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1. Who has been appointed as interim chairman of the goods and services tax network (GSTN)?

- a) Viveck Goenka
- b) Nikeeta Kale
- c) Piyush Sharma
- d) Ajay Bhushan Pandey
- e) Rajiv Kumar

Answer: (D) The Unique Identification Authority of India's (UIDAI) chief executive officer (CEO) A.B. Pandey was appointed interim chairman of the goods and services tax network (GSTN)—the firm providing information technology (IT) backbone and portal for registration and tax returns under the GST regime.

2. What is the name of India-Sri Lanka joint maritime naval exercise which has been started near Vishakhapatnam?

- a) Varuna
- b) Garuda
- c) SLINEX 2017
- d) Yudh Aabyas
- e) Indra Navy

Answer: (C) India and Sri Lanka's seven days joint maritime naval exercise 'SLINEX 2017' (7th Edition) has begun at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

3. Who is the author of the book titled "How India Sees the World"?

- a) Shyam Saran
- b) Amit Shah
- c) Amrita Pritam
- d) Rajesh Kumar
- e) VS Naipaul

Answer: (A) The book of Former Foreign Secretary Shyam Saran named "How India Sees the World: Kautilya to the 21st Century" launched by former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh.

4. At which of the following place the first Water ATM was established that would dispense clean and safe drinking water?

- a) Goa
- b) Kerala
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Chennai
- e) Mumbai

Answer: (C) Safe Water Network, an international NGO has partnered with Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) to launch water ATMs, providing affordable, 24x7 safe water access in Hyderabad. The first of the ATMs was inaugurated by Telangana State Home Minister N Narasimha Reddy at Nalgonda X Roads. A total of 200 ATMs will be set up to reach a targeted 150,000 people. In the first phase 50 water ATMs will be operationalised by next year. The initiative is supported by USAID under the Urban WaSH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) Alliance Partnership and funded by Honeywell India.

5. The 51st International Literacy Day was observed on?

- a) September 8th
- b) September 9th
- c) September 10th
- d) September 11th
- e) September 12

Answer: (A) The International Literacy Day is celebrated on 8th September every year throughout the world. On this day, in the year 1965 the World Congress of Ministers of Education met in Tehran for the first time to discuss the programme of education at the international level.

6. What is the theme for 51st International Literacy Day?



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- a) Literacy for Everyone
- b) Literacy in a Modern World
- c) Literacy light up the world
- d) Literacy in a digital world
- e) Educate, Empowerment, Elite the Society

Answer: (D) The theme announced by UNESCO was 'Literacy in a digital world'.

7. Which of the following State starts implementing Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) under MGNREGA Act beginning from the current financial year?

- a) Haryana
- b) Goa
- c) Assam
- d) Nagaland
- e) Rajasthan

Answer: (D) Nagaland starts implementing Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) beginning from the current financial year. Presently, 46,894 active MGNREGA workers have opened their bank accounts linked with Aadhar and are ready for DBT. A total of 1.79 lakh MGNREGA workers have been verified with Aadhar and being processed for an opening bank account. Currently, there is 4.25 lakh active job cards with 5.82 lakh active MGNREGA workers in the state.

8. SBI Life Insurance has received in principal approval from SEBI for an Initial Public Offering (IPO) of up to Rs _____ crore.

- a) 3500
- b) 6000
- c) 6300
- d) 7200
- e) 8400

Answer: (E) SBI Life Insurance has received approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India for an IPO of up to Rs 8,400 crore (\$1.3 billion). It involves 120 million secondary shares or 12 per cent of the insurer's equity capital. State Bank of India which currently owns 70.1 per cent of the insurer will sell 80 million shares and BNP Paribas Cardif, holder of a 26 per cent stake, will sell 40 million.

9. BSNL has partnered with ----- Bank to provide mobile wallet.

- a) State Bank of India
- b) Bank of India
- c) Bank of Maharashtra
- d) Punjab National Bank
- e) Vijaya Bank

Answer: (D) Punjab National Bank and state-run firm BSNL have teamed up to roll out open mobile wallet Speedpay across 10 states in the country.

10. Yudh Abhyas, a joint military exercise was conducted between India and -----

- a) Myanmar
- b) Nepal
- c) Maldives
- d) USA
- e) UK

Answer: (D) Armies of India and the US conducted joint mega military exercise "Yudh Abhyas" in Washington as part of the Indo-US defense cooperation. It is the 13th edition of the joint military exercise. The aim of the annual exercise "Yudh Abhyas" is to further strengthen 'Jointmanship'.

11. Sathish Sivalingam related to which of the following Game?

- a) Boxing
- b) Weightlifting
- c) Hockey
- d) Shooting
- e) Chess

Answer: (B) Sathish Sivalingam won gold in the senior men's 77kg category of the Commonwealth and Oceania Championships held at Gold Coast in Australia. In Youth Boy's category Ragala venkat raghul with an overall effort of 269kg clinched the gold. In junior men's 77kg, Ajay Singh bagged the yellow metal. Sathish Sivalingam and Ragala venkat raghul qualified for 2018 commonwealth games.

12. At which of the following country the 2,500-year-old Shwedagon pagoda is present?

- a) Nepal
- b) Myanmar
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Sri Lanka
- e) China



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Answer: (B) Prime Minister Narendra Modi wrapped up his Myanmar trip, visiting to the 'mazar' of the last Mughal Emperor Bahadur Shah Zafar and the 2,500-year-old Shwedagon pagoda. He planted a Bodhi tree sapling in the complex. The Shwedagon Pagoda officially named Shwedagon Zedi Daw and also known as the Great Dagon Pagoda and the Golden Pagoda, is a gilded stupa located in Yangon, Myanmar.

13. The ----- grants corporate agency license to One97 Communications, the parent of Paytm.

- a) SEBI
- b) RBI
- c) IRDAI
- d) GOI
- e) None of these

Answer: (C) Payment bank Paytm can now sell life insurance, health and general insurance products. The Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has granted corporate agency license for One97 Communications, the parent of Paytm. The Chinese e-commerce giant Alibaba-backed Paytm, a leading player in the mobile payments and e-commerce platform claims a registered user base of over 250 million, has been granted license under the composite category.

14. Which of the following country has refused to sign Bali Declaration over Rohingya issue?

- a) China
- b) UAE
- c) Pakistan
- d) Myanmar
- e) None of these

Answer: (E) India has refused to be a part of Bali Declaration adopted at conclusion of World Parliamentary Forum on Sustainable Development held in Bali, Indonesia to show of solidarity with Myanmar. It was not adopted because it carried "inappropriate" reference to violence in Rakhine State from where 1,25,000 Rohingya have fled to Bangladesh and was not in line with agreed global principles of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

15. Who has been bagged Gold Medal at ISSF Shotgun World Championships 2017 held in Moscow?

- a) Vitaly Fokeev
- b) Ankur Mittal
- c) Sangram Dahiya
- d) Heena Sindhu
- e) Karni Singh

Answer: (A) Russia's Vitaly Fokeev has won the gold medal at ISSF Shotgun World Championships. India's Ankur Mittal has won the silver medal in the men's double trap event at the ISSF Shotgun World Championships.

16. Which part of Lakshadweep has been disappeared due to coastal erosion?

- a) Ross Island
- b) Agatti Island
- c) Kadmat Island
- d) Parali 1 Island
- e) Kalpeni Island

Answer: (D) A new study claimed that one of the biodiversity-rich uninhabited island of Lakshadweep 'Parali I' has vanished due to coastal erosion. Parali I island of Lakshadweep has been eroded completely and Vanished. The Island was a part of Bangaram chain of islands, and was 0.032 square km in area in 1968. This has been discovered by a Phd researcher Mr. Hidayathulla. He was awarded PhD in July 2017 by Calicut University in Kerala for his work on "Studies on Coastal Erosion in Selected Uninhabited Islands of Lakshadweep Archipelago with Special Reference to Biodiversity Conservation."

17. Which of the following bank's artificial intelligence-based chatbot 'Eva' has achieved the title of India's largest chatbot?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Yes Bank
- d) Lakshmi Vilas Bank
- e) None of these

Answer: (E) Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based chatbot 'Eva' – built for HDFC Bank by Bengaluru-based Senseforth AI Research – has successfully addressed over 2.7 million customer queries in six months to become the country's largest banking chatbot. According to HDFC Bank, it collaborated with Senseforth and launched 'EVA' (Electronic Virtual



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Assistant) in March this year on its website. Since then, 'Eva' has interacted with over 530,000 unique users, holding 1.2 million conversations and addressing 2.7 million queries with ease.

