G7 summit (2024) is to be held in
- India
 - USA
 - South Africa
 - Italy

Answer: D

The 50th G7 summit is set to be held from 13 to 15 June 2024 at Borgo Egnazia in the city of Fasano in Apulia, Italy.

The choice of Fasano as the headquarters of the G7 was announced by Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni in November 2023.

47. Who became the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh in June 2024?
- Nabam Tuki
 - Dorjee Khandu
 - Gegong Apang
 - Pema Khandu

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today congratulated Shri Pema Khandu on taking oath as the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh.

48. Tadasana is related to

- a. Yoga
- b. Qigong
- c. Reiki
- d. Tai Chi

Answer:

A

Tadasana, Mountain pose or Samasthiti is a standing asana in modern yoga as exercise; it is not described in medieval hatha yoga texts. It is the basis for several other standing asanas

49. Rajnath Singh, who became an MP in the 18th Lok Sabha, was elected from which of the following?

- a. Kanpur
- b. Lucknow
- c. Amethi
- d. Varanasi

Answer: B

After being elected to the Lok Sabha from Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh for the third consecutive time, Shri Rajnath Singh took oath as a Union Cabinet Minister on June 09, 2024. He was allocated the portfolio of Ministry of Defence for the second consecutive term on the back of a successful tenure from 2019-2024. Under his leadership, the Ministry will march ahead with renewed vigour with the aim to realise the Prime Minister's vision of making the country 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047. The focus will be on attaining self-reliance in defence, further modernising the Armed Forces, innovation in cutting-edge technology, strengthening border infrastructure, and ensuring ex-servicemen welfare, among others.

50. On June 7, 2024, the United Nations proclaimed _____ as the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ).

- a. 2024
- b. 2025
- c. 2026
- d. 2027

Answer: B

On June 7, 2024, the United Nations proclaimed 2025 as the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ). According to the proclamation, this year-long, worldwide initiative will "be observed through activities at all levels aimed at increasing public awareness of the importance of quantum science and applications."

51. The World Health Organization (WHO) has designated the National Institute of Indian Medical Heritage (NIIMH), _____, a unit under the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Ministry of Ayush as a WHO Collaborating Centre (CC) for "Fundamental and Literary Research in Traditional Medicine" (CC IND-177).
- Hyderabad
 - Bhopal
 - New Delhi
 - Gandhinagar

Answer:

A

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Established in 1956, NIIMH, Hyderabad, is a unique institution dedicated to documenting and showcasing medico-historical research in Ayurveda, Yoga Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa, Homoeopathy, Biomedicine, and other related healthcare disciplines in India. Under the diligent leadership of Prof. Vaidya Rabinarayan Acharya, Director General of CCRAS, NIIMH and Head of the WHO-CC has achieved this remarkable milestone through constant perusal and dedication.

52. Annual Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises (ASUSE) is released by
- Ministry of Heavy Industries
 - Labour Bureau
 - Office of Economic Advisor
 - Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation

Answer:

D

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is releasing the key results of the Annual Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises (ASUSE) for the reference periods of April 2021 to March 2022 (ASUSE 2021-22) and October 2022 to September 2023 (ASUSE 2022-23). A brief overview of the survey in terms of coverage, sampling strategy, data collection mechanism, etc., is provided in the Endnote.

53. Jual Oram has recently assumed charge as Union Minister for
- Steel
 - Tribal affairs
 - Mines
 - Tourism

Answer: B

Shri Jual Oram assumed charge as Union Minister for Tribal Affairs, in New Delhi today. On the occasion, the Minister was welcomed by Shri Vibhu Nayar, Secretary (Tribal Affairs) and other senior officers of the Ministry.

54. Rajeev Taranath, who recently passed away, was mainly associated with which of the following musical instruments?
- Sitar
 - Tabla
 - Sarod
 - Shehnai

Answer:

C

Rajeev Taranath was an Indian classical musician who played the sarod. Taranath was a disciple of Ali Akbar Khan.

55. 'Lal', 'Mursan' and 'Hilsa', recently seen in the news, are
- UAVs
 - Craters
 - Star forming regions
 - Newly discovered species

Answer:

B

Ahmedabad-based Physical Research Laboratory, a Unit of Department of Space, has said that three recently discovered craters on Mars have been named after its former director Devendra Lal—renowned cosmic ray physicist—and cities of Mursan and Hilsa in UP and Bihar respectively.

56. Smritivan at _____, has been recently added in the World Selection for the Prix Versailles Museums 2024.
- Kutch
 - Kolkata
 - Gwalior
 - Thane

Answer:

A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today hailed the inclusion of Smritivan at Kutch, a tribute to those lost in the tragic Earthquake of 2001, in the World Selection for the Prix Versailles Museums 2024.

