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1. _____ has won a silver medal in the Men's Singles SL4 Badminton event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.
 - a. Gukesh Yathiraj
 - b. Sohan Yathiraj
 - c. Suhas Yathiraj
 - d. Manohar Yathiraj

Answer: C

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Suhas Yathiraj for clinching a Silver medal in the Men's Singles SL4 Badminton event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

2. Thulasimathi Murugesan won a silver medal in the Women's _____SU5 event at the Paris Paralympics 2024.
 - a. Badminton
 - b. Tennis
 - c. Ping pong
 - d. Javelin throw

Answer: A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Thulasimathi Murugesan for winning a Silver medal in the Women's Badminton SU5 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

3. The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister has recently approved seven schemes to improve farmers' lives and increase their incomes at a total outlay of Rs _____Crore.
 - a. 14,235.30
 - b. 24,235.30
 - c. 34,235.30
 - d. 44,235.30

Answer: A

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today approved seven schemes to improve farmers' lives and increase their incomes at a total outlay of Rs 14,235.30 Crore.

4. The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister, has recently approved the proposal of Kaynes Semicon Pvt Ltd to set up a semiconductor unit in Sanand,_____.
 - a. Karnataka
 - b. Uttar Pradesh

- c. West Bengal
- d. Gujarat

Answer: D

With the objective to develop a vibrant semiconductor ecosystem, the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved the proposal of Kaynes Semicon Pvt Ltd to setup a semiconductor unit in Sanand, Gujarat.

The proposed unit will be setup with an investment of Rs 3,300 crore. The capacity of this unit will be 60 Lakh chips per day.

The chips produced in this unit will cater to a wide variety of applications which include segments such as industrial, automotive, electric vehicles, consumer electronics, telecom, mobile phones, etc.

5. The Union Cabinet Committee chaired by the Prime Minister has recently approved the Digital Agriculture Mission with an outlay of Rs. _____ crore, including the central share of Rs. 1940 crore.
- a. 3817
 - b. 4817
 - c. 5817
 - d. 2817
6. Prime Minister of India has recently visited the iconic Omar Ali Saifuddien Mosque in Bandar Seri Begawan, _____
- a. Malaysia
 - b. Indonesia
 - c. Philippines
 - d. Brunei

Answer: D

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi visited the iconic Omar Ali Saifuddien Mosque in Bandar Seri Begawan today.

Prime Minister was received by Brunei's Minister of Religious Affairs H.E. Pehin Dato Ustaz Haji Awang Badaruddin. Brunei's Minister of Health Dato Dr. Haji Mohammad Isham was also in attendance. A gathering of Indian community members were also present to greet the Prime Minister.

The mosque is named after Omar Ali Saifuddien III, the 28th Sultan of Brunei (father of the current Sultan, who also initiated its construction), and was completed in 1958.

7. Who won a Bronze medal in the Women's Singles Badminton SH6 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics?
- a. Nithya Sre Sivan
 - b. Nitya Sri Sundar
 - c. Nithya Shree Sivakumar
 - d. Nithya Sri Srinivasan

Answer:

A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Nithya Sre Sivan on winning a Bronze medal in the Women's Singles Badminton SH6 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

8. Former _____ Chief Prakash Singh has recently called on Prime Minister.
- a. Army
 - b. Police
 - c. Navy
 - d. Air Force

Answer: B

Former Police chief Shri Prakash Singh called on Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

9. Sumit Antil won a _____ medal in the Men's Javelin F64 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.
- a. Gold
 - b. Bronze
 - c. Silver
 - d. Diamond

Answer: A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated athlete Sumit Antil for winning a Gold medal in the Men's Javelin F64 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

10. What is the contribution of NABARD to the AgriSURE Fund?
- a. 250 crore
 - b. 500 crore
 - c. 750 crore
 - d. 100 crore

Answer:

A

In a significant development for the agricultural sector, Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, today launched the

AgriSURE Scheme in New Delhi. AgriSURE - Agri Fund for Start-ups & Rural Enterprises is an innovative fund which is a pioneering step toward revolutionizing the agricultural landscape in India. With a focus on technology-driven, high-risk, high-impact ventures, AgriSURE is designed to fuel growth and foster innovation in the agricultural and rural start-up ecosystem. A Blended capital fund of ₹750 crore with SEBI Registered Category II, Alternative Investment Fund (AIF), contributions from the Government of India is ₹250 crore, NABARD is ₹250 crore, and ₹250 crore is being mobilized from banks, insurance companies, and private investors.

11. What is the theme of teacher's day 2024?
- Teachers Weaving Dreams of the Future
 - Teachers at the Heart of Education Recovery
 - Teachers: Leading in Crisis, Reimagining the Future
 - Empowering Educators for a Sustainable Future

Answer: D

The theme for Teacher's Day 2024 is "Empowering Educators for a Sustainable Future," which focuses on the important role teachers play in promoting sustainability.

12. Amrit Udyan is located in _____
- Pune
 - New Delhi
 - Amritsar
 - Kanpur

Answer:

B

The **Amrit Udyan (New Delhi)** will be exclusively open for all teachers tomorrow (September 5, 2024) on Teachers' Day. They can come from Gate No. 35 of the Rashtrapati Bhavan, near the North Avenue Road. A free shuttle bus service from Central Secretariat Metro Station to Gate No.35 will also be available for their convenience.

13. The President of India has recently addressed a gathering of beneficiaries of 'Shasan Aplya Dari' and 'Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojna' of the Government of _____
- Maharashtra
 - Goa
 - Tamil Nadu
 - Madhya Pradesh

Answer:

A

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu addressed a gathering of beneficiaries of 'Shasan

Aplya Dari' and 'Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojna' of the Government of Maharashtra at Udgir today (September 4, 2024).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the 'Shasan Aplya Dari' and 'Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojna' are important steps towards building an inclusive and prosperous society and country. She was happy to note that women in Maharashtra are becoming self-reliant with the help of the central and state government's schemes. She appreciated the state government for providing financial literacy and skills to women as well as generating livelihood opportunities for them. She noted that the state government is taking various steps for transparent and accountable governance. The government is delivering basic services at the doorsteps of citizens so that they do not have to run around government offices for those services.

14. Para archer Harvinder Singh won a _____ medal in the Men's Individual Recurve Open event at Paris Paralympics 2024.
- Olympic order
 - Bronze
 - Silver
 - Gold

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Para archer Harvinder Singh for clinching Gold medal in the Men's Individual Recurve Open event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

15. Sachin Khilari won a silver medal in the Men's _____ F46 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.
- Javelin throw
 - Archery
 - Shotput
 - High jump

Answer: C

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated Sachin Khilari on winning Silver medal in the Men's Shotput F46 event at Paris Paralympics 2024.

16. Athlete Kapil Parmar won a Bronze medal in the Men's _____ kg J1 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.
- 50
 - 60

- c. 70
- d. 80

Answer: B

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated athlete Kapil Parmar for winning a Bronze medal the Men's 60kg J1 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

17. Prime Minister of India met with H.E. Mr. Tharman Shanmugaratnam, President of

-
- a. Singapore
 - b. Brunei
 - c. Philippines
 - d. Fiji

Answer: A

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met with H.E. Mr. Tharman Shanmugaratnam, President of Singapore today.

Prime Minister appreciated President Tharman's passionate support for the India - Singapore partnership. The two leaders discussed bilateral and global issues of mutual interest. They noted the longstanding friendship and cooperation between the two countries, which is based on trust, mutual respect and complementarity. In this regard, they noted that the elevation of the ties to Comprehensive Strategic Partnership will chart a robust way forward for joint collaboration. They shared thoughts on how India and Singapore can expand their cooperation to new areas such as advanced manufacturing and in emerging technologies. Prime Minister conveyed that he looks forward to welcoming President Tharman to India next year.

18. Under which of the following programmes are 24,800 rainwater harvesting structures being constructed with community partnerships?

- a. Shiksha Vikas Jan Prayas
- b. Harit Kranti Jan Shakti
- c. Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari
- d. Shiksha Vikas Jan Prayas

Answer: C

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will address the programme marking the launch of 'Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari initiative' at Surat, Gujarat through video conferencing on 6th September, 2024 at 12:30 PM.

In furtherance to the PM's vision of water security, the initiative seeks to conserve water with strong emphasis on community partnership and ownership and is driven by a whole of society and whole of government approach. Building on the success of the Jal Sanchay initiative led by the Government of Gujarat, the Ministry of Jal Shakti, in collaboration with the State Government, is launching the "Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari" initiative in Gujarat. The Government of Gujarat has endeavoured to mobilise citizens, local bodies, industries and other stakeholders to ensure a water secure future.

Under this programme approximately 24,800 rainwater harvesting structures across the State are being constructed with community partnership. These recharge structures will be instrumental in enhancing rainwater harvesting and ensuring long-term water sustainability.

19. Athlete Pranav Soorma won a _____ medal in the Men's Club Throw F51 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.
- Silver
 - Gold
 - Platinum
 - Bronze

Answer: A

Praising the perseverance and tenacity of athlete Pranav Soorma, the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated him for winning silver medal in the Men's Club Throw F51 event at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

20. Intellectual Property Awards 2024 comes under the purview of _____
- Ministry of Commerce & Industry
 - Ministry of Finance
 - Ministry of Education
 - Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer:

A

The **Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs, and Trademarks (CGPDTM)** under the **Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry** is delighted to invite the applications for the Intellectual Property Awards 2024. This prestigious initiative is dedicated to recognizing and honoring outstanding accomplishments in the field of intellectual property across a variety of sectors, including academia, R & D institutes, MSME, Start-Up, Corporations and Individuals.