18. Who has been named as chief coach of the men's national hockey team?

- a) Roelant Oltmans
- b) Sjoerd Mrijne
- c) GE Sridharan
- d) Harendra Singh
- e) None of these

Answer: (B) Women's national hockey coach Sjoerd Marijne was named chief coach of the men's side, replacing the sacked Roelant Oltmans. Besides, World Cup-winning junior team coach Harendra Singh was appointed High Performance Specialist coach of the senior women's team.

19. Who has assumed charge as the Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of NMDC Limited?

- a) N Bajendra Kumar
- b) Riyadh Goenka
- c) Santosh Gangwar
- d) Sunil Mehta
- e) R.S. Sodhi

Answer: (A) Bajendra Kumar has assumed charge as Chairman and Managing Director of National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) Ltd. He is an IAS officer of 1985 batch of Chhattisgarh cadre.

20. Indian army has finalized to induct how many women in the military police?

- a) 500
- b) 600
- c) 700
- d) 800
- e) 1000

Answer: (D) The Army has finalized a plan to induct approximately 800 women in the military police. The decision to induct women would help in investigating allegations of gender specific crimes. This comes after Nirmala Sitharaman became India's second woman Defense Minister.

21. Which State Government has launched subsidized food scheme for construction workers?

- a) Haryana

- b) West Bengal
- c) Gujarat
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Orissa

Answer: (C) Gujarat government has launched Shramik Annapurna Yojana (Construction Workers' Meal Scheme), under which each registered worker is provided a plateful of food for a mere Rs 10 with the Gujarat government providing a hefty subsidy of Rs 19 per meal.

22. Exide Life Insurance has partnered with _____ offer its protection and savings products to the bank's customers.

- a) Bank of Maharashtra
- b) Punjab & Maharashtra Co-operative Bank
- c) Punjab & Sind Bank
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) Corporation Bank

Answer: (B) Exide Life Insurance has announced a partnership with Punjab & Maharashtra Co-operative Bank (PMC Bank) to offer its protection and savings products to the latter's customers. PMC Bank is a multi-State scheduled urban cooperative bank with 127 branches spread across Maharashtra, Delhi, Karnataka, Goa, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. Exide Life Insurance works with around 50 banks.

23. Which of the following university got first spot in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings of the best universities?

- a) Stanford University
- b) Oxford University
- c) Texas University
- d) Harvard University
- e) Cambridge University

Answer: (B) Two UK institutions lead the Times Higher Education World University Rankings of the best universities for the first time in its history, with Oxford holding on to the number one spot for the second year in a row, while Cambridge has risen to second place. Meanwhile, India has some bad news with its premier institutes like IIT Delhi and IISc Bangalore slipping in the rankings to lower bands.

24. Which of the following firm is India's biggest Gas importer?



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- a) ONGC
- b) HPCL
- c) Petronet LNG Ltd
- d) OIC
- e) Reliance Ltd

Answer: (C) India's biggest gas importer, Petronet LNG Ltd going to build Sri Lanka's first liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal.

25. Indian Institute of Management Lucknow (IIM-L) and ____ Bank tied up a charter to spread 'Climate Literacy'.

- a) ICICI
- b) Axis
- c) Kotak Mahindra
- d) Yes
- e) SBI

Answer: (D) Indian Institute of Management Lucknow (IIM-L) and Yes Bank have signed a charter to help spread 'Climate Literacy,' aiming to achieve sustainable development through shared learning. The bank will support IIM-L in updating its two-year course curriculum.

26. Who is heading Joint Parliamentary Committee on the financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill 2017?

- a) Amit Mishra
- b) Ratan P Watal
- c) R Gandhi
- d) Bhupender Yadav
- e) Anurag Kashyab

Answer: (D) A Joint Parliamentary Committee has been formed to examine and present a report on the Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill, 2017, in New Delhi. It consists of 20 members of Lok Sabha and 10 members of Rajya Sabha. The Committee will gather views and suggestions from stakeholders and public on the provisions of the Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill, 2017.

27. Nestle set up India's first food safety institute at which place?

- a) Kohima
- b) Ganktok
- c) Imphal
- d) Manesar

- e) Gurugram

Answer: (D) The Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has inaugurated India's first ever food safety institute set up by Nestle India in Manesar. It is inaugurated by the CEO of Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) Pawan Kumar Agarwal. The institute aims to train and guide its students in food safety including nutrition check and keeping the ingredients in the food items within the limit among others.

28. Which of the following state has topped in GST migration and fresh registrations?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu
- e) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: (A) Maharashtra is on the top position among other states in the country when it comes to migration of existing traders and fresh registrations under the Goods and Service Tax (GST) network. Uttar Pradesh (5.93 lakh) has secured second position whereas Tamil Nadu (5.23 lakh) is on the third position in terms of migration of traders through GST network.

29. Recently US ejected out Habib Bank over terror financing charge, Habib Bank belongs to which country?

- a) Iran
- b) Syria
- c) North Korea
- d) Israel
- e) None of these

Answer: (E) Habib Bank, Pakistan's largest private lender, has been ordered by the US banking regulators to shut down its New York office after nearly 40 years of operation. According to the report, Habib Bank had allowed 13,000 transactions that were not sufficiently screened to ensure they did not involve sanctioned countries.

30. Iron Union 5 is a joint military exercise between - ----- and -----

- a) US , UAE
- b) US, South Korea
- c) Japan, South Korea



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- d) Bangladesh, China
- e) China, Pakistan

Answer: (A) US and UAE Armies begun joint military exercise in Abu Dhabi, with name Iron Union 5.

31. Which State Government announced Rs. 1 lakh cash reward to find out Blue Whale curators?

- a) Kerala
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Gujarat
- d) Maharashtra
- e) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: (C) The Gujarat state govt. has announced 1 lakh Rupees cash reward to those providing information about the administrators and curators of the deadly Blue Whale Challenge.

32. Who laid the foundation Stone of Greenfield Smart City at Ranchi, Jharkhand?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Venkaiah Naidu
- c) Arun Jaitley
- d) Ram Nath Govind
- e) Ravi Shankar Prasad

Answer: (B) Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu laid the foundation stone of Greenfield Smart City at Ranchi in Jharkhand.

33. Which of the following city held the fifth edition of Coastal Shipping and Inland Water Transportation Business Summit 2017?

- a) Kochi
- b) Vishakhapatnam
- c) Goa
- d) Chennai
- e) Mumbai

Answer: (A) In Kochi, the fifth edition of Coastal Shipping and Inland Water Transportation Business Summit 2017 held at Hotel Crown Plaza. The summit will be an initiative to explore the immense potential of coastal shipping and waterways as well as an effort to build a shared commitment and decipher the role that each stakeholder will have to play in integrating the coastal and waterways transport infrastructure.

34. Which of the following State Government signed a MoU with Google India to provide Internet connection to 26,000 villages?

- a) Assam
- b) Gujarat
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Tamil Nadu

Answer: (A) Assam Government signed a MoU with Google India to provide Internet connection to 26,000 villages.

35. At which of the following place the 21st meeting of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council was held?

- a) Bangalore
- b) New Delhi
- c) Mumbai
- d) Hyderabad
- e) Lucknow

Answer: (D) The 21st meeting of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council was held at Hyderabad International Convention Centre, in Hyderabad. This is the first time the GST Council met after filing of GST returns. The meet was headed by Finance Minister Mr. Arun Jaitley. Finance Ministers of all states attended the meet.

36. The government announced linking Aadhaar with mobile SIM cards and all unlinked phones will be deactivated after -----

- a) January 2018
- b) February 2018
- c) March 2018
- d) April 2018
- e) May 2018

Answer: (B) The government is moving ahead with linking Aadhaar with mobile SIM cards and all unlinked phones will be deactivated after February 2018.

Aadhaar mobile linkage is being done as per the orders of Supreme Court passed in February 2017 in Lokniti foundation case and all SIM cards have to be verified with Aadhaar within a year from the date of judgment, with all unlinked phones to be deactivated after February next year. So criminals, fraudsters and terrorists cannot use the issued SIMs.

37. Joyciline Jepkosgei broke the world 10km record at the Birell Prague Grand Prix, an IAAF Gold Label Road Race, she was from-----



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- a) Jordan
- b) Switzerland
- c) USA
- d) Japan
- e) Kenya

Answer: (E) Kenya's Joyciline Jepkosgei broke the world 10km record at the Birell Prague Grand Prix, an IAAF Gold Label Road Race. The 23-year-old Kenyan clocked 29:43 to smash through the 30-minute barrier and break her own record of 30:04.