In reply to a post by Prix Versailles Museums, the Prime Minister posted on X :

"Smritivan in Kutch is a tribute to those we lost in the tragic Earthquake of 2001. It is a reminder of human resilience and courage as well. Glad that this Museum has found a place on the World Selection for the Prix Versailles Museums 2024."

57. Network Planning Group, sometimes seen in the news, is in the context of

- a. PM KISAN
- b. PM CARES
- c. PM GatiShakti
- d. UJALA

Answer:

C

The 72nd meeting of the Network Planning Group (NPG) was convened in New Delhi on 12th June, 2024. The meeting was chaired by the Additional Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Shri Rajeev Singh Thakur. The meeting focused on evaluating three significant infrastructure projects, one each from the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH), Ministry of Railways (MoR), and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). The projects were evaluated for their conformity to the principles of PM GatiShakti National Master Plan (NMP).

58. Sakura Science Programme, recently seen in the news, is associated with which of the following countries?

- a. South Korea
- b. Philippines
- c. China
- d. Japan

Answer: D

Twenty-one school students, invited by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) to participate in Sakura Programme 2024, were flagged off by Smt. Archana Sharma Awasthi, Joint Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education, Government of India and Prof. Dinesh Prasad Saklani, Director, NCERT in a ceremony at CIET-

NCERT organised by DoSEL. The event was also attended by Mr. Kemmochi Yukio, Manager, JST, Japan; Dr. Amarendra Prasad Behera, Joint Director, CIET-NCERT; and officials from DoSEL-MoE. These students from India, along with students from other countries, will be participating in the Sakura Science Programme 2024, to be held from 16-22 June 2024.

To develop the intellectual horizon and scientific exploration among young learners, the JST with the DoSEL has been implementing the Sakura Science High School Programme under the Sakura Science Programme (SSP) since 2014. The students are invited under the programme for short-term visits to Japan, giving them the opportunity to experience Japan's cutting-edge science and technology as well as its culture.

59. Renowned Wildlife Filmmaker _____ has been recently announced as winner of V. Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award at 18th Mumbai International Film Festival
- Mike Pandey
 - Subbiah Nallamuthu
 - Shekar Dattatri
 - Sandesh Kadur

Answer: B

The 18th Mumbai International Film Festival (MIFF) is honoring the illustrious wildlife filmmaker Shri Subbiah Nallamuthu by conferring upon him the much coveted V. Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award, announced Dr. L. Murugan, the Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting today.

60. Which of the following ministries has recently organised a conference titled 'India's Progressive Path in the Administration of Criminal Justice System', in Kolkata?
- Ministry of Law and Justice
 - Ministry of Home Affairs
 - Ministry of Personnel
 - Ministry of Corporate Affairs

Answer:

A

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61. Jake Sullivan is the incumbent National Security Advisor of
- Canada
 - UK
 - Australia
 - USA

Answer”

D

US National Security Advisor, H.E. Mr. Jake Sullivan, called on Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today.

NSA Sullivan briefed Prime Minister on the progress in various areas of bilateral cooperation, particularly under the Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET) such as semiconductors, Artificial Intelligence, telecom, defence, critical minerals, space, among others.

62. Bhajanlal Sharma is the current Chief Minister of

- a. Gujarat
- b. Rajasthan
- c. Haryana
- d. Madhya Pradesh

Answer: B

The Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Bhajanlal Sharma called on the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

63. Who has been recently re-elected as the President of the Republic of South Africa?

- a. Jacob Zuma
- b. Kgalema Motlanthe
- c. Thabo Mbeki
- d. Cyril Ramaphosa

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi congratulated H.E Cyril Ramaphosa on being re-elected as the President of the Republic of South Africa, today. PM Modi also expressed that he was looking forward to work with President Ramaphosa to further strengthen the strategic partnership between India and South Africa.

64. Mercury Island come under the jurisdiction of

- a. Japan
- b. South Korea
- c. Namibia
- d. Australia

Answer: C

Mercury Island is a small rocky island off The Diamond Coast, Namibia. Despite its small size it is recognised by BirdLife International and other global conservation groups as an Important Bird Area (IBA) for its significant coastal seabird breeding.

The 18th edition of the Mumbai International Film Festival (MIFF) for Documentary, Short Fiction, and Animation Films featured the big screen international premiere of the documentary "My Mercury" today. Directed by Joelle Chesselet, the film offers a deeply personal and challenging journey into the life of her brother, Yves Chesselet, a lone conservationist on Mercury Island off the coast of Namibia, South Africa.

65. Who is the incumbent Member of Parliament from Udhampur Lok Sabha constituency?
- Nitin Gadkari
 - Dharmendra Pradhan
 - Hardeep Singh Puri
 - Jitendra Singh

Answer: D

The prestigious Chhatergala tunnel work costing around Rs. 4000 crore will be executed by the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) and the underpasses on the Kathua Express corridor section, wherever demanded by public will be undertaken at the earliest.

