

# Current Affairs July Questions & Answers PDF 2017

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1. **India's largest fresh water aquarium has recently opened in:**

1. Bhubaneswar, Odisha
2. Ranchi, Jharkhand
3. Jaipur, Rajasthan
4. Pune, Mumbai
5. Kolkata, West Bengal

Answer – **2. Ranchi, Jharkhand**

**Explanation :**

On June 28, 2017, Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghubar Das inaugurated the country's biggest fresh water aquarium in Ranchi. Hundreds of varieties of fish and several rare species have been kept at the aquarium which has been named "Ranchi Machchli Ghar".

2. **As per an order issued by \_\_\_\_\_, July 1 will be observed as 'GST Day'**

1. NITI Aayog
2. Prime Minister's Office
3. Ministry of Finance
4. Ministry of Commerce and Industry
5. Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC)

Answer – **5. Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC)**

**Explanation :**

As per an order issued by Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC), July 1 will be known as 'GST Day' and will be celebrated in all offices of CBEC just as Central Excise Day and International Customs Day.

3. **As per Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Financial Stability Report 2017, India's economic growth in terms of gross value added (GVA) in 2017-18 is projected at:**

1. 7.3%
2. 7.4%
3. 7.5%
4. 7.6%
5. 7.7%

Answer – **1. 7.3%**

**Explanation :**

As per Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Financial Stability Report 2017, released on June 30, 2017, reform initiatives like goods and services (GST) and continuing political stability will push the economic growth scale to 7.3% in terms of gross value added (GVA) in 2017-18

4. **How much fund has been contributed by India to UN Peacebuilding Fund recently?**

1. USD 300000
2. USD 500000
3. USD 700000

4. USD 900000
5. USD 1100000

Answer – **2. USD 500000**

**Explanation :**

India has contributed USD 500,000 to the UN Peacebuilding Fund, expressing hope that more funding by nations will boost efforts by the world body to build and sustain peace.

5. **Two Indian – Americans \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ will be honoured with the prestigious 'Great Immigrants' annual award on US's Independence Day on July 4, 2017**

1. Shantanu Narayen and Priti Patel
2. Shantanu Narayen and Vivek Murthy
3. Priti Patel and Vivek Murthy
4. Kamla Harris and Vivek Murthy
5. Shantanu Narayen and Kamla Harris

Answer – **2. Shantanu Narayen and Vivek Murthy**

**Explanation :**

Two Indian – Americans Shantanu Narayen (Chief of Adobe) and Vivek Murthy (Former US Surgeon General) will be honoured with the prestigious 'Great Immigrants' annual award on US's Independence Day on July 4, 2017. Shantanu Narayen and Vivek Murthy are among 30 honorees for 2017, representing more than 30 different countries of origin, a wide range of personal immigration stories, and a high-level of professional leadership in numerous fields.

6. **Who among the following has replaced Mukul Rohatgi as the new Attorney General of India?**

1. KK Nair
2. KK Reddy
3. KK Awasthi
4. KK Venugopal
5. KK Iyer

Answer – **4. KK Venugopal**

**Explanation :**

Senior advocate and constitutional expert K K Venugopal has been appointed as the new Attorney General of India. His name has been cleared by the office of the President of India. He succeeds Mukul Rohatgi as the country's top law officer.

7. **'National Doctor's Day' is celebrated in India on which date every year?**

1. July 1
2. July 2
3. July 3
4. July 4
5. July 5

Answer – **1. July 1**

**Explanation :**

In India the National Doctors' Day is celebrated on July 1 all across India to honour the legendary physician and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal, Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy. Dr. Roy was born on July 1, 1882 and died on the same date in 1962

**8. Who among the following will take charge as the 21<sup>st</sup> Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India on July 6, 2017?**

1. Achal Kumar Jyoti
2. Rakesh Gandhi
3. Javed Siddiqui
4. Amar Chaturvedi
5. Kailash Nath Arora

Answer – **1. Achal Kumar Jyoti**

**Explanation :**

Election Commissioner Achal Kumar Jyoti will take charge as the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India after current CEC Nasim Zaidi retires on July 6, 2017. Nasim Zaidi had taken over as the 20th CEC of India on April 19, 2015.

**9. Chief Minister of which state has decided to present a separate agriculture budget for the state from next year?**

1. Telangana
2. Andhra Pradesh
3. Bihar
4. Jharkhand
5. Chhattisgarh

Answer – **1. Telangana**

**Explanation :**

Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao, has decided to present a separate agriculture budget for the state from next year. Chief Minister Rao has also decided to substantially enhance funds for the agriculture sector.

**10. Which private sector bank has recently launched an Image Debit Card to enable its cardholders to personalise the card with the image of his/her choice?**

1. IndusInd Bank
2. ICICI Bank
3. HDFC Bank
4. Karnataka Bank
5. Yes Bank

Answer – **4. Karnataka Bank**

**Explanation :**

As per a press release by Karnataka Bank on June 30, 2017, the customers will have the option of selecting an image either from the bank's gallery of images or any image of his/her choice to be printed on the debit card. Customers can apply through the bank's website for this card.

**11. Which state has become first state in India to implement an integrated Core Banking Solution Project covering all three tiers of short term cooperative credit structure – state cooperative bank, district central cooperative banks and 2,708 primary agriculture cooperative societies (PACS)?**

1. Punjab
2. Odisha
3. Haryana
4. West Bengal
5. Tamil Nadu

Answer – **2. Odisha**

**Explanation :**

On July 1, 2017, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik inaugurated computerisation of PACS and launched RuPay Kisan Credit cards in the state. With computerisation of PACS, farmers are now able to draw their sanctioned loans from the ATM network of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) having 2.14 lakh ATMs of all banks across the country.

**12. On June 30, 2017, who among the following became the first Indian batsman to hit more than 200 sixes in One Day International (ODI) cricket?**

1. Shikhar Dhawan
2. M S Dhoni
3. Virat Kohli
4. Rohit Sharma
5. Yuvraj Singh

Answer – **2. M S Dhoni**

**Explanation :**

M S Dhoni accomplished this feat while playing a crucial unbeaten knock of 78 runs against West Indies in the third ODI in North Sound, Antigua on June 30, 2017.

**13. On July 3, 2017, foundation stone of the India's biggest Global Skill Park was laid in:**

1. Kolkata
2. Bhopal
3. Jaipur
4. Nagpur
5. Ranchi

Answer – **2. Bhopal**

**Explanation :**

On July 3, 2017, Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajeev Pratap Rudi and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan laid the foundation stone of the India's biggest Global Skill Park in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. Global Skill Park will be constructed on 37 acre land allotted in Narela Shankari area of Bhopal.

**14. On July 2, 2017, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the end of the most recent outbreak of Ebola virus disease (EVD) in:**

1. Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)
2. Ghana
3. Liberia
4. Sierra Leone
5. Burkina Faso

Answer – **1. Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**

**Explanation :**

WHO announcement comes 42 days (two 21-day incubation cycles of the virus) after the last confirmed Ebola patient in the affected Bas-Uélé province of DRC tested negative for the disease for the second time.



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**15. Which two commodity exchanges in India will merge to create the India's third biggest commodity exchange?**

1. National Multi Commodity Exchange (NMCE) will merge with Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)
2. Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX) will merge with Indian Commodity Exchange (ICEX)
3. National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange will merge with Indian Commodity Exchange (ICEX)
4. National Multi Commodity Exchange (NMCE) will merge with Indian Commodity Exchange (ICEX)
5. National Multi Commodity Exchange (NMCE) will merge with National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange

**Answer – 4. National Multi Commodity Exchange (NMCE) will merge with Indian Commodity Exchange (ICEX)**

**Explanation :**

ICEX will hold a 62.8% stake in the merged entity, while NMCE shareholders will own 37.2%. This is the first merger deal in the commodity exchange space in India. The merged entity will offer the world's first diamond futures contract along with a wide range of contracts, including bullion, oil, rubber and other agri-commodities.

**16. Which State Government is going to raise a new Special Rhino Protection Force (SRPF) for better protection of the one-horned rhinos in the state?**

1. Himachal Pradesh
2. Assam
3. Sikkim
4. Uttarakhand
5. Arunachal Pradesh

**Answer – 2. Assam**

**Explanation :**

Assam Forest Minister Pramila Rani Brahma said the government has already started the process of recruitment for the proposed force, which will be deployed for better protection of the one horned rhinos in the state.

**17. A 15-day long joint military training exercise named Ex Maitree 2017 between armies of India and \_\_\_\_\_ begun from July 3, 2017 in Himachal Pradesh.**

1. Myanmar
2. Thailand
3. Sri Lanka
4. Bangladesh
5. Vietnam

**Answer – 2. Thailand**

**Explanation :**

The armies of India and Thailand are conducting the yearly joint training exercise named Ex Maitree 2017 from July 3 to July 17 at Bakloh in Himachal Pradesh. Approximately 50 troops from Royal Thailand Army and an equal number of Indian soldiers from the Northern Command will participate in the exercise.

**18. India's tallest Air Traffic Control (ATC) tower will be operational at which airport by December 2017?**

1. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad
2. Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport, Mumbai
3. Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
4. Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad
5. Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport, Patna

**Answer – 3. Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi**

**Explanation :**

The new 101.9-metre air traffic control (ATC) tower at the Delhi airport — touted to be the country's tallest — is likely to start operations by December 2017. The tower, among the tallest structures in Delhi, will give a 360-degree view of the airport to the controllers who will be able to see all the three runways, aprons and taxiways.

**19. International Center for Climate Governance (ICCG), an international body which focuses on climate policies has ranked The Energy Resources Institute (TERI) at \_\_\_\_\_ position among top think tanks in the world.**

1. second
2. third
3. fourth
4. fifth
5. sixth

**Answer – 1. second**

**Explanation :**

The New Delhi-based think tank TERI was ranked under the category '2016 Top Climate Think Tanks in the Rest of the World–Absolute Global Rankings' during ICCG's 23rd annual conference of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE) in Athens in Greece.

**20. As per an analysis of the latest figures compiled by the Swiss National Bank, India has slipped to \_\_\_\_\_ place in terms of money parked by its citizens with Swiss banks by the end of 2016.**

1. 68<sup>th</sup> place
2. 78<sup>th</sup> place
3. 88<sup>th</sup> place
4. 98<sup>th</sup> place
5. 108<sup>th</sup> place

**Answer – 3. 88<sup>th</sup> place**

**Explanation :**

Money officially held by Indians with banks in Switzerland now accounts for a meagre 0.04% of the total funds kept by all foreign clients in the Swiss banking system. Indian holding stood at 676 million Swiss francs — a record low after falling for three consecutive years.

**21. Who among the following have launched an investment fund called Fundamentum with a corpus of \$100 million to back startups looking for growth capital?**

1. Nandan Nilekani and Sanjeev Aggarwal
2. Nandan Nilekani and Rakesh Jhunjhunwala
3. Rakesh Jhunjhunwala and Kishore Biyani

4. Kishore Biyani and Sanjeev Aggarwal

5. Nandan Nilekani and Ashwani Gujral

Answer – **1. Nandan Nilekani and Sanjeev Aggarwal**

**Explanation :**

The fund, which has so far closed \$50 million, will see one-third of the corpus coming from Nilekani and Aggarwal. Fundamentum has already brought onboard six entrepreneurs who will also invest in the fund.