The National IP Awards aim to acknowledge the remarkable contributions of innovators, institutions, and professionals who have significantly advanced the realm of intellectual property in India. The awards will be presented at a ceremony in New Delhi.

21. Athlete Praveen Kumar won a Gold medal in the Men's _____T64 at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.
- High Jump
 - Long jump
 - Triple jump
 - Shotput

Answer: A

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated athlete Praveen Kumar for winning a Gold medal in the Men's High Jump T64 at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

22. How many people were awarded the National Teachers Awards in 2024?
- 53
 - 82
 - 73
 - 62

Answer: B

The purpose of the National Teachers Awards is to celebrate and honour the unique contribution of some of the finest teachers in the country who through their commitment and hard work have not only improved the quality of the education sector but also enriched the lives of their students. For the awards this year, 82 teachers from across the country were selected which includes 50 teachers selected by the Department of School Education & Literacy, 16 teachers by the Department of Higher Education and 16 teachers by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

23. Building on the success of the Jal Sanchay initiative led by the Government of _____X_____, the Ministry of Jal Shakti, in collaboration with the State Government, has launched the 'Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari' initiative. Identify X
- Maharashtra
 - Gujarat
 - Rajasthan
 - Uttar Pradesh

Answer: B

To further the Prime Minister's vision of water security, the 'Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari' initiative seeks to conserve water with a strong emphasis on community partnership and ownership. It is driven by a whole-of-society and a whole-of-government approach. Building on the success of the Jal Sanchay initiative led by the Government of Gujarat, the Ministry of Jal Shakti, in collaboration with the State Government, is launching the 'Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari' initiative in Gujarat. The Government of Gujarat has endeavored to mobilize citizens, local bodies, industries and other stakeholders to ensure a water-secure future.

Under this program, approximately 24,800 rainwater harvesting structures across the State are being constructed with community partnerships. These recharge structures will be instrumental in enhancing rainwater harvesting and ensuring long-term water sustainability.

24. Digi Yatra Facility is an initiative of _____
- Ministry of Railways
 - Meity
 - Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
 - Ministry of Civil Aviation

Answer: D

Union Minister for Civil Aviation, Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu, today inaugurated the Digi Yatra facility for nine airports at Visakhapatnam International Airport and virtually launched this facility for eight other AAI's airports, namely Coimbatore, Dabolim, Indore, Bagdogra, Ranchi, Patna, Raipur, and Bhubaneshwar airports.

25. Which of the following countries is **not** associated with IMEC?
- Saudi Arabia
 - UAE
 - Indonesia
 - Jordan

Answer: C

India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) is an important initiative that can add to India's maritime security and faster movement of goods between Europe and Asia. This was stated by Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal at the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) India-Mediterranean Business Conclave 2024 today in New Delhi. Commerce Minister said that IMEC was launched during India's G20 presidency and aims to integrate India, the Europe, the Middle-East through UAE, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Israel and the

European Union. Shri Goyal noted that lower logistics cost, faster connectivity and secure movement of goods is dependent on better cooperation in this area.

26. Samvatsari is associated with _____

- a. Hinduism
- b. Buddhism
- c. Jainism
- d. Sikhism

Answer:

C

Samvatsari is the last day of Paryushana according to the Śvetāmbara sect of Jainism. It falls on Shukla Choth each year in the Jain calendar month of Bhadrapada, somewhere between the middle of August and September in the Gregorian calendar.

27. Athlete Hokato Hotozhe Sema won a Bronze in Men's _____ F57 at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

- a. Javelin throw
- b. Archery
- c. Swimming
- d. Shotput

Answer: D

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated athlete athlete Hokato Hotozhe Sema for winning Bronze in Men's shotput F57 at the ongoing Paris Paralympics.

28. The National Conference on Responsible Business Conduct was organised by _____

- a. Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs
- b. IIM Ahmedabad
- c. FICCI and CII
- d. Symbiosis

Answer:

A

The National Conference on Responsible Business Conduct, organised by the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), Ministry of Corporate Affairs, was concluded yesterday in New Delhi.

The conference was organised in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, the Mission LiFE, and Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises with the theme 'Escalating ESG for Viksit Bharat'. The event saw participation of industry leaders, policymakers, and experts to deliberate upon the vital role of Environmental-Social-Governance (ESG) Responsibility in shaping India's journey toward a Viksit and Sustainable Bharat.

29. The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) comes under _____
- Ministry of Education
 - Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
 - Ministry of Corporate Affairs
 - Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Answer: C

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA), under the aegis of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), Government of India, celebrated its 8th Foundation Day in collaboration with the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) and ICSI, in New Delhi, yesterday. IEPFA was formed on September 7, 2016, under the provisions of sub-section 5 of Section 125 of the Companies Act, 2013.

30. 47th edition of the biannual WorldSkills 2024 will be held in _____
- New Delhi
 - Geneva
 - Lyon
 - California

Answer: C

As the 47th edition of the biannual WorldSkills 2024 gets underway, the 60-member young contingent of WorldSkills India Team landed in **Lyon, France**, today all charged up and ready to compete in the largest international skilling competition.

At WorldSkills 2024 in Lyon today, Saturday, September 7, meticulous competition preparation took place, following the guidelines set out in the skill management plan. Experts from various skills fully engaged in setting up workstations, finalizing tools and equipment, and aligning technical specifications to ensure a fair and standardized competition environment.

31. SEMICON India 2024 is being organised from 11 to 13th September with the theme _____
- Pioneering the Microchip Revolution
 - Driving the Chip Technology Era
 - Shaping the Semiconductor Future
 - Leading the Future of Electronics

Answer:

C

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will inaugurate SEMICON India 2024 at India Expo Mart,

Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh on 11th September, 2024 at around 10:30 AM. He will also address the gathering on the occasion.

It has been the vision of the Prime Minister to position India as a global hub for semiconductor design, manufacturing and technology development. In accordance with this vision, SEMICON India 2024 is being organised from 11 to 13th September with the theme “Shaping the Semiconductor Future”.

The three day conference from 11 to 13th September will showcase India’s semiconductor strategy and policy which envisions making India a global hub for semiconductor. It will witness participation of top leadership of global semiconductor giants and will bring together global leaders, companies, experts of the semiconductor industry. The conference will witness participation of more than 250 exhibitors and 150 speakers.

32. Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, who recently visited India, is the Crown Prince of _____
- a. Singapore
 - b. Abu Dhabi
 - c. Saudi Arabia
 - d. Oman

Answer: B

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today welcomed His Highness Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi in New Delhi. Both leaders held fruitful talks on wide range of issues.

33. Monthly pension provided under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana (PM-KMY) is _____
- a. 1000
 - b. 2000
 - c. 3000
 - d. 5000

Answer: C

Launched on September 12, 2019, the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojna (PM-KMY) has been providing social security to all land-holding Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs) across the country.

This old-age pension scheme is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme. Under the initiative, eligible small and marginal farmers are given a fixed monthly pension of Rs. 3,000 after attaining the age of sixty. To qualify, farmers contribute monthly to the pension fund during their working years, with matching contributions from the central government.

34. 2nd Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation will be held in _____
- a. Japan
 - b. China
 - c. Philippines
 - d. India

Answer: D

Union Minister for Civil Aviation, Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu, addressed the media regarding 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation 2024, today at Rajeev Gandhi Bhawan New Delhi.

Addressing the gathering the Aviation Minister said “This conference comes at a pivotal time when India's aviation industry is experiencing a significant transformation.” He added that as the third-largest domestic aviation market globally, India is positioning itself to become a major hub for Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) services, cargo operations, and overall regional aviation. He also highlighted the ongoing development of new greenfield airports and the progressive policies like UDAN that encourage regional air connectivity are setting India on a path of sustained growth.

35. The International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) General Assembly and the Global Cooperative Conference 2024 is scheduled to take place from November 25th to November 30th, 2024, in _____
- a. New Delhi
 - b. Tokyo
 - c. Moscow
 - d. Beijing

Answer:

A

The International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) General Assembly and the Global Cooperative Conference 2024 is scheduled to take place from November 25th to November 30th, 2024, at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. It will be for the first time in the 130 years long history of International Cooperative Alliance (ICA), the premier body for the Global Cooperative movement, the ICA General Assembly and Global Cooperative Conference are going to be hosted by India. The details of the upcoming events were elaborated in a joint press

conference by Union Cooperation Secretary, Dr Ashish Kumar Bhutani, Director General of ICA, Mr Jeroen Douglas and Managing Director of IFFCO Ltd, Dr. U S Awasthi, in New Delhi today.

36. Who is the chair of the Governing Board of Anusandhan National Research Foundation?

- a. Prime Minister of India
- b. Minister of Education
- c. President of India
- d. Principal Scientific Adviser

Answer: A

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi chaired the first meeting of the Governing Board of Anusandhan National Research Foundation at his residence at 7, Lok Kalyan Marg earlier today. The meeting focussed on discussion about India's Science and Technology landscape and redesigning of research and development programmes.

37. Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) has been recently globally ranked No. _____ in Networking and 51 in LinkedIn's Top 100 MBA Programmes in the world

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

Answer:

A

India's premier business school under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) globally ranked No. 1 in Networking and 51 in LinkedIn's Top 100 MBA Programmes in the world.