38. Which of the following country has won 2nd South Asian Basketball (SABA) under – 16 Championship?

- a) India
- b) Japan
- c) Pakistan
- d) Singapore
- e) China

Answer: (A) India has won 2nd South Asian Basketball (SABA) under – 16 Championship. Bangladesh finished second and host Nepal third. The championship was played in a round robin league format. India has now qualified for 2017 International Basketball Federation, FIBA, Under-16 Asian Championship to be played in Malaysia.

39. At Which State National Security Guard (NSG) organized First national Canine Seminar?

- a) Assam
- b) Haryana
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Punjab
- e) Odisha

Answer: (B) The first National Canine Seminar organized by National Security Guard (NSG) in NSG Campus, Manesar (Gurugram), Haryana. The NSG, popularly known as "The Black Cats" of the country is organizing this two-day seminar. The theme of the two days National Canine Seminar is "Canine as Tactical Weapon in Fight against Terrorism". Its main objective is to discuss and deliberate on the techniques of dog training and strategies of deploying the dogs in Counter Terrorism and Counter Insurgency scenario.

40. Who has bagged gold in World Wrestling Championship held in Athens, Greece?

- a) Sakshi Malik
- b) Sonam Malik
- c) Sushil Kumar
- d) Yogeshwar Dutt
- e) Narsingh Pancham Yadav

Answer: (B) Young Indian wrestler Sonam Malik bagged a gold medal at the World Cadet Wrestling Championship held in Athens, Greece. Sonam Malik is competing in the 56kg category and she defeated Japanese Sena Nagamoto by 3-1 points in the final.

41. RN Sudarshan who passed away recently belongs to -----

- a) Politician
- b) Writer
- c) Reporter
- d) Actor
- e) Singer

Answer: (D) Veteran Kannada actor RN Sudarshan had passed away in Bengaluru. He was 78. He was suffering from kidney-related ailments. RN Sudarshan, has acted in many Kannada, Tamil, Telugu and Hindi films.

42. Which of the following person wins US open Women's Singles Title 2017?

- a) Venus Williams
- b) Sania Mirza
- c) Martina Hingis
- d) Maria Sharapova
- e) Sloane Stephens

Answer: (E) Sloane Stephens wins US open Women's Singles Title 2017

43. The Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) tested India's indigenously developed third generation Anti Tank Guided Missile ----- in Rajasthan.

- a) Nag
- b) Agni
- c) Dhruv
- d) Aag
- e) None of these

Answer: (A) The Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) twice successfully flight tested India's indigenously developed third generation Anti Tank Guided Missile (ATGM) 'Nag' in Rajasthan.



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44. Which state has launched a single emergency number 112 that will integrate services of police, fire brigade and medical help?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu
- e) Telangana

Answer: (A) A single emergency number 112 that will integrate services of police, fire brigade and medical help, is likely to be a reality in the state. The home department will roll out the services, which will reduce the response time and also introduce dedicated apps and SMS services. In accordance with the central government's directive, the state cabinet approved a Rs429 crore plan a few weeks ago to roll out the service in 10 big cities and later in all the districts.

45. Which of the following Country will host the Junior Asian Wrestling Championship in 2018?

- a) China
- b) Malaysia
- c) Bangladesh
- d) South Korea
- e) None of these

Answer: (E) India will host next year. The United World Wrestling (UWW) allotted next year's Junior Asian Wrestling Championship to the capital city of our country, to be held from July 19 to 22.

46. Which of the following is the YouTube channel launched by Hyderabad-based transwoman activist in India conceptualized and actualized by transgender individuals?

- a) Transwomen
- b) Transvision
- c) Transjet
- d) Transindia
- e) Transform

Answer: (B) The Hyderabad-based transwoman activist, who holds two post-graduate degrees, did not despair. Instead, she decided to launch the first YouTube channel Transvision in India conceptualized and actualised by transgender individuals. The channel, according to its makers, will provide accurate and scientific socio-cultural, religious, economic and

political information relevant to them. Trans-vision will produce its web series in three languages — Telugu, Kannada and Dakhni, an Urdu dialect spoken in certain parts of the Deccan Plateau, including Hyderabad.

47. Which of the following Country opened Second Indian workers' resource centre?

- a) Kuwait
- b) Qatar
- c) Saudi Arabia
- d) UAE
- e) Bangladesh

Answer: (D) Indians in the UAE now have one more support centre to address their grievances. The Indian Ambassador to the UAE Navdeep Singh Suri afternoon opened the Indian Workers' Resource Centre (IWRC) in Sharjah. The Sharjah Centre on the 22nd floor of Damas Tower (Burj 2000) opposite the Central Post Office is the second office of the IWRC in the UAE after the one in Dubai that currently caters to Indians in all seven emirates.

48. Which of the following have agreed to strengthen anti-terrorism and security cooperation along a US \$50 billion economic corridor?

- a) India & Pakistan
- b) India & china
- c) China & Pakistan
- d) India & Myanmar
- e) India & Nepal

Answer: (C) China and Pakistan have agreed to strengthen anti-terrorism and security cooperation along a US \$50 billion economic corridor that links the restive regions of the two countries through a network of rail and road projects. The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) connects Xinjiang province in northwest China with the deep-water Gwadar port on the Arabian Sea in southwestern Pakistan. It faces challenges from Islamic militants in both the regions.

49. Which of the following Indian city allotted by United World Wrestling (UWW) for Junior Asian Wrestling Championship?

- a) Punjab
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Gujarat
- d) New Delhi



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e) Kerala

Answer: (D) The United World Wrestling (UWW) allotted next year's Junior Asian Wrestling Championship to the capital city of our country, to held from July 19 to 22.

50. Who has bagged NR Madhava Menon Best Law Teacher Award?

- a) Arnab Goswami
- b) Tahir Mahmood
- c) Rankaraj Pandey
- d) TK Vishwanathan
- e) AB Rohatgi

Answer: (B)

51. Who has launched the book titled "Hit Refresh"?

- a) Sachin Bansal
- b) Mark Zuckerberg
- c) Satya Nadella
- d) Sundar Picchai
- e) Jeff Bezos

Answer: (C) Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella has launched his first book named Hit Refresh. The book includes the inside story of the company's continuing transformation, Nadella's own personal journey, Vision for the coming wave of intelligent technologies. Satya Nadella will donate all proceeds from Hit Refresh to Microsoft Philanthropies.

52. Who won the US Open Tennis Men's Singles title?

- a) Roger Federer
- b) Novak Djokovic
- c) Stan Wawrinka
- d) Rafael Nadal
- e) Andy Murray

Answer: (D) Rafael Nadal (Spain) is the winner of 137th edition of US Open tennis.

53. Which of the following City doctors launched a free mobile application, which will direct people in emotional distress to a nearest helpline centre?

- a) Chennai
- b) Bangalore
- c) New Delhi
- d) Mumbai
- e) Hyderabad

Answer: (D) Mumbai doctors launched a free mobile application, which will direct people in emotional distress to a nearest helpline centre. The application called 'emotional support helpline directory' available on Playstore was launched to mark the World Health Organization declared World Suicide Prevention Day, which raises awareness about how suicides are preventable. It features contact information of more than 50 suicide prevention helplines numbers operating across India and displays the closest helpline near the user.

54. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe laid the foundation stone of the India's first bullet train project connecting Mumbai -----

- a) Indoor
- b) Bangalore
- c) Goa
- d) Bhopal
- e) None of these

Answer: (E) Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe laid the foundation stone of the India's first bullet train project connecting Mumbai and Ahmadabad.

55. Asian Development Bank has granted ----- million to Nepal to enhance power transmission.

- a) \$655
- b) \$152
- c) \$250
- d) \$310
- e) \$635

Answer: (B) Asian Development Bank announced that it would provide \$152 million loan to Nepal, to enhance power transmission, in Kathmandu. The loan amount would be utilized to implement the Power Transmission and Distribution Efficiency Enhancement Project (PTDEEP).

56. Syed Mustafiz Ahmed has passed away recently, he was a -----

- a) Motivational speaker
- b) Politician
- c) Writer
- d) Actor
- e) Producer



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Answer: (B) Syed Mustafiz Ahmed had served as health minister of Odisha cabinet between 1990 and 1995 when Biju Patnaik was the chief minister. Patnaik described Ahmed as “a simple man who stood by the people through thick and thin”. He was an able organiser and social worker. He had played a significant role for the development of Cuttack.