**22. Which among the following NGO has been awarded the United Nations Development Programme's Equator Prize for devising an ecologically sustainable agriculture model to combat the adverse impacts of drought?**

1. Kisan Jan Manch

2. Sarva Kalyan Sangathan

3. Swayam Shikshan Prayog

4. Marathawada Kisan Sangathan

5. Saujanya Seva Sabha

Answer – **3. Swayam Shikshan Prayog**

**Explanation :**

Swayam Shikshan Prayog is the only Indian organisation to win the award, making the cut from more than 800 nominations across 120 countries. Fifteen projects from organisations across Africa, Asia and Latin America won the award in recognition of innovative solutions to tackle poverty, and environment and climate challenges.

**23. Which country claimed to have conducted its first test of an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) on July 4, 2017?**

1. North Korea

2. Iran

3. South Korea

4. Philippines

5. Indonesia

Answer – **1. North Korea**

**Explanation :**

North Korea claims to have conducted its first test of an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM), a development that, if confirmed, could move the regime closer to being able to strike the US mainland and dramatically strengthen its hand in negotiations with Washington.

**24. Which programme, aimed at connecting school students and scientists for extending student's classroom learning was launched on July 6, 2017 in New Delhi?**

1. 'AAVISHKAR'

2. 'JIGYASA'

3. 'VIGYAN PRACHAR'

4. 'VIGYAN PARICHAY'

5. 'PRERNA'

Answer – **2. 'JIGYASA'**

**Explanation :**

On July 6, 2017, 'JIGYASA', a student-scientist connect programme was officially launched in New Delhi. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) to



implement this programme. MoU signing ceremony was held in the presence of Dr. Harsh Vardhan – Minister of Science & Technology, Earth Sciences, Environment, Forests and Climate Change and Mr. Prakash Javadekar – Minister of Human Resource Development.

25. **India's new 2016 Anti-Hijacking Act which replaces the 1982 law incorporates the latest global anti-hijack provisions and brings Indian law in line with the which Protocol of the UN body International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)?**

1. Tokyo Protocol
2. London Protocol
3. Sydney Protocol
4. Paris Protocol
5. Beijing Protocol

Answer – **5. Beijing Protocol**

**Explanation :**

India's new anti-hijacking law, which prescribes capital punishment in the event of death of "any person", has come into force following a government notification. The new law, which has come into effect after its notification on July 5, 2017, includes several acts within the definition of hijacking including making a threat, attempts or abatement to commit the offence.

26. **Naval forces of which countries participated in Malabar Naval Exercise 2017 which began on July 7, 2017 in Chennai, India?**

1. India, US and Australia
2. India, Japan and Australia
3. India, US and Japan
4. India, Sri Lanka and US
5. India, Japan and Sri Lanka

Answer – **3. India, US and Japan**

**Explanation :**

Naval ships, aircraft and personnel from India, Japan and the United States participated in exercise Malabar 2017. Malabar naval exercise 2017 will continue till 17th July and will address the variety of shared threats to maritime security in the Indo-Asia Pacific region

27. **India has ranked at which position on Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI), released by UN International Telecommunication Union (ITU).**

1. 23<sup>rd</sup>
2. 33<sup>rd</sup>
3. 43<sup>rd</sup>
4. 53<sup>rd</sup>
5. 63<sup>rd</sup>

Answer – **1. 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Explanation :**

India has ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> out of 165 nations on the Global Cybersecurity Index with a score of 0.683 and has been listed in the "maturing" category, which refers to 77 countries that have developed complex commitments to cybersecurity and engage in cybersecurity programmes and initiatives.



**28. In a major step to protect customers from large financial losses on account of frauds, Reserve Bank of India has capped the customer liability at what amount if they report unauthorised transactions within seven working days?**

- 1.Rs.25000
- 2.Rs.50000
- 3.Rs.75000
- 4.Rs.100000
- 5.Rs.200000

Answer- **1.Rs.25000**

**Explanation :**

RBI said customers can't be made liable at all if they notify the bank within three working days of the transaction. These rules will be applicable for third party breach — where the deficiency lies neither with the bank nor with the customer but lies elsewhere in the system.

**29. As per the amended Legal Metrology rules for packaged commodities, which will come into effect from \_\_\_\_\_, the Centre has clarified that the retail sale price shall be the maximum retail price (MRP) inclusive of all taxes.**

- 1.September 1, 2017
- 2.October 1, 2017
- 3.November 1, 2017
- 4.December 1, 2017
- 5.January 1, 2018

Answer – **5.January 1, 2018**

**Explanation :**

From January 1, 2018, the price of a packaged good would no longer depend on where you bought it — be it a local kirana store, a mall, a five-star hotel or an airport. The Consumer Affairs Ministry has amended the rules that govern packaged commodities to this effect.

**30. Who among the following has been awarded Order of Australia for community work, the highest civilian award in Australia?**

- 1.Shankar Narayanan
- 2.Guruswamy Jayraman
- 3.Venkatesh Menon
- 4.Rudra Patil
- 5.Mayank Tendulkar

Answer – **2.Guruswamy Jayraman**

**Explanation :**

Guruswamy Jayraman works as a senior accountant with Woollahra Municipal Council and has been devoting most of his spare time in community work for the last 25 years.

**31. Which private sector bank has signed an MoU in London with Santander UK (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Spanish Santander Group) to promote India-UK trade and business opportunities?**

- 1.ICICI Bank
- 2.HDFC Bank
- 3.Axis Bank
- 4.Yes Bank
- 5.Kotak Mahindra Bank

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Answer – **4.Yes Bank**

### Explanation :

The deal is aimed at Santander UK, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Spanish Santander Group, offering its clients in Britain, access to banking facilities and on-the- ground support through Yes Bank's network across India. The MoU also covers access for Indian businesses looking to expand globally to access Santander's support network in the UK.

32. **John Blackwell Jr., who passed away on July 4, 2017, was a:**

- 1.American Drummer
- 2.Hollywood Film Director
- 3.American Astronaut
- 4.American Historian
- 5.American Diplomat

Answer – **1.American Drummer**

### Explanation :

Drummer John Blackwell Jr., who performed in Prince's band New Power Generation for over a decade, has died at age 43. Blackwell was diagnosed with two brain tumors during a 2016 trip to Japan.

33. **India has raked at which position on latest FIFA World ranking released on 6th of July 2017?**

- 1.81<sup>st</sup>
- 2.86<sup>th</sup>
- 3.91<sup>st</sup>
- 4.96<sup>th</sup>
- 5.101<sup>st</sup>

Answer – **4.96<sup>th</sup>**

### Explanation :

India has moved four places up to the 96th position in the FIFA World ranking released on 6th of July 2017. This is India's second best ranking and its previous best was the 94th position in February 1996'

34. **On July 6, 2017, which among the following Asian country declared itself free from highly pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1 and H5N8)?**

- 1.China
- 2.Bangladesh
- 3.India
- 4.Pakistan
- 5.Sri Lanka

Answer – **3.India**

### Explanation :

India has declared itself free from highly pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1 and H5N8) after surveillance in the states showed no evidence of its presence. Union Agriculture Ministry release said surveillance was carried out throughout the country and around the areas of the outbreaks since completion of the operation (including culling, disinfection and clean-up), which showed no evidence of presence of Avian Influenza Virus.

**35. Retirement fund body EPFO has inked pacts with five banks for collections of provident dues and to make retirement payments. Which among the following is NOT one of the five banks?**

1. ICICI Bank
2. Axis Bank
3. Kotak Mahindra Bank
4. Bank of Baroda
5. State Bank of India

**Answer – 5. State Bank of India**

**Explanation :**

The tie-ups with Bank of Baroda, ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank, Axis Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank will help EPFO save around Rs 125 crore a year and expedite its investments as well as payment of benefits to its members.

**36. On July 4, 2017, which company opened its first digital factory in India, also the third globally after one each in Germany and China?**

1. Siemens
2. Hitachi
3. General Electric
4. Skoda
5. Proteq

**Answer – 1. Siemens**

**Explanation :**

Siemens hopes to use Mumbai's digital factory as a showcase to sell a range of plant automation equipment and software to Indian manufacturing units. Digital factory is one of the nine divisions at Siemens. It aims to provide a comprehensive portfolio of hardware and software products which enable comprehensive integration of data from development, production and suppliers.

**37. On July 5, 2017, Pakistan successfully test-fired short-range surface-to-surface ballistic missile named:**

1. 'Noor'
2. 'Ashoura'
3. 'Nasr'
4. 'Emad'
5. 'Fajr'

**Answer – 3. 'Nasr'**

**Explanation :**

Pakistan Army has conducted a series of training launches and tests during the current week for validation of new technical parameters of 'NASR' with enhanced range from 60-70 kilometres and flight maneuverability.

**38. On July 8, 2017, Minister of State for Minority Affairs (Independent Charge) & Parliamentary Affairs, Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi inaugurated first Gharib Nawaz Skill Development Centre in:**

1. Nagpur
2. Hyderabad
3. Varanasi
4. Amritsar
5. Ranchi

Answer – **2.Hyderabad**

**Explanation :**

Besides providing various job-oriented skill development courses, Gharib Nawaz Skill Development Centres of Ministry of Minority Affairs will also offer certificate course in Goods and Services Tax accounting/programming and other related subjects.

**39. India's first university, only for Dalit students will come up in which city by 2018?**

- 1.Patna
- 2.Pune
- 3.Kanpur
- 4.Bhopal
- 5.Hyderabad

Answer – **5.Hyderabad**

**Explanation :**

The university will be a part of the government's policy of providing education free of cost to students from weaker sections from kindergarten to post-graduation (KG to PG) level.

**40. A global treaty banning nuclear weapons was adopted at the United Nations on July 7, 2017 by how many countries?**

- 1.117 countries
- 2.122 countries
- 3.127 countries
- 4.132 countries
- 5.137 countries

Answer – **2.122 countries**

**Explanation :**

This is the first multilateral nuclear disarmament treaty to be concluded in more than 20 years. None of the nine countries known or believed to possess nuclear weapons – the United States, Russia, Britain, China, France, India, Pakistan, North Korea and Israel – is supporting the treaty.

**41. India and Bangladesh have decided to construct a bridge over which river in Mizoram to facilitate trade and improve communication between two countries?**

- 1.Tut River
- 2.Barak River
- 3.Serlui River
- 4.Khawthlangtuipui River
- 5.Teirei River

Answer – **4.Khawthlangtuipui River**

**Explanation :**

Officials of India and Bangladesh held a meeting on July 8, 2017, at Tlabung town (Mamit district) and discussed to speed up the works for the proposed bridge between the two countries across Khawthlangtuipui River (also known as Karnaphuli river).

42. **Which company has launched its first Digital Hub in Asia Pacific in Bengaluru?**

1. IBM
2. Microsoft
3. Oracle
4. Facebook
5. Google

Answer – **3. Oracle**

**Explanation :**

Oracle has launched its first Digital Hub in Asia Pacific (APAC) in the IT capital of India, Bengaluru. The company plans to launch four other hubs in APAC market, including Singapore, Seoul, Sydney and Beijing. The company had launched its first digital hub in Dublin, last year.

