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The details description of the Current Affairs & GK Questions are as follows-:

# 1. Who among the following has been elected as the new Prime Minister of Pakistan?

1. Bilawal Sharif

2.Shahbaz Zardari

3.Meriyam Bhutto

4.Shahid Khaqan

Abbasi

5. Abbas Farooqi

Answer - 4.Shahid Khaqan

# **Abbasi Explanation:**

Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, the nominee of ruling Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz's (PML-N) has been elected as the new Prime Minister of Pakistan by the National Assembly. Abbasi will succeed Nawaz Sharif, who was ousted by the Supreme Court of Pakistan after being found guilty of corruption in the Panama Papers case last week.

# 2. Which Asian country has formally launched its first overseas naval facility in Djibouti, an East African nation?

- 1. China
- 2.South

Korea

3.North

Korea

4.Japan

5.India

Answer

1.China

# **Explanation:**

This Chinese base in Djibouti is set to enable China to better support its patrols in waters off Somalia and Yemen and carry out international humanitarian operations as well as naval exercises.

# 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_, the first vice-chairman of NITI Aayog announced his resignation from office on August 1, 2017.

- 1.V K Saraswat
- 2.Arvind

Panagariya

- 3.Amitabh Kant
- 4.Bibek Debroy
- 5.Ramesh Chand



### 4. Which city will host 2028 Summer Olympics?

- 1. Paris, France
- 2.Los Angeles, US
- 3.Berlin, Germany
- 4. Durban, South Africa
- 5.Moscow, Russia

Answer - 2.Los Angeles, US

# **Explanation**:

Los Angeles has accepted a deal to stage the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games – which means that the 2024 Games will be heading to Paris. Paris and Los Angeles had both originally bid for the 2024 Games – but IOC president Thomas Bach told the two cities to work out a plan to share the 2024 and 2028 Olympics.

# 5. Ustad Sayeeduddin Dagar, who passed away on July 30, 2017, was:

- 1.Eminent Tabla Exponent
- 2.Eminent Flute Exponent
- 3.Eminent Sarod Exponent
- 4.Eminent Dhrupad singer
- 5.Eminent Sitar Exponent

Answer – **4.Eminent Dhrupad singer** 

### **Explanation**:

Ustad Sayeeduddin Dagar was born in Rajasthan on April 29, 1939 and was part of the illustrious Dagar family of musicians. He was the youngest of the famous seven 'Dagar Bandhus' and had dedicated his life to keeping the Dhrupad tradition alive.

# 6. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology(MeitY) has appointed an expert committee that would study various issues relating to data protection in India and will suggest a draft data protection Bill. Who among the following is the head of this committee?

- 1. Rajat Moona
- 2.B N Srikrishna
- 3.Ajay Bhushan
- 4. Aruna Natrajan
- 5.Rama Vedashree

Answer - 2.B N Srikrishna

# **Explanation:**

The 10 member committee, headed by Supreme court Judge (retired) Justice B N Srikrishna, includes the members from government, academia and industry. It will study and identify key data protection issues and recommend methods to address them.

# 7. On August 2, 2017, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cut the policy repo rate by 25 basis points. Now the repo rate stands at:

- 1.6.00%
- 2.6.25%
- 3.6.50%
- 4.6.75%
- 5.7.00%

Answer - 1.6.00%

### **Explanation:**

On August 2, 2017, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced Third Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy

Statement for financial year 2017-18. This time, RBI has cut the policy repo rate by 25 basis points (bps) to 6 percent.

- 8. SEBI has set up a committee on fair market conduct on 2nd of August 2017. It will suggest measures for improving surveillance of the markets and strengthen rules for algo trades, among other norms. Who among the following is the head of this committee?
  - 1. Viral Acharya
  - 2.Deepak Parekh
  - 3.Amitabh Kant
  - 4.T K Viswanathan
  - 5.L J Pannicker

Answer - 4.T K Viswanathan

### **Explanation:**

The committee will suggest short term and medium term measures for improved surveillance of the markets. It would suggest measures for improvement in PIT (Prohibition of Insider Trading) norms, PFTUP (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) regulations.

- 9. On August 2, 2017, Peter O'Neill has been reappointed as Prime Minister of:
  - 1. Papua New Guinea
  - 2.Poland
  - 3.Fiji
  - 4.Vanuatu
  - 5.Georgia

Answer - 1.Papua New Guinea

# **Explanation:**

Peter O'Neill is the leader of the People's National Congress. The election has been widely criticised because thousands of voters were excluded and there were blazing abuses of the electoral process.

- 10. Which portal has been launched by Union Government to provide a platform to sell agricultural produce and strengthen the agriculture-oriented Indian economy?
  - 1.e-Fasal
  - 2.e-Grains
  - 3.e-Bazaar
  - 4.e-RaKAM
  - 5.e-Mandi

Answer - 4.e-RaKAM

#### **Explanation:**

The Union Government has launched a portal, e-Rashtriya Kisan Agri Mandi (e-RaKAM) on August 1, 2017. It is a digital initiative that aims to bring together the PSUs, civil supplies, farmers and buyers on a single platform so that the selling and buying process of agricultural products become smooth

11. Who among	the following	former hea	vyweight w	orld cham	npion has	retired	from
boxing?							

- 1. Joseph Parker
- 2.Anthony Joshua
- 3. Wladimir Klitschko
- 4.Tyson Fury
- 5.Deontay Wilder

Answer - 3.Wladimir Klitschko

# **Explanation:**

Former heavyweight world champion Wladimir Klitschko has retired from boxing – ruling out a rematch with Britain's Anthony Joshua. Klitschko is a two-time former champion, who held the unified title from 2006-2015.

# 12. Hassan Rouhani has been sworn in as the President of which country for a second term?

- 1. Iran
- 2.Kuwait
- 3. Saudi Arabia
- 4.UAE
- 5.Oman

Answer - 1.Iran

# **Explanation:**

Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamanei gave his official approval for Rouhani's appointment. Rouhani will administer the oath at the Iranian parliament on August 5, 2017. Before that, he has to present his cabinet before the parliament for a vote of confidence

# 13. The Indian Army has developed a mobile application app called, \_\_\_\_\_\_,through which serving soldiers can track their details like postings and promotions.

- 1."Sena Buddy"
- 2."Sainik Saathi"
- 3."Humraaz"
- 4. "Soldier Status"
- 5. "Sainik Mitr"

Answer - 3."Humraaz"

## **Explanation:**

Through the 'Humraaz' app, soldiers can view their monthly salary slips and the Form 16 and also download them. For security reasons, the installation of the application has been linked to verification of Aadhaar details.

14	. In an att	empt to prom	note innovation a	nd entrep	reneurship in	agriculture,
	Governme	ent launched	"AGRI UDAAN"-	Food and	Agribusiness A	Accelerator
	2.0 progr	amme in	on August 4	, 2017.		

- 1.Varanasi
- 2.New Delhi
- 3.Bhopal

- 4.Amritsar
- 5.Karnal

Answer -2.New Delhi

### **Explanation:**

The program will be run by ICAR-NAARM Technology Business Incubator (TBI), a-IDEA and Indian Institute of Management Ahmadabad's Center for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE). This is a 6 month program in which shortlisted agri startups with promising innovative business models will be mentored & guided to scale up their operations.

# 15. India's first dedicated helicopter-taxi (heli-taxi) service will be launched in which city?

- 1. New Delhi
- 2.Mumbai
- 3.Chennai
- 4.Bengaluru
- 5.Kolkata

Answer – **4.Bengaluru** 

# **Explanation:**

The service is expected to take off in three months. It will be operated by Thumby Aviation Private Limited. Initially, the services will be between Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) and Electronics City, where a heliport is expected to come up. Estimates by the company peg the travel time at around 15 minutes.

# 16. Which among the following has become the first Arab country to offer permanent residency to selected non-citizens?

- 1.UAE
- 2. Oatar
- 3.Oman
- 4.Kuwait
- 5.Bahrain

Answer – **2.Qatar** 

#### **Explanation:**

Under the new law, residency permits will be granted to children of Qatari women married to foreigners. The residency permit gives holders similar rights as Qataris in terms of property ownership and access to generous education and health care services.

# 17. On August 4, 2017, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley launched a new Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) under the name\_\_\_\_\_, comprising shares of 22 companies from 6 sectors of the economy.

- 1.GOI 22
- 2. NextGen 22
- 3.PSU 22
- 4. Bharat 22
- 5. India 22

Answer – **4.Bharat 22** 

## **Explanation:**

The ETF will feature four banking stocks — SBI, Axis Bank, Bank of Baroda and Indian Bank — other than CPSEs such as Nalco, ONGC, IOC, BPCL and Coal India. Besides, there will be nine other PSUs as well as REC and PFC.

- 18. On August 3, 2017, India's first private sector missile sub-systems manufacturing facility, a joint venture between the \$2.5 billion Kalyani Group and Israel's Rafael Advanced Defence Systems Ltd., was inaugurated near:
  - 1. Hyderabad
  - 2.Kochi
  - 3.Jaipur
  - 4.Mumbai
  - 5.Amritsar

Answer - 1.Hyderabad

## **Explanation:**

Kalyani Rafael Advanced Systems (KRAS) is a 24,000-sq ft facility, located about 40 km from Hyderabad and is close to the new international airport. The project has been set up in a record time, and is considered first such facility which makes missile systems by a private player in India.

- 19. Senior bureaucrat Mohammad Mustafa has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of:
  - 1. SIDBI
  - 2. GAIL
  - 3. NTPC
  - 4. ONGC
  - 5. NABARD

Answer - 1.SIDBI

## **Explanation:**

Senior bureaucrat Mohammad Mustafa has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director in Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). Mustafa is a 1995 batch IAS officer of Uttar Pradesh cadre. He was working as a Joint Secretary in Department of Financial Services. The Appointments Committee of the cabinet has approved his appointment to the post for 3 years.

- 20. Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has entered into a partnership with which entity to enable railway passengers to book train tickets 'now and pay for it later'?
  - 1. Paytm
  - 2.Flipkart
  - 3.Amazon
  - 4.ePayLater
  - 5.ePayTomorrow

Answer - 4.ePayLater

#### **Explanation:**

ePayLater is a platform that allows persons to log out immediately after booking tickets so that they can make payment later. The idea behind paying later comes with every customer receiving a credit line for 14 days, and the amount lent can be paid within these 14 days.

- 21. Which satellite has been jointly launched by France's National Centre for Space Studies (CNES) and Israel's space agency for monitoring the effects of climate change on vegetation?
  - 1. Mercury
  - 2.Venus
  - 3.Jupiter

- 4.Saturn
- 5.Uranus

Answer - 2.Venus

### **Explanation:**

The Vegetation and Environment monitoring on a New Micro Satellite — Venus — is a joint effort between France's National Centre for Space Studies (CNES) and Israel's space agency. Venus will photograph 110 specific sites across the world every two days for two-and-a-half years, charting the impact of climate change on ecosystems and agriculture as well as studying carbon stocks and plant evolution.

# 22. A high level committee set up to review the Institutionalization of Arbitration Mechanism, has submitted its recommendations to Union Law ministry. This committee was headed by:

- 1. Justice J N Reddy
- 2. Justice B N Srikrishna
- 3. Justice K L Parikh
- 4. Justice V K Raghuvanshi
- 5. Justice B V Menon

Answer - 2.Justice B N Srikrishna

## **Explanation:**

The Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice, on January 13, 2017 constituted a ten Member, High Level Committee under the Chairmanship of Retired Judge, Supreme Court of India, Justice B. N. Srikrishna. This committee has recently has submitted its recommendations to Union Law ministry.

# 23. In order to develop airports in \_\_\_\_\_\_as green airports, Airports Authority of India (AAI) has commenced installation of 1MW solar power plant at two airports in the state.

- 1. Andhra Pradesh
- 2.Telangana
- 3.Punjab
- 4.Haryana
- 5.Madhya Pradesh

Answer - 1.Andhra Pradesh

## **Explanation:**

The Government of India encourages development of green airports. In order to develop airports in Andhra Pradesh as green airports, AAI has commenced installation of 1MWp solar power plant at Tirupathi and Vijaywada Airports.

# 24. 50th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Regional Forum (ARF)meeting begun on August 5, 2017 in:

- 1. Bangkok, Thailand
- 2.Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 3. Hanoi, Vietnam
- 4.Jakarta, Indonesia
- 5. Manila, Philippines

Answer - 5.Manila, Philippines

### **Explanation:**

Southeast Asian foreign ministers and their counterparts from the U.S., China, Russia, Japan, the two Koreas and other nations attended 50th Association of Southeast Asian Nations

(ASEAN) Regional Forum (ARF) meeting in Manila on Aug 5, 2017. Topping the agenda are the intercontinental ballistic missile tests by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and a siege by pro-Islamic State group militants in the southern Philippine city of Marawi, which has dragged on for more than two months.