Disclosing this in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir, today while briefing the media after a marathon meeting lasting nearly four hours and presided by Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Shri Nitin Gadkari to review the important road and tunnel projects in Jammu & Kashmir, Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh expressed satisfaction and conveyed his heartfelt thanks to Shri. Gadkari for having conceded most of the suggestions and proposals put across by him.

Member of Parliament 18th Lok Sabha from Udhampur Lok Sabha constituency Jitendra Singh

66. Dr Sampurnanand Sports Stadium is located in
- Jaipur
 - Varanasi
 - Kanpur
 - Pune

Answer: B

Dr Sampurnanand Multipurpose Sports Stadium, nicknamed Srigra Stadium, is located in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. It is the main stadium in the city where football matches are held.

67. Dashashwamedh Ghat is associated with which of the following rivers?

- a. Ganges
- b. Brahmaputra
- c. Indus
- d. Krishna

Answer:

A

Dashashwamedh Ghat is a main ghat in Varanasi located on the Ganges River in Uttar Pradesh. It is located close to Vishwanath Temple. There are two Hindu legends associated with the ghat: according to one, Brahma created it to welcome Shiva, and in another, Brahma performed 10 Ashwamegha Yajna, Dasa-Ashwamedha yajna.

68. Kalraj Mishra is the incumbent Governor of

- a. Sikkim
- b. Uttar Pradesh
- c. Madhya Pradesh
- d. Rajasthan

Answer: D

The Governor of Rajasthan Shri Kalraj Mishra met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

69. With respect to The Post Office Act, 2023, which of the following statements is INCORRECT?

- a. The Act aims to create a simple legislative framework for delivery of citizen centric services, banking services and benefits of Government schemes at the last mile.
- b. The Act does away with provisions such as the exclusive privilege of collecting, processing and delivering of letters, to enhance the ease of doing business and ease of living.
- c. No penal provisions have been prescribed in the Act.
- d. None are incorrect

Answer:

D

“The Post Office Act, 2023” received the assent of Hon’ble President of India on 24th December 2023 and was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 24th December 2023 by Ministry of Law & Justice (Legislative Department) for general information.

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70. The Commandant's Shadow is a 2024 documentary film directed and produced by
- Errol Morris
 - Michael Moore
 - Frederick Wiseman
 - Daniela Völker

Answer:

D

There is a great potential in India for international co-productions, says Daniela Volker, Director of the Film 'The Commandant's Shadow'. She was speaking at a Press Conference at the 18th Mumbai International Film Festival. "Being a vast country, there is so much content in India. India is bursting with fascinating tales and I would love to see Indian stories becoming global and reach wider audiences", she said.

71. Who is the incumbent Governor of Maharashtra?
- Mangu Bhai Patel
 - Om Prakash Kohli
 - Lalji Tandon
 - Ramesh Bais

Answer:

D

The Governor of Maharashtra, Shri Ramesh Bais called on the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

72. World Sickle Cell Day is observed on June _____ every year.
- 17
 - 18
 - 19
 - 20

Answer: C

World Sickle Cell Day is observed on June 19 every year. It is an annual event which aims to raise awareness about sickle cell disease globally. The day also highlights the challenges that patients and their caregivers face.

73. The Union Cabinet has recently approved the proposal of Ministry of Home Affairs for Central Sector Scheme "National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme (NFIES)"

with a total financial outlay of Rs. _____ crore during the period from 2024-25 to 2028-29.

- a. 2354.43
- b. 2254.43
- c. 2454.43
- d. 2554.43

Answer: B

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today approved the proposal of Ministry of Home Affairs for Central Sector Scheme “National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme (NFIES) with a total financial outlay of Rs. 2254.43 crore during the period from 2024-25 to 2028-29. Financial outlay of the Central Sector Scheme will be provisioned by the Ministry of Home Affairs from its own budget.

74. Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport is an international airport serving

- a. Uttar Pradesh
- b. Madhya Pradesh
- c. West Bengal
- d. Gujarat

Answer:

A

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today approved the proposal of Airports Authority of India (AAI) for development of Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport, Varanasi including Construction of New Terminal Building, Apron Extension, Runway Extension, Parallel Taxi Track & Allied works.

75. The Union Cabinet has recently approved setting up a Major Port at Vadhavan near Dahanu in _____

- a. Andhra Pradesh
- b. Gujarat
- c. Maharashtra
- d. Goa

Answer:

C

The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved setting up a Major Port at Vadhavan near Dahanu in Maharashtra. The Project will be constructed by Vadhavan Port Project Limited (VPPL), an SPV formed by Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) and Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB) with a shareholding of 74% and 26%, respectively. The Vadhavan Port will be developed as an all-weather Greenfield deep draft major port in Vadhavan, Palghar District, Maharashtra.

76. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (Divyangjan) (P.D.U.N.I.P.P.D.) is an autonomous organisation under the administrative and financial control of
- Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
 - Ministry of Education
 - Ministry of Women and Child development
 - Ministry of Minorities

Answer:

A

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77. Mohan Yadav is the incumbent Chief Minister of
- Maharashtra
 - Madhya Pradesh
 - Haryana
 - Rajasthan

Answer:

B

Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Dr Mohan Yadav met Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today.

78. Who among the following is the President-elect of Indonesia?
- Gibran Rakabuming Raka
 - Joko Widodo
 - Sakti Wahyu Trenggono
 - Prabowo Subianto

Answer" D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today received a call from President-elect Prabowo Subianto of Indonesia.

79. The National Strategy for Additive Manufacturing (NSAM), released in _____, embodies a comprehensive vision aimed at harnessing the full potential of this transformative technology to drive industrial growth, innovation, and inclusive development
- 2022
 - 2023
 - 2024

d. 2021

Answer”

A

The National Strategy for Additive Manufacturing (NSAM), released in 2022, embodies a comprehensive vision aimed at harnessing the full potential of this transformative technology to drive industrial growth, innovation, and inclusive development. So far, seven centers, dedicated to deployment and development of AM technologies, are serving as vibrant hubs by actively involving diverse stakeholders to invigorate AM ecosystem, while spearheading the advancement of pioneering technologies in manufacturing like, optical chip packaging, optical computing chips, electronics components, medical devices, food 3D printing & renewal energy products, etc.

80. The Department of Animal Husbandry, in partnership with the _____ has organized an Avian Influenza Outbreak and Response Simulation Exercise in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, on the 19th and 20th of June, 2024.
- World Bank
 - IMF
 - Asian Development Bank
 - UNDP

Answer:

A

The Department of Animal Husbandry, in partnership with the World Bank, is organising an Avian Influenza Outbreak and Response Simulation Exercise in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, on the 19th and 20th of June, 2024. This workshop comes at a crucial time as we face unusual outbreaks of Avian Influenza in Kerala and witness a global trend of spillovers to non-poultry species, including cattle. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Abhijit Mitra, Animal Husbandry Commissioner, DAHD in presence of Shri. Gulshan Bamra, Principal Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Hikuopi (Epi) Katjuongua, Senior Agriculture Economist, The World Bank and Dr. Atul Srivastava, Principal Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Madhya Pradesh.

81. Who is the incumbent Governor of Jharkhand?
- Ramesh Bais
 - Ved Marwah
 - Prabhat Kumar
 - C.P. Radhakrishnan

Answer: D

The Governor of Jharkhand Shri C.P. Radhakrishnan met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

82. Dal Lake is fed by
- a. Ravi
 - b. Beas
 - c. Chenab
 - d. Jhelum

Answer: D

Jhelum River: The main source of water for Dal Lake is the Jhelum River, which flows through the Kashmir Valley and feeds into the lake.

83. On _____ June every year, the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO) celebrates the World Hydrography Day to raise awareness about hydrography and how it plays a vital role in improved knowledge of the seas and oceans.
- a. 20
 - b. 21
 - c. 22
 - d. 23

Answer: B

On 21 June every year, the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO) celebrates the World Hydrography Day to raise awareness about hydrography and how it plays a vital role in improved knowledge of the seas and oceans. The theme for 2024 is "Hydrographic Information - Enhancing Safety, Efficiency and Sustainability in Marine Activities" in consideration of the ongoing transformation in navigation, such as e-navigation, autonomous shipping and reduction of emissions leading to a profound evolution of hydrographic services.

The Indian Naval Hydrographic Department (INHD) functions under the Indian Navy as the nodal agency for Hydrographic surveys and nautical charting in India. The department has the mandate to undertake hydrographic surveys and publish navigational charts. Till date, more than 650 electronic and paper navigation charts covering the national and international waters have been published for utilisation of merchant mariner and navies of the world. Last year, the department has distributed over 6.5 Lakh Electronic Navigational charts to seafarers operating in these waters and has earned a revenue close to 8000 Lakh rupees to the exchequer which is estimated to grow further in the future.

84. Nelson D'Souza has recently taken over as Commandant of Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), _____
- a. Chennai
 - b. Dehradun

- c. Pune
- d. Kolkata

Answer: C

Rear Admiral Nelson D'Souza has taken over as Commandant of Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), Pune from Air Vice Marshal Vivek Blouria. An accomplished alumnus of the Defence Services Staff College, Wellington and Naval War College, Goa, Rear Admiral D'Souza has served in numerous key positions within the Indian Navy since his commissioning in March 1991.

85. The All-India Consumer Price Index for Agricultural Labourers (CPI-AL) and Rural Labourers (CPI-RL) comes under
- a. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
 - b. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
 - c. Ministry of Finance
 - d. Ministry of Labour & Employment

Answer: D

Ministry of Labour & Employment

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86. Who is the current Chief Minister of Gujarat?
- a. Keshubhai Patel
 - b. Chimanbhai Patel
 - c. Madhavsinh Solanki
 - d. Bhupendra Patel

Answer: D

Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Bhupendra Patel, met Prime Minister Narendra Modi today.

87. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has introduced two new standards, IS 18590: 2024 and IS 18606: 2024, aimed at enhancing the safety of _____
- a. Electric vehicles
 - b. Power plants
 - c. Agricultural pumps
 - d. Diesel engines

Answer: A

The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has introduced two new standards, IS 18590: 2024 and IS 18606: 2024, aimed at enhancing the safety of electric vehicles in the L, M, and N categories. These standards focus on the critical component of electric vehicles—the powertrain—ensuring it meets stringent safety requirements. Additionally, they emphasize the safety and performance of batteries, ensuring they are both powerful and secure.

88. Who is the incumbent Chief Commissioner, Central Consumer Protection Authority?

- a. Rajni Sekhri Sibal
- b. U. Sagayam
- c. Rajeev Topno
- d. Nidhi Khare

Answer: D

The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) held a meeting with electronic appliance manufacturing companies to discuss the issue of commencement of warranty period from date of installation instead of date of purchase. Since warranty period as per the policies set by manufacturers commences from purchase date, and not date of installation, there is shortfall in the warranty period as consumers can only begin using the product after it has been installed on their premises.

The meeting was chaired by Smt. Nidhi Khare, Chief Commissioner, CCPA and was attended by representatives from major electronic appliance companies including Reliance Retail, L.G., Panasonic, Haier, Croma and Bosch.

89. SAMEER is an autonomous R&D laboratory under

- a. NITI Aayog
- b. Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology
- c. Ministry of Earth Sciences
- d. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Answer: B

In a landmark event today, Military College of Telecommunication Engineering (MCTE), Indian Army and Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering & Research (SAMEER), an autonomous R&D laboratory under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to advance collaboration in 'Next Generation Wireless Technologies for Indian Army'. The MoU was signed by Lt Gen K H Gawas, Commandant MCTE and Colonel Commandant Corps of Signals and Dr P H Rao, Director General SAMEER. The event was conducted in the esteemed presence of Shri S K Marwaha, Group Coordinator MeitY, and Maj Gen C S Mann, AVSM, VSM, Additional Director General of

Army Design Bureau, Indian Army, reflecting the importance of this strategic initiative for the nation's defence and technological landscape.

90. In order to ensure transparent, smooth and fair conduct of examinations through National Testing Agency (NTA), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education has recently constituted a High-Level Committee of Experts which is headed by

- a. Randeep Guleria
- b. B J Rao
- c. Ramamurthy K
- d. K. Radhakrishnan

Answer:

D

Dr. K. Radhakrishnan: Chairman

91. Who is the incumbent Chief Minister of Sikkim?

- a. Pawan Kumar Chamling
- b. Nar Bahadur Bhandari
- c. Prem Singh Tamang
- d. Kazi Lhendup Dorjee

Answer:

C

The Chief Minister of Sikkim Shri Prem Singh Tamang met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

92. International Sugar Organisation (ISO) is a UN affiliated body having HQ at

- a. New Delhi
- b. London
- c. Istanbul
- d. Rome

Answer:

B

India is hosting a global event in sugar sector 'ISO Council Meeting' in New Delhi from 25th till 27th June, 2024. Delegates from more than 30 countries and representatives of many international organisations are joining to deliberate on critical issues of sugar and biofuel sector

As India is the world's largest consumer and second largest producer of sugar, ISO Council nominated India as the Chair of the organisation for 2024. As part of the meeting, India is starting the series of events with industrial tour of the international delegates to one grain-based distillery at Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh on 24 June 2024 to showcase India's adoption of latest technology in production of biofuels and other by-products.

On 25.06.2024, a workshop titled 'Sugar and Biofuels – Emerging Vistas' is being organised at Bharat Mandapam. Shri Pralhad Joshi, Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and New & Renewable Energy will inaugurate the workshop.

International delegates, top management of Indian sugar mills, industry associations like ISMA & NFCSF as well as technical experts are participating in the workshop. This forum is expected to bring an opportunity to more than 200 delegates from various organisations and parts of the world to discuss future perspective of the world on global sugar sector, biofuels, sustainability and role of farmers etc. This is also aimed to strengthen Global Biofuel Alliance, an initiative of Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in bringing together countries to promote development and adoption of sustainable biofuels in the world as an effort to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases. Many member countries of ISO and Global Biofuel Alliance are common and this can be another forum to expand the alliance and promotion of biofuels.

International Sugar Organisation (ISO) is a UN affiliated body having HQ at London. ISO has about 85 countries as members covering almost 90% of sugar production in the World. It is mandated to bring major sugar producing, consuming and trading nations together to bring mutual understanding and progressive approach in dealing with issues pertaining to the sugar sector. ISO has also been working on biofuels, especially, ethanol as sugarcane is the second major feedstock for ethanol production in the world.