43. **Khaltmaa Battulga has won the Presidential Election of which country?**

1. Laos
2. Mongolia
3. South Korea
4. Indonesia
5. Cambodia

Answer – **2. Mongolia**

**Explanation :**

Former martial arts star and businessman Khaltmaa Battulga, 54, a member of the Democratic Party, has won Mongolian Presidential Election with 50.6% of the vote. Tsakhia Elbegdorj will step down as President after finishing his second and final term.

44. **Who among the following was appointed as World Health Organization (WHO) Goodwill Ambassador for Autism in South-East Asia Region on 7th of July 2017?**

1. Saima Wazed Hossain
2. Sana Ali
3. Rubina Fatehi
4. Salima Siddiqi
5. Shaheen Khan

Answer – **1. Saima Wazed Hossain**

**Explanation :**

Saima Wazed Hossain is a globally renowned champion for the cause of autism spectrum disorder. She has made notable contributions towards creating awareness and to address and elevate sufferings of people affected by autism.

45. **12<sup>th</sup> G20 Summit was held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 in:**

1. Toronto, Canada
2. Moscow, Russia
3. Hamburg, Germany
4. Beijing, China
5. Tokyo, Japan

Answer – **3. Hamburg, Germany**

**Explanation :**

The theme for this year's G20 Summit was "Shaping an Inter-connected World". The progress on decisions since the Hangzhou Summit last year was reviewed and deliberations were held on issues such as terrorism, climate, sustainable development, growth and trade, digitalisation, health, employment, migration, women's

empowerment, and partnership with Africa.

46. **On July 8, 2017, Nepal SBI Bank, a subsidiary of the State Bank of India, launched its fully automatic digital banking called \_\_\_\_\_ in Kathmandu**

1. SBI Digi Bank
2. SBI Hi-Tech Bank
3. SBI E-Bank
4. SBI Intouch Bank
5. SBI Green Bank

Answer – **4. SBI Intouch Bank**

**Explanation :**

This is for the first time the State Bank of India has expanded the paperless banking system outside India. Digital banking provides various services including cash deposit, opening of new accounts, distribution of debit card, ATM and online banking information on touch of the screen.

47. **Who among the following has been appointed as Director General of Goods and Services Tax Intelligence (DG GSTI)?**

1. William Francis
2. John Joseph
3. Robert Fernandes
4. Alfred Gomez
5. Peter Gomes

Answer – **2. John Joseph**

**Explanation :**

John Joseph, a 1983 batch officer of Indian Revenue Service (Customs and Central Excise), has worked in the Finance Ministry's important departments, including the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI). The DG GSTI is the new name given to the Directorate General of Central Excise Intelligence (DGCEI), mandated to check service tax and central excise duty evasion.

48. **Who among the following has become the youngest known winner of a professional golf tour event with victory at the Ladies European Thailand Championship?**

1. Atthaya Thitikul
2. Michelle Wie
3. Inbee Park
4. Lydia Ko
5. Stacy Lewis

Answer – **1. Atthaya Thitikul**

**Explanation :**

At 14 years, four months and 19 days, Atthaya broke the previous record of the formerly top-ranked Lydia Ko, who at 14 years and eight months won her first professional event at the New South Wales Open in 2012.

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49. **The government has merged the Urban Development and Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation Ministries. The merged ministry will now be known as:**

- 1.Ministry of Affordable Housing and Poverty Alleviation
- 2.Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- 3.Ministry of Housing and Urban Revival
- 4.Ministry of Affordable Housing and Urban Affairs
- 5.Ministry of Housing Assistance and Urban Development

Answer – **2.Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**

**Explanation :**

The government has merged the urban development and housing and urban poverty alleviation ministries. Now this will be known as Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). This is third time the ministries have been merged.

50. **Which project has been launched by British government to mark the 70th anniversary of India's partition in August 1947?**

- 1.Spice Route
- 2.Grand Trunk Road
- 3.The Indus Legacy
- 4.Discover India
- 5.The Indian Highway

Answer – **2.Grand Trunk Road**

**Explanation :**

'Grand Trunk Road', the UK-wide project was launched this week to bring British Asians of all faiths and backgrounds together to reflect on their shared history through 11 special events funded by the department for communities and local government.

51. **On July 10, 2017, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley launched a new income tax payer e-service module called:**

- 1.Aaykar Setu
- 2.Aaykar Stambh
- 3.Aaykar Sahayak
- 4.Aaykar Mitr
- 5.Aaykar Nivaran

Answer – **1.Aaykar Setu**

**Explanation :**

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has launched Aaykar Setu, a new income tax payer e-service module, in New Delhi. To enhance mobile access experience, a mobile responsive Android version was also released along with the desktop version.

52. **On July 10, 2017, who among the following launched Rashtriya Swayam sevak Sangh's (RSS's) Sewa Prabhag website "Sewagatha"?**

- 1.Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis
- 2.Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje
- 3.Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- 4.Goa Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar



5. Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani

Answer – **3. Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan**

**Explanation :**

The Madhya Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has launched the RSS website on July 10, 2017. The website will highlight the good work done by citizens and the information about it will encourage people.

53. **Which country topped the medals tally at 2017 Asian Athletics Championships?**

1. China
2. Kazakhstan
3. India
4. Vietnam
5. Iran

Answer – **3. India**

**Explanation :**

At 2017 Asian Athletics Championships, India ended the four-day championship on top of the medals tally with their highest ever medal haul of 29 medals (12 gold, 5 silver and 12 bronze). This was India's best performance since 1985 Jakarta edition where they had won 22 medals.

54. **Who among the following is the author of the e-book e-book, 'Cryptocurrency for Beginners'?**

1. Dhaval Fadia
2. Amit Bharadwaj
3. Priyanshu Arya
4. Suren Doshi
5. Harsh Jani

Answer – **2. Amit Bharadwaj**

**Explanation :**

Crypto currency guru Amit Bhardwaj has launched an e-book 'Cryptocurrency for Beginners', which seeks to provide context and clarity on cryptocurrencies. This is his third book in the series, after 'Cryptocurrency Trading for Beginners' and 'Cryptocurrency Mining for Beginners'.

55. **Which among the following has become the first state in the country to provide women an injectable contraceptive for free?**

1. Gujarat
2. Rajasthan
3. Tamil Nadu
4. Maharashtra
5. Bihar

Answer – **4. Maharashtra**

**Explanation :**

Maharashtra State's public health department launched a programme called Antara on July 10, 2017, to offer women an injection of Medroxyprogesterone acetate (MPA), a birth-control hormone. According to state health officials, the injection, a safe means of birth control, is effective for three months.

**56. On July 10, 2017, which among the following became the second state to launch e-RTI portal that will enable citizens to file online Right to Information (RTI)?**

1. Delhi
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Himachal Pradesh
4. Sikkim
5. Manipur

Answer – **1. Delhi**

**Explanation :**

Delhi became the second state to launch online RTI platform as chief minister Arvind Kejriwal inaugurated the e-portal on July 10, 2017. Maharashtra is the first state to launch the online RTI platform.

**57. According to OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook 2017-2026, released by Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, which country will be the world's largest milk producer by 2026?**

1. Australia
2. New Zealand
3. India
4. Denmark
5. Sweden

Answer – **3. India**

**Explanation :**

The report has projected that over the first quarter of the 21st century, milk production in India will be nearly tripled. From 2017-2026, milk production in India will grow 49%; in 2026, India will be the world's largest milk producer. In 2026 milk production in India will be one-third above the second largest producer, the European Union.

**58. Mangesh Tendulkar, who passed away on July 10, 2017, was a renowned:**

1. Marine Biologist
2. Marathi Poet
3. Sports Journalist
4. Cartoonist
5. Cricket Commentator

Answer – **4. Cartoonist**

**Explanation :**

Mangesh Tendulkar was one of the most eminent cartoonists in India. He was conferred with the president's medal in 1980, Marathi Natya Parishad Award in 1993 and Pulotsav award in 2003 among several other honours

**59. Five States, Gujarat, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and Union Territory \_\_\_\_\_ have inked a MoU with Government e-Market (GeM) for smart procurement of goods and services.**

1. Chandigarh
2. Andaman & Nicobar Islands
3. Puducherry
4. Diu
5. Lakshadweep

Answer – **3.Puducherry**

**Explanation :**

The memorandum of understanding (MoU) would also ensure timely payment by state departments to the vendors registered on the GeM portal. It has been made mandatory on GeM to make payment to the vendors within 10 days of receipt of goods and services.

**60. What was the theme of 'World Population Day' 2017 observed on July 11, 2017?**

1. 'Sustainable Population Growth'
2. 'Inclusive Population Growth'
3. 'Family Planning: Empowering People, Developing Nations'
4. 'Population and Empowerment of Weaker Sections'
5. 'Creating Awareness about Family Planning'

Answer – **3. 'Family Planning: Empowering People, Developing Nations'**

**Explanation :**

World Population day is observed every year on July 11. Aim is to raise awareness on various population issues such as the importance of family planning, gender equality, poverty, maternal health and human rights.

**61. Which among the following has been declared as India's first World Heritage City by UNESCO?**

1. Delhi
2. Mumbai
3. Ahmedabad
4. Hyderabad
5. Varanasi

Answer – **3. Ahmedabad**

**Explanation :**

The 5.5 km walled city area in Ahmedabad, Gujarat with an approximate population of four lakh has been declared India's first World Heritage City by UNESCO. Ahmedabad was in competition with New Delhi and Mumbai for the title.

**62. Cabinet approves establishment of the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), South Asia Regional Center (ISARC) at campus of National Seed Research and Training Center (NSRTC) in:**

1. Kochi
2. Varanasi
3. Bhopal
4. Surat
5. Pune

Answer – **2. Varanasi**

**Explanation :**

Under the proposal, a Centre of Excellence in Rice Value Addition (CERVA) will be set up in Varanasi. This will include a modern and sophisticated laboratory with capacity to determine quality and status of heavy metals in grain and straw. The Centre will also undertake capacity building exercises for stakeholders across the rice value chain.

63. On July 11, 2017, Chief Minister of which state launched the Livelihood Intervention and Facilitation of Entrepreneurship (LIFE) programme?

1. Meghalaya
2. Sikkim
3. Assam
4. Arunachal Pradesh
5. Tripura

Answer – **1. Meghalaya**

**Explanation :**

On July 11, 2017, Meghalaya chief minister Mukul Sangma launched the Livelihood Intervention and Facilitation of Entrepreneurship (LIFE) programme in Songsak in the East Garo Hills. Songsak is about 210 km west of the state capital, Shillong.

64. On July 12, 2017, Indian Railways launched \_\_\_\_\_, a virtual server with an inbuilt security system that will enable faster connectivity at a reduced cost.

1. RailRAM
2. RailCloud
3. RailStore
4. RailServer
5. RailBlock

Answer – **2. RailCloud**

**Explanation :**

Developed by rail PSU RailTel at an estimated cost of about Rs. 53 crore, Railcloud aims at optimising server resources and its management. RailCloud technology enables maximising the usage of available server and storage resulting in accommodation of bigger data and more applications within same server space.

65. Which among the following has become the first State in the country to lay down the minimum educational qualifications for contesting elections to village cooperative societies and various other cooperative bodies?