# 25. Which public sector bank has hit the international debt market with \$400 million bond issue that will have a tenor of 5 years?

- 1. Canara Bank
- 2.Punjab National Bank
- 3.Indian Bank
- 4.Bank of India
- 5.Bank of Baroda

Answer - 1.Canara Bank

# **Explanation:**

Canara Bank has hit the international debt market with a benchmark dollar bond issue that will have a tenor of 5 years. Through this issue, Canara Bank will raise \$400 million as part of its \$2 billion medium-term note programme.

# 26. As per data by Reserve Bank of India (RBI), India's foreign exchange reserves surged by \$1.536 billion to touch a fresh life-time high of \$\_ billion during the week to July 28, 2017.

- 1.292.867
- 2.392.867
- 3.492.867
- 4.592.867
- 5.692.867

Answer - 2.392.867

## **Explanation:**

As per data by RBI, India's foreign exchange reserves surged by \$1.536 billion to touch a fresh life-time high of \$392.867 billion during the week to July 28, helped by rising in foreign currency assets (FCAs). In the previous week, the reserves had increased by \$2.27 billion to \$391.33 billion.

# 27. Which entity has joined hands with the Indian Dental Association (IDA) to start India's first digital initiative for prevention and early detection of oral cancer?

- 1.Colgate India Trust
- 2.Anchor India Trust
- 3. Tata Memorial Centre
- 4.Patanjali Ayurved
- 5.Dabur

Answer - 3.Tata Memorial Centre

#### **Explanation:**

Tata Memorial Centre is a known destination for cancer treatment and its dedication to provide latest treatment technology and multi-disciplinary approach especially towards head and neck cancer. The IDA is the largest recognised body of dental professionals in India with a presence in 29 states and seven Union Territories and over 450 local branches spread across

the country.  28. Paul Kagame has won third term in office as President of:	
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1.Ghana 2.Liberai	28

3.Rwanda

4. Nigeria

5.kenya

Answer - 3.Rwanda

### **Explanation:**

President Paul Kagame of Rwanda has won a third term in office with a landslide victory in election held on August 4, 2017. Mr Kagame won 98.66 percent votes while his two littleknown rivals barely made a dent.

, has become the first Hindu in Pakistan government in more 29. \_ than 20

# years.

- 1.Prabhu Lal
- 2.Kirpal Sinah
- 3.Krishna Lal
- 4.Darshan Lal
- 5. Himmat Singh

Answer - 4.Darshan Lal

### **Explanation:**

Pakistan's new Prime Minister Shahid Khagan Abbasi formed his cabinet on August 4, 2017, filling it with his toppled predecessor Nawaz Sharif's aides and allies. It also included the first Hindu in Pakistan government in more than 20 years, Darshan Lal.

- 30. Who among the following has become the first paralympian to be recommended for India's highest sporting honour—the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna?
  - 1. Deepa
  - 2. Devendra Jhajharia
  - 3. Varun Bhati
  - 4.M Thangavelu
  - 5.Suyash Jadhav

Answer - 2.Devendra Jhajharia

#### **Explanation:**

Javelin thrower Jhajharia, the first Indian to win two Paralympic gold medals, was the first choice of the awards selection committee headed by Justice (Retd) C K Thakkar. The committee has picked 31-year-old midfielder Sardar Singh as its second nominee for the top honour and has suggested that both Jhajharia and Sardar be considered for the award jointly.

- 31. The Minister for Road Transport & Highways and Shipping, Nitin Gadkari has said that the government is keen on developing Chabahar Port in\_\_\_\_ and is hopeful of starting operations by 2018.
  - 1. Bangladesh
  - 2.Myanmar
  - 3. Saudi Arabia
  - 4.Iran
  - 5.Sri Lanka

Answer - 4.Iran

## **Explanation:**

The Indian Government has allocated Rs 6 billion for the development of the Chabahar port. Out of this, tenders worth Rs 380 Crore for equipment have already been finalized. Mr. Nitin Gadkari has also informed that civil construction work has already started at the Chabahar Port

# 32. Who among the following has been appointed as the new Vice Chairman of the NITI Aayog?

- 1. Rajiv Kumar
- 2.Nandish Jaiswal
- 3. Vinay Khattar
- 4.Pramod Naik
- 5. Vidyut Kant

Answer - 1.Rajiv Kumar

### **Explanation:**

Rajiv Kumar is an economist who has served in a wide variety of roles in government, think-tanks, international organizations, industry associations and academia. He has also served as Director and Chief Executive of the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER), and chief economist of the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII).

# 33. Who won the World Athletics Championship 2017 in London?

- 1. Usain Bolt
- 2. Justin Gatlin
- 3.Christian Coleman
- 4.Adam Langer
- 5. Vnncent Taylor

Answer – 2.Justin Gatlin

# **Explanation:**

Justin Gatlin from USA has won gold and Bolt had to settle for Bronze in 100 m Final. Justin Gatlin won with a time of 9.92 as Bolt came third in 9.95. American Christian Coleman took silver with 9.94 having beaten Bolt in the semi-finals.

# 34. On August 4, 2017, Union Home Ministry passed an order to merge the threedecade old National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) with BPRD. Abbreviation BPRD stands for:

- 1. Bureau of Patrolling Research and Development
- 2.Bureau of Police Research and Development
- 3.Border Police Research and Development
- 4.Border Patrolling Research and Development
- 5. Bureau of Police Regulation and Development

Answer - 2.Bureau of Police Research and Development

#### **Explanation:**

Government has taken this decision with an aim to improve administrative efficiency and optimal utilisation of resources. The BPRD Director General (DG) will be the head of the merged new entity, where the NCRB Director, an Additional DG rank post will report to the former.

# 35. Which two companies have extended their partnership into Asia Pacific to enhance the consumer experience?

- 1. Mastercard and PayPal
- 2.Visa and PayPal
- 3. Mastercard and Paytm
- 4. Visa and Paytm
- 5.American Express and PayPal

Answer -1.Mastercard and PayPal

### **Explanation:**

The deal will expand PayPal's presence at the point of sale and enable Masterpass for Braintree merchants in the region. Additionally, both companies will collaborate to create opportunities to leverage Mastercard's new payment flow technologies, providing increased value to Mastercard cardholders, financial institutions, and PayPal customers.

# 36. Indian government has formulated National Trade Facilitation Action Plan for which period for smooth implementation of WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA)?

- 1.2017 2020
- 2.2018 2021
- 3.2017 2021
- 4.2018 2022
- 5.2017 2022

Answer - 1.2017 - 2020

### **Explanation:**

Recommendations made by four working groups on legislative changes, time release study, outreach programme and infrastructure augmentation have been included in this plan. Implementation of the plan, which also includes suggestions of the private sector, has been divided into short term (0-6 months), medium term (6-18 months) and long term (18-36 months)

# 37. Who among the following has been appointed as an Executive Director in the World Bank in the US?

- 1. Rujuta Parikh
- 2. Manisha Chandra
- 3.Devika Gaur
- 4.S Aparna
- 5.Sandhya Iyer

Answer - 4.S Aparna

#### **Explanation:**

Senior bureaucrat S Aparna, presently Principal Secretary to Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani, has been appointed as an Executive Director in the World Bank in the US. As the Executive Director at World Bank, Ms. Aparna will represent the constituency of India, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Sri Lanka.

# 38. Which team has beaten Bengaluru Hockey Association (BHA) by 4-2 in the final of 91st All-India MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup hockey tournament?

- 1. Indian Railways team
- 2. Mumbai Hockey Association
- 3.Defence Services Team
- 4.ONGC Team
- 5.NTPC Team

Answer - 4.0NGC Team

# **Explanation:**

The Murugappa Gold Cup hockey tournament was scheduled from 27th July to 6th of August 2017. It was held at Mayor Radhakrishnan stadium, Egmore Chennai. The ONGC team received Rs 5, 00,000 prize money while BHA got Rs 2.5 lakh.

# 39. 'National Handloom Day' is celebrated in India on which date every year?

- 1. August 4
- 2. August 5
- 3. August 6
- 4. August 7
- 5. August 8

Answer - 4.August 7

## **Explanation:**

'National Handloom Day' is celebrated every year due to its significance in India's history, as 'Swadeshi Movement' was launched in 1905 on this day. This year the main event was be held in Guwahati to celebrate the third National Handloom Day. Over 1000 weavers from North East India participated in the celebration of the National Handloom day in Guwahati.

# 40. 2030 Water Resources Group (2030WRG) will help which State Government to raise \$270 million from the Green Climate Fund, which will be invested in integrated watershed programmes in the state?

- 1. Maharashtra
- 2.Gujarat
- 3.Karnataka
- 4.Andhra Pradesh
- 5.Madhya Pradesh

Answer - 1.Maharashtra

### **Explanation:**

For raising money from the Green Climate Fund, Maharashtra State Level Climate Change Committee will endorse the proposal next week, after which it would be referred to the Central Government. The approvals will be in place in early 2018 and it could take a year to get the funding.

# 41. The Centre has declared entire area of which state as a "disturbed" area under Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) for one more month?

- 1. Jharkhand
- 2.Assam
- 3.Mizoram
- 4.Chhattisgarh
- 5.Nagaland

Answer - 2.Assam

The Centre has declared entire Assam as a "disturbed" area under the controversial Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) for one more month, citing various violent activities by insurgent groups ULFA, NDFB, and others. The Union home ministry also declared Meghalaya's border areas adjoining Assam, and three districts in Arunachal Pradesh as "disturbed" under the AFSPA for two more months with effect from August 3, 2017.

# 42. On August 8, 2017, Legislative Assembly of which state passed a bill which reclassifies coconut as a `tree', ensuring legal protection for it?

- 1.Goa
- 2.Tamil Nadu
- 3.Kerala
- 4.West Bengal
- 5.Gujarat

Answer - 1.Goa

### **Explanation:**

Goa Forward Party, a partner in the Manohar Parrikar-led government, had promised to reclassify coconut. The previous Laxmikant Parsekar-led government had changed classification of coconut tree to a `palm'.

# 43. Who among the following has been honoured with Asia Society Game Changers Award?

- 1. Amitabh Bachchan
- 2.Shah Rukh Khan
- 3.Aziz Ansari
- 4.Naveen Andrews
- 5.Dev Patel

Answer - **5.Dev Patel** 

# **Explanation:**

Indian-origin actor Dev Patel is to be honoured by a leading educational organisation for making a "transformative and positive" difference for the future of Asia and the world. He will be felicitated with the Asia Society 2017 Asia Game Changers Award at a ceremony to be held at the United Nations, New York, in November 2017.

# 44. India's first micro forest is being built in which state?

- 1. Punjab
- 2. Himachal Pradesh
- 3.Chhattisgarh
- 4.Odisha
- 5.Telangana

Answer – **3.Chhattisgarh** 

## **Explanation:**

Nineteen acres of land which housed around 70 government office buildings in Chattisgarh's Raipur is being converted into India's first micro forest in order to create an oxy-zone.

# 45. On August 9, 2017, India celebrated\_\_\_\_\_anniversary of the Quit India Movement

- 1.75th
- 2.76th
- 3.77<sup>th</sup>
- 4.78<sup>th</sup>

5.79<sup>th</sup>

Answer - 1.75th

# **Explanation:**

The Quit India Movement was an important milestone in the Indian freedom struggle. Under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi, people across India came together to uproot imperialism. A number of events were planned at organisational and local levels to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Quit India Movement.

# 46. Which Asian country will soon open a new diplomatic station in Chennai?

- 1. Bangladesh
- 2.Sri Lanka
- 3.Nepal
- 4.Myanmar
- 5.China

Answer - 1.Bangladesh

# **Explanation:**

Bangladesh will soon open a new diplomatic station in Chennai. The new station is likely to focus on medical tourism and educational centres that draw thousands of Bangladeshi citizens to India every year.

# 47. India has become \_\_\_\_\_country to accept the amendment relating to the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol – the international emissions reduction treaty.

- 1.75<sup>th</sup>
- 2.80<sup>th</sup>
- 3.85<sup>th</sup>
- 4.90<sup>th</sup>
- 5.95<sup>th</sup>

Answer - 2.80<sup>th</sup>

#### **Explanation:**

India has ratified the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol that commits countries to contain the emission of greenhouse gases, reaffirming its stand on climate action. India's Permanent Mission to the UN said that India has deposited its Instrument of Acceptance of the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol under the UN Convention on Climate Change on August 8, 2017.