93. Defence Services Staff College (DSSC), _____ and Defence Services Command and Staff College (DSCSC), Mirpur, Dhaka have recently inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for cooperation concerning Military Education in the field of Strategic and Operational Studies.
- Knightsbridge
 - Beverly Hills
 - Wellington
 - Kensington

Answer: C

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94. India is the _____ consumer and producer of tobacco.
- Largest
 - Third largest

- c. Fourth largest
- d. Second largest

Answer: D

Tobacco use is one of the major causes of preventable deaths and diseases in India and accounts for nearly 1.35 million deaths every year in the country. India is also the second largest consumer and producer of tobacco. According to Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS) 2019, 8.5 percent of school students in the age group of 13 to 15 consume tobacco in different forms across the country.

95. National STOP Diarrhoea Campaign 2024 is an initiative of
- a. Ministry of Education
 - b. National Health Commission
 - c. Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
 - d. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Answer:

D

Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda launched the National STOP Diarrhoea Campaign 2024, here today. He was joined by Smt. Anupriya Patel and Shri Jadhav Patraprao Ganpatrao, Union Ministers of State for Health and Family Welfare. The dignitaries also released IEC materials like logo, posters, radio spots and audio visuals for the campaign and distributed oral rehydration salts (ORS) and zinc tablets to children on the occasion.

96. Indrasena Reddy is the current Governor of
- a. Mizoram
 - b. Rajasthan
 - c. Tripura
 - d. Sikkim

Answer: C

The Governor of Tripura Shri Indrasena Reddy met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

97. Who is the incumbent Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh?
- a. Vishnu Deo Sai
 - b. Mahendra Karma
 - c. Bhupesh Baghel
 - d. Raman Singh

Answer:

A

The Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, Shri Vishnu Deo Sai met with Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

98. Who is the current Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission?

- a. Narendra Modi
- b. Sekhar Basu
- c. Ratan Kumar Sinha
- d. Ajit Kumar Mohanty

Answer:

D

Dr. Ajit Kumar Mohanty, Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy

99. ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram or New India Literacy Programme (NILP) is a centrally sponsored scheme implemented from

- a. 2020-2028
- b. 2022-2027
- c. 2020-2030
- d. 2015-2022

Answer:

B

ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram or New India Literacy Programme (NILP) is a centrally sponsored scheme implemented from 2022-2027. The scheme aligns with the recommendations of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and aims to empower those adults aged 15 years and above from all backgrounds who could not get due schooling and mainstream them with society to be able to contribute more to the growth story of the country. The scheme consists of five components – Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, Critical Life Skills, Basic Education, Vocational Skills, and Continuing Education. The vision of the ULLAS Scheme is to make Bharat - Jan Jan Saakshar and is based on the spirit of Kartvya Bodh and is being implemented on volunteerism. The scheme has benefitted more than 77 Lakhs people till now across the country. The ULLAS Mobile App has more than 1.29 Crore learners and 35 lakh volunteer teachers.

Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Dr. B.D. Mishra, on 24 June 2024 declared Ladakh as the administrative unit to achieve Full Functional Literacy under the ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram, after having achieved more than 97% literacy. This milestone reflects Ladakh's commitment to empowering its citizens through Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, and Critical Life Skills for all. Dr. Mishra informed this in a celebration at Sindhu Sanskritik Kendra (SSK), Leh.

- 100.Safai Apnao, Bimaari Bhagao is a recent initiative by
- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 - Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
 - Ministry of Rural Development
 - Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation

Answer: B

Come monsoon and the challenges of cleanliness and sanitation are heightened. With this increases the prevalence of waterborne and vector-borne diseases. Recognizing the critical importance of proactive measures to mitigate health risks associated with monsoon, the Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0 under the aegis of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), introduces the Safai Apnao, Bimaari Bhagao (SABB) (1st July to 31st Aug., 2024) initiative. This initiative seeks to enhance the preparedness of Urban Local Bodies, ensuring they are well-equipped to handle the challenges posed by heavy rainfall and heightened health risks during the months of June to August.

- 101.Who has been recently elected as the Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha?
- Vijay Kumar Sinha
 - Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri
 - Om Birla
 - Sumitra Mahajan

Answer:

C

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi congratulated Shri Om Birla on being elected as the Speaker of the Lok Sabha for the second time. He expressed confidence that the house would greatly benefit from the newly elected speaker's insights and experience.

- 102.Bandaru Dattatreya is the current Governor of
- Uttar Pradesh
 - Madhya Pradesh
 - Haryana
 - Punjab

Answer: C

The Governor of Haryana, Shri Bandaru Dattatreya met with Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

- 103.International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is on

- a. June 22
- b. June 24
- c. June 26
- d. June 28

Answer: C

By resolution 42/112 of 7 December 1987, the General Assembly decided to observe 26 June as the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking as an expression of its determination to strengthen action and cooperation to achieve the goal of an international society free of drug abuse.