38. Malpe and Mulki, fourth and fifth ships of the Eight Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft project, being built by _____, for the Indian Navy, were launched on 09 Sep 24

- a. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers
- b. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd
- c. Hindustan Shipyard
- d. Cochin Shipyard Ltd

Answer: D

Malpe and Mulki, fourth and fifth ships of the Eight Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft project, being built by M/s Cochin Shipyard Ltd, for the Indian Navy, were launched on 09 Sep 24 at CSL, Kochi. In keeping with the maritime traditions, the two ships were launched by

Mrs. Vijaya Srinivas in the presence of VAdm V Srinivas, Flag Officer Commanding in Chief, Southern Naval Command.

39. The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) is a statutory body that came into existence in pursuance of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, _____
- 1990
 - 1993
 - 1995
 - 1999

Answer:

B

The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) is a statutory body that came into existence in pursuance of the National Council for Teacher Education Act, 1993 (No. 73 of 1993) on the 17th August 1995 to achieve planned and coordinated development of the teacher education system throughout the country, the regulation and proper maintenance of Norms and Standards in the teacher education system and for matters connected therewith.

To ascertain whether the recognized institutions are functioning in accordance with the provisions of NCTE Act 1993, norms & standards and guidelines laid down by the Council for enforcing accountability on recognized institutions and bringing improvement in the quality and service delivery in the teacher education sector across the country, the General Body of the Council in its 61st meeting held on 5th August 2024 decided that the Performance Appraisal Report(s) (PARs) for the Academic Session(s) 2021-22 & 2022-23 are mandatorily required to be submitted year-wise online by all the existing Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs) on the NCTE portal.

40. Mpox, previously known as Monkeypox, is a zoonotic _____ disease
- Fungal
 - Bacterial
 - Parasitic
 - Viral

Answer: D

Mpox, previously known as Monkeypox, is a zoonotic viral disease with symptoms similar to Smallpox, though less severe. It typically resolves on its own within 2-4 weeks.

Severe cases are more common in children and depend on factors such as virus exposure, patient health, and complications. It spreads through prolonged close contact with an infected person or direct contact with body fluids, lesion material, or contaminated items like clothing or linens.

In mid-August 2024, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the surge of Mpox (Monkeypox) cases in several parts of Africa a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). This declaration emphasises the gravity of the situation and calls for increased global cooperation to address the outbreak.

As per WHO, 121 countries have reported a total of 1,03,048 Mpox cases and 229 deaths globally between January 2022 - July 31, 2024. As of September 01, 2024, 15 African countries have reported 3,900 confirmed cases of the disease. The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burundi, and Nigeria are the three countries with the highest number of cases this year.[1]

In India, 30 Mpox cases have been reported since the WHO's 2022 PHEIC declaration. Further, India is reportedly implementing preparatory measures and public health strategies to address potential Mpox cases.

41. The National _____ Awards were instituted by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India to recognise and honour the meritorious services rendered by outstanding nursing personnel.
- Florence Nightingale
 - Nightingale Service
 - Healthcare Excellence
 - Medical Achievement

Answer:

A

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu presented the National Florence Nightingale Awards for the year 2024 to the Nursing professionals today (September 11, 2024) at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

The National Florence Nightingale Awards were instituted by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India to recognise and honour the meritorious services rendered by outstanding nursing personnel.

42. On which date was the famous Chicago Speech delivered by Swami Vivekananda?
- 10 September
 - 11 September
 - 12 September
 - 13 September

Answer: B

Swami Vivekananda gave his famous speech at the Parliament of World Religions in Chicago in 1893. The speech was delivered on September 11, 1893, and it is considered to be one of the most significant speeches in the history of modern India.

43. Union Cabinet has recently approved 'Mission Mausam' to create a more weather-ready and climate-smart India with an outlay of Rs. _____ crore over two years
- 2000
 - 4000
 - 6000
 - 8000

Answer: A

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved 'Mission Mausam' today with an outlay of Rs.2,000 crore over two years.

Mission Mausam, to be chiefly implemented by the Ministry of Earth Sciences, is envisaged to be a multi-faceted and transformative initiative to tremendously boost India's weather and climate-related science, research, and services. It will help to better equip stakeholders, including citizens and last-mile users, in tackling extreme weather events and the impacts of climate change. The ambitious program will help broaden capacity and resilience across communities, sectors, and ecosystems in the long run.

44. The Union Cabinet has recently approved the proposal of the Department of Rural Development for "Implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - _____ during FY 2024-25 to 2028-29".
- III
 - V
 - VIII
 - IV

Answer:

D

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved the proposal of the Department of Rural Development for "Implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - IV (PMGSY-IV) during FY 2024-25 to 2028-29".

The financial assistance is to be provided for the construction of 62,500 Kms road for providing new connectivity to eligible 25,000 unconnected habitations and construction/upgradation of bridges on the new connectivity roads. Total outlay of this scheme will be Rs. 70,125 crore.

45. The Union Cabinet has recently approved the “PM-eBus Sewa-Payment Security Mechanism (PSM) scheme” for procurement and operation of e-buses by Public Transport Authorities with an outlay of Rs. _____crore.
- a. 1,435.33
 - b. 2,435.33
 - c. 3,435.33
 - d. 4,435.33

Answer:

C

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved the “PM-eBus Sewa-Payment Security Mechanism (PSM) scheme” for procurement and operation of e-buses by Public Transport Authorities (PTAs) with an outlay of Rs. 3,435.33 crore.

This scheme will support deployment of more than 38,000 electric buses (e-Buses) from FY 2024-25 to FY 2028-29. The scheme will support the operation of e-buses for a period of up to 12 years from the date of deployment.

At present, the majority of buses operated by Public Transport Authorities (PTAs) run on diesel/CNG, causing adverse environmental impact. On the other hand, e-buses are environment friendly and have lower operational cost. However, it was anticipated that Public Transport Authorities (PTAs) would find it challenging to procure and operate e-buses because of their high upfront cost and lower realization of revenue from operations.

46. Sitaram Yechury, who recently passed away, was a Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha from _____ from 2005 to 2017.
- a. West Bengal
 - b. Kerala
 - c. Andhra Pradesh
 - d. Telangana

Answer:

A

Sitaram Yechury was an Indian Marxist politician and the General Secretary of the Communist Party of India (Marxist), who was a member of the Politburo of the CPI(M) since 1992. Previously, he was a Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha from West Bengal from 2005 to 2017.

47. Delhi Declaration, recently seen in the news, is related to
- a. National health policy
 - b. Maritime security
 - c. Civil aviation
 - d. Money laundering

Answer: C

The 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation concluded today with the adoption of Delhi Declaration. The two-day conference ended with Prime Minister Narendra Modi announcing unanimous passing of the Delhi Declaration.

The 2 day conference saw the participation of delegates from 29 Countries Ministers and Policy Makers, and 8 International Organizations including ICAO which celebrated its 80 years of operations as part of the conference. Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India, in collaboration with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), successfully hosted the conference at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi from 11th to 12th September. This high-level gathering has brought together ministers, heads of civil aviation authorities, and key stakeholders to address the current challenges and unlock more opportunities in the region.

48. Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI) is an institution under the _____
- Department of Commerce
 - NITI Aayog
 - Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
 - IIFT

Answer: C

Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI), an institution under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) scripted a new chapter in the technological advancement and expertise in raising the bar of its excellence in the domain of footwear design and development at par with international standards by signing four separate Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the prestigious academia namely Tamil Nadu Physical and Sports University, Chennai, Vellore Institute of Technology(VIT), Chennai, Woxsen University, Hyderabad and Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, Bhubaneswar at a simple ceremony organised at Udyog Bhawan.

49. DRDO and the Indian Navy have recently successfully conducted the flight test of the VL-SRSAM from the Integrated Test Range in Chandipur. What does V stand for in VL-SRSAM?
- Very
 - Vehicle
 - Vestibule
 - Vertical

Answer: D

Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Navy successfully conducted the flight test of the Vertical Launch Short Range Surface-to-Air Missile (VL-SRSAM) from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) in Chandipur, off the coast of Odisha, on September 12, 2024, at approximately 1500 hours. The flight test was carried out from a land-based vertical launcher, targeting a high-speed aerial target flying at a low altitude. The missile system successfully tracked and engaged the target.

This test aimed to validate multiple updated elements of the weapon system, including the Proximity Fuse and Seeker. The performance of the system was meticulously tracked and confirmed by various instruments such as the Radar Electro-Optical Tracking System and telemetry deployed at ITR Chandipur.

50. Which Ministry deals with NCC in all States?

- a. Defence
- b. Home Affairs
- c. Education
- d. General Administration

Answer: C

Answer: Education

The 12-day NCC Thal Sainik Camp-2024 concluded on 12 September, 2024 in New Delhi. The camp saw the participation of 1,547 boy and girl cadets, representing 17 NCC Directorates from across the country. The camp involved various competitions, including Weapon firing, Map Reading, judging distance & field signal and Health & Hygiene events that challenged the cadets' physical and mental capabilities.

51. Which of the following places has been renamed as "Sri Vijaya Puram"?

- a. Ross Island
- b. Port Blair
- c. Kavaratti
- d. Minicoy

Answer: B

Port Blair, the capital city of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, will now be known as 'Sri Vijaya Puram', Union Minister Amit Shah said in a post on X on Friday (September 13). He said the decision of changing the name was inspired by the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, "to free the nation from colonial imprints".

52. Jan Sunwai Portal is an initiative of _____
- Department of Education
 - Election Commission
 - Ministry of External Affairs
 - Department of Commerce

Answer: D

Shri Goyal launched the **Department of Commerce's Jan Sunwai Portal, designed** to streamline communication between stakeholders and authorities, providing a direct and transparent channel for addressing trade and industry-related issues. This portal offers on-demand video conferencing services, in addition to fixed video conference links for regular, scheduled interactions. The portal's accessibility extends across various offices and autonomous bodies under the Department of Commerce, such as the DGFT, Coffee Board, Tea Board, Spices Board, Rubber Board, APEDA, MPEDA, ITPO, and EIC.