# 48. On the global retirement index of 43 countries, India has ranked:

- 1.23<sup>rd</sup>
- 2.28th
- 3.33<sup>rd</sup>
- 4.38th
- 5.43<sup>rd</sup>

Answer - **5.43**<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Explanation:**

The index by French asset management company Natixis Global, ranks countries on the basis of four factors — the material means to live comfortably in retirement; access to quality

financial services to help preserve savings value and maximize income; access to quality health services; and a clean and safe environment. On all four, India has ranked the lowest. Switzerland, Norway and Iceland are the top three countries.

# 49. Which bank has partnered with digital payments company Zeta, to launch a payment solution for corporates that digitizes employee spends and claims?

- 1.ICICI Bank
- 2. State Bank of India
- 3.IDFC Bank
- 4.Indian Bank
- 5.Federal Bank

Answer - 3.IDFC Bank

### **Explanation:**

IDFC Bank has partnered with digital payments company Zeta, to launch 'IDFC Bank Benefits' 'IDFC Bank Benefits' is a payment solution for corporates that digitizes employee spends and claims, making the process simple, real-time and paperless.

# 50. Which among the following has become first state in India to implement coal utilisation between power units?

- 1. Maharashtra
- 2.Gujarat
- 3.Rajasthan
- 4. Madhya Pradesh
- 5.Odisha

Answer - 2.Gujarat

### **Explanation:**

Setting a precedent, the Gujarat government has issued a tender for power developers to receive cheap coal marked for the state in return for selling coal-based power at less than Rs 2.82 a unit. Through the auction, Gujarat will transfer the coal allocated to power generating stations owned by Gujarat State Electricity Corporation (GSECL) to more fuel-efficient private power plants.

#### 51. Who among the following has been appointed as 45th Chief Justice of India?

- 1. Justice Kumar Acahrya
- 2. Justice Pranav Divakar
- 3.Justice Dipak Misra
- 4. Justice Navneet Manek
- 5. Justice Peter Fernandes

Answer - 3.Justice Dipak Misra

## **Explanation:**

On August 8, 2018, Union Government appointed Justice Dipak Misra as the 45th Chief Justice of India (CJI) with effect from August 28, 2017. He will be replacing incumbent Justice J S Khehar, who is set to retire on August 27, 2017

# 52. 'International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples' is observed on which date every year?

- 1. August 5
- 2. August 6
- 3. Augsut 7
- 4. August 8

5. Augsut 9

Answer - 5.August 9

### **Explanation:**

This day is observed to recognise the achievements and contributions that indigenous people make to improve world issues such as environmental protection. This year's celebration of International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples marks the 10th anniversary of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

# 53. National Green Tribunal (NGT) has imposed a temporary ban on use of non-biodegradable plastic bags which are less than\_\_\_\_microns in Delhi.

- 1.50 microns
- 2.60 microns
- 3.70 microns
- 4.80 microns
- 5.90 microns

Answer - 1.50 microns

### **Explanation:**

A bench headed by NGT Chairperson Justice Swatanter Kumar has imposed a temporary ban on use of non-biodegradable plastic bags which are less than 50 microns in Delhi.

Environment compensation of Rs 5,000 on anyone found in possession of such banned plastic has also been announced.

# 54. According to Asian Cities & Regions Outlook 2016 by Oxford Economics, which state among the following is the fastest growth among all Asian cities?

- 1. Mumbai, India
- 2.Beijing, China
- 3.Bengaluru, India
- 4.Delhi, India
- 5.Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam

Answer - 4.Delhi, India

#### **Explanation:**

As per the study from Oxford Economics which ranked Asia's 30 largest cities, Indian cities are set to expand the most across the region, with growth speeding up from the past 5 years. Delhi is expected to grow almost 50 percent larger in 2021 than it was at the end of last year.

# 55. Which public sector bank has recently introduced a biometric attendance register in the place of the existing system of signing attendance in the attendance register?

- 1.Punjab National Bank
- 2.Bank of Baroda
- 3.Indian Bank
- 4.Bank of India
- 5. Vijaya Bank

Answer - 1.Punjab National Bank

## **Explanation:**

The new system of marking attendance in PNB will be implemented in branches/offices with immediate effect. In separate circulars, rules with regard to marking of attendance after the prescribed time and leaving the office before the prescribed time have already been made available.

# 56. Which entity has invested in the e-commerce company Flipkart and has become one of its largest shareholders?

Goldman Sachs
 Tiger Global

3.Morgan Stanley

4.SoftBank Vision Fund

5.Berkshire Hathaway

Answer - 4.SoftBank Vision Fund

### **Explanation:**

SoftBank Vision Fund has bought stake worth at least \$2.6 billion in Flipkart Ltd, in a deal that provides a part exit to some of the e-commerce company's investors, boosts the ability of India's largest internet firm to take on arch-rival Amazon India, and gives SoftBank a piece of India's most valuable start-up.

# 57. On August 10, 2017, Facebook launched Youtube competitor called:

- 1.'Scene'
- 2.'Watch'
- 3.'Scren'
- 4.'MyVideos'
- 5.'VideoBook'

Answer - 2.'Watch'

### **Explanation:**

In an apparent bid to take on Google-owned YouTube, Facebook has rolled out 'Watch' – a redesigned video platform for creators and publishers. It is to be noted that Facebook had last year launched 'Video' tab in the US which offered a predictable place to find videos.

# 58. Who among the following shooter has become India's youngest athlete to figure in the government's Target Olympic Podium (TOP) scheme?

- 1. Rohan Awasthi
- 2.Nachiket Munshi
- 3. Shapath Bhardwai
- 4.Abhishek Khatua
- 5.Kiran Jethwa

Answer 3.Shapath Bhardwaj

#### **Explanation:**

India shooter Shapath Bhardwaj, aged 15, has become the country's youngest athlete to figure in the government's Target Olympic Podium (TOP) scheme. Shapath hails from Meerut and is studying in class 10. He is among 45 elite athletes, including Olympic medallists P V Sandhu, Sakshi Malik and Saina Nehwal, to be selected for the ambitious scheme.

# 59. 'World Bio-Fuel Day' is observed on which date every year?

- 1.8th August
- 2.9th August
- 3.10th August
- 4.11th August
- 5.12th August

Answer – **3.10th August** 

Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas celebrated the World Biofuel Day 2017 on August 10, 2017 to create awareness about non fossil-fuels such as biodiesel, ethanol, biogas, etc. On this day in 1893, Sir Rudolph Diesel, the diesel engine inventor, for the first time successfully ran mechanical engine with peanut oil.

- 60. As per Economic Survey 2016-17 Volume II, tabled in Parliament by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on August 11, 2017, meeting the upper end of the \_\_\_\_\_per cent GDP growth forecast for 2017-18 will be a challenge.
  - 1.6.75-7.5 per cent
  - 2.6.25-7.5 per cent
  - 3.6.00-7.5 per cent
  - 4.6.75-7.75 per cent
  - 5.6.75-7.25 per cent

Answer – **1.6.75-7.5 per cent** 

### **Explanation:**

As per Economic Survey 2016-17 Volume II, tabled in Parliament by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on August 11, 2017, meeting the upper end of the 6.75-7.5 per cent GDP growth forecast for 2017-18 will be a challenge. Stressed farm revenues, farm loan waivers and a series of deflationary impulses have been outlined as reasons for anxiety in the economy.

- 61. Sriram Sagar project, which was in news recently, is located in which state?
  - 1. Kerala
  - 2.Tamil Nadu
  - 3.Karnataka
  - 4.Andhra Pradesh
  - 5.Telangana

Answer - **5.Telangana** 

## **Explanation:**

In an effort to modernise the Sriram Sagar project and increase the area served by this lifeline project, Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao on August 10, 2017 initiated a Rs. 2000-crore project that seeks to modernise and revitalise its network.

- 62. Which among the following Central Bank has said it would not change the way its new plastic banknotes are made, despite concerns among some vegetarians and religious groups about trace amounts of animal fat used in their production?
  - 1.Bank of Russia
  - 2.Eurpean Central Bank
  - 3. Reserve Bank of Australia
  - 4.Bank of England
  - 5.Bank of Japan

Answer - 4.Bank of England

#### **Explanation:**

The Bank of England said, the only alternative for its polymer banknotes was to use more expensive chemicals derived from palm oil, and that its suppliers were unable to commit to using only palm oil produced in the most environmentally friendly way.

# 63. This year, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will be transferring how much amount to Central Government as dividend?

- 1.Rs 30,659 crore
- 2. Rs 40,659 crore
- 3. Rs 50,659 crore
- 4. Rs 60,659 crore
- 5. Rs 70,659 crore

Answer - 1.Rs 30,659 crore

### **Explanation:**

This year's amount is less than half the amount of Rs 65876 crore it transferred to Government last year. The reduction in the transfer of surplus to the government could be due to a number of factors including higher cost of printing new currency notes and cost of managing excess liquidity generated from phasing out of Rs 500 and Rs 1000 notes.

# 64. Which among the following has received markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)'s approval to launch country's first gold options contract?

- 1.National Stock Exchange
- 2.Bombay Stock Exchange
- 3. Multi Commodity Exchange
- 4. National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange
- 5. United Stock Exchange of India

Answer – **3.Multi Commodity Exchange** 

### **Explanation:**

The Multi Commodity Exchange Ltd (MCX) has received markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)'s approval to launch country's first gold options contract. MCX will soon finalise exact contract specifications and launch date.

# 65. Name the first Indian who qualified for the final round of the javelin throw World Championships?

- 1. Neeraj Chopra
- 2.Davinder Singh Kang
- 3.Rakesh Nath
- 4.Manoj Asthana
- 5. Nilesh Rajput

Answer - 2.Davinder Singh Kang

#### **Explanation:**

The IAAF World Athletics Championships is going on in London. Kang, who was competing in the qualification round of Group B, qualified for the finals. Kang's best effort of 84.22m placed him in the 7th position among the other qualifiers for the final round.

# 66. On August 10, 2017, which public sector bank unveiled two new digital services for online payments – Bharat QR (Quick Response) and Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS)?

- 1. Syndicate Bank
- 2.Canara Bank
- 3. Corporation Bank
- 4.Indian Bank
- 5.Bank of India

Answer -2.Canara Bank

On August 10, 2017, Canara Bank unveiled two new digital services for online payments. Bharat QR (Quick Response) for payment settlement at merchant locations and Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS), an integrated bill payment system for net banking customers.

# 67. Who among the following veteran journalist has bagged the first Kesari Media Award?

- 1.T J S George
- 2.N K Ragahavan
- 3.G V Gupta
- 4.Sharmila Parihar
- 5.Geeta Sachdev

Answer – 1.T J S George

### **Explanation:**

The ward has been instituted by the Kesari Memorial Journalist Trust. The award comprises a purse of Rs 50,000, citation and a statuette designed by renowned artist Bhatathiri.

# 68. Who among the following has been appointed as Managing Director of Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank)?

- 1. Victor Fernandes
- 2.Vincent Lewis
- 3.Naresh Agarwal
- 4. David Rasquinha
- 5.Rakesh Goyal

Answer - 4. David Rasquinha

### **Explanation:**

David Rasquinha has been appointed as Managing Director of Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) on August 11, 2017. Rasquinha is at present, Deputy Managing Director of the Exim Bank. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved his appointment to the post for three years.

# 69. What was the theme of 'International Youth Day 2017' observed on August 12, 2017?

- 1. Youth and Sustainable Development'
- 2. 'Youth and Employment'
- 3. Youth Building Harmony'
- 4. 'Youth Building Peace'
- 5. Youth and Technology'

Answer - 4. Youth Building Peace'

## **Explanation:**

'International Youth Day' is aimed at celebrating young people's contributions in preventing conflicts and to bring about transformations along with incorporation, social justice and sustainable peace. It encourages promoting the active involvement of youth in maintaining peace and security.

# 70. On August 12, 2017, Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Dharmendra Pradhan commissioned which Indian Coast Guard ship in Goa?

- 1. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Shaurya'
- 2. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Suraj'
- 3. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Shoorvir'

- 4. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Sanjay'
- 5. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Shalin'

# Answer - 1. Indian Coast Guard ship 'Shaurya'

# **Explanation:**

ICGS 'Shaurya' is the fifth in the series of six 105-metre offshore patrol vessels (OPVs). It has been designed and built indigenously by Goa Shipyard Ltd and is fitted with state-of-the-art navigation and communication equipment, sensors and machineries.