Supported each year by individuals, communities, and various organizations all over the world, this global observance aims to raise awareness of the major problem that illicit drugs represent to society.

104. Section 5 of the Equal Remuneration Act, _____ clearly stipulates that no discrimination to be made while recruiting men and women workers

- a. 1976
- b. 1986
- c. 1956
- d. 1966

Answer:

A

Ministry of Labour and Employment has taken note of various media reports claiming that married women are not being allowed to work at Foxconn India Apple iPhone plant. In light of these reports, the Ministry has requested a detailed report from the Labour Department of the Tamil Nadu Government.

Section 5 of the Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 clearly stipulates that no discrimination to be made while recruiting men and women workers. As the State Government is the appropriate authority for the enforcement and administration of the provisions of this Act, hence the report has been sought from the State Government.

105. 'One Week One Theme (OWOT)' campaign is an initiative of

- a. ISRO
- b. CSIR
- c. NITI Aayog
- d. BARC

Answer: B

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), under the Department of Science and Technology has organised 'One Week One Theme (OWOT)' campaign from 24 June 2024, across its 37 labs in India.

Union Minister of State (independent Charge) for Science & Technology, Earth Sciences, MoS PMO, Ministry of Personnel public grievances and pensions, department of atomic energy and space Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated One Week One Theme (OWOT) Campaign in the presence of DG CSIR Dr. N. Kalaiselvi at India habitat Centre, New Delhi.

106. Manik Saha is the incumbent Chief Minister of

- a. Mizoram
- b. Sikkim
- c. Tripura
- d. Goa

Answer:

C

The Chief Minister of Tripura Dr. Manik Saha met Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today.

<https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2029046>

107. Kempe Gowda I was a governor under which of the following empires?

- a. Chalukya
- b. Chola
- c. Mughal
- d. Vijayanagara

Answer: D

Kempe Gowda I, was a governor under the Vijayanagara Empire in early-modern India. He is famous for the development of Bangalore Town in the 16th century. Kempegowda erected many Kannada inscriptions across the region.

108. CARING-2024 is an initiative of

- a. Advanced Materials and Processes Research Institute
- b. Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology
- c. Central Food Technological Research Institute
- d. Central Institute of Mining and Fuel Research

Answer: D

Central Institute of Mining and Fuel Research (CSIR-CIMFR) has commenced its two-day workshop, CARING-2024, focusing on the challenges and opportunities in coal gasification. This

event, being held on June 26-27, 2024, at the CSIR-CIMFR Digwadih Campus, brings together industry leaders, researchers, policymakers, and stakeholders to explore the complexities and potential of gasification technology.

109.Koderma Thermal Power Station is in

- a. Chhattisgarh
- b. Odisha
- c. Jharkhand
- d. West Bengal

Answer: C

Koderma Thermal Power Station is a coal-based thermal power plant located in Banjhedih, Jainagar CD block, Koderma district in the Indian state of Jharkhand. The power plant is operated by the Damodar Valley Corporation.

Commensurate with the goal of Government of India to ensure energy security of the country through thermal capacity addition, DVC has finalised the tender for the Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) package of Koderma TPS (2X800MW), in Jharkhand, with M/s Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL) at a price of Rs. 13,300 Crore, on 26th June'2024. With this investment, which would also have a substantial impact on the local economy and benefit the local population, the installed thermal generation capacity of DVC would go up to 8140 MW by 2030.

110.Sangyaan App is an initiative of

- a. Ministry of Railways
- b. NITI Aayog
- c. CSIR
- d. ISRO

Answer:

A

The Director General of Railway Protection Force (RPF) Shri Manoj Yadava today launched the mobile application-Sangyaan App, designed and developed by the Tech Team of RPF to provide in-depth information on three new Criminal Acts: the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023, the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023, and the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam (BSA) 2023. Available in both Android and iOS, Sangyaan App aims to educate and empower RPF Personnel by providing comprehensive information to understand the provisions of both new and old criminal laws, while highlighting the relevance of these new acts in the context of RPF operations.

111. Who of the following has been recently elected as the next President of the European Council?

- a. Pedro Passos Coelho
- b. Luís Montenegro
- c. Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa
- d. António Costa

Answer:

D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated H.E António Costa on being elected as next President of the European Council.

112. P. V. Narasimha Rao, was an Indian lawyer, statesman and politician who served as the 9th Prime Minister of India from _____.

- a. 1990-1995
- b. 1991-1996
- c. 1991-1997
- d. 1991-1998

Answer: B

Pamulaparathi Venkata Narasimha Rao popularly known as P. V. Narasimha Rao, was an Indian lawyer, statesman and politician who served as the 9th prime minister of India from 1991 to 1996.