53. APEDA has recently signed an MoU with _____ to promote Indian organic products globally.
- LuLu Group International
 - Aditya Birla Retail Limited
 - Trent Hypermarket Private Limited
 - Reliance Retail Limited

Answer:

A

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with LuLu Group International (LLC), a leading retail chain in the Middle East and Asia, in the presence of His Excellency Dr. Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Minister of State for Foreign Trade and Minister in charge of Talent Attraction and Retention, Ministry of Economy, UAE, in Mumbai on 10th September 2024.

54. Hindi Day is celebrated every year on September _____
- 11
 - 12
 - 14
 - 13

Answer: C

In our country, Hindi Day is celebrated every year on September 14. On September 14, 1949, the Constituent Assembly declared Hindi as the official language by a unanimous decision. To

emphasize the significance of this decision and to promote Hindi in all areas, September 14 has been celebrated as 'Hindi Day' across India since 1953.

55. The National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission is a quasi-judicial body established under the Consumer Protection Act, _____
- 2018
 - 2017
 - 2020
 - 2019

Answer: D

The Department of Consumer Affairs under Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution has invited applications to fill up two anticipated vacancies for the post of Members in the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, which is a quasi-judicial body established under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019. The Commission is headquartered in New Delhi.

56. G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting 2024 was held in _____
- Asunción
 - Manaus
 - Santa Cruz de la Sierra
 - Cuiabá

Answer: D

Union Minister of State for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Shri Ram Nath Thakur along with Ambassador of India to Brazil Shri Suresh Reddy and Joint Secretary (NRM), Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare participated in the G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting held in **Cuiabá**, Brazil on 12th -14th September 2024.

57. On 14th September 2024, India celebrates Hindi Diwas, marking the _____ anniversary of Hindi being adopted as the official language of the Union.
- 100th
 - 75th
 - 50th
 - 70th

Answer: B

On 14th September 2024, India celebrates Hindi Diwas, marking the 75th anniversary of Hindi being adopted as the official language of the Union. This occasion, known as the Diamond

Jubilee of Rajbhasha, commemorates the historic decision taken by the Constituent Assembly on 14th September 1949, when Hindi, in the Devanagari script, was designated as the official language of the Union of India.

58. The Department of Official Language comes under the _____
- Ministry of Personnel Public Grievances and Pensions
 - Ministry of Education
 - Ministry of Communication
 - Ministry of Home Affairs

Answer: D

The Department of Official Language, under the Ministry of Home Affairs, has played a significant role in promoting the use of Hindi in official matters since its establishment in 1975. To honor this momentous milestone, Union Home Minister & Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, unveiled a commemorative postage stamp on 14th September 2024, at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, in a grand ceremony marking 75 years of Hindi as the official language.

59. 9th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting was held in _____
- India
 - Russia
 - China
 - Iran

Answer: B

At the 9th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting in St. Petersburg, Russia, the Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Govt of India, Shri Arunish Chawla emphasised the need to place culture at the heart of global development strategies, to use it as a tool for empowerment, inclusion, and mutual understanding.

In his statement the Secretary reiterated India's commitment to harnessing the power of culture for sustainable development and global cooperation. This aligns with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of convergence between Culture Creativity, Commerce and Collaboration for building an equal, sustainable and inclusive world.

60. The Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility (____X_____) was commissioned on 13 Sep 24 by Vice Admiral Rajesh Pendharkar, the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command, at INS Satavahana, Visakhapatnam. Identify X
- Vinira
 - Sunetra

- c. Sampoorna
- d. Vinetra

Answer: D

The Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility (**Vinetra**) was commissioned on 13 Sep 24 by Vice Admiral Rajesh Pendharkar, the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command, at INS Satavahana, Visakhapatnam. The facility, aims to enhance the escape capabilities of crew from a distressed Kalvari-class submarine, and has been indigenously designed and developed, keeping in line with the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' initiative, highlighting India's focus on self-reliance in defence capabilities.

Constructed by M/s L&T Defence as a turnkey project, the Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility is equipped with a five-meter escape tower integrated with an adjacent diving basin. This state-of-the-art facility will be utilized for imparting both basic and refresher escape training to the crew of Kalvari-class submarines, ensuring that they are proficient in escape procedures in the event of a submarine distress situation.

61. The Prime Minister of India has recently inaugurated the 4th Global Renewable Energy Investor's Meet and Expo (RE-INVEST) at Mahatma Mandir in _____
- a. Gandhinagar
 - b. Patna
 - c. New Delhi
 - d. Kanpur

Answer: A

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the 4th Global Renewable Energy Investor's Meet and Expo (RE-INVEST) at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar in Gujarat today. The 3-day summit honours the important contributors to India's remarkable achievement of over 200 GW of installed non-fossil fuel capacity. Shri Modi also took a walkthrough of the exhibition showcasing cutting-edge innovations from public and private sector companies, start-ups, and major industry players.

62. What does the annual festival Mawlid commemorate?
- a. The migration of Prophet Muhammad to Medina
 - b. The first revelation of the Quran to Prophet Muhammad
 - c. The birthday of Islamic prophet Muhammad
 - d. The establishment of the first Islamic state

Answer:

C

Mawlid is an annual festival commemorating the birthday of Islamic prophet Muhammad on the traditional date of 12 Rabi' al-Awwal, the third month of the Islamic calendar. A day central to the traditions of Sunni Islam, the Mawlid is also celebrated by Shia Muslims.

63. Who is the incumbent Chairman of the Shree Somnath Trust (SST), the religious charitable trust which owns and manages the iconic Somnath temple near Veraval?
- Jagdeep Dhankhar
 - Pramod Kumar Mishra
 - Narendra Modi
 - Mohan Yadav

Answer: C

PRIME MINISTER Narendra Modi was elected as the chairman of the Shree Somnath Trust (SST), the religious charitable trust which owns and manages the iconic Somnath temple near Veraval, for five years on Monday after the charity commissioner of Gujarat recently approved an amendment to the deed of the trust. With the amendment, the tenure of the SST chairman will be five years instead of one, trustees said.

64. BHASKAR Portal comes under _____
- Ministry of Education
 - Ministry of Science and Technology
 - Ministry of Culture
 - Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Answer: D

Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal at his keynote address during the launch of the Bharat Startup Knowledge Access Registry (BHASKAR) initiative, under the 'Startup India' program today in New Delhi said that BHASKAR meaning 'Rising Sun' has been aptly chosen to be the name of the digital platform. With the sun comes enlightenment, light, growth and BHASKAR will help in collaboration, cooperation and also enable competition among each other, Shri Goyal said. While praising the initiative, The Union Minister said that BHASKAR as a concept will try to integrate all the people who are dreamers, doers and disruptors. Putting BHASKAR into context, he said that the platform will help bring hope, aspirations and success for the entrepreneurs to kickstart ambitious revolutions.

65. NPS Vatsalya scheme targets which of the following sections?
- Women
 - Children

- c. Senior citizens
- d. Unorganized workers

Answer:

B

In pursuance of the announcement in the Union Budget 2024-25, Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman will launch the NPS Vatsalya scheme on September 18, 2024, in New Delhi. School children will also join the launch.

NPS Vatsalya will allow parents to save for their children's future by investing in a pension account and ensure long-term wealth with the power of compounding. NPS Vatsalya offers flexible contributions and investment options, allowing parents to make investment of Rs. 1,000 annually in the name of the child, thus making it accessible to families from all economic backgrounds.

This new initiative is designed to start early in securing financial future of children, marking an important step in India's pension system. The Scheme will be run under the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).

66. Rashtrapati Nilayam in collaboration with the Ministry of _____ and the Ministry of Culture will host the first edition of Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav from September 29 to October 6, 2024.
- a. Ayush
 - b. Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
 - c. Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
 - d. Development of North-East Region

Answer:

D

Rashtrapati Nilayam in collaboration with the Ministry of Development of North-East Region and the Ministry of Culture will host the first edition of Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav from September 29 to October 6, 2024. The President will inaugurate the Mahotsav on September 28, 2024.

The eight-day long celebration will showcase the rich and diverse cultural heritage of our North-Eastern states. Visitors will get acquainted with the art, culture, crafts, and culinary diversity of the North-Eastern states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura. More than 300 artists and artisans from these states would be participating in the event.

67. What percentage of the total water available on Earth is freshwater?
- a. 1.5
 - b. 2.5

- c. 4.5
- d. 7

Answer:

B

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the 8th India Water Week today (September 17, 2024) in New Delhi.

The President said that only 2.5 percent of the total water available on earth is freshwater. Even out of that only one percent is available for human use. India's share of the world's water resources is four percent. About 80 percent of the water available in our country is used in the agricultural sector. Apart from agriculture, the availability of water is essential for power generation, industry and domestic needs. Water resources are limited. The supply of water to everyone is possible only through efficient use of water.

68. India's Men's Hockey Team won the Asian Champions Trophy 2024. Which country was the runner-up?
- a. China
 - b. Pakistan
 - c. Japan
 - d. Bangladesh

Answer: A

After winning the Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy 2024, the Indian men's hockey team arrived in Delhi from China. India solidified their position as the most successful team in the Asian Champions Trophy with their latest **triumph against China** in the summit clash at the Moqi Hockey Training Base in China, on September 17. The high-flying Indian men's hockey team scored 26 goals in seven games in the Hero Asian Champions Trophy.