1. Gujarat
2. Maharashtra
3. Rajasthan
4. Uttar Pradesh
5. Bihar

Answer – **3. Rajasthan**

**Explanation :**

After making minimum educational qualification mandatory in panchayat polls, Rajasthan has now enforced the Rajasthan Cooperative Society (Amendment) Act-2016, following which a minimum educational qualification would be compulsory for election of the cooperative committees in the state.

66. Which programme has been launched by Yes Bank to help Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) understand the impact of the proposed changes and prepare them for migration to the new GST tax system?

1. 'CLEAR GST'
2. 'GST FRIEND'
3. 'GST GURU'
4. 'GST EXPERT'
5. 'YES GST'



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Answer – **5.YES GST'**

**Explanation :**

YES BANK, India's fourth largest private sector bank, along with YES Global Institute has launched 'YES GST' program for MSMEs (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) under its MSME CSR initiative, 'Say YES to Sustainable MSMEs in India'.

**67. BJP President Amit Shah and RSS Chief Mohan Bhagwat recently released a coffee table book on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's life in New Delhi. The book – 'Making of A Legend', has been compiled by:**

- 1.Rajat Sharma
- 2.Shekhar Gupta
- 3.Arnab Goswami
- 4.Bindeshwar Pathak
- 5.Rajdepp Sardesai

Answer – **4.Bindeshwar Pathak**

**Explanation :**

Sulabh International founder Bindeshwar Pathak has compiled the journey of Prime Minister Narendra Modi into a coffee table book. The book titled "The making of a legend" was released by BJP President Amit Shah and RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat.

**68. Speaking at the launch of 'National Strategic Plan for Malaria Elimination (2017-22)', Union Health Minister J P Nadda said that the government would like to eliminate malaria by:**

- 1.2027
- 2.2025
- 3.2023
- 4.2021
- 5.2019

Answer – **1.2027**

**Explanation :**

On July 12, 2017, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, J P Nadda, launched the National Strategic Plan for Malaria Elimination (2017-22) at a function in New Delhi. The Strategic Plan gives year wise elimination targets in various parts of the country depending upon the endemicity of malaria in the next 5 years.

**69. Which among the following has become the first state in the country to bring a law making social boycott a crime?**

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

Answer – **3.Maharashtra**

**Explanation :**

President of India has given assent to the Maharashtra Prohibition of People from Social Boycott (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2016. Maharashtra has thus become

the first state in the country to bring a law making social boycott a crime.

**70. India's first high-speed rail training centre will be set up at:**

1. Ahmedabad, Gujarat
2. Gandhinagar, Gujarat
3. Surat, Gujarat
4. Rajkot, Gujarat
5. Vadodara, Gujarat

Answer – **2. Gandhinagar, Gujarat**

**Explanation :**

Being constructed over railway land measuring 4,400 metres at an estimated cost of Rs 600 crore, the training centre will have a sample track fitted with the overhead electrical systems to enable testing of bullet trains that will run on the Mumbai-Ahmedabad route.

**71. 22nd World Petroleum Congress (WPC) International Conference was held from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 in:**

1. Toronto, Canada
2. Dubai, UAE
3. Cairo, Egypt
4. Istanbul, Turkey
5. Moscow, Russia

Answer – **4. Istanbul, Turkey**

**Explanation :**

Union Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Dharmendra Pradhan visited Istanbul in Turkey from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 to represent India at the 22nd World Petroleum Congress (WPC) International Conference. Theme for 22<sup>nd</sup> World Petroleum Congress was 'Bridges To Our energy Future'.

**72. Which country has shot down a simulated, incoming intermediate-range ballistic missile (IRBM) similar to the ones being developed by countries like North Korea, in a new test of the nation's THAAD missile defenses?**

1. South Korea
2. China
3. US
4. Japan
5. Indonesia

Answer – **3. US**

**Explanation :**

Planned months ago, the U.S. missile defense test over the Pacific Ocean has gained significance after North Korea's July 4 launch of an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) heightened concerns about the threat from Pyongyang

**73. Which country will host International Theatre Olympics in 2018 for the first time?**

1. China
2. India
3. Nepal
4. Bangladesh
5. Myanmar

Answer – **2.India**

**Explanation :**

The 51-day carnival of theatre, beginning February 17 next year, will simultaneously be held in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Chennai and 10 other cities across India. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to inaugurate the mega international event in Delhi, while the President of India will conclude it in Mumbai on April 8, 2018.

**74. Which among the following will be the first state police to get 'super cop' belts which are widely used by their counterparts in the UK, USA, and Russia?**

1. Delhi Police
2. Kolkata Police
3. Mumbai Police
4. Bengaluru Police
5. Chennai Police

Answer – **1.Delhi Police**

**Explanation :**

The belt will help the cops carry wireless sets, pistols, and cartridges easily. Currently, a cop has to carry all his equipment separately, which becomes a liability while handling sensitive situations.

**75. India has ranked \_\_\_\_\_ out of 157 nations on a global index that assesses the performance of countries towards achieving the ambitious sustainable development goals (SDGs).**

1. 111<sup>th</sup>
2. 116<sup>th</sup>
3. 121<sup>st</sup>
4. 126<sup>th</sup>
5. 131<sup>st</sup>

Answer – **2.116<sup>th</sup>**

**Explanation :**

India is ranked 116th on the index with a score of 58.1, behind countries such as Nepal, Iran, Sri Lanka, Bhutan and China. Pakistan is ranked 122. Sweden leads the list, followed by Denmark and Finland. The United States ranks 42nd on the Index, while Russia and China rank 62nd and 71st respectively.

**76. How much additional amount has been contributed by India to a UN partnership fund launched to support sustainable development projects across the developing world?**

1. USD 1 million
2. USD 2 million
3. USD 3 million
4. USD 4 million
5. USD 5 million

Answer – **1.USD 1 million**

**Explanation :**

The India-UN Development Partnership Fund was set up last month as a partnership between India and the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC). India had made an initial contribution of a million dollars when the fund was created.



**77. Liu Xiaobo, who passed away on July 13, 2017, had won Nobel Prize for:**

- 1.Literature
- 2.Economic Sciences
- 3.Physics
- 4.Chemistry
- 5.Peace

Answer – **5.Peace**

**Explanation :**

Liu received Nobel Peace Prize in 2010. He is also known for his role in the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests in Beijing. He was sentenced to 11 years in prison in December 2009 for "subversion".

**78. Which among the following airport has ranked first in Customer Satisfaction Index Survey among 49 airports in India?**

- 1.Birsa Munda Airport, Ranchi
- 2.Swami Vivekananda Airport, Raipur
- 3.Devi Ahilya Bai Holkar Airport, Indore
- 4.Sri Venkateswara Airport, Tirupati
- 5.Lengpui Airport, Aizawl

Answer -**2.Swami Vivekananda Airport, Raipur**

**Explanation :**

Swami Vivekananda Airport, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, has ranked first in Customer Satisfaction Index Survey among 49 airports in India. Raipur Airport has scored highest, 4.84 on a five point scale index in the latest Customer Satisfaction Index Survey conducted by an independent agency for the period of January-June 2017.

**79. On July 15, 2017, Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari inaugurated 212th meeting of Indian Road Congress (IRC) in:**

- 1.Udaipur
- 2.Kochi
- 3.Varanasi
- 4.Chennai
- 5.Bhopal

Answer – **1.Udaipur**

**Explanation :**

The Indian Road Congress is the apex body of highway engineers in the country. During his visit to Udaipur, Mr. Gadkari also attended a discussion by Udaipur chamber of commerce on economic growth of Rajasthan for development of roads and infrastructure.

**80. The world's first centre for breeding Saola, a critically endangered hoofed mammal, is being constructed in which Asian country?**

- 1.Thailand
- 2.China
- 3.Vietnam
- 4.Cambodia
- 5.Laos

Answer – **3.Vietnam**

**Explanation :**

The centre in Bach Ma National Park in Thua Thien Hue province of Vietnam will open in

2018 as a joint effort by the Saola World Working Group and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

**81. Who among the following has been appointed as UNICEF's newest Global Goodwill Ambassador?**

1. Manpreet Khalsa
2. Swati Nair
3. Neha Khare
4. Lilly Singh
5. Parminder Chadha

Answer – **4. Lilly Singh**

**Explanation :**

UNICEF has appointed Indian-origin Canadian YouTube star Lilly Singh as its newest Global Goodwill Ambassador. As the UNICEF ambassador, Lilly, who has around 11.9 million subscribers on the video sharing website, will use her channel to showcase the organisation's work and urge millions of her followers to work for children's rights.

**82. Indian Railways has launched an integrated mobile application to cater to various passenger requirements, including ticket booking, inquiry, on-board cleaning and ordering meal on a single platform. This app is called:**

1. 'Rail SAARTHI'
2. 'Rail SEVAK'
3. 'Rail MITR'
4. 'Rail HUMSAFAR'
5. 'Rail SUVIDHA'

Answer – **1. 'Rail SAARTHI'**

**Explanation :**

Rail SAARTHI (synergised advanced application rail travel help and information) offers services pertaining to safety for women, complaint facility and suggestion for improvement. One can also book air ticket through the app and give feedback.

**83. What was the theme of 'World Youth Skill Day' 2017, observed on July 15 every year?**

1. 'Skills for the future of Work'
2. 'Skills Incubation for Sustainable Development'
3. 'Skills Incubation for Inclusive Growth'
4. 'Skills for MSME Sector'
5. 'Skills for Socio-Economic Growth'

Answer – **1. 'Skills for the future of Work'**

**Explanation :**

Every year World Youth Skills Day is celebrated all over the world to raise awareness about the issue of unemployment among youth. The United Nations General Assembly in November 2014, declared 15<sup>th</sup> July as World Youth Skills Day.

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**84. Which among the following railway station in Mumbai has become India's first railway station run by women?**

1. Vashi Railway Station
2. Matunga Railway Station
3. Kalyan Railway Station
4. Bandra Railway Station
5. Andheri Railway Station

**Answer – 2. Matunga Railway Station**

**Explanation :**

In a bid to empower women, Central Railway has appointed all women staff at suburban Matunga railway station, thereby making it India's first railway station run by women. A formal event to mark all women railway station will be held soon. A total of 30 women staffers, including 11 booking clerks, five Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel, seven ticket checkers are working under the supervision of station manager Mamta Kulkarni since last two weeks.

**85. Nar Bahadur Bhandari, who passed away on July 16, 2017, was the former Chief Minister of:**

1. Assam
2. Manipur
3. Arunachal Pradesh
4. Sikkim
5. Tripura

**Answer – 4. Sikkim**

**Explanation :**

Born in 1940 at Malbasey in West Sikkim, Mr. Bhandari was a teacher in a government school before he joined active politics. He became the Chief Minister of Sikkim for the first time in 1979 on a Janata Parishad ticket and then again in 1984 and 1989 on a Sikkim Sangram Parishad ticket.

**86. Which Digital payments company has entered into partnership with Samsung Pay, under which consumers will be able to make payments with a single tap using select Samsung handsets?**

1. Paytm
2. PayUMoney
3. MobiKwik
4. Freecharge
5. Oxigen

**Answer – 3. MobiKwik**

**Explanation :**

As part of the tie-up, MobiKwik wallet is now integrated with Samsung Pay Mini to enable one-tap payments at more than 1.4 million MobiKwik-powered merchants across the country. MobiKwik's mobile wallet will also be available soon to Samsung Pay users.