57. Which of the following company has launched Digital assistance robot-ELEKTRA?

- a) Google
- b) Facebook
- c) Apple
- d) Reliance Energy
- e) Samsung

Answer: (D) Reliance Energy has launched a digital assistance robot named ELEKTRA. This system provides automated responses to customers for their queries and requests. It is powered by Artificial Intelligence. This robot comes into action whenever a customer logs in to Reliance Energy’s Facebook page or website. This digital assistance robot takes help of SCADA and GIS systems to provide real-time responses to the customers. During peak hours, consumers will get an immediate response to their queries from ELEKTRA without any waiting time.

58. Which of the following two countries began joint training exercises “Shaheen VI”?

- a) China & North Korea
- b) Japan & USA
- c) China & Pakistan
- d) Japan & India
- e) India & Israel

Answer: (C) The air forces of China and Pakistan began a joint training exercise named “Shaheen VI” in China.

59. Who won the US Open men’s doubles title 2017?

- a) Feliciano Lopez and Marc López
- b) Jean-Julien Rojer and Horia Tecau
- c) Bruno Soares and Daniel Nestor
- d) Bob Bryan and Mike Bryan
- e) Feliciano Lopez and Horia Tecau

Answer: (B) Dutchman Jean-Julien Rojer, who partnered Tecau to win the men’s doubles title, beating the Spaniards Feliciano and Marc López.

60. Who won the US Open women’s doubles title 2017?

- a) Lucie Hradecka and Katerina Siniakova
- b) Barbora Strýcová and Ekaterina Makarova
- c) Kristina Mladenovic and Petra Kvitová
- d) Martina Hingis and Sania Mirza
- e) Martina Hingis and Chan Yung-Jan

Answer: (E) Martina Hingis along with her partner Chan Yung-Jan, won the US Open women’s doubles title against Lucie Hradecka and Katerina Siniakova.

61. Which of the following state’s CM is honored at international event for his work in organic farming?

- a) Assam
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Kerala
- e) Sikkim

Answer: (E) Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Chamling was honoured for his pioneering work in the field of organic farming during a ceremony at Germany’s Lagau on the occasion of the One World Festival.

62. Which of the following country is all set to get world’s 1st dividing retractable pitch?

- a) USA
- b) England
- c) China
- d) India
- e) Australia

Answer: (B) England’s top tier football club Tottenham Hotspur has unveiled the world’s first-ever dividing retractable pitch at its new stadium. The retractable grass football pitch will sit on top of an artificial pitch which will be used by American football league NFL.

63. At which of the following place World’s oldest steam engine finishes its heritage run _____

- a) Pune
- b) Chennai
- c) Goa
- d) Ladakh
- e) Darjeeling

Answer: (B) The world’s oldest working steam engine, pulling a single coach, successfully completed a “heritage run” between two railway stations, drawing huge crowds along the route. The Heritage Special



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Locomotive EIR-21 was run from the Egmore to Kodambakkam railway stations in the city, covering two stations in between. It drew huge crowds along the route.

64. Punjab National Bank has tied up with ----- -- to open mobile wallet Speedpay across 10 states in the country.

- a) Airtel
- b) Paytm
- c) Mobikwick
- d) BSNL
- e) Freecharge

Answer: (D) Punjab National Bank and state-run firm BSNL teamed up to roll out open mobile wallet Speedpay across 10 states in the country. PNBs Speedway wallet will operate like any other mobile wallet for paying bills, recharging phone besides its users will be able to deposit and withdraw money from authorized retail outlets.

65. What is the title of the book released by BCCI for its Players?

- a) 100 Things 50 Over's
- b) For Player's
- c) 100 things every professional cricketer must know
- d) How to tackle the situation
- e) Be an Umpire But Play Like Player

Answer: (C) The book has been released by Committee of Administrators (CoA). The book titled '100 things every professional cricketer must know' which is also in line with Lodha recommendations. The handbook has been forwarded by former India captain and current India A coach Rahul Dravid. This covers as many as 10 topics including handling pressure, having legal knowledge, dealing with media and knowledge of keeping fit and eating well.

66. At which of the following place an eight feet bronze statue of Netaji unveiled?

- a) Mumbai
- b) Kochi
- c) Ahmadabad
- d) New Delhi
- e) Kolkata

Answer: (E) An eight feet bronze statue of Indian freedom struggle leader Subhas Chandra Bose was unveiled at the naval base INS Netaji Subhas in Kolkata, named after the iconic leader.

67. Who will be conferred with the first Lifetime Achievement Award instituted by the Badminton Association of India (BAI) for his rich contribution to the sport?

- a) Prakash Padukone
- b) Jwala Gutta
- c) Ajay jayram
- d) Parupalli Kashyap
- e) Pullela Gopichand

Answer: (A) Former Indian badminton player Prakash Padukone will be conferred with the first Lifetime Achievement Award instituted by the Badminton Association of India (BAI) for his contribution to the sport. Padukone, who was the first Indian shuttler to win the All England Open Badminton Championships, will be given a citation and a cash award of ₹10 lakh.

68. Who won the ITF Futures Men's tennis championship title 2017?

- a) Sumit Nagal
- b) Saketh Myneni
- c) N. Sriram Balaji
- d) Yuki Bhambri
- e) None of these

Answer: (A) Sumit Nagal of India blasted Colin van Beem of the Netherlands 6-3, 6-0 in the singles final to justify the top billing in the 8th MCC – S R Subramaniam Memorial ITF Futures Men's tennis championship. Nagal received USD 2,160 and 18 ITF points for the victory while van Beem received USD.1272 AND 12 ITF points.

69. Which of the following city the BWF World Senior Badminton Championships held?

- a) Chennai
- b) Bangalore
- c) Kochi
- d) Hyderabad
- e) Mumbai

Answer: (C) BWF World Senior Badminton Championships held at Kochi.



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70. Government of India has launched a Scheme ‘----- Abhiyan’ to enroll 70-80 lakh students in the country who are out of schools.

- a) School Aao
- b) School Jao
- c) School Bhejo
- d) School Chalo
- e) School Chakiye

Answer: (D) The government will undertake a ‘School Chalo Abhiyan’ from next year to enrol 70-80 lakh students in the country who are out of schools. Many states have started it already. From next year onwards it will be launched in the entire country with more planning.

71. Mother Dairy Fruit and Vegetable Pvt. Ltd and ----- State Government joined hand to set up milk and milk products processing plant.

- a) Gujarat
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu
- e) Punjab

Answer: (B) The Maharashtra Government and Mother Dairy Fruit and Vegetable Pvt. Ltd, a subsidiary of National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), announced signing of a lease agreement to set up a state-of-the-art milk and milk products processing plant.

72. At which of the following place India Afghanistan Second Strategic Partnership Council Meeting 2017 was held?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Kabul
- c) Mumbai
- d) Chennai
- e) Indoor

Answer: (A) The second Strategic Partnership Council meeting between two nations was held at New Delhi. As a part of the meeting, external affairs minister Sushma Swaraj and her Afghan counterpart Salahuddin Rabbani held talks on wide- ranging topics. The Strategic Partnership Council discussed a range of bilateral, regional and global issues of mutual interest and shared understanding and convergence of views on them.

73. The World Congress of Optometry meeting held in Hyderabad. What is the theme of this meet?

- a) Access Quality Vision To Everyone
- b) Accessible, quality vision and eye health
- c) Healthy Eye Sight
- d) Access, quality vision and eye health
- e) None of these

Answer: (B) The second World Congress of Optometry held in Hyderabad. It was inaugurated by State Health Minister C. Laxma Reddy. It was organized in partnership with the Asia Pacific Council of Optometry (APCO) and the India Vision Institute (IVI). The theme of the conference is “Accessible, quality vision and eye health”. The aim of the congress is to give unique opportunity for anyone in the eye health sector including community and hospital practitioners, researchers, academics and students.

74. What is the age limit of National Pension System?

- a) 55 Years
- b) 58 years
- c) 60 years
- d) 65 years
- e) 68 years

Answer: (D) The PFRDA chairman Hemant Contractor announced at a conference in Delhi that the upper age limit for joining the National Pension System (NPS) has been raised to 65 years from the current 60. The announcement by PFRDA will allow more people to come under the pension cover as currently only 15-16 per cent of employees in India are covered by pension.

75. Which of the following IT company has completed the acquisition of Brilliant Basics, a London-based product design and customer experience innovator?

- a) Sathyam
- b) TCS
- c) Infosys
- d) CTS
- e) HCL

Answer: (C) Infosys has completed the acquisition of Brilliant Basics, a London-based product design and customer experience innovator. The acquisition is in accordance with the terms set out in the agreement



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announced by the company on August 3, 2017, the company said in a BSE filing. Through this acquisition, Infosys will expand its worldwide network of digital studios focused on fulfilling the needs of global clients for end-to-end digital transformation solutions, according to the statement.