# 71. Who among the following African-American author has won the Hugo Award for Best Novel 2017 for her work 'The Obelisk Gate'?

- 1. Laura Haley
- 2.Jamie Rice
- 3.Amy Winters
- 4.Nora Jemisin
- 5. Nicole Winfrey

Answer - 4.Nora K. Jemisin

### **Explanation:**

The award was presented at the 75th World Science Fiction Convention in Helsinki, Finland on August 11, 2017. 'The Obelisk Gate' is the second in the trilogy that started with 'The Fifth Season', which was New York Times Notable Book of 2015 and won Jemisin the Hugo Award for Best Novel in 2016. The novel is about the life on a planet where the inhabitants would undergo a "Fifth Season" of catastrophic climate change every a few centuries.

# 72. Who among the following has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)?

- 1. Praveen Joshi
- 2.Prashant Nair
- 3.Manohar Das
- 4.Rohit Sehgal
- 5.Dilip Asbe

Answer - 5.Dilip Asbe

#### **Explanation:**

National Payments Corporation of India has appointed Dilip Asbe, as its Chief Executive Officer in the wake of the retirement of A. P. Hota, its founding Managing Director. Mr. Hota, who had served as the MD of NPCI since its inception, retired on August 10, 2017. Asbe who currently serves as the organisation's Chief Operating Officer will continue in the same designation, but will also act as the Chief Executive Officer of NPCI.

# 73. Who among the following has been appointed as the World Health Organisation's goodwill ambassador for physical activity in South-East Asia Region (SEAR)?

- 1.Milkha Singh
- 2. Sachin Tendulkar
- 3. Mary Kom
- 4.P T Usha
- 5.P V Sindhu

Answer - 1.Milkha Singh

As WHO goodwill ambassador, Milkha Singh, also known as 'the Flying Sikh', will promote WHO SEAR's non-communicable diseases (NCDs) prevention and control action plan which seeks to reduce the level of insufficient physical activity by 10 per cent and NCDs by 25 per cent by 2025.

- 74. Parliamentary Panel headed by \_\_\_\_\_has recently tabled its report in Parliament. In the report, the panel has recommended 100% pension to widow of deceased soldier.
  - 1.L K Diwan
  - 2.B C Khanduri
  - 3.Rajat Divekar
  - 4.Rajendra Singh
  - 5.Prahlad Dhawan

Answer - 2. B C Khanduri

### **Explanation:**

Parliamentary Panel headed by Maj. General (Retired) B C Khanduri has recently tabled its report in Parliament. In the report, the panel has recommended the 100% pension to widow of deceased soldier so that she can take care of her family.

- 75. On August 11, 2017, which bank introduced two tier interest rate structure for saving bank accounts and will offer 4 per cent interest per annum for incremental balance over Rs 50 lakh and 3.50 per cent per annum for balance up to Rs 50 lakh?
  - 1.Federal Bank
  - 2.Syndicate Bank
  - 3.Indian Bank
  - 4.Indian Overseas Bank
  - 5. Vijaya Bank

Answer - 3.Indian Bank

#### **Explanation:**

PSU lender Indian Bank has said it will offer an interest rate of 4 per cent per annum on savings account with an incremental balance of over Rs 50 lakh and 3.50 per cent per annum for deposits up to Rs 50 lakh. The new interest rate will be effective from August 16, 2017.

- 76. The Indian army had sent two\_\_\_\_\_tanks and a 21-man crew for the tank biathlon at the 2017 International Army Games in Russia.
  - 1.T-50 tanks
  - 2.T-60 tanks
  - 3.T-70 tanks
  - 4.T-80 tanks
  - 5.T-90 Tanks

Answer - 5.T-90 tanks

#### **Explanation:**

The Indian Army has been eliminated from a multi-nation tank competition in Russia after both its T-90 main battle tanks developed technical problems at the Alabino ranges in the Moscow region. China with its Type-96B tank and Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan with different T-72 variants raced to the last round of the competition in which 19 countries took part.

# 77. Who among the following has become the first female actor ever to hoist the Indian National Flag at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM)?

Kangna Ranaut
 Deepika Padukone
 Aishwarya Rai Bachchan

4.Priyanka Chopra

5.Sonakshi Sinha

Answer – **3.Aishwarya Rai Bachchan** 

### **Explanation:**

Bollywood star Aishwarya Rai Bachchan has become the first female actor ever to hoist the Indian National Flag at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM), Australia's annual celebration of film from India and the subcontinent. Aishwarya was also bestowed with 'Excellence in Global Cinema' award at the film festival.

# 78. Who among the following has won a bronze medal at the ongoing seventh Asian Shotgun Championship in Kazakhstan, handing India its first women's skeet individual medal at a top international competition?

Geeta Siddhu
 Kritika Malhotra
 Minal Deshmukh
 Saumya Ranjan
 Maheshwari Chauhan

Answer - 5.Maheshwari Chauhan

### **Explanation:**

Besides winning a bronze medal in individual event, Maheshwari also led the Indian team to the silver medal along with compatriots Rashmmi Rathore and Saniya Sheikh. The trio shot a total of 190, finishing five points behind China.

# 79. India's first railways disaster management village is expected to come up by December 2018 near:

- 1. Raikot
- 2.Bengaluru
- 3.Gurgaon
- 4.Vizag
- 5.Bhopal

Answer - 2.Bengaluru

#### **Explanation:**

India's first railways disaster management village is expected to come up near Bengaluru by December 2018, where situations like trains falling into rivers and coaches catching fire will be replicated and mock rescue operations will be carried out in real time.

# 80. With which country, India will hold a major tri-service military exercise 'INDRA' in October 2017 involving armies, navies and the air forces?

- 1. Russia
- **2.US**
- 3. UK
- 4. Japan
- 5.France

Answer - 1.Russia

The exercise 'Indra', which will be held in Russia from 19th to 29th October 2017, will primarily focus on achieving coordination between forces of the two countries in a tri- services integrated theatre command scenario.

- 81. The Indian Navy would join the Chinese Navy in the maiden International Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise (IMMSAREX) to be chaired by \_\_\_\_\_at the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) in November 2017.
  - 1. Myanmar
  - 2.Thailand
  - 3.Bangladesh
  - 4.Sri Lanka
  - 5.Japan

Answer - 3.Bangladesh

# **Explanation:**

International Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise (IMMSAREX) will be held in Bay of Bengal. In addition, Bangladesh is also scheduling an "extraordinary conclave of Chiefs," a meeting of chiefs of Navy before it hands over the Chair to Iran next year.

- 82. On August 13, 2017, which African nation was declared polio free by World Health Organisation (WHO)?
  - 1. Morocco
  - 2.Algeria
  - 3.Ethiopia
  - 4.Somalia
  - 5.Tanzania

Answer - 4.Somalia

#### **Explanation:**

On August 13, 2017, the UN World Health Organisation (WHO) said it had not recorded any case of polio disease in Somalia in the last three years, declaring the country polio free. The WHO said the country recorded the last case of polio in 2014.

- 83. In the year 2017, who among the following have been awarded the Kirti Chakra, the second highest gallantry award in peace time?
  - 1. Chetan Kumar Cheetah and Pramod Kumar
  - 2. Major David Manlun
  - 3. Havildar Giris Gurung
  - 4. Major Preetam Singh Kunwar
  - 5.All of the above

Answer- 5.All of the above

#### **Explanation:**

CRPF commandants Chetan Kumar Cheetah and Pramod Kumar, along with Major David Manlun, Havildar Giris Gurung and Major Preetam Singh Kunwar have been awarded the Kirti Chakra, the second highest gallantry award in peace time.

# 84. Which Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative was launched by State Bank of India on August 14, 2017, to work in the areas of health, education, environment and rural infrastructure?

- 1. SBI Gram Seva
- 2. SBI Rural Seva
- 3. SBI Village Seva
- 4. SBI Grameen Seva
- 5. SBI Grass Root Seva

Answer- 1.SBI Gram Seva

### **Explanation:**

The SBI Foundation will identify and partner with NGOs to carry out this CSR initiative. Under the initiative, SBI will adopt five villages each from 10 village panchayats with each village getting around Rs 2.40 crore over the next three years.

# 85. The five-day long India-ASEAN Youth Summit started on August 14, 2017, in:

- 1. Bhopal
- 2.Jaipur
- 3.Kochi
- 4.New Delhi
- 5.Mumbai

Answer- 1.Bhopal

### **Explanation:**

The five-day long India-ASEAN Youth Summit started in Bhopal on August 14, 2017. The summit with the theme – "Shared Values, Common Destiny" – has been jointly organised by the Ministry of External Affairs, India Foundation and the Madhya Pradesh State Government.

# 86. TAL Manufacturing, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tata Motors, has launched '\_\_\_\_\_\_\_', an education cell designed for universities and polytechnics.

- 1.Robo Tutor
- 2.Robo Master
- 3.Robo Coach
- 4.Robo Whiz
- 5.Robo Geek

Answer- 4.Robo Whiz

#### **Explanation:**

Robo Whiz will provide students hands-on experience and help develop skills needed for effective use and management of Robotics and Automation Technology. Robo Whiz comes with open architecture, access to the controller and provides an open platform for robotics learning and development practices.

# 87. Who among the following will be appointed as new Managing Director & CEO of Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI) Ltd?

- 1. Sankara Rao
- 2.Shivam Mundra
- 3. Nayan Mystry
- 4. Chandan Sharam
- 5.Jeevan Rautela

Answer- 1.Sankaara Rao

# **Explanation:**

The Appointments Committee of Cabinet has given its nod for the Department of Financial

Services (DFS) proposal to appoint Emandi Sankara Rao as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of IFCI Ltd.

# 88. India's first partition museum will open in:

- 1. Patiala, Punjab
- 2. Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 3.Amritsar, Punjab
- 4.New Delhi
- 5.Mumbai, Maharashtra Answer-**3.Amritsar, Punjab**

## **Explanation:**

A museum based on the partition of the Indian subcontinent is set to open this week in Amritsar, Punjab. The museum will feature photographs, newspaper clippings and personal items showcasing the struggle for freedom and the violence that followed during the partition of the country.

# 89. In October 2017, which country will host the summit of Group of Seven (G7) Interior Ministers to discuss security matters?

- 1. Germany
- 2.France
- 3.Italy
- 4.Portugal
- 5.Spain

# Answer - 3.Italy

### **Explanation:**

Italian Interior Minister Marco Minniti said the meeting is being organized at the request of Italy's G-7 partners: Canada, France, Germany, the United Kingdom, Japan and the United States.

# 90. Which among the following city has topped the Global Liveability Rankings compiled by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) for seventh-straight year?

- 1.Tokyo, Japan
- 2. Melbourne, Australia
- 3. Paris, France
- 4.New York, United States
- 5.London, UK

Answer-2.Melbourne, Australia

# **Explanation:**

Global Liveability ranking quantifies the challenges that might be presented to an individual's lifestyle in any given location, and allows for direct comparison between locations. Every city is assigned a rating of relative comfort for over 30 qualitative and quantitative factors across five broad categories – stability, healthcare, culture and environment, education and infrastructure.

# 91. Which among the following bank has introduced the option of an "instant credit card" for free for its Net banking customers?

- 1. Federal Bank
- 2.City Union Bank
- 3.Karur Vysya Bank
- 4. Vijaya Bank

5.Kotak Mahindra Bank

### Answer-2.City Union Bank

### **Explanation:**

For 'instant credit card' all that a customer has to do is log on to his/her net banking account and seek a credit card. Only condition is that, the customer must have a fixed deposit with the bank.

- 92. Which among the following bank has bagged the best performance awards for SHGbank linkage programme for Karnataka for 2015-16 and 2016-17 from National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)?
  - 1. Syndicate Bank
  - 2.Bank of Baroda
  - 3. Corporation Bank
  - 4.Indian Bank
  - 5.Bank of India

Answer- 3.Corporation Bank

### **Explanation:**

Corporation Bank was given the award for its overall performance under SHG-bank linkage programme for 2015-16 and 2016-17 among commercial banks operating in Karnataka. The bank has formed more than 1.32 lakh self-help groups (SHGs) till date.

- 93. On August 13, 2017, who among the following beat Roger Federer by 6-3, 6-4 in the Rogers Cup final?
  - 1. Stan Wawrinka
  - 2.Andy Murray
  - 3.Novak Djokovic
  - 4.Rafael Nadal
  - 5. Alexander Zverev

Answer-5.Alexander Zverev

#### **Explanation:**

The Rogers Cup tournament was held in Washington, USA and Zverev is the youngest Rogers Cup finalist. Zverev posted his 10th consecutive victory and fifth tournament title this year.