**87. Who among the following has won the Best Actress Award at International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) 2017?**

1. Kareena Kapoor
2. Sonam Kapoor
3. Deepika Padukone
4. Sonakshi Sinha
5. Alia Bhatt

Answer – **5. Alia Bhatt**

**Explanation :**

IFA Awards 2017, officially known as 18th International Indian Film Academy Awards ceremony was held on 14–15 July 2017 at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey, USA. Alia Bhatt won the Best Actress Award for playing the role of a migrant girl trapped in a drug lord's house in film 'Udta Punjab'. Shahid Kapoor won the Best Actor Award for playing Tommy Singh, a Punjabi rockstar struggling with a drug addiction in the film 'Udta Punjab'.

**88. India and Sri Lanka have signed a MoU to develop a village in which district in Sri Lanka?**

1. Jaffna District
2. Mannar District
3. Badulla District
4. Anuradhapura District
5. Ampara District

Answer – **4. Anuradhapura District**

**Explanation :**

India and Sri Lanka have signed a MoU to develop a village in Anuradhapura District. The total estimated cost is Rs 30 crores Sri Lankan rupees. The MoU was signed by High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka Mr. Taranjit Singh Sandhu and Mrs. W.K.K. Athukorala, Secretary to the Ministry of Housing and Construction in the presence of Parliament Speaker Mr. Karu Jayasuriya.

**89. Which company has developed India's first Bio-CNG (bio-methane) bus which was unveiled recently at a bio-energy programme, 'Urja Utsav'?**

1. Tata Motors
2. Mahindra & Mahindra
3. Ashok Leyland
4. Swaraj Mazda
5. Hindustan Motors

Answer – **1. Tata Motors**

**Explanation :**

At the Urja Utsav held in Pune's Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex, Tata Motors displayed three engines, along with the lead model — Tata LPO 1613 with 5.7 SGI NA BS-IV IOBD-II compliant bus.

**90. Who among the following has won Wimbledon Championships 2017 in Men's Singles category?**

1. Andy Murray
2. Roger Federer
3. Stan Warinka
4. Rafael Nadal

5. Novak Djokovic

Answer – **2. Roger Federer**

**Explanation :**

Roger Federer of Switzerland became the first man to win Wimbledon eight times and extended his record to 19 Grand Slam titles with victory over Croatia's Marin Cilic in Men's Singles Finals at Wimbledon. At 35 years and 11 months, Roger Federer has become oldest Wimbledon male champion in the Open era (since 1968).

**91. Who among the following Formula 1 Driver has won his fourth successive British Grand Prix for a record-equalling fifth time at the Silverstone on July 16, 2017?**

1. Daniel Ricciardo

2. Lewis Hamilton

3. Nico Rosberg

4. Sebastian Vettel

5. Valtteri Viktor Bottas

Answer – **2. Lewis Hamilton**

**Explanation :**

With the win, Hamilton equals Jim Clark and Alain Prost record with five British GP career wins. Mercedes team mate Valtteri Bottas finished in second place. Ferrari's Kimi Raikkonen finished at the third spot followed by Red Bull's Max Verstappen and Daniel Ricciardo.

**92. 'International Justice Day', is celebrated on which date every year?**

1. 16<sup>th</sup> July

2. 17<sup>th</sup> July

3. 18<sup>th</sup> July

4. 19<sup>th</sup> July

5. 20<sup>th</sup> July

Answer – **2. 17<sup>th</sup> July**

**Explanation :**

International Justice Day is an international day celebrated throughout the world on July 17 as part of an effort to recognize the emerging system of international criminal justice. July 17 was chosen because it is the anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute, the treaty that created the International Criminal Court.

**93. Which country will host G20 summit in year 2019?**

1. Argentina

2. Japan

3. Russia

4. Saudi Arabia

5. Turkey

Answer – **2. Japan**

**Explanation :**

During the 2017 G20 Summit in Germany, it was declared that Japan will host the G20 summit for the first time in 2019. India was the main competitor against Japan for the right to host the G20 summit in 2019 but New Delhi finally decided to support Tokyo's bid.

94. **A bill providing for setting up of the Indian Institute of Petroleum and Energy in \_\_\_\_\_ was introduced in the Lok Sabha on July 18, 2017.**

1. Punjab
2. Haryana
3. Telangana
4. Andhra Pradesh
5. Assam

Answer – **4. Andhra Pradesh**

**Explanation :**

'The Indian Institute of Petroleum and Energy Bill, 2017' was introduced by minister of state for Petroleum and Natural Gas Dharmendra Pradhan. The institute would be established in Visakhapatnam district in pursuance of the central government's commitment for setting up a petroleum university under the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014

95. **On July 18, 2017, which public sector bank launched a one stop integrated website for home buyers?**

1. Bank of Baroda
2. Punjab National Bank
3. Indian Bank
4. Syndicate Bank
5. State Bank of India

Answer – **5. State Bank of India**

**Explanation :**

SBI has launched 'SBI Realty' [www.sbirealty.in](http://www.sbirealty.in) – a one stop integrated website for home buyers, who now mostly seek operational ease over anything else. The lender is expected to expand its home loan credit through such move.

96. **Who among the following has been given the additional charge of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting after M Venkaiah Naidu resigned to contest the vice-presidential election?**

1. Nitin Gadkari
2. Rajnath Singh
3. Sushma Swaraj
4. Suresh Prabhu
5. Smriti Irani

Answer – **5. Smriti Irani**

**Explanation :**

With Union Minister Venkaiah Naidu resigning from Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Cabinet, Smriti Irani was given additional charge of the Information & Broadcast Ministry and Narendra Tomar was made the Minister for Urban Development.

97. **In order to provide qualitative education to the students, which State Government has started Shala Siddhi Protsahan Yojana in 25000 schools of the state?**

1. Madhya Pradesh
2. Uttar Pradesh
3. Rajasthan
4. Bihar
5. Jharkhand

Answer – **1.Madhya Pradesh**

**Explanation :**

In order to provide qualitative education to the students, 'Hamari Shala Kaisi Ho' and 'Shala Siddhi Karyakram' are being implemented by the School Education department in Government schools of the State. The State Education Centre has started Shala Siddhi Protasahan Yojana to encourage best works under this programme. The Shala Siddhi Prohatsan Yojana has been started in 25,000 schools of the State till date.

**98. On July 19, 2017, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik dedicated to the nation the state's longest bridge and named it after:**

- 1.Rabindranath Tagore
- 2.Mahatma Gandhi
- 3.Jawaharlal Nehru
- 4.Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose
- 5.Biju Patnaik

Answer – **4.Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose**

**Explanation :**

The 2.88 km bridge over the river Kathajodi will connect the state capital of Bhubaneswar with Cuttack reducing the distance between the two cities by 12 km. Patnaik said he was delighted to name the state's longest bridge after Netaji who was born and brought up in Cuttack.

**99. Which country has become the 35th country to join the International Solar Alliance (ISA), an initiative launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2015 in Paris?**

- 1.Australia
- 2.New Zealand
- 3.Bangladesh
- 4.Thailand
- 5.Cambodia

Answer – **1.Australia**

**Explanation :**

The International Solar Alliance is an alliance of countries which are located completely or partly between Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn. It was jointly launched by the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi and the then President of France Francois Hollande in November 2015 in Paris, on the side lines of COP21.

**100. On July 19, 2017, who among the following was appointed as the new Chief Minister of Nagaland?**

- 1.TR Zeliang
- 2.Yanthungo Patton
- 3.Kiyanillie Peseyie
- 4.Kipili Sangtam
- 5.C L John

Answer – **1.TR Zeliang**

**Explanation :**

On July 19, 2017, Nagaland Governor PB Acharya dismissed the five-month-old government of Shurhozelie Liezietsu, and appointed Naga People's Front (NPF) legislator, TR Zeliang as 19th Cheif Minister of Nagaland.



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101. **Navy of which country has recently tested the world's first-ever active Laser Weapons System (LaWS)?**

1. UK
2. US
3. Japan
4. Australia
5. France

Answer – **2. US**

**Explanation :**

U.S. Navy recently tested the world's first-ever active Laser Weapons System (LaWS). It is \$40 million system which is currently deployed on board the USS Ponce amphibious transport ship in the Persian Gulf.

102. **The first-ever Save Public Sector Banks Day (SPSBD), was celebrated on which date in India?**

1. 19<sup>th</sup> July
2. 20<sup>th</sup> July
3. 21<sup>st</sup> July
4. 22<sup>nd</sup> July
5. 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Answer – **1. 19<sup>th</sup> July**

**Explanation :**

The United Forum of Bank Unions has decided to observe 19th July as 'Save public sector banks' day. It is the 48th anniversary of nationalisation of major PSU banks. The Government of India (GoI) issued an ordinance and nationalized the 14 largest commercial banks with effect from the midnight of July 19, 1969.

103. **On July 20, 2017, Mr. Ram Nath Kovind was elected as the \_\_\_\_\_ President of India.**

1. 13<sup>th</sup>
2. 14<sup>th</sup>
3. 15<sup>th</sup>
4. 16<sup>th</sup>
5. 17<sup>th</sup>

Answer – **2. 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Explanation :**

On July 20, 2017, BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) nominee Ram Nath Kovind was elected as the 14th President of India. Mr. Kovind defeated Opposition candidate and former Lok Sabha Speaker Meira Kumar.

**104. Which State Government has launched 'Janahitha', an integrated grievance redressal management system under which a call centre set up for the purpose will receive grievances from complainants in simpler forms such as an SMS, e-mail or a call?**

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Telangana
3. Odisha
4. Punjab
5. Haryana

**Answer – 2. Telangana**

**Explanation :**

Developed by the Telangana State Information Technology, E&C department, 'Janahitha', an integrated grievance redressal management system aims at expediting complaint resolution through continuous monitoring at a centralised cell. The portal also serves information on the various schemes the users could avail.

**105. On July 19, 2017, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced that it will shortly issue bank notes of denomination Rs \_\_\_\_\_ in Mahatma Gandhi series 2005.**

1. Rs. 5
2. Rs. 10
3. Rs. 20
4. Rs. 50
5. Rs. 100

**Answer – 3. Rs. 20**

**Explanation :**

The notes will be similar in design to those currently in circulation. The new notes will be bearing inset letter 'S' in the number panel and signature of Governor Urjit R Patel.

**106. Who among the following received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions as a parliamentarian in the Lok Sabha at a function organised by the Lokmat Media Group?**

1. Yashwant Sinha
2. L K Advani
3. Murli Manohar Joshi
4. Atal Bihari Vajpayee
5. Jaswant Singh

**Answer – 2. L K Advani**

**Explanation :**

On July 19, 2017, Veteran Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader L.K. Advani received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions as a parliamentarian in the Lok Sabha. The award was given by the Vice President Hamid Ansari at a function organised by the Lokmat Media Group to honour distinguished Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha members.