69. The Prime Minister of India has recently launched 'SUBHADRA', the flagship Scheme of Government of _____
- a. Uttar Pradesh
 - b. Bihar
 - c. Odisha
 - d. Madhya Pradesh

Answer: C

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi launched 'SUBHADRA', the flagship Scheme of Government of Odisha, in Bhubaneswar, Odisha today. It is the largest, single women-centric scheme and is expected to cover more than 1 crore women. Prime minister also initiated the

fund transfer into the bank accounts of more than 10 lakh women. Shri Modi laid the foundation stone and dedicated to the nation Railway Projects worth more than Rs 2800 crore, and laid the foundation stone for National Highway Projects worth more than Rs 1000 crore. The Prime Minister released the 1st installment of assistance to nearly 10 lakh beneficiaries under PMAY-G of around 14 states, took part in Grih Pravesh celebrations for 26 lakh beneficiaries of PMAY (Gramin and Urban) from across the country and handed over house keys to PMAY (Gramin and Urban) beneficiaries. Further, he launched Awaas+ 2024 App, for survey of additional households for PMAY-G, and the Operational Guidelines of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U) 2.0.

70. The _____ and Coal India Limited have recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for opening of Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the premises of every coal field
- National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority
 - Indian Council of Medical Research
 - Central Drugs Standard Control Organization
 - Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India

Answer: D

In a significant milestone under the mission to provide quality generic medicines and surgical equipments at affordable prices to the masses, the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI) and Coal India Limited have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for opening of Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the premises of every coal field, selected hospitals or any suitable location specified or decided by Coal India Limited.

71. Malaviya National Institute of Technology is located in _____
- Pune
 - Ahmedabad
 - Nasik
 - Jaipur

Answer: D

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced the 18th convocation of Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT) at Jaipur, Rajasthan today (September 18, 2024).

72. The Union Cabinet has recently accepted the recommendations of the High-Level Committee on _____ under the chairmanship of former President Ram Nath Kovind.
- Electoral finance

- b. Digital voting
- c. Simultaneous elections
- d. Delimitation

Answer: C

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has accepted the recommendations of the High-Level Committee on Simultaneous Elections under the chairmanship of former President Shri Ram Nath Kovind.

73. Bio- RIDE is a scheme under _____
- a. Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
 - b. Department of Biotechnology
 - c. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
 - d. Ministry of Railways

Answer: B

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today approved continuation of the two umbrella schemes of Department of Biotechnology (DBT), merged as one scheme-‘Biotechnology Research Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development (Bio-RIDE)’ with a new component namely Biomanufacturing and Biofoundry.

The scheme has three broad components:

- a) Biotechnology Research and Development (R&D);
- b) Industrial & Entrepreneurship Development (I&ED)
- c) Biomanufacturing and Biofoundry

The proposed outlay for the implementation of the unified scheme ‘Bio-RIDE’ is Rs.9197 crore during the 15th finance Commission period from 2021-22 to 2025-26.

74. The Union Cabinet has recently approved the establishment of the National Centre of Excellence (NCoE) for Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics and Extended Reality (AVGC-XR) as a Section _____ Company under the Companies Act, 2013
- a. 2
 - b. 27
 - c. 8
 - d. 17

Answer: C

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the establishment of the National Centre of Excellence (NCoE) for Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics and Extended Reality (AVGC-XR) as a Section 8 Company under the Companies Act, 2013 in India with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry and Confederation of Indian Industry representing the industry bodies as partners with the Government of India. The NCoE will be set up in Mumbai, Maharashtra and is in pursuance to the Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs' budget announcement for 2022-23 for setting up of an AVGC Task Force in the country.

75. Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan mission aims at saturation of more than _____ tribal majority villages and tribal villages in Aspirational Districts with budget of Rs. 79,156 crore
- 63,000
 - 3,000
 - 73,000
 - 56,000

Answer: A

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan with total outlay of Rs.79,156 crore (Central Share: Rs.56,333 crore and State Share: Rs. 22,823 crore) for improving the socio-economic condition of tribal communities, by adopting saturation coverage for tribal families in tribal-majority villages and aspirational districts.

This will cover around 63,000 villages benefitting more than 5 crore tribal people as announced in the Budget Speech 2024-25. It will cover 549 districts and 2,740 blocks spread across all tribal majority villages across 30 States / UTs.

76. What is India's highest gallantry award?
- Maha Vir Chakra
 - Shaurya Chakra
 - Param Vir Chakra
 - Maha Chakra

Answer: C

Developed in alignment with the vision of the National Education Policy 2020 and National Curriculum Framework for School Education 2023, a poem titled 'National War Memorial' and

chapter titled 'Veer Abdul Hameed - have been included in the NCERT curriculum of Class VI from this year. The objective of this initiative, jointly undertaken by the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Education, is to inculcate the values of patriotism, devotion to duty and courage & sacrifice among the school children and participation of youth in Nation building.

The poem "National War Memorial" is to appreciate the spirit behind it. The chapter titled 'Veer Abdul Hameed' honours the Braveheart CQMH Abdul Hameed who made supreme sacrifice fighting for the Country during the India-Pakistan war of 1965 and was awarded the **Country's highest gallantry award Param Veer Chakra (posthumously).**

It may be noted that PM Shri Narendra Modi had dedicated the National War Memorial to the Nation on 25 Feb 2019 in the iconic Central Vista 'C' Hexagon, India Gate, New Delhi. The National War Memorial was set up to inculcate a sense of high moral values, sacrifice, national spirit and belongingness in each and every citizen and to pay befitting tribute to the soldiers, who laid down their lives defending the Nation.

77. Three-Day National Conference on Enforcement and Capacity Building in Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) has been recently held at the National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes, and Narcotics (NACIN), _____, Andhra Pradesh
- Siddipet
 - Peddagadda
 - Yelahanka
 - Palسامudram

Answer: D

The second day of the Three-Day National Conference on Enforcement and Capacity Building in Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at the National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes, and Narcotics (NACIN), Palسامudram, Andhra Pradesh, focused on engaging with right holders to identify and address their challenges in IP protection.

78. Which of the following Sustainable Development Goals focuses on "clean water and sanitation for all"?
- 5
 - 6
 - 7
 - 8

Answer:

B

The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti, organized the International WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) Conference on the sidelines of the 8th

India Water Week held between 17th-19th September 2024, in New Delhi. This three-day gathering, centered on the theme 'Sustaining Rural Water Supply', offered a platform for knowledge exchange, showcasing innovations, and sharing best practices aimed at addressing global WASH challenges, with a special focus on achieving **Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6)**.

Sustainable Development Goal 6 declares the importance of achieving "clean water and sanitation for all".

The conference witnessed the august presence of Smt. Vini Mahajan, Secretary, DDWS, Shri Ashok K. K. Meena, Officer on Special Duty, DDWS, Shri Chandra Bhushan Kumar, Additional Secretary & Mission Director, National Jal Jeevan Mission (NJJM), and other eminent officials from DDWS, officers from States/UTs, RWPF partners and the paper presenters.

79. Which of the following is **NOT** one of the dams operated by the Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC)?
- Maithon
 - Panchet
 - Tillaiya
 - Bhakra

Answer: D

DVC operates four dams viz. Maithon, Panchet, Tillaiya and Konar. Final releases are from Maithon and Panchet. All releases are as advised by the Damodar Valley Reservoir Regulation Committee (DVRRC) which has representatives from Govt. of West Bengal, Govt. of Jharkhand, Central Water Commission (Member Secretary) and from DVC.

Due to a deep depression over Gangetic West Bengal and subsequently over Jharkhand, significant rainfall occurred in the lower Damodar valley area in West Bengal from 14/09/2024 to 15/09/2024 whereas the upper valley in Jharkhand experienced heavy rainfall w.e.f. 15/09/2024 to 16/09/2024. All rainfall events ceased from 17/09/2024. Rivers in South Bengal viz. Amta Channel and Mundeswari for River Damodar outfall were in spate. Other rivers such as Silabati, Kangsabati and Dwarakeshwar which are interlinked with the river Damodar were also in flood. Evacuation of flood water during the period was slow due to this reason.

80. Who is the Governor of Andhra Pradesh at present?
- S. Abdul Nazeer
 - Virendra Kumar
 - M. Shribharat
 - G. Babu Rao

Answer: A

The much-anticipated 19th edition of Divya Kala Mela was officially inaugurated in Visakhapatnam by Hon. **Governor of Andhra Pradesh, Shri S. Abdul Nazeer.** The event witnessed the gracious presence of Dr. Virendra Kumar, Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri M. Shribharat, MP (Lok Sabha), Shri G. Babu Rao, MP (Rajya Sabha), and other esteemed dignitaries.

81. ICAR-National Institute of Secondary Agriculture (NISA) is located in _____
- Gwalior
 - Ranchi
 - Patna
 - Gurugram

Answer: B

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced the centenary celebration of the ICAR-National Institute of Secondary Agriculture (NISA) in Ranchi, Jharkhand today (September 20, 2024).

82. India has achieved which Tier status in the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024, published by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)?
- Tier 1
 - Tier 2
 - Tier 3
 - Tier 4

Answer:

A

India has marked a significant milestone in its cybersecurity efforts by achieving top Tier i.e. Tier 1 status in the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024, published by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). With a remarkable score of 98.49 out of 100, India joins the ranks of 'role-modelling' countries, demonstrating a strong commitment to cybersecurity practices across the globe.

The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) played a pivotal role as the nodal agency representing India in the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024. Shri Jyotiraditya M Scindia, Hon'ble Minister of Communications, hailed the accomplishment as a Proud Moment for Bharat. He said, "This stellar achievement reflects our unwavering commitment to cybersecurity and highlights the remarkable growth of India's telecom sector."