- 94. Name the author of the book titled 'Godman To Tycoon: The Untold Story of Baba the Ramdev' which has been filed an injunction against the sale or printing by Yoga guru and entrepreneur Baba Ramdev.
  - 1. Bharati Mukharjee
  - 2. Priya Pathak-Narain
  - 3. Anurag Anand
  - 4. Padma Sachdev

Answer-2. Priya Pathak-Narain

### **Explanation** -

On August 4, 2017 the court of the ACJ -CCJ – ARC (East), at the Karkardooma District Courts in Delhi restrained Juggernaut Books from publication and sale of Godman to Tycoon: The Untold Story of Baba Ramdev.

Minister Narend Support under	2017, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by the Prime Ira Modi has given its approval to the Scheme of providing Budgetary Goods and Service Tax (GST) Regime for the eligible industrial units e of Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and North
Eastern States i	ncluding Sikkim till:
1.2019	
2.2022	
3.2023	
4.2025	
5.2027	
Answer - <b>5.2027</b>	
<b>Explanation:</b>	
Budgetary suppor	rt of Rs. 27,413 crore for the said Scheme has been approved for the period
from 1.7.2017 ti	Il 31.03.2027 for such industrial units located in aforesaid States which
availed the benef	it of Central Excise exemption prior to coming into force of GST regime. It is
estimated that to	tal number of 4284 eligible units will get the benefit of this scheme.
96. India and	are planning to set up a CEO Forum to boost the trade ties.

- 1. Japan
- 2.Australia
- 3.France
- 4.Mexico
- 5.Canada

Answer - 4.Mexico

## **Explanation:**

A meeting between Commerce & Industry Ministry officials and trade diplomats from the Mexican Embassy is scheduled this week on promoting exchanges between the business communities. Leaders of both countries have given emphasis on encouraging cooperation in the infrastructure sector, among small and medium enterprises, in pharmaceutical products and many other sectors.

97. Which among the following has become the first power utility to introduce a QR code based bill payments system in India?

- 1. Reliance Power
- 2.Tata Power
- 3.Adani Power
- 4.Torrent Power
- 5.NTPC Ltd.

Answer - 2.Tata Power

#### **Explanation:**

Under this service by Tata Power, the QR code linked to Unified Payments Interface (UPI) will be printed on the electricity bills. The customers can scan the QR code with BHIM app or any other UPI linked bank app and pay their bills without any hassle.

98. Central Government has approved a nearly Rs.\_\_\_\_\_crore "definitive five-year action programme" for the Indian Coast Guard to enhance its capability in maintaining vigil on coastal waters.

- 1.Rs. 32000 crore
- 2.Rs. 34000 crore
- 3.Rs. 36000 crore

4. Rs. 38000 crore

5. Rs. 40000 crore

Answer - 1.Rs. 32000 crore

### **Explanation:**

The plan is to make Indian Coast Guard a 175-ship and 110-aircraft force by 2022, which will help strengthen the capabilities for coastal security, island territories, marine environment as well as undertake anti-piracy, anti-smuggling, oil-spill and pollution-control operations.

# 99. On August 17, 2017, which campaign was launched by Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Dr. Harsh Vardhan urging children to celebrate Pollution-Free Diwali this Year?

- 1."Harit Diwali, Khushaal Diwali"
- 2."Harit Diwali, Shubh Diwali"
- 3."Green Diwali, Swasth Diwali"
- 4."Harit Diwali, Swasth Diwali"
- 5. "Green Diwali, Khushall Diwali"

Answer – 4."Harit Diwali, Swasth Diwali"

## **Explanation:**

Addressing a gathering of about 800 children from schools of Delhi and NCR, the Minister highlighted to the children the importance of their contribution towards reducing pollution by not bursting harmful fire crackers during Diwali.

# 100. On August 12, 2017, Dr Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University, considered to be the first of its kind in India was inaugurated in:

- 1.Pune
- 2.Bhopal
- 3.Jaipur
- 4.Chennai
- 5.Kolkata

Answer - 1.Pune

#### **Explanation:**

Envisioning education through a holistic outlook of knowledge building to establish peace and harmony in the world, the Dr Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University, said to be the first of its kind in India, was inaugurated by Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, on August 12, 2017.

# 101. Which country has launched a new direct route between its Hamad Port and Pakistan's port of Karachi?

- 1.Qatar
- 2.Kuwait
- 3.Bahrain
- 4.UAE
- 5.Oman

Answer - 1.Qatar

### **Explanation:**

The new route was launched on August 12, 2017. It will boost trade between the two countries. It will also offer "fast and secure" corridor for importers and exporters, with transit

time of six days from Qatar to Karachi and eight days back

- 102. Which private sector bank will waive 12 equated monthly installments (EMIs) on regular repayments of loans of up to Rs 30 lakh under the new scheme Shubh Aarambh Home Loans?
  - 1.HDFC Bank
  - 2.ICICI Bank
  - 3.Axis Bank
  - 4.Yes Bank
  - 5.Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer - 3.Axis Bank

### **Explanation:**

Axis Bank has introduced Shubh Aarambh Home Loans, in which  $12 \, \text{EMIs}$  are waived — four EMIs each after the fourth, eighth and  $12 \, \text{th}$  year — from the date of the first disbursement. The waiver will be in the form of reduction in tenure.

# 103. Which football player has been named goodwill ambassador for 'Handicap International'?

- 1.Cristiano Ronaldo
- 2.Lionel Messi
- 3.Neymar
- 4.Paul Pogba
- 5. Diego Cost

Answer - 3.Neymar

### **Explanation:**

Neymar, fresh from his first win with Paris St. Germain and his world-record signing for the club, became a goodwill ambassador for Handicap International, pledging to work for millions who are "less visible" but deserve equality.

- 104. On August 17, 2017, which telecom operator went digital by launching a bespoke mobile wallet (mobile payment App) that would enable its existing customers to make Bill payments and transact on e-commerce platforms?
  - 1. AirTel
  - 2. Reliance Communications
  - 3.Tata Communications
  - 4.Reliance Jio
  - 5.BSNL

Answer - 5.BSNL

#### **Explanation:**

This digital wallet was launched at an event by Manoj Sinha, Minister for Telecommunications in New Delhi. The wallet has been developed and issued by MobiKwik on behalf of BSNL.

# 105. On August 17, 2017, who among the following Indian badminton player won Bulgaria Open International Series?

- 1.Sai Praneeth
- 2. Kidambu Srikanth
- 3.Aditya Joshi
- 4.Lakshya Sen
- 5. Parupalli Kashyap

Answer – **4.Lakshya Sen** 

Young Indian shuttler Lakshya Sen has clinched the Bulgaria Open International Series title after notching up a hard-fought win over Croatia's Zvonimir Durkinjak in the men's singles final in Sofia, Bulgaria.

# 106. 2017 India-ASEAN Youth Summit was held from 14th - 19th August 2017 in:

- 1.New Delhi
- 2.Mumbai
- 3.Bhopal
- 4.Chennai
- 5.Pune

Answer - 3.Bhopal

### **Explanation:**

The summit was jointly organised by Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, along with the Ministry of External Affairs as part of a year-long series of events to celebrate 25 years of partnership with Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) countries.

# 107. Under project 'Navika Sagar Parikrama' which will commence in September 2017, a team of women officers of the Indian Navy would circumnavigate the globe on an Indian-built sail boat named:

- 1.INSV Durga
- 2.INSV Sindhu
- 3.INSV Amba
- 4.INSV Tarini
- 5.INSV Jalpari

Answer - 4.INSV Tarini

# **Explanation:**

Under project Navika Sagar Parikrama which will commence in September 2017, a team of women officers of the Indian Navy would circumnavigate the globe on an Indian-built sail boat INSV Tarini. This is the first ever Indian circumnavigation of the globe by an all-women crew.

# 108. Rs 50 denomination banknotes in the Mahatma Gandhi (New) Series, which will soon be released by Reserve Bank of India (RBI), will have motif of:

- 1. Konark Sun Temple on the reverse
- 2.Taj Mahal on the reverse
- 3.Qutab Minar on the reverse
- 4.India Gate on the reverse
- 5. Hampi with Chariot on the reverse

Answer - 5. Hampi with Chariot on the reverse

#### **Explanation:**

The base colour of the new note is fluorescent blue. It has a motif of Hampi with Chariot on the reverse, depicting the country's cultural heritage. The note has geometric patterns aligning with the overall colour scheme, both at the obverse and reverse. Dimension of the banknote will be  $66 \text{ mm} \times 135 \text{ mm}$ .

# 109. On August 18, 2017, which Asian country launched its first cyber court specialising in handling internet-related cases?

- 1.Japan
- 2.China
- 3.South Korea
- 4.Thailand
- 5.Singapore

Answer - 2.China

### **Explanation:**

On August 18, 2017, China launched its first cyber court specialising in handling internetrelated cases in the e-commerce hub of Hangzhou amid a spike in the number of online disputes. The Internet Court in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province will handle cases such as online trade disputes and copyright lawsuits.

# 110. On August 19, 2017, Union Textile Minister Smriti Irani inaugurated handicraft manufacturing unit in:

- 1.Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 2.Ranchi, Jharkhand
- 3.Cuttack, Odisha
- 4.Rajkot, Gujarat
- 5.Kota, Rajasthan

Answer - 2.Ranchi, Jharkhand

### **Explanation:**

On August 19, 2017, Union textile minister Smriti Irani inaugurated handicraft manufacturing unit at Irba near Ranchi. The unit has come up in record time of 4 month with all the modern machines.

# 111. On August 17, 2017, the first regional centre of the New Development Bank opened in:

- 1.Brazil
- 2.China
- 3.South Africa
- 4.Inodnesia
- 5.Philippines

Answer - 3.South Africa

# **Explanation:**

The first regional centre of the New Development Bank, set up by India and other BRICS nations, was officially opened in Johannesburg, South Africa by South African President Jacob Zuma and the bank's Indian head K V Kamath.

# 112. On August 16, 2017, who among the following took charge as Executive Director, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)?

- 1.Ms. Mamta Suri
- 2.Ms. Devika Bhardwaj
- 3.Ms. Neha Pujara
- 4.Ms. Sheena Malhotra
- 5.Ms. Sarita Menon

Answer - 1.Ms. Mamta Suri

Before joining IBBI, Ms. Suri was serving as Chief General Manager, Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India. Ms. Suri has obtained her Ph.D. in Finance from University of Delhi and M. Sc. in Insurance Risk and Management from City University, London.

# 113. Who among the following has topped the Forbes' list of highest paid female athletes of 2017?

- 1.Angelique Kerber
- 2.Danica Patrick
- 3.Ronda Rousey
- 4. Venus Williams
- 5.Serena Williams

Answer - 5.Serena Williams

### **Explanation:**

American tennis player Serena Williams has topped the Forbes' list of highest paid female athletes of 2017, with \$27 million in earnings between June 2016 and June 2017. Her earnings, which include prize money and endorsements, are twice that of any other female athlete.

# 114. World Humanitarian Day is observed on which date every year?

- 1.16th August
- 2.17th August
- 3.18th August
- 4.19th August
- 5.20th August

Answer - 4.19th August

# **Explanation:**

On 19 August 2003, a terrorist attack hit the United Nations headquarters in Baghdad, Iraq killing 22 people. Among those who lost their lives was Sergio Vieira de Mello, the UN's top representative in Iraq. Five years later, the General Assembly adopted a resolution designating 19 August as World Humanitarian Day (WHD).

# 115. How much of percentage would be raised every time the Dearness Allowance on the revised pay structure goes up by 50 per cent as per the child care allowance for women with disabilities issued by Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT)?

- 1.12 per cent
- 2.30 per cent
- 3.25 per cent
- 4.20 per cent
- 5.30 percent

Answer -3.25 per cent

### **Explanation:-**

Government has doubled monthly child care allowance for women with disabilities. At present the allowance of Rs 1500 per month is given to differently-abled female employees for taking care of their newborn child. This has been raised to Rs. 3000 per month.