76. ----- Bank has signed an agreement with Bharat Financial Inclusion to analyze a potential merger between the two companies.

- a) KVB Bank
- b) ICICI bank
- c) HDFC Ergo
- d) South Indian bank
- e) IndusInd Bank

Answer: (E) The board of directors of IndusInd Bank signed an agreement with Bharat Financial Inclusion to analyse a potential merger between the two companies. IndusInd Bank and Bharat Financial Inclusion have signed an exclusive agreement. The agreement is about discussion of merger between both the companies. The agreement states that the information of the discussion would be confidential and terms conditions would be finalized for the proposed merger.

77. According to Fitch Ratings, how much additional capital is needed for Indian banks to satisfy all the banking rules of global Basel III norms, by March 2019?

- a) \$ 35 billion
- b) \$ 45 billion
- c) \$ 55 billion
- d) \$ 65 billion
- e) \$ 75 billion

Answer: (D) Fitch Ratings declared that Indian banks will need an additional capital of \$65 billion in order to satisfy all the banking rules of global Basel III norms, by March 2019. Indian banks will need an additional capital of \$65 billion by March 2019. State-run banks account for 95% of the capital. Fitch warns that Indian lenders have limited options to raise the capital. Stressed loans in Indian banks make a record \$150 billion, with most of them in the state-run banks. Unless NPL (non-performing loan) are resolved it is not possible for the state-run banks to recover the capital. The reasons for

this are low common equity ratios and provisioning requirements for new loans.

78. Karnataka has tied up with ----- in innovation field for start-up incubation.

- a) Australia
- b) Afghanistan
- c) France
- d) Finland
- e) Belarus

Answer: (D) Karnataka Department of Information Technology (IT) and Biotechnology (BT) signed a MoU with the Embassy of Finland, in Bangalore. The innovation co – operation between Karnataka and Finland is called Karnataka–Finland Innovation Corridor. It offers a virtual platform that enables the exchange of information and expertise in the fields of science, research, innovation and skill development.

79. Which of the following company has appeared in annual list of Fortune Top 50 companies that changed the world?

- a) TCS
- b) Reliance Ltd
- c) Sun Pharma
- d) Paytm
- e) OICL

Answer: (A) TCS (Tata Consultancy Services) appeared in Fortune's annual list of the Top 50 companies that are changing the world and got 30th Place among the list. USA's JPMorgan Chase got first position.

80. Name of the online platform that has been launched by FSSAI for food inspection & sampling.

- a) FoRCORIS
- b) FoCoRISS
- c) FoSoRICS
- d) FoSoCRIS
- e) FoSCoRIS

Answer: (E) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) launched an online platform named 'FoSCoRIS', in New Delhi. FoSCoRIS is an online web-based platform where data related to inspection, sampling and test result data would be shared by all the officials. The purpose of this project is to bring transparency in food safety inspection and sampling.



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This would eliminate discrepancy and make food safety officers accountable. This would simplify the process of sample collection, increase transparency and traceability.

81. The Union Cabinet approved a ----- % hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) to central government employees and pensioners, with effect from July 1, 2017.

- a) 1
- b) 1.5
- c) 2
- d) 2.5
- e) 3

Answer: (A) The Union Cabinet approved a 1% hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) to central government employees and pensioners, with effect from July 1, 2017. The hike in DA from 4% to 5% is based on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission. It is expected to benefit over 49 lakh Central government employees and over 61 lakh pensioners.

82. The UIDAI had asked private as well as public banks to open Aadhaar enrolment and updating facility in one out of 10 branches. Banks without Aadhaar enrolment centres will be fined Rs -----

- a) 10,000
- b) 20,000
- c) 50,000
- d) 1,00,000
- e) 2,00,000

Answer: (B) The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) had asked private as well as public banks to open Aadhaar enrolment and updating facility in one out of 10 branches by August-end. Otherwise they will be fined Rs 20,000.

83. At which of the following place India – Japan summit 2017 was held?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Gurugram
- d) Gujarat
- e) Goa

Answer: (D) The 12th India-Japan annual summit held in Gandhinagar in Gujarat.

84. Who is the President of Belarus?

- a) Aleksandr Osatkin-Vladimirsky
- b) Vilgelm Knorinsh
- c) Aleksandr Krinitsky
- d) AG Lukashenko
- e) None of these

Answer: (D)

85. India and ----- celebrated 25th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.

- a) Japan
- b) Afghanistan
- c) Bangladesh
- d) France
- e) None of these

Answer: (E). India and Belarus celebrated 25th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.

86. 65 MW Kashang Hydel Project has launched in - -----

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Gujarat
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- e) Maharashtra

Answer: (D) Himachal Chief Minister Virbhadra Singh inaugurated first phase of 65 MW Kashang Hydel Project in the tribal Kinnaur district. Kashang Project is being executed by Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Limited (HPPCL). It is a 195 MW project (three units of 65 MW each).

87. Which place Fifth EAS Economic Ministers Meeting was held?

- a) Moscow
- b) Ottawa
- c) Philippines
- d) China
- e) Nepal

Answer: (C) 5th East Asia Summit Economic Ministers Meeting was held in Pasay City, Philippines.

Chairperson: Mr. Ramon M. Lopez, Secretary of Trade and Industry of Philippines.

88. Which of the following Indian woman has been honored with prestigious Balzan Prize?

- a) Indra Nooyi
- b) Indu Jain



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- c) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw
- d) Bina Agarwal
- e) Sikha Sharma

Answer: (D) Indian economist Ms. Bina Agarwal, has been announced as Balzan Prize winner in the gender studies category for her “heroic” work studying women’s contributions to agriculture in India. She is a professor at the University of Manchester, United States of America. Recipients would receive 7,50,000 Swiss francs (\$790,000). In which half of the amount must be used for research.

89. India and ----- 10 agreements to expand cooperation in a range of areas and decided to explore joint development and manufacture of military platforms.

- a) Afghanistan
- b) Australia
- c) Japan
- d) Belarus
- e) Bangladesh

Answer: (D) India and Belarus inked 10 agreements to expand cooperation in a range of areas and decided to explore joint development and manufacture of military platforms, giving a fresh momentum in bilateral ties. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Belarus President A G Lukashenko during their extensive talks agreed to focus on ramping up economic engagement between the two countries, holding that there was a huge scope for boosting trade and investment. The agreements inked provided for enhancing bilateral cooperation in a variety of areas, including oil and gas, education and sports.

90. India and ----- signed MOU on cooperation in the field of health.

- a) Germany
- b) Belarus
- c) Morocco
- d) Australia
- e) Afghanistan

Answer: (C) The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has given its approval for signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Morocco on cooperation in the field of health.

91. Which of the following state recently announced the launch of Pelli Kanuka (marriage gift), a scheme aimed at helping families of brides belonging to the poor and disadvantaged sections of society?

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

Answer: (D) Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu announced the launch of Pelli Kanuka (marriage gift), a scheme aimed at helping families of brides belonging to the poor and disadvantaged sections of society.

92. Which of the following platform has slapped a fine of €1.2 million euros (9 crore rupees) by Spain’s data protection watchdog?

- a) Whatsapp
- b) Facebook
- c) Twitter
- d) Google
- e) Wechat

Answer: (B). Spain’s data protection watchdog has slapped a fine of €1.2 million euros (9 crore rupees) on Facebook for failing to prevent its users’ data being accessed by advertisers.

93. How many pacts have been signed between India and Belarus to expand cooperation?

- a) 4
- b) 6
- c) 8
- d) 10
- e) 12

Answer: (D) Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Belarus President A.G. Lukashenko signed 10 pacts to expand cooperation in wide range of areas and decided for a joint collaboration in manufacturing and in defence sector under the ‘Make in India’ programme. MoU in the Field of Vocational Education and Training. Agreement on Scientific and Technical Cooperation between Indian National Science Academy (INSA) and the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus. MoU for Cooperation in Agricultural Research and Education. Cooperation in the field of culture for 2018-2020.



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94. India and ----- signed MoU on Cooperation in the field of Disaster Management.

- a) Belarus
- b) Afghanistan
- c) Armenia
- d) Germany
- e) Philippines

Answer: (C) India and Armenia signed MoU on Cooperation in the field of Disaster Management.

95. India and ----- signed MoU for collaborative research in the field of silkworm and silk industries.

- a) Afghanistan
- b) Armenia
- c) China
- d) Japan
- e) France

Answer: (D) MoU between Central Silk Board (CSB), India and National Institute of Agrobiological Sciences (NIAS), Japan for collaborative research in the field of silkworm and silk industries.