83. On Parakram Diwas 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi named 21 largest unnamed islands of Andaman & Nicobar after whom?
- Bharat Ratna awardees
 - Padma Shri awardees
 - Param Vir Chakra (PVC) awardees
 - Mahavir Chakra (MVC) awardees

Answer: C

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh, on September 20, 2024, flagged-in, in New Delhi, a first-of-its-kind Open Water Swimming Expedition to the 21 Islands of the Andaman & Nicobar archipelago named after the Param Vir Chakra (PVC) Awardees. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had named 21 largest unnamed islands of Andaman & Nicobar after the PVC awardees on January 23, 2023 on Parakram Diwas commemorating the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

84. At which institute were the Central Animal and In Vitro Drug Testing Facilities inaugurated, funded under the STINER programme?
- Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) – Kolkata
 - National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) – Guwahati
 - All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) – Delhi
 - National Institute of Technology (NIT) – Silchar

Answer: B

At the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) – Guwahati, the first national pharma institute in Northeast India, Dr. Majumdar inaugurated the Central Animal and In Vitro Drug Testing Facilities. Sponsored by the North Eastern Council under the aegis of Ministry of DoNER, these facilities were funded under the Science & Technology Intervention in North Eastern Region (STINER) programme.

85. The Beach Clean-Up Campaign on 21 September 2024, at Juhu Beach in Mumbai, is being organized in collaboration with which Ministry?
- Ministry of Tourism
 - Ministry of Home Affairs
 - Ministry of Shipping
 - Ministry of Earth Sciences

Answer: D

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Sh. Bhupender Yadav will participate in the Beach Clean-Up Campaign on 21 September 2024 (tomorrow) at Juhu Beach in Mumbai. This campaign is being organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Earth Sciences and the State Government. The Beach Clean-up Campaign will be exercised at more than 100 beaches across coastal States/UTs.

The Ministry launched a Beach Cleaning Drive and introduced the campaign #IamSavingMyBeach on World Environment Day 2018 with the theme "Beat Plastic." Since 2018, the Ministry has regularly organised beach cleaning activities across all coastal States/Union Territories in collaboration with all coastal States and UTs Governments.

The International Coastal Clean-up Day (ICCD) is observed annually on the third Saturday of September. This day aims to inspire people to clean up beaches, raise awareness about the importance of preserving and protecting the world's oceans and waterways, and address the issue of marine trash.

In 2021, the Ministry organized beach cleaning activities at all 10 Blue Flag Certified Beaches as part of the 75th Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations. In 2022, the MoEFCC, in collaboration with the Ministry of Earth Sciences, conducted a beach cleaning initiative under the "Swachh Sagar, Surakshit Sagar/Clean Coast Safe Sea" campaign in celebration of International Coastal Clean-up Day (ICCD). The campaign spanned over 75 days across 75 beaches, where more than 15,000 volunteers collected over 1,500 tons of garbage and waste along the Indian coastline.

86. Shri Piyush Goyal participated in the 12th East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting (EAS EMM) in which country?
- Laos
 - Vietnam
 - Malaysia
 - Singapore

Answer:

A

Shri Piyush Goyal, Minister of Commerce and Industry during the 2nd and last day of his visit to Vientiane, Lao PDR participated in the 12th East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting (EAS EMM). The meeting was chaired by H.E. Malaithong Kommasith, Minister of Industry and Commerce of Lao PDR, the ASEAN Chair for 2024. The Economic Ministers or their representatives from all the 10 ASEAN countries and 8 other EAS partners viz. India, USA, Russia, China, Japan, Korea, Australia and New Zealand were present in the meeting. Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste joined the Meeting as an observer.

87. The Special Session of G7 Ministers meeting on Culture, attended by the Indian delegation, took place in which city in 2024?

- a. Lisbon
- b. Hawaii
- c. Dublin
- d. Naples

Answer:

D

The Indian delegation led by Shri Arunish Chawla, Secretary Ministry of Culture, Government of India along with Ms. Lily Pandeya, Joint Secretary, participated in the Special Session of G7 Ministers meeting on Culture, held on 21st September 2024 in Naples, Italy. The meeting was also attended by Culture leaders of the African Union, Brazil, Canada, the European Union, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States of America together with the Heads of United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) and the African Development Bank.

88. Exercise Eastern Bridge VII, conducted between the Indian Air Force (IAF) and the Royal Air Force of Oman (RAFO), took place at which location?
- a. Semori
 - b. Libra
 - c. Masirah
 - d. Kirkuk

Answer: C

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has successfully completed Exercise Eastern Bridge VII with the Royal Air Force of Oman (RAFO) at the RAFO airbase in Masirah. The IAF contingent has returned to India after participating in a comprehensive series of training missions, which featured the participation of MiG-29 and Jaguar aircraft from IAF, F-16 and Hawk from RAFO. This exercise significantly enhanced strategic relations with OMAN besides operational coordination and tactical skills between the two air forces.

Exercise Eastern Bridge VII was aimed to strengthen military cooperation and enhance the interoperability of both forces. The exercise included complex air operations, air-to-air combat drills, and mission scenarios designed to improve strategic and tactical capabilities. The IAF contingent gained valuable insights into RAFO tactics and operational philosophies, enriching combat strategies.

89. Who has been appointed as the next Chief of the Air Staff, effective from September 30, 2024?
- a. Vivek Ram Chaudhari
 - b. Birender Singh Dhanoa

- c. Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria
- d. Amar Preet Singh

Answer:

D

The Government has appointed Air Marshal Amar Preet Singh, PVSM, AVSM, presently serving as Vice Chief of the Air Staff, as the next Chief of the Air Staff, in the rank of Air Chief Marshal, with effect from the afternoon of September 30, 2024. The present Chief of the Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari, PVSM, AVSM, VM, ADC superannuates on September 30, 2024.

90. The Naval Commanders' Conference 2024 aimed to formulate a future roadmap for the Navy as a:
- a. Global trade partner
 - b. First Responder and Preferred Security Partner
 - c. Maritime tourism promoter
 - d. Research and development hub

Answer: B

The second edition of the bi-annual Naval Commanders' Conference 2024 was conducted from 17 - 20 Sep 2024 at Nausena Bhawan, New Delhi. The Conference focused on contemporary security paradigms, and critical analysis to further enhance the combat capability of the Navy and synergise operations with the other Services. It was also meant to delve into the dynamics of the geostrategic situation of the region in the backdrop of international developments and through intense discussions by the senior hierarchy of the Navy, formulate a future roadmap to consolidate as a **First Responder and Preferred Security Partner** in the Indian Ocean Region and its steadfast commitment and contributions to the national vision of Aatmanirbharta.

91. The Prime Minister of India addressed the 'Summit of the Future' at the United Nations in New York in 2024. What was the theme of the Summit?
- a. Global Cooperation for Sustainable Development
 - b. Multilateral Solutions for a Better Tomorrow
 - c. Solutions for Global Economic Growth
 - d. Future of International Relations and Diplomacy

Answer:

B

Prime Minister addressed the 'Summit of the Future' at the United Nations in New York today.

The theme of the Summit is 'Multilateral Solutions for a Better Tomorrow'. The Summit witnessed the participation of a large number of world leaders.

92. What significant achievement did India accomplish at the 45th FIDE Chess Olympiad?
- India won Gold in both the open and women's categories in chess.
 - India won Silver in both the open and women's categories in chess.
 - India won Bronze in both the open and women's categories in chess.
 - India won special jury award in both the open and women's categories in chess.

Answer: A

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today lauded the Indian contingent for winning Gold in both open and women's category at 45th Chess Olympiad. He congratulated the incredible Men's and Women's Chess teams for their remarkable achievement.

The PM in a message on X stated:

"Historic win for India as our chess contingent wins the 45th #FIDE Chess Olympiad! India has won the Gold in both open and women's category at Chess Olympiad! Congratulations to our incredible Men's and Women's Chess Teams. This remarkable achievement marks a new chapter in India's sports trajectory. May this success inspire generations of chess enthusiasts to excel in the game.

93. Who won the Sri Lankan Presidential elections in 2024?
- Harini Amarasuriya
 - Ranil Wickremesinghe
 - Chandrika Kumaratunga
 - Anura Kumara Dissanayake

Answer:

D

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Anura Kumara Dissanayake for his victory in the Sri Lankan Presidential elections. Shri Modi expressed hope to work closely with Sri Lanka to further strengthen the multifaceted cooperation.

94. What is the main purpose of the Dak Ghar Niryat Kendra (DNK) initiative?
- To support rural and small-scale exporters
 - To provide housing for artisans
 - To enhance urban infrastructure
 - To promote large-scale manufacturing

Answer:

A

Under the Dak Ghar Niryat Kendra (DNK) initiative, the Department on-boarded more than 3,400 new exporters to **support rural and small-scale exporters**. This program, closely aligned with the 'One District—One Product' initiative, has provided exporters with services such as

market information, documentation support, and paperless customs clearance. By doing so, the DNK has empowered micro-entrepreneurs, artisans, and small businesses to access global markets through postal channels easily. In the past 100 days, over 1.07 lakh shipments were processed under the DNK scheme, resulting in Rs. 8.50 crore in postage revenue and an export value of Rs. 23.01 crore. Additionally, Seven Exporters awareness workshops involving DGFT, MSMEs, Export Promotion Councils, State authorities and exporters were also organized.