# 116. Who was presented with the 'Kalpana Chawla Award for Courage and Daring Enterprise' on August 15, 2017?

- 1.Preethi Srinivasan
- 2. Mariyappan Thangavelu
- 3.Varun Singh Bhati
- 4.Devendra Jhajhariya
- 5.Deepa Malikh

Answer -1.Preethi Srinivasan

### **Explanation:-**

Preethi Srinivasan, the former State under-19 cricket captain, who braved a debilitate accident to support those suffering from spinal cord injuries like her was presented with the 'KalpanaChawla Award for Courage and Daring Enterprise'. The award was presented by Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami during the 71st Independence Day celebrations.

# 117. Find the Chief Minister who has been selected for the prestigious Agriculture Leadership Award-2017.

- 1. Shri Pinarayi Vijayan, Kerala
- 2. Dr. Mukul Sangma, Megalaya
- 3. Shri Siddaramaiah, Karnataka
- 4. Yogi Adityanath, Uttar Pradesh
- 5. Shri K Chandrasekhar Rao, Telengana

Answer -5. Shri K Chandrasekhar Rao, Telengana

### **Explanation:**

The Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao has been selected for the prestigious Agriculture Leadership Award-2017.A committee is headed by agriculture scientist MS Swaminathan has recommended the CM's name. The award will be presented on 5th September at Taj Palace Hotel in New Delhi.The Chief Minister has been selected for the award for his innovative services rendered to the welfare of farmers and the farm sector. The award, instituted by Indian Council of Food and Agriculture in 2008 since then it is presented every year.

# 118. What is the theme of 8th World Renewable Energy Technology Congress & Expo-2017 which happened from 21st to 23rd August, 2017 at the Expo & Convention Centre, Manekshaw Centre, Delhi Cantt, Delhi, India?

- 1. "Making of Renewable Energy"
- 2. "Renewable Energy: What works"
- 3."Steps to enhance the resource of Renewable Energy"
- 4."Where to find Renewable Energy"

Answer- 2. "Renewable Energy: What works"

**Explanation-**The Energy And Environment Foundation would be organizing 8th World Renewable Energy Technology Congress & Expo-2017 from 21st to 23rd August, 2017 at the Expo & Convention Centre, Manekshaw Centre, Delhi Cantt, Delhi, India. The theme of the conference is "Renewable Energy: What Works"

# 119. Name of the ship which has inducted into the Indian Navy at Port Blair by Dr. Jagdish Mukhi, Lieutenant Governor, Andaman and Nicobar Islands on August 21, 2017.

- 1. IN LCU L62
- 2.IN LDU L52
- 3. IN LDU L62
- 4. IN LCU L52
- 5. IN LDU L82

Answer-4. IN LCU L52

### **Explanation-**

On August 21, 2017 Dr. Jagdish Mukhi, Lieutenant Governor, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, commissioned IN LCU L52 into the Indian Navy at Port Blair. IN LCU L52 is the second Landing Craft Utility (LCU) Mk-IV class .This ship has been designed and built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers, Kolkata.

# 120. Name of the county who played first time and won the rebranded FIBA Asia Cup, became the first Oceanic team to be crowned champions of Asia on August 20 2017.

- 1.New Zealand
- 2. Iran
- 3. South Korea
- 4.Australia
- 5. Philippines

Answer- 4. Australia

### **Explanation-**

Australia playing for the first time at the rebranded FIBA Asia Cup, became the first Oceanic team to be crowned champions of Asia. Australia has beaten Iran in final held on 20th August 2017. The Australian Boomers have won the FIBA Asia Cup in their first attempt with a commendable victory over Iran in the gold medal game.

# 121. Which Country is planning to build Arabian cap-shaped stadium for 2022 FIFA World Cup?

- 1.Morocco
- 2.Kuwait
- 3.Oman
- 4.Palestine
- 5.Qatar

Answer-**5.Qatar** 

# **Explanation-**

Qatar will build a stadium shaped like an Arabian cap for the 2022 FIFA World Cup. This symbolic design embodies everything that unites us as Arabs and Muslims, and is a fitting tribute to the first FIFA World Cup in the Middle East. Qatar is building at least eight airconditioned stadiums for the tournament.

## 122. Which State Government has launched clouding seeding Project Varshadhari under which an aircraft will spray chemicals to induce rainfall?

- 1.Karnataka
- 2.Uttarpradesh
- 3.Punjab
- 4.Andhrapradesh
- 5.Orissa

Answer - 1.Karnataka

#### **Explanation:-**

Karnataka Government has launched clouding seeding Project Varshadhari in Bengaluru under which an aircraft will spray chemicals to induce rainfall. Cloud seeding (also known as weather modification technique) is an artificial way to induce moisture in the clouds so as to cause a rainfall. It aims to condense small water particles by clouds (size less than 10 microns) to droplets of 50 microns, which can constitute rains.

# 123. On 23rd August 2017 the Cabinet approves MoU between India and Nepal for construction of a new Bridge over which river?

- 1. Bheri River
- 2. Mari River
- 3. Madi River
- 4. Mechi River
- 5. Bakra River

#### Answer - 4. Mechi River

#### **Explanation-**

On 23rd August 2017 a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to be signed between India and Nepal for new Mechi Bridge over Mechi River at Indo-Nepal border which is the ending point of Highway 02 in India leading to Nepal.National Highway and Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL) as the implementing agency for this project. The estimated cost of construction of the bridge is Rs. 158.65 crore

#### 124. Where will be going to establish first National sports museum in India?

- 1.Mumbai
- 2.Calcutta
- 3.Bangalore
- 4.Hyderabad
- 5.New Delhi

#### Answer - 5.New Delhi

#### **Explanation:-**

The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is going to establish National Sports Museum at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi. It will be first of its kind sports museum in India. The Museum will showcase the India's achievements in sports and also focus on the traditional sports within the country. The aim of the Museum is to popularise the sports as a way of life within the country

## 125. Which country has allowed import of Indian bananas, pomegranate, custard apple and okra for the first time from India?

- 1.Cuba
- 2.Mexico
- 3.Canada
- 4. United States of America

5. Belize

#### Answer - 3. Canada

## **Explanation:-**

Canada allows entry of Indian pomegranate, banana & okra

Indian bananas, pomegranate, custard apple and okra will soon be available in Canada as the North American country has allowed their import for the first time. Canada has allowed import of these fruits and vegetables from India subject to certain conditions: The consignment should be free from soil, pests, leaves and other plant debris.

#### 126. Which of the following has been launched from Asia Index?

- 1. S&P BSE Bharat 28
- 2. S&P BSE Bharat 26
- 3. S&P BSE Bharat 24
- 4. S&P BSE Bharat 22
- 5. S&P BSE Bharat 20

#### Answer - 4. S&P BSE Bharat 22

#### **Explanation:-**

Asia Index Private Ltd has announced the launch of S&P BSE Bharat 22 Index. It has been launched to track the performance of state-run companies in which the central government has divested its stake. The index, as benchmark for "Bharat 22" disinvestment program of the government

## 127. Former CM Rishang Keishing passed away on 22nd of Aug 2017. He was a former CM of which state?

- 1.Meghalaya
- 2.Nagaland
- 3.Sikkim
- 4.Manipur
- 5.Tirpura

#### **Answer – 4.Manipur**

#### **Explanation:-**

Rishang Keishing, the grand old man of Manipur, who had also served as an MLA for seven terms and became chief minister of the state four times, passed away at Imphal,. He was 97.He was a member of the first Lok Sabha in 1952.He was born to Rungdi Keishing and Mungshing Keishing of Bungpa Khunou village in Ukhrul district of Manipur on 25th October 1920.While he first became a minister in 1975, he was sworn in as chief minister of Manipur for the first time on 27th November 1980.

#### 128. Who was Tom Pritchard of New Zealand died at age of 100?

- 1. an actor
- 2. a cricketer
- 3. a writer
- 4. a Tennis player
- 5. a singerAnswer 2.a cricketer

#### **Explanation:-**

Tom Pritchard the former fast bowler from New Zealand has died aged 100 on 22ndAugust 2017.He hailed from New Zealand. Pritchard had played 200 first-class matches, picking 818 wickets.He was considered to be one of the finest fast bowlers, precisely known for his right-arm outswingers.Pritchard was a genuinely fast right-arm bowler and a useful lower order right-handed batsman who played in several matches for Wellington before the Second World

# 129. Which state Agriculture Department has signed with Microsoft to develop India's first Farm Price Forecasting Model?

- 1. Tamilnadu
- 2. Karnataka
- 3. Uttar Pradesh
- 4. Kerala
- 5. Punjab

#### Answer - 2.Karnataka

#### **Explanation:-**

Karnataka MOU with Microsoft to develop India's first Farm Price Forecasting ModelKarnataka Agriculture Department has signed a Memorandum of Understandingwith Microsoft India to develop a first unique "farm price forecasting model". It will be using latest IT tools to help farmers, administrators and other stakeholders to understand the market behaviour in advance. It will examine related factors including weather, rainfall and external factors that impact market behaviour.

#### 130. Find the helpline which launched by Telangana government for distressed women.

- 1. Women Helpline 151
- 2. Women Helpline 161
- 3. Women Helpline 171
- 4. Women Helpline 181
- 5. Women Helpline 191

#### **Answer:- 4. Women Helpline 181**

#### **Explanation:-**

Telangana government launches 181 helpline for distressed women

Department of Women Development and Child Welfare in collaboration with Hyderabad District Collectorate launched a Women Helpline 181 to help and assist women in distress. The helpline will support women affected by harassment, trauma and violence both in private and public spaces such as family, community and workplace. The helpline will function 24/7 and provide service to women affected by violence, women seeking emotional support and also provide information about women welfare schemes introduced by the State and Central government.

# **131.** Which country launches world's First Climate smart landscape management plan for snow leopard conservation?

- 1. Bhutan
- 2. Bangladesh
- 3. Nepal
- 4. Srilanka
- 5. Pakistan

#### Answer- 3. Nepal

#### **Explanation:-**

Nepal has launched its climate-smart snow leopard landscape management plan on 23rd of August 2017. It has been launched to safeguard the Snow Leopard endangered species, also found in India, and its habitat. This is the first climate-smart landscape management plan for snow leopard conservation in the world.

Its conservation plan launched ahead of the International Snow Leopard Summit and Ecosystem Forum, which starts on 24th of Aug 2017.

#### 132. Ajay Vipin Nanavati appointed as chairman to which bank?

- 1. Laxmi vilas Bank
- 2. Equitas Bank
- 3. Syndicate Bank
- 4. Federal bank
- 5. IndusInd Bank

#### **Answer - 3. Syndicate Bank**

#### **Explanation:-**

Ajay Vipin Nanavati was appointed as the chairman of Syndicate Bank on August 21, 2017. His appointment has approved as Non-Official Director/Non-Executive Chairman in Syndicate Bank for three years according to an order issued by the Department of Personnel and Training. His appointment has approved by Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.

#### 133. Which England captain retires from International Football?

- 1. Wayne Rooney
- 2. Dejan Stankovic
- 3. Paul Scholes
- 4. Stilian Petrov
- 5. Christoph Metzelde Answer 1. Wayne Rooney

#### **Explanation:-**

Former England captain Wayne Rooney announced his retirement from international footbal on August 23 2017, ending a 14-year careerin which he became the country's top goalscore with 53 goals.Rooney earned his first cap against Australia in 2003 at the age of 17 to become the youngest player, at that time, to represent the national side. The 31-year-old also leaves as England's most-capped outfield player with 119 appearances.

# 134. Who headed the headed Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (AI) for India's Economic Transformation by Commerce and Industry ministry?

- 1. Nirmala Sitharaman
- 2. G.Ramachandran
- 3. Dr.S.Shivashankar
- 4. M.Prabhakaran
- 5. Dr. V. Kamakoti

#### Answer - 5. Dr. V. Kamakoti

#### **Explanation:-**

Dr. V. Kamakoti, headed Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (AI) for India's Economic Transformation

Commerce and Industry Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman has constituted a Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (AI) for India's Economic Transformation. The task force will have the Chairperson Dr. V. Kamakoti, IIT Madras. The panel will comprise of experts, academics, researchers and industry leaders and will explore possibilities to leverage AI for development across various fields

## 135. When was the Reserve Bank of India started to issue the Rs.200 notes from select RBI offices and some banks?

- 1.25th August 2017
- 2 23rd August 2017
- 3. 20th August 2017
- 4.22nd August 2017
- 5.24th August 2017

#### Answer - 25th August 2017

#### **Explanation:-**

According to a notification in the Gazette of India the Modi government has notified introduction of new Rs 200 notes on 23rd August 2017. The Reserve Bank of India has announced that it will start issuing the Rs 200 notes from 25th August from select RBI offices and some banks. The move is widely expected to ease the shortage of lower-denomination currency bills. The notes will be in the Mahatma Gandhi (New) Series, bearing signature of Governor Urjit Patel.