96. Halimah Yacob was sworn-in as the 8th President of which of the following country?

- a) Malaysia
- b) Singapore
- c) Kenya
- d) Uruguay
- e) Vietnam

Answer: (B) Halimah Yacob, a former speaker of parliament, was declared elected as Singapore's first woman president after the returning officer announced she was the sole candidate to qualify for the contest.

97. Finance Minister has constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM) to monitor and resolve the IT challenges faced in the implementation of GST. Who is the head of the committee?

- a) Tejashwi Yadav
- b) Rajiv Pratap Rudy
- c) Sushil Kumar Modi
- d) Nand Kishore Yadav
- e) None of these

Answer: (C) Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM) headed by Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Modi to

monitor and resolve the IT challenges faced in the implementation of GST. The GoM will be assisted by the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN). Besides, a Committee on Exports has also been constituted under the convenorship of the Revenue Secretary Dr. Hasmukh Adhia to look at the issues of export sector and to recommend the GST Council suitable strategy for helping the export sector in the post-GST scenario.

98. Which of the following ministry has launched a nationwide hackathon 'OpenGovDataHack' to support and showcase potential ideas/talent from inner India?

- a) Ministry of Finance
- b) Ministry of Human Resource Development
- c) Ministry of Water and Sanitation
- d) Ministry for Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
- e) Ministry of Commerce and Industries

Answer: (D) The Ministry for Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has launched a nationwide hackathon 'OpenGovDataHack' to support and showcase potential ideas/talent from inner India. As part of the start-up eco-system development programme, the National Informatics Centre (NIC) and the Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI) have collaborated to conduct the hackathon at Jaipur, Chennai, Noida, Bhubaneswar, Patna, Hyderabad and Surat.

99. Which of the following coin will be issued by the government of India to commemorate the birth centenary of Bharat Ratna awardee and former Tamil Nadu Chief Minister late M G Ramachandran?

- a) Rs 5 and Rs 10
- b) Rs 5 and Rs 100
- c) Rs 10 and Rs 50
- d) Rs 10 and Rs 100
- e) Rs 100 and Rs 20

Answer: (B) The Reserve Bank of India, RBI will introduce 100 rupees coin to mark the birth centenary of AIADMK founder Late Dr M G Ramachandran. It will also issue 5 rupees coin to mark the birth centenary of Dr M G Ramachandran.



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100. Which of the following Bank has partnered with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to launch a RuPay-powered digital debit card?

- a) IndusInd bank
- b) SBI
- c) Paytm Payment Bank
- d) EXIM Bank
- e) FINO Payment Bank

Answer: (C) Paytm Payments Bank (PPB) has partnered with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to launch a RuPay-powered digital debit card. With the PPB Digital debit card, customers will now be able to transact at all merchants who accept credit and debit cards. The RuPay-powered digital debit card will be issued to all customers who have opened their bank accounts with PPB.

101. Project ----- is launched by the central government of India to trace black money by using big data analytics to match information from social media sites.

- a) Insight
- b) Curb
- c) Energia
- d) Inner
- e) Elimination

Answer: (A) Project Insight is launched by the central government of India to trace black money by using big data analytics to match information from social media sites.

102. The UN Security Council has imposed tough sanctions on which of the following countries?

- a) Syria
- b) Pakistan
- c) North Korea
- d) Afghanistan
- e) Myanmar

Answer: (C) The UN Security Council imposed strong sanctions on North Korea, to ban its textile exports and reduce fuel provided to it, in Washington. The UN Security Council unanimously voted to declare sanctions on North Korea to ban its textile exports and reduce 30 % of oil supplied to it.

103. Which of the following country is going to produce world's most expensive coffee?

- a) Cuba
- b) China
- c) Brazil
- d) India
- e) Philippines

Answer: (D) India has started producing 'Civet Coffee' the most expensive coffee in the world, in Karnataka. Civet Coffee is made from the feces of a species of cat called 'Civet Cat'. Coffee plantation is done close to the forest. Civet cats eat the flesh of the coffee cherries and digest the coffee beans as whole. This induces a flavor into the coffee beans. The coffee beans are then collected from the feces of the Civet Cat. They are cleaned, processed and Civet Coffee is produced from that.

104. IRCTC has partnered with ----- to provide an option to pay for rail tickets booked on the IRCTC website.

- a) Paytm
- b) PayPal
- c) FreeCharge
- d) Mobikwick
- e) PayU

Answer: (E) PayU, a payment gateway provider, has collaborated with Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC), to provide an option to pay for rail tickets booked on the IRCTC website. PayU will now be available as a payment option under MPS (Multiple Payment Services) on the IRCTC website at the payment stage of booking an e- ticket.

105. Which of the following state to open India's First transgender Exclusive Clinics?

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

Answer: (B) The Kerala government is all set to open exclusive TG clinics and begin sex-change surgery in the state-run medical colleges for the first time. The step is part of the state government's various initiatives to bring the marginalised group to the forefront of the society as envisaged in the state Transgender Policy,



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unveiled for the first time in the country in 2015. State Startup Conference in New Delhi.

106. Edith Windsor famous LGBT rights activist passed away recently, she hails from -----

- a) UK
- b) Germany
- c) Ireland
- d) Canada
- e) USA

Answer: (E) Gay rights activist Edith Windsor, whose same-sex marriage fight led to a landmark US ruling, passed away on 12 September 2017. She was 88. It was Windsor's efforts that Supreme Court struck down the Defense of Marriage Act in 2013, granting same-sex married couples federal recognition for the first time.

107. At which of the following place the Global South-South Development Expo 2017 was held?

- a) Italy
- b) Turkey
- c) Russia
- d) Angola
- e) Argentina

Answer: (B) On 12th September 2017, United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation is observed. The United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation celebrates the economic, social and political developments made in recent years by regions and countries in the South. The Global South-South Development Expo 2017 would be hosted by Turkey, in Antalya from 27th to 30th November 2017. The theme would be "South-South Cooperation in the Era of Economic, Social and Environmental Transformation: Road to the 40th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action (BAPA+40)".

108. The Ministry of Railways has decided to permit ----- as one of the prescribed proofs of Identity for Rail Travel Purpose.

- a) Pan Card
- b) Aadhar Card
- c) Voter Id
- d) Driving License
- e) m-Aadhar

Answer: (E) Railway Ministry has decided to permit m-Aadhar as one of the prescribed proofs of Identity for

Rail Travel purpose in any reserved class. Its a mobile application launched by UIDAI in which a person can download his/her Aadhar.

109. Who has been elected as president of The Indian Newspaper Society (INS) for the year 2017-18?

- a) Akila Urankar
- b) Vanitha Urankar
- c) Geetha Urankar
- d) Nisha Urankar
- e) Divya Bharathi Urankar

Answer: (A) Akila Urankar, president, Business Standard, has been elected president of The Indian Newspaper Society (INS) for the year 2017-18 at its annual general meeting held in Bangalore.

110. Which of the following Indian cricketer has launched Mission 24 to develop the poorest ward in Mumbai?

- a) MS Dhoni
- b) Suresh Raina
- c) Ajinkya Madhukar Rahane
- d) Sachin Tendulkar
- e) Gautam Gambhir

Answer: (D) Indian cricket icon Sachin Tendulkar launched Mission 24 to improve the quality of life in one of Mumbai's poorest wards, in Mumbai. The project is carried out by NGO Apnalaya and Mumbai's Municipal body – BMC (Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation).

111. Which state government decided to make one of its city as the electric vehicle capital of India?

- a) Haryana
- b) Kerala
- c) Karnataka
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Gujarat

Answer: (C) Karnataka Cabinet has cleared Karnataka Electric Vehicle & Energy Storage Policy 2017 with a clear plan to make Bangalore the electric vehicle capital of India. The policy main aim is to reduce pollution. The key objective of the Policy is to maintain the lead share of Karnataka as a preferred destination for attracting investments in manufacture of Electric Vehicle and to attract investments of Rs 31,000 crore and create 55,000 jobs.



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112. U.S. Trade and Development Agency and Airports Authority of India signed MoU to develop ----- and ----- airports.

- a) Kolkata and Jaipur
- b) Kolkata and Lucknow
- c) Kolkata and Chennai
- d) Kolkata and Hyderabad
- e) Kolkata and Kochi

Answer: (B) U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) signs MoU with Airports Authority of India (AAI) to develop Kolkata, Lucknow airports. The MoU has been signed to support a 20-year master plan aimed at expansion of operational capacities of the Kolkata and Lucknow international airports. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has selected Cincinnati-based Landrum & Brown (L&B) company to conduct the master planning.