95. What is the name of the revamped price monitoring app launched on August 1, 2024?
- PMS App 3.0
 - Price Check App
 - PMS App 4.0
 - Market Monitor App

Answer:

C

On August 1, 2024, the Union Minister launched revamped price monitoring app PMS App 4.0, which now includes 16 additional food commodities such as Jowar (whole), Bajra (whole), Ragi (whole), Maida (wheat), Suji (whole), Black Pepper (whole), Coriander (whole, dry), Cumin Seed (whole), Red Chillies (dry, loose with stem), Turmeric powder, Banana, Desi Ghee, Butter (pasteurized, salted), Eggs (farm eggs, medium size), Besan, Brinjal. The total number of food commodities under the **Price Monitoring System has increased from 22 to 38, improving market oversight.**

96. Where is the 16th Asian Organisation of Supreme Audit Institution (ASOSAI) Assembly being held?
- Mumbai
 - Chennai
 - Bengaluru
 - New Delhi

Answer: D

The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu graced the opening ceremony of the 16th Asian Organisation of Supreme Audit Institution (ASOSAI) Assembly, being organised by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India, in New Delhi today (September 24, 2024).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the CAG of India plays a key role in ensuring transparency and accountability in the country's public finance. It was not without reason that the Indian Constitution vested the office of CAG with a wide mandate and complete autonomy. She was happy to note that the office of the CAG has lived up to the expectations of the Constitution-makers. It follows a strict code of ethical and moral conduct that ensures the highest order of probity in its functioning.

97. Which of the following is **INCORRECT** with respect to Chandrayaan-4 mission?
- It aims at developing and demonstrating key technologies required for returning to Earth after a successful lunar landing.
 - It will showcase advanced technologies for docking, undocking, landing, and returning safely to Earth.
 - The total funding requirement is Rs. 8,104.06 crore.
 - The mission, managed by ISRO and expected to be completed within 36 months of approval, will have strong participation from industry and academia.

Answer: C

Chandrayaan-4 mission, aims at developing and demonstrating key technologies required for returning to Earth after a successful lunar landing. This mission will also focus on collecting samples from the Moon and analyzing them on Earth. Chandrayaan-4 is a critical step toward establishing India's capabilities for a human mission to the Moon, planned for 2040. The mission will showcase advanced technologies for docking, undocking, landing, and returning safely to Earth, alongside lunar sample collection and analysis.

The successful soft landing of Chandrayaan-3 demonstrated vital technologies that only a few nations possess. Building on this, Chandrayaan-4 will focus on returning lunar samples safely to Earth, a critical capability in future manned missions. The mission, managed by ISRO and expected to be completed within 36 months of approval, will have strong participation from industry and academia. All critical technologies will be developed indigenously, creating high **employment potential and technological spin-offs for other sectors. The total funding requirement is Rs. 2,104.06 crore**, covering spacecraft development, two launch vehicle missions of LVM3, external deep space network support, and special tests for design validation.

98. When is the term of the State Assembly in Jharkhand set to expire?
- December 31, 2024
 - January 5, 2025
 - October 1, 2024
 - March 29, 2025

Answer: B

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 Jharkhand at Ranchi. The term of State Assembly in Jharkhand is due to expire on 5th January, 2025 and elections are scheduled for 81 ACs (44 General; 09 SC; 28 ST) in the State.

99. The Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW), Government of India, has recently organized the National Conference on Implementing Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) under _____ in New Delhi.
- National Agricultural Mission
 - Kisan Vikas Digital Mission
 - Digital Agriculture Mission
 - Digital Empowerment and Development Mission

Answer: C

The Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW), Government of India, organized the National Conference on Implementing Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) under the Digital Agriculture Mission in New Delhi today. The conference aimed to discuss the implementation of DPI in continuation of the Centre-State collaboration to integrate digital technologies in agriculture, focusing on the implementation of components of the Digital Agriculture Mission such as Agri Stack, Krishi DSS, soil profile mapping and others to streamline service delivery and enhance the efficiency of agricultural schemes. Senior officials from all parts of the country attended the conference. It was a crucial platform for addressing technical and administrative reforms required to implement the farmer registry, avail the Special Central Assistance (SCA) Scheme funds and synergise national effort with state-level implementations.

100. Who was the Chief Guest at the 22nd National Conference of the Confederation of Real Estate Developers' Associations of India (CREDAI) held in Sydney?
- Narendra Modi
 - Subhrakant Panda
 - Sunil Barthwal
 - Piyush Goyal

Answer: D

In his ongoing visit to Australia from September 23-26, 2024, Shri Piyush Goyal, Union Minister for Commerce & Industry, had a number of productive engagements on the second day (September 24). He was the Chief Guest at the 22nd National Conference of the Confederation of Real Estate Developers' Associations of India (CREDAI) in Sydney. The Conference brought together about 1100 real estate developers from India to Australia.

In his address, the Minister urged the real estate industry to adopt even more effective measures for the well being of millions of workers employed in it. He appreciated the contribution of the real estate sector to the growth of the Indian economy and encouraged them to consider expanding their operations in international markets such as Australia.

101.Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the "Make in India" initiative is completing how many years as a pivotal step in India's nation-building efforts in 2024?

- a. 15
- b. 10
- c. 9
- d. 8

Answer: B

Launched on September 25, 2014, by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the "Make in India" initiative is completing 10 years as a pivotal step in India's nation-building efforts. On the occasion, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi expressed in his blog that "Today is an occasion to salute each and every one of you who has made this initiative a roaring success. Each of you is a pioneer, visionary and innovator, whose tireless efforts have fuelled the success of 'Make in India' and thereby made our nation the focus of global attention as well as curiosity. It is the collective drive, relentless in nature, which has transformed a dream into a powerful movement. The impact of 'Make in India' shows that Bharat is unstoppable."

102.Who co-chaired the 19th India-Australia Joint Ministerial Commission meeting in Adelaide?

- a. Piyush Goyal
- b. Narendra Modi
- c. Jitin Prasada
- d. Sunil Barthwal

Answer: A

Shri Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry led the Indian delegation to Adelaide and met Senator Don Farrel, Minister of Trade and Tourism, Australia.

Minister Goyal co-chaired the 19th India- Australia Joint Ministerial Commission meeting. He emphasised on the tremendous trade and investment opportunities yet to be explored jointly both countries.

He announced the opening of an Investment, Trade, Technology and Tourism (ITTT) office in Sydney which will have representation of Invest India, NICDIC, Export Promotion and DGFT including private sector (participation by CII). The primary mandate of this office would be facilitating trade issues between investors and businesses on both sides. He stressed on the unprecedented levels of trust and friendship between the two countries as their Prime Ministers met 9 times since May 2022.

103.Which organization announced the launch of the Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP) Hackathon 2.0?

- a. NITI Aayog
- b. NICDC Logistics Data Services Ltd.
- c. Indian Railways
- d. Ministry of Civil Aviation

Answer: B

NICDC Logistics Data Services Ltd. (NLDSL) announces the launch of Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP) Hackathon 2.0, a competitive event aimed at fostering innovation and developing digital solutions to tackle pressing challenges in the logistics industry. The Hackathon was officially launched at an event held under the chairmanship of Shri Rajeev Singh Thakur, Additional Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), at Vanijya Bhawan.

104.MCA21 Portal comes under _____

- a. Ministry of Cooperation
- b. Ministry of Company Affairs
- c. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- d. Ministry of Home Affairs

Answer: C

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has taken several steps towards Ease of Doing Business, including easy and quicker process of incorporation and exit of companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs), expeditious approval of mergers etc.

In this connection, for regulatory compliances by the Companies and LLPs on MCA-21 Portal, the MCA has a system of regular review of the concerns of the Stakeholders raised through emails, helpdesk system, ticketing tools, chatbot and Social Media handles.

105.What is the name of the lightweight bulletproof jackets developed by DRDO and IIT Delhi?

- a. ABBAD
- b. ABHIM
- c. ABHED
- d. ABHAY

Answer: C

Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO), along with researchers of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi has developed Light Weight Bullet Proof Jackets named

ABHED (Advanced Ballistics for High Energy Defeat). The jackets have been developed at the DRDO Industry Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA-CoE) at IIT, Delhi.

106.Operation Meghdoot is associated with which geographical location?

- a. Nainital Glacier
- b. Siachen Glacier
- c. Tawang Glacier
- d. Kargil

Answer: B

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu visited Siachen Base Camp today (September 26, 2024) and paid her tributes at the Siachen War Memorial, which is a symbol of the sacrifice of soldiers and officers who have been martyred since the Indian Army began Operation Meghdoot on the Siachen Glacier on April 13, 1984. She also addressed the soldiers posted there.

107.The year 2024 marks which Foundation Day anniversary of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)?

- a. 60th
- b. 83rd
- c. 75th
- d. 92nd

Answer:

B

83rd CSIR Foundation Day Celebrations at the NASC Complex, New Delhi

108.Recently, the Prime Minister of India dedicated 3 PARAM _____ Supercomputers & High-Performance Computing system to the nation

- a. Shiva
- b. Veera
- c. Ugra
- d. Rudra

Answer: D

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation three PARAM Rudra Supercomputers worth around Rs 130 crore via video conferencing today. Developed indigenously under the National Supercomputing Mission (NSM), these supercomputers have been deployed in Pune, Delhi and Kolkata to facilitate pioneering scientific research. The Prime

Minister also inaugurated a High-Performance Computing (HPC) system tailored for weather and climate research.