113. "Bhuvan Panchayat (Ver. 4.0)" portal for rural land record and "National Database for Emergency Management (NDEM Ver. 5.0)" are initiatives of

- a. Department of Space
- b. Ministry of Earth Science
- c. Ministry of Science and Technology
- d. NITI Aayog

Answer:

A

Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh today launched two Geoportals namely 'Bhuvan Panchayat (Ver. 4.0)' portal for rural land record and "National Database for Emergency Management (NDEM Ver. 5.0)" developed by Indian Space research Organization (ISRO), here today at Prithvi Bhavan.

Answer: Department of Space

114. Who is the current Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change?

- a. Anil Madhav Dave

- b. Jairam Ramesh
- c. Bhupender Yadav
- d. Prakash Javadekar

Answer:

C

The 10th Meeting of BRICS Environment Ministers was held in hybrid format under the Chairship of the Russian Federation on 28th June, 2024, and it was participated virtually by Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change, Shri Bhupender Yadav. It was the first meeting of the BRICS Environment Ministers after joining of five new members, i.e. Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia.

- 115.The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is an intergovernmental organisation established in 1989 as the international watchdog to combat money laundering, terrorist financing, and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system. India became a member of FATF in _____.
- a. 2000
 - b. 2005
 - c. 2010
 - d. 2015

Answer:

C

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- 116.Which of the following countries has not won ICC Men's T20 World Cup more than once?
- a. West Indies
 - b. England
 - c. India
 - d. Australia

Answer:

D

The ICC Men's T20 World Cup (formerly the ICC World Twenty20) is the Twenty20 International cricket tournament, organized by the International Cricket Council (ICC) since 2007.

As of 2024, nine editions have so far been played and a total of 24 teams have competed. Only the West Indies, England and India have won the tournament more than once, all three nations having won two titles. The inaugural 2007 World Twenty20, was staged in South Africa and won by India, who defeated Pakistan in the final at the Wanderers Stadium in Johannesburg.

In the 2024 final, held in the West Indies and the United States, India won its second title against South Africa, equaling England and West Indies with the most titles in T20 World Cup. India became the first country to win the tournament without losing any game.

117.The Amarnath Temple is associated with which of the following deities?

- a. Vishnu
- b. Brahma
- c. Shiva
- d. Ganesha

Answer:

C

Amarnath Temple is a Hindu shrine located in the Pahalgam tehsil of the Anantnag district of Jammu and Kashmir, India

Answer: Shiva

118.RIMPAC exercise is world's largest _____ exercise.

- a. Naval
- b. Aerial
- c. Ground
- d. Disaster management

Answer:

A

Indian multi-role stealth frigate INS Shivalik, mission deployed in South China Sea and North Pacific Ocean, has reached Pearl Harbour in Hawaii to take part in the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise, which is world's largest naval exercise. INS Shivalik sailed into Pearl Harbour on Thursday on completion of JIMEX 24, a bilateral exercise between India and Japan.

The harbour phase of the exercise from 27 Jun to 07 Jul 2024 will see participation in multiple symposiums, exercise planning discussions, sports competitions and reciprocal deck visits. The sea phase of RIMPAC – 24, divided into three sub-phases will witness ships undertaking basic and advanced level integration exercises during the first two sub-phases. The event will conclude with a theatre level large force tactical exercise. The exercise will witness the participation of an Aircraft Carrier Battle Group, submarines, maritime reconnaissance aircraft, unmanned aerial vehicles, remotely piloted surface ships and also an amphibious force landing operations including joint operations with special forces of multinational navies.

119.In recognition of the notable contributions made by Professor (late) Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis in the fields of statistics and economic planning, Government of India has designated June _____ every year, coinciding with his birth anniversary, as “Statistics Day” in the category of Special Days to be celebrated at the national level. The

main objective of celebrating Statistics Day is creation of public awareness, especially among the younger generation, on the role and importance of statistics in socio-economic planning and policy formulation for development of the country.

- a. 27
- b. 28
- c. 29
- d. 30

Answer:

C

In recognition of the notable contributions made by Professor (late) Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis in the fields of statistics and economic planning, Government of India has designated June 29 every year, coinciding with his birth anniversary, as "Statistics Day" in the category of Special Days to be celebrated at the national level. The main objective of celebrating Statistics Day is creation of public awareness, especially among the younger generation, on the role and importance of statistics in socio-economic planning and policy formulation for development of the country.

Since 2007, Statistics Day is celebrated every year with a theme of contemporary national importance. The theme for Statistics Day, 2024 is "Use of data for decision-making". The concept of data driven decision making is important for making informed decisions in any field, and it is one of the pre-requisites for better understanding of statistical information, emanating from official statistics and for facilitating evidence-based decision making.

120. Who is the incumbent Chairman, National Statistical Commission?

- a. Rajeeva Laxman Karandikar
- b. Saurabh Garg
- c. Ajay Kumar
- d. Debasis Kundu

Answer: A

Rajeeva Laxman Karandikar, Chairman, National Statistical Commission