113. The third-edition of the Jaipur Literature Festival held in -----

- a) UK
- b) Egypt
- c) USA
- d) Malaysia
- e) Singapore

Answer: (C) Over 70 eminent authors including those from India gathered in Boulder for the third-edition of the Jaipur Literature Festival (JLF) in the US state of Colorado. The three-day festival beginning at the prestigious Boulder Public Library examines the human experience through the reflections and imaginations of distinguished contemporary authors from across the globe.

114. World Bank allocates ----- billion US Dollars for China's Silk Road project.

- a) 5
- b) 6
- c) 7
- d) 8
- e) 10

Answer: (D) World Bank President Mr. Jim Yong Kim announced that World Bank has allocated \$8 billion for infrastructure projects under China's Silk Road initiative. The Silk Road Economic Belt consists of 6 corridors which connect to five central Asian countries,

Iran, Persian Gulf, Transcaucasia, Turkey and Saudi Arabia.

115. Nomura estimates India's GDP growth for Fiscal Year 2018 is likely to rise at -----

- a) 6.8%
- b) 6.9%
- c) 7%
- d) 7.1%
- e) 7.2%

Answer: (D) A report by Japanese financial services company Nomura said that India's GDP growth is expected to be around 7.1 % this fiscal year (2017 – 2018).

116. Mindtree opens first global Digital Pumpkin innovation hub in -----

- a) Norway
- b) Australia
- c) USA
- d) Kenya
- e) South Africa

Answer: (C) Mindtree, a Bangalore based multinational company inaugurated its first international Digital Pumpkin innovation hub at Warren, New Jersey, in US. After the success of Digital Pumpkin in Bangalore Mindtree has set up its first global Digital Pumpkin in US. The Digital Pumpkin provides solutions for Internet of Things, artificial Intelligence, cognitive solutions, virtual and augmented reality, machine learning, conversational cloud and big data.

117. The Reserve Bank would sell government bonds worth Rs ----- crore through Open Market Operations (OMO) to mop up liquidity from the system.

- a) 3000
- b) 5000
- c) 8000
- d) 10000
- e) 12000

Answer: (D) The Reserve Bank would sell government bonds worth Rs 10,000 crore through Open Market Operations (OMO) to mop up liquidity from the system.

118. Hindustan Shipyard Ltd has partnered with ----- company in ship building.

- a) Hyundai



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- b) Infosys
- c) Tata Motors
- d) Ashok Leyland
- e) Mahindra & Mahindra

Answer: (A) Hindustan Shipyard Ltd will ink a partnership with Hyundai Heavy Industries Co Ltd of South Korea for construction of fleet support ships (FSS) for the Navy in both the countries.

119. Which of the following state going to host 36th National Games in India?

- a) Karnataka
- b) Goa
- c) Telangana
- d) Gujarat
- e) New Delhi

Answer: (B) Goa's Sports Minister Mr. Manohar Aajgaonkar said that Goa would host the 36th National Games, in Goa. The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) has given the official rights to Goa to host the 36th National Games. The event would be held in November, 2017. Budget to setup infrastructure for the National Games has been estimated as Rs.400 crore .

120. Which of the following country to grant citizenship to Chakma, Hajong refugees?

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

Answer: (A) Amidst the uproar over Rohingya Muslims, nearly one lakh Chakma and Hajong refugees, who came from the erstwhile East Pakistan five decades ago and currently living in camps in the Northeast, are set to get Indian citizenship. The move came following an order of the Supreme Court, which in 2015 had directed the Central government to grant citizenship to the Chakma and Hajong refugees, mostly staying in Arunachal Pradesh.

121. Indian Government launched Operation Insaniyat to help Rohingya refugees in -----

- a) India
- b) Nepal
- c) Pakistan
- d) China

- e) Bangladesh

Answer: (E) Ministry of External affairs launched operation Insaniyat to help the Rohingya refugees staying in Bangladesh. This move will enhance India-Bangladesh ties. Bangladesh is facing humanitarian crisis due to mass influx of refugees from Myanmar. Bangladesh is suffering from shortage of resources. India is sending basic amenities that the refugees are in urgent need of at the moment. These things include rice, pulses, sugar, salt, cooking oil, tea, ready to eat noodles, biscuits, mosquito nets etc.

122. Which of the following actor has been honored with the Global Diversity Award 2017 in the British Parliament House?

- a) Salman Khan
- b) Aamir Khan
- c) Akshay Kumar
- d) Amitabh Bachan
- e) None of these

Answer: (A) Bollywood superstar Salman Khan has been honored with the Global Diversity Award 2017 in the British Parliament House. The actor was honored for his contribution to the Indian film industry as an actor, producer, television personality, singer and philanthropist.

123. Who has been elected as chair of the International Olympic Committee's ethics commission?

- a) Park Geun-hye
- b) Lee Jae-myung
- c) Ban Ki-moon
- d) Roh Moo-hyun
- e) Youssoupha Ndiaye

Answer: (C) Former United Nations secretary general Ban Ki-moon has been elected chair of the International Olympic Committee's ethics commission. The South Korean, who served as leader in the UN from 2007 through 2016, will take over for Youssoupha Ndiaye.

124. Which of the following state government has launched the 'HARPATH portal' for mapping roads in the state?

- a) Punjab
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Telangana



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- d) Haryana
- e) Gujarat

Answer: (D) Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar was launched the 'HARPATH portal' for mapping roads in the state. He launched the portal in the presence of Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology Ravi Shankar Prasad during the Haryana Digital Summit-2017 in Gurugram. The government would ensure the repair of roads and remove obstacles in the smooth flow of traffic.

125. Union Home Ministry launched ----- campaign at Indo Tibetan Border Force (ITBP) campus, Tigri.

- a) Swachhta Sewa
- b) Swachh Bharat
- c) Swachhta Hi Sewa
- d) Bharat Ki Veer
- e) None of these

Answer: (C) The Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh launched the "Swachhta Hi Sewa" campaign of Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), at ITBP campus, Tigri. ITBP (Indo Tibetan Border Force) officers and jawans participated in cleanliness drive around the campus. A Swachhta demonstration by ITBP's women personnel was presented. Theme song created and composed by ITBP personnel on cleanliness was also presented.

126. Which of the following State Government has announced farm loan waiver of up to Rs 50,000?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Bihar
- d) Rajasthan
- e) Assam

Answer: (D) The Rajasthan government has announced a Rs 20,000 crore farm-loan waiver. The government has agreed to waive loans for farmers up to Rs 50,000.

127. Amazon tied up with ----- bank to offer micro loans to its sellers.

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) SBI
- c) Punjab National Bank
- d) Indian Bank
- e) ICICI Bank

Answer: (A) Online marketplace giant Amazon India is racing against time to bring in more sellers so that they sell more on its platform during the festive season. Amazon tied up with the Bank of Baroda to offer micro loans to its sellers.

128. ----- Bank has entered into an agreement with microfinance industry association Sa-Dhan to develop digital ecosystem for India's unbanked segment.

- a) HDFC
- b) DBS
- c) SBI
- d) HSBC
- e) ICICI

Answer: (D) HSBC has entered into an agreement with microfinance industry association Sa-Dhan to develop digital ecosystem for India's unbanked segment. The bank will provide technology expertise to train and educate microfinance consumers at grassroots level and introduce digital banking to promote easier and time-efficient financial transaction among the so-called bottom-of-the-pyramid customer.

129. According to 2017 Global least and most stressful cities released by Zipjet, Which country has topped the report as most stress free country?

- a) New Delhi, India
- b) Tokyo, Japan
- c) Colombo, Sri Lanka
- d) Tampere, Finland
- e) Stuttgart, Germany

Answer: (E) Global ranking for the least and most stressful cities of the world was released, by a firm called Zipjet, in London. Stuttgart, Germany is at the top, Bangalore 130th and, New Delhi 142nd.

130. According to the Henley & Partners – Kochenov Quality of Nationality Index (QNI) ----- - become first in Quality of Nationality in the world.

- a) Finland
- b) Germany
- c) Sweden
- d) Switzerland
- e) Iceland

Answer: (B) According to the Henley & Partners – Kochenov Quality of Nationality Index (QNI)



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Germany's quality of nationality is ranked first in the world. India was ranked 101 among 159 countries. The index takes into account various factors including the country's economic growth and level of human development.

131. ----- has been awarded National level Rajbhasha Keerti Award for the third consecutive year.