109. Which among the following is India's largest producer of coking coal?

- a. Bharat Coking Coal Limited
- b. Coal Controller Organization
- c. Coking Coal Export Limited
- d. Tata Powers Coking Coal Subsidiary Corporation Limited

Answer: A

Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL), a subsidiary of Coal India Limited (CIL) and India's largest producer of coking coal, has made significant strides in reducing the country's reliance on imported coal through its active role in the "Mission Coking Coal" initiative under the Aatmnirbhar Bharat vision.

110. Where was the sixth session of the India-Egypt Joint Trade Committee held?

- a. Cairo
- b. Mumbai
- c. Monaco
- d. New Delhi

Answer: D

The sixth Session of India-Egypt Joint Trade Committee (JTC) was held in New Delhi from 16th to 17th September 2024 under the co-chairpersonship of Economic Adviser, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, Ms. Priya P. Nair and Deputy Minister of Investment & Foreign Trade and Chairman of the Egyptian Commercial Service, Arab Republic of Egypt, Mr. Yahya Elwathik Bellah. Egyptian Ambassador to India, H.E. Mr. Wael Mohamed Awad Hamed, along with 08 delegates from relevant Ministries accompanied the Egyptian delegation.

111. Which of the following statements about the IN-STEP programme is correct?

- a. It includes 27 international delegates from 11 countries.
- b. The programme is a collaboration between the National Security Council Secretariat, Ministry of Home Affairs, and Ministry of Defence.
- c. The programme features 27 international delegates from 21 countries and 11 senior Indian military and civil officers.
- d. It only involves senior Indian military and civil officers.

Answer: C

International Strategic Engagement Programme (IN-STEP)

Addressing the participants of the inaugural International Strategic Engagement Programme (IN-STEP), a collaborative effort between the National Security Council Secretariat, the Ministry of External Affairs, and the Ministry of Defence, at New Delhi today, Shri Dhankhar emphasized the fundamental connection between global peace and sustainable development, underlining that the current state of world affairs demands a redefined approach to security.

The IN-STEP programme features 27 international delegates from 21 countries, alongside 11 senior Indian military and civil officers. The programme is a collaborative effort between the National Security Council Secretariat, the Ministry of External Affairs, and the Ministry of Defence.

112. World Tourism Day is on September _____

- a. 25
- b. 26
- c. 27
- d. 28

Answer: C

World Tourism Day

Celebration

Since 1980, the United Nations World Tourism Organization has celebrated World Tourism Day as international observances on September 27

The theme for World Tourism Day 2024, 'Tourism and Peace,' emphasizes the vital connection between tourism and peacebuilding. It emphasizes how travel, cultural exchange, and sustainable tourism practices can contribute to conflict resolution, reconciliation, and the promotion of global peace.

113. Which of the following statements is true about India's position in the Global Innovation Index 2024?

- a. India has risen to the 39th position among 133 global economies.
- b. India has risen to the 33rd position among 139 global economies.
- c. India has fallen to the 49th position among 133 global economies.
- d. India remains at the 39th position among 143 global economies.

Answer: A

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has hailed India rising to 39th position among 133 global economies in the Global Innovation Index 2024.

114. What is the theme of the 9th Ayurveda Day announced by Union Minister Shri Prataprao Jadhav?

- a. Ayurveda for a Healthier Tomorrow
- b. Ayurveda: A Tradition for Future Generations
- c. Ayurveda and Global Wellbeing
- d. Ayurveda Innovation for Global Health

Answer:

D

Union Minister of Ayush (Independent Charge) Shri Prataprao Jadhav announced the theme of 9th Ayurveda Day as “Ayurveda innovation for Global Health” in a curtain raiser press conference held today at Ayush Bhawan. This year Ayurveda Day falls on 29th October, and the main event will be held at All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi.

115. Where is the National Institute of Ayurveda being established?

- a. Chandigarh, Punjab
- b. Gurugram, Haryana
- c. Begumpet, Telangana
- d. Panchkula, Haryana

Answer: D

The National Institute of Ayurveda coming up in Panchkula, Haryana, with a ₹294.91 crore investment. This institute will function as a top-tier teaching and research facility with a 250-bed hospital and undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate programs in Ayurveda.

116. Who inaugurated the first edition of Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav?

- a. President of India
- b. Prime Minister of India
- c. Union Minister of Culture
- d. Vice-President of India

Answer:

A

The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the first edition of Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav at Rashtrapati Nilayam, Secunderabad today (September 28, 2024). The eight-day-long festival is being organised by Rashtrapati Nilayam in collaboration with the Ministry of Development of the North-East Region and the Ministry of Culture. This festival aims to present

the rich and diverse cultural heritage of North-Eastern states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura before the visitors.

117.The National Academy of Legal Studies and Research (NALSAR), is a public law school and a National Law University located in _____

- a. Karnataka
- b. Haryana
- c. Delhi
- d. Telangana

Answer:

D

The National Academy of Legal Studies and Research (NALSAR), is a public law school and a National Law University located in Shamirpet, Hyderabad, Telangana

118.What milestone did Unit-7 of the Rajasthan Atomic Power Project (RAPP-7&8) achieve on September 19, 2024?

- a. It was inaugurated by the Prime Minister of India.
- b. It reached criticality, marking the start of a controlled nuclear fission chain reaction.
- c. It was connected to the national power grid.
- d. It completed its first successful energy transition test.

Answer: B

In a significant step forward for India's nuclear energy ambitions, Unit-7 of the Rajasthan Atomic Power Project-7 & 8 (RAPP-7&8, 700 MW each) achieved a significant milestone on September 19, 2024, at 9:42 pm, by reaching criticality, marking the start of a controlled nuclear fission chain reaction. This achievement is particularly notable as India continues to balance its growing energy needs with its commitments to reducing carbon emissions. This achievement follows the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board's (AERB) clearance for the First Approach to Criticality.

119.National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management, known as MANAGE, is an autonomous extension and agribusiness management institute located in _____

- a. Uttar Pradesh
- b. Andhra Pradesh
- c. Telangana
- d. Haryana

Answer: C

National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management, known as MANAGE, formerly National Centre for Management of Agricultural Extension at Hyderabad, is an autonomous extension and agribusiness management institute located in Hyderabad, Telangana, India. The aim of the institute is to instill managerial and technical skills to Extension Officers, managers, scientists and administrators in the agricultural economy, to enable them to provide support and services to farmers and fishermen for practicing sustainable agriculture.

120. What is the purpose of the 'Vayu Veer Vijeta' car rally being organized from Thoise to Tawang?

- a. To celebrate the achievements of the Indian Army
- b. To promote tourism in Arunachal Pradesh
- c. To raise awareness about air safety
- d. To mark the 92nd anniversary of the Indian Air Force

Answer: D

A mega 7,000-km long 'Vayu Veer Vijeta' car rally from Thoise in Ladakh to Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh is being organised to mark the 92nd anniversary of Indian Air Force (IAF) on October 08, 2024. Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh will give a warm send-off to the rally from the National War Memorial, New Delhi on October 01, 2024, before it is formally flagged-off from Thoise, one of the world's highest altitude air force station at 3,068m above mean sea level, on 8th October. The rally will culminate at Tawang on October 29, 2024.

121. Benjamin Netanyahu is the incumbent Prime Minister of _____

- a. Ethiopia
- b. Israel
- c. Palestine
- d. Syria

Answer: B

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi received a telephone call today from the Prime Minister of Israel, H.E. Mr. Benjamin Netanyahu.

122. Who has been conferred with the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award in 2024 for unparalleled contributions to Indian cinema?

- a. Ankush Hazra
- b. Abir Chatterjee
- c. Parambrata Chatterjee
- d. Mithun Chakrabarty

Answer: D

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today congratulated Shri Mithun Chakrabarty on being conferred the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award for his unparalleled contributions to Indian cinema. Lauding the actor, Shri Modi said that he is a cultural icon, admired across generations for his versatile performances.

123. Which city hosted the Ayush Medical Value Travel Summit 2024?

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

Answer: D

Shri Prataprao Jadhav, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Ayush, and Union Minister of State, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, inaugurated the Ayush Medical Value Travel Summit 2024, themed 'Global Synergy in Ayush: Transforming Health and Wellness through Medical Value Travel' in Mumbai today. The summit is being organized by the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, in collaboration with the Ministry of Tourism, the Government of Maharashtra, and key partners.

124. Which of the following industries is **NOT** one of the eight core industries measured by the Index of Eight Core Industries?

- a. Cement
- b. Automobiles
- c. Fertilizers
- d. Refinery Products

Answer: B

The combined Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI) declined by 1.8 per cent (provisional) in August, 2024 as compared to the Index in August, 2023. The production of Steel and Fertilizers recorded positive growth in August 2024. The details of annual indices, monthly indices and growth rates are provided at Annex I and Annex II.

The ICI measures the combined and individual performance of production of eight core industries viz. Cement, Coal, Crude Oil, Electricity, Fertilizers, Natural Gas, Refinery Products and Steel. The Eight Core Industries comprise 40.27 per cent of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

125. Which upcoming World Bank program is integrated into the Business Reforms Action Plan 2024?

- a. B-READY
- b. B-RISE
- a. B-GROW
- b. B-LEAD

Answer: A

In a major push to further strengthen the Make in India initiative, the Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2024 is set to establish a seamless business regulatory framework across the country, enhancing the ease of doing business. Led by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), BRAP 2024 introduces next-generation reforms that address the needs of both businesses and citizens. Building on the successes of previous editions, BRAP 2024 aligns with key government initiatives such as the Reducing Compliance Burden (RCB) and Decriminalisation, while also integrating elements from the World Bank's upcoming B-READY program. This convergence will streamline regulatory processes, bolster economic growth, and foster greater investor confidence in India's business landscape.