**107. Which state will have a first of its kind eco-friendly bridges over a canal cutting across the tiger corridor shared with the adjoining state?**

1. West Bengal
2. Karnataka
3. Rajasthan
4. Telangana

5.Assam

Answer – **4.Telangana**

**Explanation :**

In a first of its kind, Telangana State will have eco-friendly bridges over a canal cutting across the tiger corridor linking the Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve (TATR) in the Chandrapur district of Maharashtra with the forests in Telangana's Kumram Bheem Asifabad district.

**108. On July 21, 2017, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley formally launched Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY), a pension scheme exclusively for senior citizens (60 years and above) with \_\_\_\_% fixed rate of interest on their savings.**

1.7%

2.8%

3.9%

4.10%

5.11%

Answer – **2.8%**

**Explanation :**

Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India which has been given the sole privilege to operate this scheme started offering the scheme from May 4, 2017. The scheme will remain open till May 3, 2018. It can be purchased offline as well as online through Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India.

**109. On July 20, 2017, President Pranab Mukherjee inaugurated the 200th anniversary celebrations of the Paika Rebellion which broke out in 1817 in:**

1.Karnataka

2.Jharkhand

3.Madhya Pradesh

4.Assam

5.Odisha

Answer – **5.Odisha**

**Explanation :**

President congratulated the people of the country and especially those of Odisha on the occasion. He stated that 40 years before the revolt of 1857, a battle was fought under the leadership of Baxi Jagabandhu of Odisha. Many scholars, researchers and historians have opined that the Paika Rebellion of 1817 was India's first organized armed rebellion against British Raj.

**110. On July 20, 2017, markets regulator SEBI entered into a pact with which entity for exchange of information concerning Central Counter parties (CCPs)?**

1.European Securities and Markets Authority

2.North American Securities and Markets Authority

3.South American Securities and Markets Authority

4.Australian Securities and Markets Authority

5.African Securities and Markets Authority

Answer – **1.European Securities and Markets Authority**

**Explanation :**

Central counterparties are entities that help facilitate clearing and settlement activities. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between the Securities and

Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and European Securities and Markets Authority under the European Markets Infrastructure Regulation (EMIR).

**111. Which Russian city has been selected to host the 2022 World Short Course Swimming Championships?**

1. Vladivostok
2. Kazan
3. Nizhny
4. Sochi
5. Volgograd

Answer – **2. Kazan**

**Explanation :**

Russia and Hungary will host two future editions of the world championships in short-course swimming. As announced by Swimming's world governing body, FINA, Kazan will host in 2022 and Budapest in 2024. They beat bids from Hong Kong and Taipei City.

**112. The Chennai Open tennis tournament, India's only event in the ATP World Tour, will now be known as:**

1. Mumbai Open
2. Maharashtra Open
3. Delhi Open
4. Kolkata Open
5. West Bengal Open

Answer – **2. Maharashtra Open**

**Explanation :**

India's most celebrated tennis event, the ATP tournament which acquired heritage status as the 'Chennai Open', will now be held in Pune next year and would be henceforth called "Maharashtra Open". IMG-Reliance, the right holders of the tournament along with Government of Maharashtra and Maharashtra State Lawn Tennis Association (MSLTA), made an announcement on July 20, 2017.

**113. Who among the following has been appointed as the first female president of the UK Supreme Court?**

1. Lucy Davis
2. Elena Major
3. Patricia Cameroon
4. Brenda Hale
5. Laura Hawking

Answer – **4. Brenda Hale**

**Explanation :**

Lady Hale is a longstanding champion of diversity in the judiciary. Her appointment was announced on July 21, 2017, and she will take up the role on October 2, 2017, when she will be sworn in as president.

**114. Which bank has launched “Met Loan & Life Suraksha” (MLLS) for its customers, which is a single premium plan covering the loan liability of a customer?**

1. ICICI Bank
2. Karnataka Bank
3. HDFC Bank
4. Vijaya Bank
5. Syndicate Bank

Answer – **2. Karnataka Bank**

**Explanation :**

This new product will be available across all the 769 branches of the bank for its borrower clients. The bank also introduced ‘KBL MLLS’ app, which marks the celebration of 15 years of partnership with M/s PNB MetLife

**115. The Centre has accepted a proposal to set up an Aerospace University in the country. The recommendation for the same was made by a high-powered Expert Group headed by:**

1. B K Chaturvedi
2. L N Sanghvi
3. J P Madhok
4. B V Dholakia
5. L J Siddiqui

Answer – **1. B K Chaturvedi**

**Explanation :**

The Centre has accepted a proposal to set up an Aerospace University in the country. A high-powered Expert Group headed by former Cabinet Secretary B.K. Chaturvedi has made the recommendation for the same.

**116. Which country will host the fifth Global Conference on Cyber Space (GCCS) in November 2017?**

1. Russia
2. China
3. India
4. France
5. Israel

Answer – **3. India**

**Explanation :**

India will host the fifth Global Conference on Cyber Space (GCCS) in November 2017 and plans to invite stalwarts of the Indian IT industry for it. One of the largest cyber security conferences in the world, GCCS will be held in New Delhi.

**117. The Ministry of Rural Development will launch a new sub-scheme under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) which will be named as:**

1. Aajeevika Grameen Express Yojana
2. Aajeevika Grameen Sahayta Yojana
3. Aajeevika Grameen Kalyan Yojana
4. Atal Grameen Express Yojana
5. Deen Dayal Grameen Express Yojana

Answer – **1. Aajeevika Grameen Express Yojana**



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**Explanation :**

As mentioned by Minister of State for Rural Development, Ram Kripal Yadav the main objectives of Aajeevika Grameen Express Yojana are to provide an alternative source of livelihoods to members of Self Help Groups (SHGs) under DAY-NRLM by facilitating them to operate public transport services in backward rural areas.

**118. On July 22, 2017, Union Minister of State for Home, Kiren Rijiju inaugurated the Research Institution of World Ancient, Traditional, Culture & Heritage (RIWATCH) Museum in:**

1. Jharkhand
2. Arunachal Pradesh
3. Chattisgarh
4. Odisha
5. Andhra Pradesh

**Answer – 2. Arunachal Pradesh**

**Explanation :**

At the inauguration, Rijiju emphasised on documentation and research to preserve age-old culture and traditions of the state and exhorted people to shoulder the responsibility to pass on traditional and cultural values to the next generation.

**119. India has ranked \_\_\_\_\_ out of 152 countries on the inaugural “Commitment to Reducing Inequality Index” released by international NGO Oxfam in association with Developmental Finance International.**

1. 132<sup>nd</sup>
2. 127<sup>th</sup>
3. 122<sup>nd</sup>
4. 117<sup>th</sup>
5. 112<sup>th</sup>

**Answer – 1. 132<sup>nd</sup>**

**Explanation :**

Sweden topped the index while Nigeria took the bottom most spot. Among India's neighbouring countries, China's rank is 87; Pakistan fared worse than India at 146 while Bangladesh ranked at 148. While countries such as Sweden, Chile, Namibia and Uruguay have taken strong steps to reduce inequality, countries such as India and Nigeria do very badly overall.

**120. According to National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (NCSTRT) data compiled by the US state department, India is \_\_\_\_\_ on a list of countries that faced terror attacks in 2016.**

1. Second
2. Third
3. Fourth
4. Fifth
5. Sixth

**Answer – 2. Third**

**Explanation :**

According to National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (NCSTRT) data compiled by the US state department, India is third after Iraq and Afghanistan on a list of countries that faced terror attacks in 2016. Earlier, Pakistan held the third position.

**121. The government has extended the deadline till \_\_\_\_\_, for businesses to opt for composition scheme under the GST regime.**

1. July 31, 2017
2. August 16, 2017
3. August 31, 2017
4. September 16, 2017
5. September 30, 2017

Answer – **2. August 16, 2017**

**Explanation :**

Small businesses with turnover of up to Rs 75 lakh were earlier given time till July 21 to opt for the scheme in the Goods and Services Tax regime. To opt for composition scheme, the taxpayer needs to log into his account at the GST Portal <http://www.gst.gov.in>. They have to select 'Application to opt for the Composition Scheme' under 'Services' menu and then fill up the Form GST CMP-01 to opt for the scheme.

**122. India has launched its first petroleum Research & Development (R&D) facility for testing high-end BS-VI quality fuel emissions in:**

1. Faridabad in the National Capital Region (NCR)
2. Kandla, Gujarat
3. Ratnagiri, Maharashtra
4. Udipi, Karnataka
5. Kochi, Kerala

Answer – **1. Faridabad in the National Capital Region (NCR)**

**Explanation :**

The R&D facility is designed to test all types of fuel including petrol, diesel, ethanol-blended petrol, bio-diesel, CNG, LNG, hydrogen-CNG and 2G-ethanol blends. It will ensure to meet the superior BS-VI norms that are to be implemented across the country by April 2020.

**123. On July 23, 2017, Wi-Fi Local Area Network (LAN) was launched in the civil secretariat of which North Eastern State?**

1. Manipur
2. Tripura
3. Arunachal Pradesh
4. Sikkim
5. Nagaland

Answer – **3. Arunachal Pradesh**

**Explanation :**

The secured network can offer connections to up to 6000 employees and 500 visitors can access it at one go. The 157 access points installed across the secretariat premises would allow round the clock wifi access to officials and 8 hours per day to visitors.



124. On January 23, 2017, Meghalaya Chief Minister Mukul Sangma launched \_\_\_\_\_ at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Shillong.

1. 'Mission Cricket'
2. 'Mission Badminton'
3. 'Mission Tennis'
4. 'Mission Football'
5. 'Mission Wrestling'

Answer – **4. 'Mission Football'**

**Explanation :**

Mission Football is a project for developing a sustainable infrastructure for the sport in all the 11 districts of the state. The government is also seeking financial support from different sources including the North Eastern Council, Union ministry of sports and youth affairs, and funds under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR).

125. Which city will host the tenth edition of Urban Mobility India conference beginning November 4, 2017?

1. Varanasi
2. Hyderabad
3. Jaipur
4. Pune
5. Kolkata

Answer – **2. Hyderabad**

**Explanation :**

Urban Mobility India conference will be jointly organised by the Union Ministry of Urban Development and the Telangana Government. The theme of this year's conference is "intelligent, inclusive and sustainable mobility".

126. UR Rao, who passed away on July 24, 2017, was a renowned:

1. Film Director
2. Novel Writer
3. Space Scientist
4. Historian
5. Painter

Answer – **3. Space Scientist**

**Explanation :**

Internationally-renowned space scientist UR Rao passed away on July 24, 2017 due to age-related health issues. He was 85. He served as the chairman of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for about 10 years between 1984 to 1994.

127. Eighth edition of World Para Athletics Championships was held from 14<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2017 in:

1. Beijing, China
2. Moscow, Russia
3. London, UK
4. Paris, France
5. Berlin, Germany

Answer – **3. London, UK**

**Explanation :**

Eight edition of World Para Athletics Championships was organized by the World Para Athletics subcommittee of the International Paralympic Committee. Around 1,300

athletes from 100 countries participated in this championship, contesting at more than 200 medal events.

**128. On July 24, 2017, The Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2017, was introduced in Lok Sabha by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley. The bill seeks to amend which of the following act?**

1. Banking Regulation Act, 1949
2. Banking Regulation Act, 1951
3. Banking Regulation Act, 1961
4. Banking Regulation Act, 1965
5. Banking Regulation Act, 1991

Answer – **1. Banking Regulation Act, 1949**

**Explanation :**

This bill, popularly known as bad debt resolution or Non-performing assets (NPA) ordinance authorises Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to initiate insolvency resolution process on specific stressed assets. The bill also has a provision, which empowers RBI to issue other directions for resolution, appoint or approve for appointment, authorities or committees to advise the banking companies for stressed asset resolution.