#### 136. Where will 2018 Table Tennis Team World Cup going to be held?

- 1.Kuala lumpur
- 2.Beijing
- 3.London
- 4.Singapore
- 5.Moscow

#### Answer - 3.London

#### **Explanation:-**

According to the World Table Tennis governing body announced the 2018 ITTF Team World Cup will be held in London from February 22 to 25 in 2018. The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) has awarded the hosting rights for the event. It is the second most prestigious team tournament after the World Championships. The Team World Cup, last held in Dubai in 2015, comprises 12 men's and 12 women's teams. England hosted the individual men's World Cup at Liverpool in 2012.

This will be the first major table tennis-only event to be staged in London since the 1954 World Championships at Wembley

### 137. Who has written the book 'I Do What I Do'?

- 1. Amish Tripathi
- 2. Ankit Bhatt
- 3. Kiran Desai
- 4. Vikram seth
- 5. Raghuram Rajan

## **Answer - 5. Raghuram Rajan**

#### **Explanation:-**

Former RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan has penned a book titled 'I Do What I Do: On Reform, Rhetoric and Resolve'. The book will launch on 4th of September. According to publisher Harper Collins besides Rajan's commentary, it will also include speeches that convey what it was like to head the central bank during his time. About the book Rajan explains economic concepts in a readily accessible way.

## 138. Which Indian Coast Guard ship was decommissioned with full armed forces On August 23 2017?

- 1. ICGS Sarathi
- 2. ICGS Varuna
- 3.ICGS Chakra
- 4.ICGS Virat
- 5.ICGS Karanj

Answer - 2. ICGS Varuna

#### **Explanation**

'Varuna' Indian Coast Guard Ship which was part of the First Training Squadron of the Navy was decommissioned. After honourable service spanning about 30 years, in a traditional military ceremony the ship was decommissioned with full armed forces at a ceremony held at the south jetty of the Southern Naval Command On August 23 2017. The ceremony was presided over by Inspector General K R Nautiyal, Commander, Coast Guard Region (West). ii. The ship had various historic operational achievements to its credit including numerous records of smugglers with gold worth crores during late 80s. ICGS Varuna has now been replaced by ICGS Sarathi in the First Training Squadron of the Indian Navy.

#### 139. RBI panel under who seeks rights-based data privacy in household finance?

- 1. M.K.Chandrasekar
- 2. Krishna Tulasi
- 3. Subramania Swamy
- 4. P.Chidambaram
- 5. Tarun Ramadorai

Answer - 5. Tarun Ramadorai

#### **Explanation**

As per RBI panel there is a need to adopt a rights- based privacy framework in household finance announced on 25th Aug 2017. The committee was headed by Tarun Ramadorai, a professor in financial economics at Imperial College London, and had representatives from all financial regulators.

RBI suggests adoption of a rights-based privacy framework in contrast with the more commor consent-based privacy framework. The panel was set up following discussions in a subcommittee of Financial Stability and Development Council on 26th April 2016.

#### 140. Which one of the following is the India's first 100% computer literate village?

- 1. Punsari
- 2. Dharnai
- 3. Chamravattom
- 4. Korkrebellur
- 5. Ballia

Answer - 3. Chamravattom

#### **Explanation**

Kerala's Chamravattom village is the country's first 100% computer literate village. The training program was organised by Mangaal Rural, an NGO working for rural development. The computer course, which is affiliated to All India Society for Electronic and Computer Technology (AISECT), was organised by Mangal Rural as a part of the Digital India program. A total of 180 villagers out of 200 total population of the village participated in the program. The villagers were taught how to surf, compose text, save them, photoshop, send e-mail, store data and get print outs, etc. The village, about 65 kms south of Imphal, is located in Saikot Assembly constituency of Churachandur district.

#### 141. Which State Government has launched E-waste disposal in state schools?

- 1.Karnataka
- 2.Bihar
- 3. Chhattisgarh
- 4.Kerala
- 5.Maharashtra

Answer - 4.Kerala

#### **Explanation**

Kerala government has begun e-waste disposal in its state schools. Under a programme aimed at clearing the accumulated junk with about 12500 kg being disposed on a single day. It has been announced on 26th Aug 2017. The state government is using scientific methods to recycle and refurbish them as per the central government norms. The programme is a joint initiative of Kerala Infrastructure and Technology for Education (KITE),

formerly IT@School project and Clean Kerala Company. The initiative mainly aims to dispose e-waste such as desktop computers, CRT monitors, laptops, disk drives, printers, UPS, camera, speaker system, television, network components and generators from 10,000 odd schools and educational offices in the state.

#### 142. India withdrawing gold, silver imports from which country?

- 1.China
- 2.South korea
- 3.Nepal
- 4.south Africa
- 5.Japan

Answer - 2.South korea

#### **Explanation**

The director general of foreign trade (DGFT) issued the notification withdrawing the facility given under a free trade agreement (FTA) with South Korea signed in 2009 regarding gold, silver and their articles announced on 26thAug 2017.To curb surging gold and silver imports from South Korea, the government has decided to put these items in the restricted category.India has a free trade pact South Korea under which basic customs duty on gold has been eliminated

#### 143. Who has been re-appointed to RBI's central board for 4 years?

- 1. S S Mundra
- 2. Nachiket Madhusudan Mor
- 3. Tarun Ramadorai
- 4. BP Kanungo
- 5. N S Vishwanathan

#### Answer - 2. Nachiket Madhusudan Mor

#### **Explanation**

August 24 2017 Nachiket Madhusudan Mor, country director of Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was re-appointed as a member of the Eastern local board of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). According to an order issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), he was also nominated for a director of the central board of directors of RBI. His appointment will be a period of four years and it is effective from 24 August, 2017.

#### 144. Name of the State Government has to set up Eco-Park in Rajouri district.

- 1. Punjab
- 2. Jammu & Kashmir
- 3.Manipur
- 4.Nagaland
- 5.Sikkim

Answer - 2.Jammu & Kashmir

#### **Explanation**

The Jammu and Kashmir government has decided to set up an Eco-Park on over 34 acres of land retrieve from encroachers in the state's Rajouri district announced on 25th of Aug 2017. The park is a first-of-its-kind project in the region. It will have a botanical garden, a cactus garden, a cafeteria and other amenities. The project has been planned under the convergence of local resources and it is expected to be completed by end of 2017. About, 34 acres of land has been included in the Eco-Park project will come up at the Kandi belt of Rajouri.

#### 145. Who is the winner of Miss Transqueen India 2017?

- 1.Reena Rai
- 2.Suhani
- 3. Nitasha Biswas
- 4.Loiloi
- 5.Ragasya

Answer - 3. Nitasha Biswas

#### **Explanation**

Nitasha Biswas, a trans woman who hails from Kolkata, was named the first Miss Transqueen India in Gurgaon or Gurugram. Loiloi from Manipur bagged the first runner-up position and Ragasya from Chennai was crowned the second runner-up.

# 146. Under which act the Government initiate insolvency resolution process to recover bad loans by giving authorize to RBI?

- 1. Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act
- 2. Banker's Books Evidence Act
- 3. Banking Regulation Act
- 4. Indian Trusts Act
- 5. Limitation Ac

#### Answer – 3. Banking Regulation Act

#### **Explanation**

The government has find a way to initiate insolvency resolution process to recover bad loans by giving authorize to RBI through Banking Regulation (Amendment) Act. The banking sector is burdened with non-performing assets (NPAs) of over Rs 8 lakh crore, of which Rs 6 lakh crore is with public sector banks (PSBs). The RBI had identified 12 accounts each having more than Rs 5,000 crore of outstanding loans and accounting for 25 per cent of total NPAs of banks for immediate referral for resolution under the bankruptcy law. The RBI can specify authorities or committees to advise banks on resolution of stressed assets. The members on the committees will be appointed or approved by the RBI

#### 147. NPCI approves Spice Digital's operation under which Payment System?

- 1. Bharat Bill Payment System
- 2. Electronic Payment and Settlement Systems
- 3. Immediate Payment Service
- 4. Channels of e-payments
- 5. Electronic Clearing Service

#### Answer - 1.Bharat Bill Payment System

#### **Explanation**

The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has given an approval to Spice Digital Ltd. for processing bill payments under the Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS) as a Bharat Bill Payment Operating Unit (BBPOU) announced on 26th Aug 2017. The BBPS will allow the users to use a single website or outlet to pay all their monthly or repetitive bills such as mobile phone and electricity.

According to the Digital Payments 2020 report by Google and Boston Consulting Group, non-cash contribution in the consumer payments segment will double to 40%. Since January, 2017 the Bharat bill payment market has grown by nearly 70 times in over six months.

#### 148. Who becomes the first player to score 350 La Liga goals?

- 1. Lionel Messi
- 2.Cristiano Ronaldo
- 3. Luis Suarez
- 4. Neymar
- 5. Sergio Aguero

Answer – 1. Lionel Messi

#### **Explanation**

Barcelona and Argentina star Lionel Messi became the first player to pass 350 goals in La Liga history announced on 27th of Aug 2017.Leo went on to score one more goal in Barcelona's 2-0 win over Alaves, bringing his all-time league tally up to 351.The Argentine scored twice against Alaves to take his total to a stunning 351.Messi has scored 274 goals of those goals with his left foot and 63 with his right.

# 149. India has signed an agreement with which country on technical cooperation under the Energy Programme – Green Energy Corridors (IGEN-GEC)?

- 1. Russia
- 2. Germany
- 3. Nepal
- 4. US
- 5. UK

#### **Answer - 2.Germany**

## **Explanation**

India and Germany has signed an agreement on technical cooperation under the Indo-German Energy Programme – Green Energy Corridors (IGEN-GEC) on 28th Aug 2017. The agreement was signed by India's Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and Deutsche Gesellschaft fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH India on behalf of Germany. The main aim of this programme is to improve the sector framework and conditions for grid integration of renewable energy.

#### 150. Which president hosted the summit of Europe's 'big four' on 28th of Aug 2017?

- 1. Frank-Walter Steinmeier of Germany
- 2. Sergio Mattarella of Italy
- 3. Mariano Rajoy Brey of Spain
- 4. Michel Temer of Brazil
- 5. Emmanuel Macron of France

#### **Answer -5. Emmanuel Macron of France**

#### **Explanation**

The main focus of a summit of Europe's 'big four' continental powers is getting Europe's migrant crisis under control. It is hosted on 28th of Aug 2017 by French President Emmanuel Macron. French president has also invited three African nations to the talks held in Paris. The meeting hosts the leaders Germany, Italy and Spain as well as the leaders of Chad, Niger and Libya, aimed to assess the situation.

## 151. Dipak Misra sworn in as\_\_\_\_\_Chief Justice of India.

- 1. 40th
- 2. 42nd
- 3. 45th
- 4. 47th
- 5. 50th

#### Answer - 3.45th

#### **Explanation**

Justice Dipak Misra has sworn 45th Chief Justice of India at a brief ceremony in the Darbar Hall of Rashtrapati Bhavan. He will succeed Chief Justice JS Khehar.

Chief Justice Misra will hold office for the next 13 months, till 2nd October 2018. His oath was administered by President Ram Nath Kovind on 28th of Aug 2017. He led the Supreme Court bench that confirmed death to four convicts in the Nirbhaya gang-rape case in May 2016.

# 152. Who won the gold medal in Women's singles of 23rd BWF World Campionship-2017?

- 1. Carolina Marin of Spain
- 2. Tai Tzu-Ying of Taiwan
- 3. Nozomi Okuhara of Japan
- 4. P. V. Sindhu of India
- 5. Sun Yu of China

## Answer - 3. Nozomi Okuhara of Japan

#### **Explanation**

Women's Singles –Nozomi Okuhara of Japan. The final match was between Nozomi and P.V Sindhu . It was toughest one with score of 19-21, 22-20, 20-22 in final.Nozomi won bronze medal in 2016 Olympic.Gold- Nozomi [Japan] ii.Silver- P.V Sindhu [ India] iii.Bronze- Saina Nehwal [India] P.V.Sindhu became a second Indian to win silver medal in BWF world championship

## 153. India won SAFF under 15 Championship against Which Country?

- 1. Bangladesh
- 2. Bhutan
- 3. Pakistan
- 4. Iran
- 5. Nepal

#### Answer – 5.Nepal

#### **Explanation**

The Indian U-15 football team defeated Nepal to win the SAFF U-15 Championships in Kathmandu on 27th of Aug 2017. India beat Nepal by 2-1 in the final and the match took place at ANFA Complex, Lalitpur in Nepal. The goals from Lalrokima and Vikram guided India to a deserving 2-1 victory. The motive behind the U-15 is to allow teams to be better prepared for the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Under-16 qualifiers to be held in 2017.