- a) Spices Board of India
- b) CSIR
- c) Coffee Board of India
- d) Marine Products Export Development Authority
- e) Indian Council of Agricultural Research

Answer: (D) The Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) has been awarded National level Rajbhasha Keerti Award for the third consecutive year. MPEDA Chairman A Jayathilak received the award from President Ram Nath Kovind on September 14 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

132. Which country hosts huge war games exercise "Aurora" with NATO?

- a) China
- b) Japan
- c) USA
- d) Norway
- e) Sweden

Answer: (E) Sweden hosts huge war games exercise with NATO. It is biggest military exercise in more than 20 years with support from NATO countries. Sweden is not a member of NATO but the exercise, called "Aurora", involves 19,000 troops and will replicate an attack from the east on the Baltic island of Gotland, near the Swedish mainland. Around 1,500 of the military personnel are from the United States, France, Norway and other NATO allies.

133. India's first Centre for Animal Law has been established at the city-based NALSAR University of Law in -----

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Pune
- c) Ahmadabad
- d) Chennai
- e) Grugram

Answer: (A) India's first Centre for Animal Law has been established at the city-based NALSAR University of Law in Hyderabad.

134. India-Kuwait Joint Ministerial Commission for Trade, Economic, Scientific and Technological Cooperation held at -----

- a) Kuwait
- b) New Delhi
- c) Mumbai
- d) Amritsar
- e) Bangalore

Answer: (A) The Third Meeting of India-Kuwait Joint Ministerial Commission for Trade, Economic, Scientific and Technological Cooperation, would be held in Kuwait.

135. Which State going to host the 36th National Games?

- a) Goa
- b) Kerala
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Gujarat
- e) New Delhi

Answer: (A) The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) formally awarded to Goa the rights to host the 36th National Games. The announcement was made by the state sports minister Manohar Ajgaonkar. Ajgaonkar stated that IOA Secretary General Rajeev Mehta, in a letter to Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar, had formally conferred the rights to the state to host the sporting event in November 2017.

136. Which of the following is the first Indian State to approve e-vehicle Policy?

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

Answer: (B) The Karnataka government has recently approved 'Electric Vehicle and Energy Storage Policy 2017' to help the state become a hub for production of alternative fuel vehicles, reduce dependency on fossil fuels, bring down pollution levels and push the 'Make In Karnataka' initiative. The new policy aims to attract investments worth Rs 31,000 crore and create around



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55,000 employment opportunities. With this, Karnataka has become the first Indian State to approve e-vehicle policy.

137. Which city will host the 2024 summer Olympics?

- a) Los Angeles
- b) Paris
- c) Germany
- d) South Korea
- e) India

Answer: (B) Paris was awarded the 2024 summer Olympics and Los Angeles the 2028 Games, as the International Olympic Committee (IOC) broke with decades of tradition to vote on a unique double allocation. Paris, which has hosted two previous Olympics, will stage the event 100 years after its last Games in 1924 while Los Angeles will also organize its third Games after 1932 and 1984.

138. Where was Two-Day Regional Conference on Good Governance and Replication of Best Practices started?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Chennai
- d) Goa
- e) Ahmadabad

Answer: (D) The two-day Regional Conference on 'Good Governance and Replication of Best Practices' began in Goa. It was presided over by dignitaries from 25 states and UT's. The two-day Conference is an effort to create a common platform to share experiences in the formulation and implementation of citizen centric governance, improved public service delivery through e-Governance, transparent, accountable and citizen friendly effective administration.

139. Which of the following country displays its first unmanned attack helicopter?

- a) Japan
- b) Germany
- c) France
- d) USA
- e) China

Answer: (E) China displayed its first unmanned combat helicopter AV500W for foreign buyers in the northeastern Tianjin city, China.

140. Frank Vincent was passed away recently. He was a/an _____.

- a) Actor
- b) Artist
- c) Journalist
- d) Sportsman
- e) Writer

Answer: (A)

141. Maharashtra CM launched the 'Maharashtra Mission 1 Million' initiative through which 10 lakh (1 million) students across the state would play _____ in Mumbai.

- a) Cricket
- b) Hockey
- c) Football
- d) Tennis
- e) Boxing

Answer: (C). Maharashtra Chief Minister Mr.DevendraFadnavis launched the 'Maharashtra Mission 1 Million' initiative through which 10 lakh (1 million) students across the state would play football in Mumbai.The FIFA U-17 World Cup 2017 is to happen for the first time in India and in Maharashtra.

142. Which of the following place India's first lithium-ion battery facility?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Gujarat
- d) Telangana
- e) Tamil Nadu

Answer: (C). Suzuki Motor will invest more than Rs 1,150 crore along with Japanese partners Toshiba and Denso to set up India's first lithium-ion battery facility in Gujarat. The announcement by the parent of the country's largest carmaker, Maruti Suzuki is a major boost to the government's ambitious vehicle electrification and Make in India initiatives. In the battery venture, Suzuki will hold half the stake, while Toshiba will own 40% and Denso the remaining 10%.

143. Marshal Arjan Singh who passed away recently, he was the _____ Marshal of Indian Air Force.



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- a) First
- b) Second
- c) Third
- d) Fourth
- e) Fifth

Answer: (A) War hero Marshal Arjan Singh, who led the Indian Air Force during the 1965 India-Pakistan conflict died. He was the first and only Marshal of Indian Air Force. Ninety-eight-year-old Singh, the only officer of the IAF to be promoted to five-star rank, equal to a Field Marshal in the Army, was admitted to the Army's Research and Referral hospital this morning after he suffered a cardiac arrest. An icon in the country's military history, Singh had led a fledgling IAF in the 1965 Indo-Pak war when he was just a 44-year-old.

144. Which of the following state tax department launched webpage for GST related complaints?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Telangana
- e) Goa

Answer: (C) The Uttar Pradesh tax department has launched a web page to allow traders and others to submit their complaints and feedback related to the GST. It facilitates uploading of supporting documents for any complaint and will help the tax department to address GST related issues. Traders can raise queries related to migration, registration, return, payment/challan, composition scheme, backend issue, connectivity, e-way Bill.

145. Which e-commerce company has introduced 'anti-theft' packaging for the first time in India?

- a) Flipkart
- b) Amazon
- c) ebay
- d) Snapdeal
- e) Alibaba

Answer: (A) E-commerce major Flipkart has developed India's first "anti-theft" packaging to secure goods from in-transit theft and tampering.

146. India with Japan International Cooperation Limited (JICA) signed a deal worth _____ to Upgrade Alang-Sosiya Shipyards.

- a) 36 million US Dollar
- b) 46 million US Dollar
- c) 56 million US Dollar
- d) 66 million US Dollar
- e) 76 million US Dollar

Answer: (E) The Government of India signed a loan deal worth \$76 million with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for a project to upgrade the environment management plan at Alang-Sosiya ship recycling yards. The total cost of the project will be \$ 111 million, out of which \$76 million will be provided as a soft loan from JICA. Out of the remaining amount, \$25 million as taxes and fees will be borne by Government of Gujarat and the balance \$10 million will be shared by Ministry of Shipping & Government of Gujarat. The project will be executed by Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB) and is likely to be completed by 2022.

147. What is the India's rank in foreign exchange reserves list?

- a) 4
- b) 6
- c) 8
- d) 10
- e) 12

Answer: (C) India's Forex Reserves Top \$400 billion for the First Time. India now ranks 8th in foreign exchange reserves in a list that's headed by China and Japan.

148. Vice President of India laid foundation stone for the first Regional Vocational Training Institute (RVTI) in _____.

- a) New Delhi
- b) Varanashi
- c) Gurugram
- d) Hyderabad
- e) Imphal

Answer: (D) Vice President Mr.M.Venkaiah Naidu laid foundation stone for Regional Vocational Training Institute, in Hyderabad. This Regional Vocational Training Institute for women is the first of its kind in



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Telangana. This would increase skill development opportunities for women and provide them with job opportunities.

149. Who is the winner of Balzan Prize 2017?

- a) Bina Agarwal
- b) Kanika Verma
- c) Arunima Rathore
- d) Vidya Rani
- e) None of these

Answer: (A) Indian economist Bina Agarwal, a professor at the University of Manchester, is recognised in the gender studies category for her “heroic” work studying women’s contributions to agriculture in India.

150. Which of the following bank has bagged Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar?

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Vijaya Bank
- c) Canara Bank
- d) Yes Bank
- e) Federal Bank

Answer: (B) Vijaya Bank has bagged the first prize under the Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar (Region C) for the year 2016-17. It got the award for active implementation of Hindi in its day-to-day activities.

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