**129. Kerala hosted a literary festival from July 24, 2017. The theme of this literary festival is:**

1. 'Tolerance'
2. 'Sustainable Development'
3. 'Inclusive Growth'
4. 'World Peace'
5. 'Healthy Living'

Answer – **1. 'Tolerance'**

**Explanation :**

Kerala is hosting a literary festival with 'tolerance' as the core theme. Creative writers, journalists, theatre and film personalities will deliberate on tolerance at the fifth edition of South India Writers Ensemble (SIWE), which is being held at Chengannur, a sleepy town in coastal Alappuza district, from July 24, 2017.

**130. The world's first full-scale floating wind farm has started to take shape off coast of:**

1. Sydney, Australia
2. Cape Town, South Africa
3. Scotland, UK
4. Goa, India
5. Colombo, Sri Lanka

Answer – **3. Scotland, UK**

**Explanation :**

The revolutionary technology will allow wind power to be harvested in waters too deep for the current conventional bottom-standing turbines. Manufacturer Statoil says output from the turbines is expected to equal or surpass generation from current ones.

131. Which online portal has been launched by Women and Child Development (WCD) ministry to enable women employees of the central government to file complaints related to sexual harassment at the workplace?

- 1.SHE-Power
- 2.Fem-Power
- 3.SHE-Protect
- 4.SHe-box
- 5.Fem-box

Answer – **4.SHe-box**

**Explanation :**

The decision to host an online platform for sexual harassment cases was taken by the WCD ministry last October after the minister received complaints from women employees in various ministries.

132. Which country won ICC Women World Cup 2017 by defeating India in final match?

- 1.England
- 2.West Indies
- 3.Australia
- 4.South Africa
- 5.Pakistan

Answer – **1.England**

**Explanation :**

Final match of ICC Women World Cup 2017 was held at Lord's Cricket Ground at London. England women cricket team won the finals defeating India by 9 runs. Anya Shrubsole of England won the *player-of-the-match* award for her six wickets.

133. Government has formed 3-member ministerial panel headed by \_\_\_\_\_to oversee and precipitate the sale of government stake in HPCL to ONGC.

- 1.Arun Jaitley
- 2.Nitin Gadkari
- 3.Sushma Swaraj
- 4.Raj Nath Singh
- 5.Venkaiah Naidu

Answer – **1.Arun Jaitley**

**Explanation :**

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley will head a 3-member ministerial panel to oversee and precipitate the sale of government stake in oil refiner HPCL to explorer ONGC.Pradhan and Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari will be part of the ministerial panel.

134. On July 24, 2017, Government introduced in the Lok Sabha, Central Road Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2017, which seeks to amend the Central Road Fund Act, 2000, to allocate \_\_\_\_ % of the proceeds of Central Road Fund for development and maintenance of National Waterways.

- 1.1%
- 2.1.5%
- 3.2%
- 4.2.5%

5.3%

Answer – **4.2.5%**

**Explanation :**

Central Road Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was moved by Minister of State for Shipping Pon Radhakrishnan in absence of Shipping Minister Nitin Gadkari. The bill seeks to amend the Central Road Fund Act, 2000, to allocate 2.5 per cent of the proceeds of CRF for development and maintenance of NWs and a reduction in the share provided for development of National Highways.

**135. President of which country has declared his government's total independence from World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF)?**

- 1.Peru
- 2.Bolivia
- 3.Chile
- 4.Argentina
- 5.Ecuador

Answer – **2.Bolivia**

**Explanation :**

Some of Bolivia's largest resistance struggles in the last 60 years have targeted the economic policies carried out by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Most of the protests focused on opposing privatization policies and austerity measures, including cuts to public services, privatization decrees, wage reductions, as well the weakening of labor rights.

**136. Which bank has recently launched a Multi-currency Forex Card for overseas travellers?**

- 1.Standard Chartered Bank
- 2.HSBC Bank
- 3.Corporation Bank
- 4.State Bank of India
- 5.IDFC Bank

Answer – **1.Standard Chartered Bank**

**Explanation :**

Standard Chartered's Multi-currency Forex Card will allow customers the convenience of loading up to 20 widely used currencies on one card with an online reload facility during overseas travel.

**137. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has said it is banning the use of stapler pins in tea bags with effect from:**

- 1.September 1, 2017
- 2.October 1, 2017
- 3.November 1, 2017
- 4.December 1, 2017
- 5.January 1, 2018

Answer – **5.January 1, 2018**

**Explanation :**

FSSAI has said, the use of stapler pins in tea bags poses potential hazard to consumers since any loose staple pin consumed inadvertently with tea may cause a serious health hazard.

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138. 'Kargil Vijay Diwas' is celebrated on which date in India?

1. 24<sup>th</sup> July
2. 25<sup>th</sup> July
3. 26<sup>th</sup> July
4. 27<sup>th</sup> July
5. 28<sup>th</sup> July

Answer – **3. 26<sup>th</sup> July**

**Explanation :**

Kargil Vijay Diwas is celebrated on 26 July, to commemorate India's emphatic victory against Pakistan and to honor the war heroes. On the occasion, Defence Minister Arun Jaitley and three Chiefs of Services paid tribute to the soldiers who lost their lives in the Kargil War at Amar Jawan Jyoti, India Gate.

139. What was the theme of 2017 BRICS Youth Forum that opened in Beijing, China on July 25, 2017?

1. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Youth Development"
2. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Sustainable Development"
3. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Inclusive Growth"
4. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Youth Employment"
5. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Youth Interaction"

Answer – **1. "Enhance BRICS Partnership, Promote Youth Development"**

**Explanation :**

2017 BRICS Youth Forum opened in Beijing, China on July 25, 2017, to discuss youth development in the BRICS member-nations viz. Brazil Russia, India, China and South Africa. The three-day forum gathered 50 youth representatives working as civil servants, scholars, entrepreneurs, artists and journalists from BRICS countries.

140. As per 'Global Infrastructure Outlook' released by Global Infrastructure Hub (GIH), India will need investments to the tune of around USD \_\_\_\_\_ trillion till 2040 to develop infrastructure to improve economic growth and community wellbeing.

1. 1.5 trillion
2. 2.5 trillion
3. 3.5 trillion
4. 4.5 trillion
5. 5.5 trillion

Answer – **4. 4.5 trillion**

**Explanation :**

As per the report, rising income levels and economic prosperity is likely to drive significant demand for infrastructure investment in India over the next 25 years. Taking sustainable development goals (SDGs) into account, it is predicted that India will need additional USD 888 billion by 2030 to provide universal household access to electricity and water.

**141. Which among the following will become India's first metro to have its own FM radio station, which will provide entertainment and information on metro safety?**

1. Lucknow Metro
2. Delhi Metro
3. Noida Metro
4. Kochi Metro
5. Chennai Metro

Answer – **1. Lucknow Metro**

**Explanation :**

Lucknow Metro will also offer travellers with 'Go Smart' cards drinking water, toilet facilities and WiFi free of charge. An official of Lucknow Metro said, "Other metro stations earn revenue from these facilities but we will give these services to public free."

**142. Maharashtra Women Commission will ink an agreement with which entity for rescue and rehabilitation of women who are victims of sex trafficking, acid attack and domestic violence?**

1. Amnesty International
2. All India Federation of Women Lawyers
3. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
4. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
5. International Council of Women

Answer – **4. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

**Explanation :**

Vijaya Rahatkar, chairperson of the Maharashtra State Commission for Women (MSCW) said, under the pact, one of the key areas would be to impart skills to the affected women so as to help them sustain themselves financially.

**143. Which among the following has become the first state in the country to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with a global diagnostic firm, FIND, to help it diagnose and then properly treat hepatitis C?**

1. Punjab
2. Kerala
3. Odisha
4. Assam
5. Goa

Answer – **1. Punjab**

**Explanation :**

Hepatitis is a viral disease that causes inflammation of the liver, further leading to serious scarring (cirrhosis), which can prove fatal in the long run. Under the agreement with the Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics (FIND), the agency will support the Punjab health department by providing Rapid Test kits for screening of high-risk patients for diseases like HIV, IVDU (Intravenous Drug Users) patients and patients of IVDU coming to Oral Substitution Therapy (OST) centres for hepatitis C.

144. As per Agricultural Outlook 2017-2026 report released by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation (OECD), India is the world's \_\_\_\_\_ biggest exporter of beef and is projected to hold on to that position over the next decade.

1. Third biggest
2. Fourth biggest
3. Fifth biggest
4. Sixth biggest
5. Seventh biggest

Answer – **1. Third biggest**

**Explanation :**

As per the report, India exported 1.56 million tonnes of beef last year and is expected to maintain its position as the third-largest beef exporter over the next decade. It has been estimated that India will export 1.93 tonnes beef in 2026 which will account for 16% of global beef exports.

145. Which Indian woman cricketer was felicitated by Mohun Bagan at their annual awards ceremony?

1. Mithali Raj
2. Jhulan Goswami
3. Harmanpreet Kaur
4. Sheekha Pandey
5. Veda Krishnamurthy

Answer – **2. Jhulan Goswami**

**Explanation :**

Kolkata-based football club Mohun Bagan conferred prestigious Mohun Bagan Ratna award on former club captain and coach Subrata Bhattacharya, while Indian Women's cricket team veteran pacer Jhulan Goswami was given a special award at the club's annual day programme in Kolkata on July 29, 2017.

146. Who among the following has been selected to be the interim 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 :**

The decision was made by former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif during an informal consultative meeting of the party. Abbasi would serve as the chief executive of Pakistan for 45 days.

147. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed an unmanned, remotely operated tank named:

1. 'Alpha'
2. 'Muntra'
3. 'Rudra'
4. 'Vraj'
5. 'Trishul'



Answer – **2. 'Muntra'**

**Explanation :**

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed an unmanned, remotely operated tank named 'Muntra' which has three variants – surveillance, mine detection and reconnaissance in areas with nuclear and bio threats.

**148. On July 27, 2017, who among the following inaugurated APJ Abdul Kalam's memorial in Rameshwaram in Tamil Nadu on the second death anniversary of the former president?**

1. President Ram Nath Kovind
2. Vice President Hamid Ansari
3. Prime Minister Narendra Modi
4. Home Minister Rajnath Singh
5. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister K Palaniswami

Answer – **3. Prime Minister Narendra Modi**

**Explanation :**

The memorial has been designed and built by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). It has been build at a cost of Rs. 20 crore and blends Mughal and Indian architecture.

**149. Which among the following metro service has announced the launch of India's first Mobile Ticketing System 'OnGo'?**

1. Kochi Metro
2. Noida Metro
3. Chennai Metro
4. Delhi Metro
5. Mumbai Metro

Answer – **5. Mumbai Metro**

**Explanation :**

On July 26, 2017, Mumbai Metro announced the launch of India's first Mobile Ticketing System 'OnGo' which will help commuters pass the gates using their mobile phones. The system is in the final advanced stage of testing and will be implemented by mid-August.