# 154. Where will be the First Synergy Conference on Defence Pension Organised by Defence Accounts Department held?

- 1. Chattisgarh
- 2. Gandhi Nagar
- 3. Chandhigarh
- 4. New Delhi
- **5.** Ahmedabad

Answer- 4.New Delhi

#### **Explanation**

On 28th August,2017,the Defence Accounts Department (DAD)organized its first Synergy Conference on Defence Pensions. The conference was attended by all Defence Pensioners Associations and was open to all Defence Pensioners.

i. The objective of the conference was to obtain feedback from the pensioners that would help the department to serve them better with constantly improving systems and procedures. Digitization of pension data and implementation of a pensions app were also discussed in detail.

#### 155. Which country passes world's toughest plastic bag law on pollution?

- 1. Rwanda
- 2. Kenya
- 3. Italy
- 4. China
- 5. Zimbawe

#### Answer - 2.Kenya

Those who are producing, selling or even using the non-degradable bags now face four years in jail or a \$40,000 (USD) /(£31,000) fine in Kenya.Kenya has passed the world's toughest law against plastic bags on pollution. Kenya is a major exporter of plastic bags in Africa. The East African nation joins more than 40 other countries that have banned, partly banned or taxed single-use plastic bags, including China, France, Rwanda, and Italy.

# 156. Name the Policy has been released from Department of Industrial Policy 8 Promotion (DIPP) which is under ministry of commerce and industry on 28th august ,2017.

- 1. Fixed Income Investment Policy
- 2. Infrastructure Investment Policy
- 3. Global Equity Investment Policy
- 4. Private Equity Investment Policy
- 5. Foreign Direct Investment Policy

#### Answer -5. Foreign Direct Investment Policy

#### **Explanation**

On 28th august ,2017 the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) which is under ministry of commerce and industry has released the consolidated Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Policy subsuming all the changes in rules and procedures notified by the government over the past year.

For the first time, the document included the start-upswhich can raise up to 100% of funds from foreign Venture Capital Investors(FVCI). Foreign investments are considered crucial for India, which needs around USD 1 trillion for overhauling its infrastructure sector such as ports, airports and highways to boost growth.

## 157. What is the world's first contract has been launched by The Indian Commodity Exchange(ICEX) on 28th of Aug 2017?

- 1. Diamond futures contracts
- 2. Benitoite futures contracts
- 3. Taaffeite futures contracts
- 4. Platinum futures contracts
- 5. Alexandrite futures contracts

Answer - 1.Diamond futures contracts

#### **Explanation**

The Indian Commodity Exchange (ICEX) has launched the world's first diamond futures contracts. It is going to be the first diamond exchange in the world announced on 28th of Aug 2017. It will provide exporters with a hedging tool.

The first diamond contract for delivery in November was traded at Rs 3,279/cent. One cent is the one-hundredth of a carat (ct).ICEX has launched 1 ct diamond futures contract for delivery in November and followed by contracts with monthly settlements..The 1-carat contract for expiry in November, December and January will have delivery centre at Surat in the western state of Gujarat.After making the initial contract successful 50 cents and 30 cents contracts will be introduced.

# 158. To Which Bank Mohammad Mustafa has appointed as the chairman and managing director on 28th of Aug 2017?

- 1. State Industrial Development Corporations
- 2. Small Industries Development Bank of India
- 3. Industrial Investment Bank of India
- 4. Industrial Development Bank of India
- 5. Regional level development Bank

#### Answer - 2.Small Industries Development Bank of India

#### **Explanation**

Small Industries development Bank of India (SIDBI) has appointed Mohammad Mustafa as the chairman and managing director announced on 28th of Aug 2017.

Mustafa, a 1995 batch IAS officer of Uttar Pradesh cadre, is at present Joint Secretary in Department of Financial Services. The Appointments Committee of the cabinet has approved his appointment to the post for three years.

## 159. Who won Belgian Grand Prix in F1 title race On August 27 2017?

- 1. Michael Schumacher
- 2. Daniel Ricciardo
- 3. Lewis Hamilton
- 4. Kimi Raikkonen

5. Valtteri Bottas

Ans - 3. Lewis

#### Hamilton

#### **Explanation**

On August 27 2017 Lewis Hamilton wins Belgian Grand Prix in his 200th Formula One race. Vettel remained within a second. Daniel Ricciardo was third, fourth-placed Kimi Raikkonen and fifth-placed occupied by Valtteri Bottas. Hamilton clinched his fifth win of the season and 58th overall, having equaled Michael Schumacher's pole record Lewis

# 160. Legendary footballer Ahmed Khan, a member of India's gold winning football team at the first Asian Games in the year?

- 1.1954
- 2. 1956
- 3. 1952
- 4. 1950
- 5. 1951

Answer -

#### 5.1951

#### **Explanation**

Ahmed Khan, a member of India's gold winning football team at the first Asian Games in 1951, passed away. He was 91.Khan represented India in two Olympic Games — 1948 in London and 1952 in Helsinki Finland apart from two Asian Games in Delhi and 1954 in Manila.Khan, who played as a striker represented India in 11 matches and made his debut against France in the London Olympics.He was also a member of the victorious back to back Quadrangular Trophy winning Indian squad in 1953 and 1954.

# 161. Which Country have mutually agreed with India to jointly issue a set of two Commemorative Postage Stamps on the theme "Diwali"?

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Answer

#### 5.Canada

#### Explanation

Cabinet apprised of jointly issue of postage stamps between India and Canada. India and Canada have mutually agreed to jointly issue a set of two Commemorative Postage Stamps on India-Canada, on the theme "Diwali". The joint stamps will be released on 21st September, 2017. Diwali it is a cultural theme for both the countries and also considering the large presence of Indian Diaspora in Canada.

# 162. Name of the state that our Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited to inaugurate few highway projects along with road transport and highways minister Nithin Gadkari on 29th August 2017.

- 1.Gujarat
- 2.Punjab

- 3.Odisha
- 4.Rajastha

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Answer -

## 4.Rajasthan

## **Explanation:**

On 29th august,2017 Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Rajasthan to inaugurate few

highway projects and to dedicate some to our nation along with road transport and highways minister Nithin Gadkari. He informed that his government is setting in a culture of completion of projects unlike previous governments. The assembly polls in Rajasthan is going to take place next year. PM Modi will also visit Pratap Gaurav Kendra which exhibits the valour and achievements of Maharana Pratap and pay his homage to the famous King of Mewar.

# 163. Which state government decided to close the process of holding interview for selection of candidates for the government jobs in all the non-gazetted posts of Group B, C and D categories?

- 1.MadhyaPradesh
- 2.Punjab
- 3.Uttar Pradesh
- 4.Manipur
- 5.Bihar

Answer - 3.Uttar Pradesh

#### **Explanation**

The Uttar Pradesh cabinet has decided to close the process of holding interview for selection of candidates for the government jobs in all the non-gazetted posts of Group B, C and D categories announced on 29th of Aug 2017. The decision was taken in a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath. The state government has decided to do away with the interview in the recruitment of non-gazetted officers from Class II to IV but for recruitment of gazetted officers in Class II category, Interview will be a must.

## 164. Name of the insurance company has launched 'PoS-Easy Bima Plan'.

- 1. Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance Company
- 2.Kotak Mahindra Old Mutual Life Insurance Limited
- 3. Future Generali India Life Insurance Company Limited
- 4.ING Vysya Life Insurance Company Ltd
- 5.Bharti AXA Life Insurance Company Ltd

**Answer –** 1. Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance Company **Explanation:** 

Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance Company (CHOICE) has launched with a 'Point-of-Sale' Easy Bima Plan targeted at the mass-market segment. The product 'PoS – Easy Bima Plan' is the first PoS product for the company. It will provide life cover and also returns all premiums paid during the payment term on survival till maturity. The affordable premiums start from Rs.1,000 annually and there is inbuilt double life cover in case of accidental death. It would be available in the bank branches of Canara Bank and Oriental Bank of Commerce (OBC) in the next two months.

# 165. Which bank receives scheduled bank status from RBI due to second scheduled to the RBI Act 1934?

- 1. Janalakshmi Small Finance Bank Ltd
- 2. Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd
- 3. Capital Small Finance Bank
- 4. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd
- 5. Disha Small Finance Bank Ltd

Answer – 4. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd

#### Explanation

Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ujjivan Financial Services Ltd, has been included in the second scheduled to the RBI Act 1934 on 30th Aug 2017. This grants the 'Scheduled Bank' status to Ujjivan Small Finance Bank' from the date of notification. With this Ujjivan Small Finance Bank can issue certificate of deposits. Ujjivan SFB commenced its operations as a Small Finance Bank with effect from February 1, 2017.

## 166. Who presented the NITI Aayog's Women Transforming India Awards 2017?

- 1. A.Smt Sushma Swaraj
- 2. Smt Smriti Irani
- 3. Nirmala Sitharaman
- 4. Shri Giriraj Singh
- 5. Radha Mohan Singh

Answer - 2.Smt Smriti

#### **Irani Explanation**

Union Minister of Textiles, Information, and Broadcasting Smriti Irani will present Women Transforming India Awards 2017 a prestigious award to 12 incredible women winners at an event in New Delhi on 29th of Aug 2017.

The award has been launched by NITI Aayog, in partnership with the UN in India and MyGov.It has been awarded to recognize the transformational impact of work undertaken by women across India. This year's campaign "to promote equal opportunity of women" received around 3000 entries from across India.

# 167. Which two States were the fastest expanding State economies in 2015-16 according to the Central Statistics Office(CSO) published new series of gross State Domestic Product (SDP) data with 2011-12?

- 1. Maharashtra and Karnataka
- 2. West Bengal and Arunachal Pradesh
- 3. Karnataka and Jammu & Kashmir
- 4. West Bengal and Maharashtra
- 5. Jammu & Kashmir and Arunachal Pradesh

## Answer - 5. Jammu & Kashmir and Arunachal

#### **Pradesh Explanation**

On 30th August 2017, Central Statistics Office(CSO) published new series of gross State Domestic Product (SDP) data with 2011-12 as the base year. According to it Jammu and Kashmir and Arunachal Pradesh were the fastest expanding State economies in 2015-16. Comparison between states plays a healthy role in promoting competitive federalism thereby promoting fair competition. On the whole, the national economy expanded by 8 per cent in 2015-16 at constant 2011-12 prices.

## 168. The Ministry of Railways has signed two MoUs with which country on 31st of Aug 2017.

- 1. Nepal
- 2. Myanmar
- 3. Canada
- 4. Switzerland
- 5. China

Answer - 4.

**Switzerland** 

#### **Explanation**

The Ministry of Railways has signed two MoUs with Switzerland on 31st of Aug 2017. It has been signed between Ministry of Railways and Swiss Confederation.

The first MoU is between Ministry of Railways and Federal Department of the Environment, Transport and Communications of the Swiss Confederation for technical cooperation in Rail Sector. This was signed in the presence of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi and President of the Swiss Confederation.

# 169. Solar energy services company Freyr Energy has tied up with which Bank announced on 31st Aug 2017?

- 1. HDFC Bank
- 2. Indian Bank
- 3. Axis Bank
- 4. ICICI Bank

5. Kotak Mahindra Bank Answer – 3. Axis Bank

#### **Explanation**

Solar energy services company Freyr Energy has tied up with Axis Bank announced on 31st Aug 2017. It will offer term loans ranging from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 50 lakh for tenures up to five years, for solar rooftop installations in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. The loans will be given to MSMEs and self-employed individuals to install Freyr rooftop solar plants for industrial and commercial purposes. This loan programme will help MSMEs significantly to reduce their electricity bills.

## 170. How many years the SEBI bans Orion Capital, Orion Broking from securities markets?

- 1.12 years
- 2.10 years
- 3.8 years
- 4.5 years
- 5.3 years

Answer – 2. 10

## years Explanation

Markets regulator SEBI has barred Orion Capital as well as Orion Broking and their partners from the securities markets for 10 years announced on 29th of Aug 2017. They have been barred for failing to redress several investor grievances related to non-settlement of funds due to the clients. The claim amount is more than Rs 6 crore against Orion Capital and over Rs 4 crore against Orion Broking. According to SEBI Whole-Time Member S Raman the two firms and their partners have failed to act in accordance with the requirements of the stock brokers regulations.

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