**150. Global food standard-setting body Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) adopted Codex standard for which spice at its recent meeting in Geneva, Switzerland?**

1. Black Pepper
2. Green Pepper
3. Thyme
4. Cumin
5. All of the above

Answer – **5. All of the above**

**Explanation :**

Global food standard-setting body Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) adopted three Codex standards for black, white and green pepper, cumin and thyme paving the way for a universal agreement on identifying quality spices in various countries. These three Codex standards were adopted at CAC's recent meeting in Geneva, Switzerland.

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151. On July 22, 2017, which country sent its first uranium shipment to India for testing purposes ahead of possible commercial sales?

1. Australia
2. France
3. Germany
4. Israel
5. US

Answer – **1. Australia**

**Explanation :**

Australia has sent its first uranium shipment to India for testing purposes ahead of possible commercial sales. This comes after India and Australia signed an agreement for civil nuclear cooperation in 2014 to meet India's growing energy needs. This is a first of its kind agreement as India is not a party to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

152. On July 27, 2017, Janata Dal (United) President, Nitish Kumar took oath as Chief Minister of Bihar for \_\_\_\_\_ time.

1. 5<sup>th</sup> time
2. 6<sup>th</sup> time
3. 7<sup>th</sup> time
4. 8<sup>th</sup> time
5. 9<sup>th</sup> time

Answer – **2. 6<sup>th</sup> time**

**Explanation :**

Ending the grand alliance between his party, Congress and Lalu Prasad Yadav's Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD), Nitish Kumar will now form the new government with the support of BJP-led NDA. Senior Bihar BJP leader Sushil Kumar Modi also took oath as Deputy Chief Minister.

153. On July 27, 2017, Government launched which apps for dissemination of earthquake parameters to the user community in timely manner for their safety?

1. 'India Sandesh'
2. 'India Quake'
3. 'India Tectonic'
4. 'India Richter'
5. 'India Quatrz'

Answer – **2. 'India Quake'**

**Explanation :**

The government has launched two Mobile apps – 'India Quake' for dissemination of earthquake parameters to the user community in timely manner for their safety. Developed by the National Centre for Seismology (NCS), the 'India Quake' will automatically disseminate relevant parameter (location, time and magnitude) after the occurrence of earthquakes.

**154. N. Dharam Singh, who passed away on July 27, 2017, was former Chief**

**Minister of:**

1. Uttar Pradesh
2. Punjab
3. Haryana
4. Karnataka
5. Madhya Pradesh

**Answer – 4. Karnataka**

**Explanation :**

Mr. Singh was the 17th Chief Minister of Karnataka. He headed the Congress-Janata Dal (Secular) coalition government from May 2004 to February 2006. Born on December 25, 1936 at Nelogi village of Jewargi taluk in Kalaburagi district, Mr. Singh represented the Karnataka Legislative Assembly seven times without a defeat and was a member of the Lok Sabha from the Bidar constituency since 2009.

**155. Cabinet has raised the annual investment limit in Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) from 500 gm to how much quantity per individual?**

1. 2 kg
2. 3 kg
3. 4 kg
4. 5 kg
5. 6 kg

**Answer – 3.4 kg**

**Explanation :**

The investment limit per fiscal year has been increased to 4 kg for individuals, 4 kg for Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) and 20 kg for trusts and similar entities notified by the government from time to time. The ceiling will be counted on financial year basis and will include the SGBs purchased during trading in the secondary market.

**156. On July 27, 2017, Lok Sabha passed Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2016, a bill to amend the Companies Act, 2013. As per this amendment bill, threshold for the easy compliance scheme has been raised to Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ from Rs 20 crore.**

1. Rs 100 crore
2. Rs 200 crore
3. Rs 300 crore
4. Rs 400 crore
5. Rs 500 crore

**Answer – 1. Rs 100 crore**

**Explanation :**

On July 27, 2017, Lok Sabha passed Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2016, a bill to amend the Companies Act, 2013, seeking to strengthen corporate governance standards, initiate strict action against defaulting companies and help improve the ease of doing business in India

**157. Which Indian city has ranked 40<sup>th</sup> out of 50 cities on Women Entrepreneur (WE) Cities Index 2017 that ranks cities in terms of its ability to attract and foster growth of women-owned firms?**

1. Mumbai
2. Delhi
3. Bengaluru
4. Chennai
5. Ahmedabad

Answer – **3. Bengaluru**

**Explanation :**

Besides Bengaluru, the only other Indian city in the top 50 list is Delhi at 49th spot. New York topped the list, followed by Bay Area (US), London (UK), Boston (US) and Stockholm (Sweden).

**158. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has informed that Supervisory Colleges have been setup for six Scheduled Commercial Banks which have sizeable international presence. Which among the following banks are among these six banks?**

1. ICICI Bank and Axis Bank
2. Bank of Baroda
3. Punjab National Bank
4. State Bank of India and Bank of India
5. All of the above

Answer – **5. All of the above**

**Explanation :**

The objectives of the colleges are to enhance information exchange and cooperation among supervisors, to improve understanding of the risk profile of the banking group and thereby facilitate more effective supervision of internationally active banks.

**159. On July 27, 2017, which country successfully launched a satellite-carrying rocket 'Simorgh' into space?**

1. Iran
2. Lebanon
3. Israel
4. Egypt
5. Algeria

Answer – **1. Iran**

**Explanation :**

"Simorgh" means "phoenix" in Farsi. "Simorgh" rocket is capable of carrying a satellite weighing 250 kilograms (550 pounds). The launch took place at the Imam Khomeini National Space Station in Semnan, 220 kilometers (138 miles) east of Tehran.

**160. What was the theme of 'World Hepatitis Day' 2017, observed on July 28, 2017?**

1. "Hepatitis & Modern Medicine"
2. "Eliminate Hepatitis"
3. "No Hepatitis – 2020"
4. "Towards Hepatitis Free World"
5. "Hepatitis Pre-emptive Care"

Answer – **2. "Eliminate Hepatitis"**

**Explanation :**

World Hepatitis Day is observed on 28<sup>th</sup> July every year. Viral hepatitis is one of the leading causes of death globally, accounting for 1.34 million deaths per year, that's as many as HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis or malaria. Together, hepatitis B virus and hepatitis C cause 80% of liver cancer cases in the world.

**161. 7th edition of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Artists Camp and Exhibition of Paintings begun on July 29, 2017, in:**

1. Dhaka, Bangladesh
2. New Delhi, India
3. Colombo, Sri Lanka
4. Islamabad, Pakistan
5. Kathmandu, Nepal

Answer – **5. Kathmandu, Nepal**

**Explanation :**

Around 40 artists from SAARC member countries except Afghanistan are taking part in the 4 day camp. Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation of Nepal, Jitendra Narayan Dev inaugurated the event.

**162. Canara Bank has launched its first 'Digital Banking Branch' titled 'CANDI' in:**

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

Answer – **1. Bengaluru**

**Explanation :**

'CANDI' will provide an end-to-end digital experience to customers. The most attractive feature of the Digital Branch is a humanoid robot that addresses basic queries of customers on banking products and services. This is a first-of-its kind initiative by a public sector bank in the country.

**163. Who among the following is among the six winners of Ramon Magsaysay Award 2017?**

1. Gethsie Shanmugam
2. Abdon Nababan
3. Tony Tay
4. Ms. Lilia de Lima
5. All of these

Answer – **5. All of the these**

**Explanation :**

The Ramon Magsaysay Award is an annual award named after former Philippine President Ramon Magsaysay. It is regarded as Asia's version of the Nobel Prize and was first awarded in the year 1958.

164. Which country has successfully produced natural gas from methane hydrate, also known as “flammable ice”, in an experimental project?

1. Japan
2. China
3. South Korea
4. France
5. Germany

Answer – **2. China**

**Explanation :**

This experimental project was conducted by China in the South China Sea. Flammable ice consists of methane trapped within water crystals, and has been identified as a potential new gas source for China, with the South China Sea thought to contain some of the world’s most promising deposits.

165. Who among the following Indian boxers have won Gold medal at 48th Grand Prix Usti Nad Labem?

1. Shiva Thapa
2. Manoj Kumar
3. Amit Phangal
4. Gaurav Bidhuri
5. All of the above

Answer – **5. All of the above**

**Explanation :**

At the 48th Grand Prix Usti Nad Labem, Shiva Thapa (60kg), former Commonwealth Games gold-medallist Manoj Kumar (69kg), Amit Phangal (52kg), Gaurav Bidhuri (56kg) and Satish Kumar (+91kg) claimed gold medals after winning their respective summit clashes.

166. On July 31, 2017, Central Government launched ‘Swachh Survekshan-2018’ to rank cities and towns of India based on infrastructure development for improved sanitation services and their sustainability, outcomes, citizen connect and visible impact on ground. How many cities and towns will be covered under this survey?

1. 2041
2. 3041
3. 4041
4. 5041
5. 6041

Answer – **3. 4041**

**Explanation :**

On July 31, 2017, Minister of Housing & Urban Affairs, Narendra Singh Tomar launched the survey, the third in the series and released a comprehensive Survey Tool Kit, explaining the methodology, weightage and new features and thrust areas that helps cities and towns prepare for the field survey over the next six months.



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**167. A nearly 500m (1,640ft) bridge for hikers billed as the longest hanging pedestrian bridge in the world has opened near which town of Switzerland?**

1. Basel
2. Zermatt
3. Bern
4. Geneva
5. Zurich

**Answer – 2. Zermatt**

**Explanation :**

The 494m bridge, named the Europabrücke (Europe Bridge), hangs up to 85m above the Grabengufer ravine. The Zermatt Tourist Board says it is the world's longest, although a 405m bridge in Reutte in Austria hangs 110m higher above the ground.

**168. Which typhoon affected China's eastern Fujian Province on July 30, 2017?**

1. Typhoon Niana
2. Typhoon Chan
3. Typhoon Ming
4. Typhoon Haitang
5. Typhoon Lui

**Answer – 4. Typhoon Haitang**

**Explanation :**

Over 2 lakh people were evacuated after Typhoon Haitang struck China's eastern Fujian Province with incessant rain battering different parts of the region. Typhoon Haitang, the 10th typhoon this year, made landfall on July 30, 2017 in Pingtung on the island of Taiwan.

**169. Who among the following Formula 1 driver has won Hungarian Grand Prix?**

1. Lewis Hamilton
2. Sebastian Vettel
3. Nico Rosberg
4. Daniel Ricciardo
5. Valtteri Bottas

**Answer – 2. Sebastian Vettel**

**Explanation :**

Sebastian Vettel has won Hungarian Grand Prix. He took the checkered flag 0.9 seconds ahead of Raikkonen on July 30, 2017. This is his fourth win of the season and 46th of his Formula One career. The last Ferrari driver to win from pole position in Hungary was Vettel's compatriot Michael Schumacher, who was dominant in 2004 and went on to win his seventh



170. India won how many medals at the Jordan Junior and Cadet Open table tennis tournament?

- 1.20
- 2.24
- 3.28
- 4.32
- 5.36

Answer – **2.24**

**Explanation :**

India's medal tally includes 7 Gold, 7 Silver and 10 Bronze medals. In the event, India was the second best finishers. The event was held in Amman the capital of Jordan.

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