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NOTE: This file contains the most important 'Question-Answer' points pertaining to the current affairs news from October 2023 – March 2024. It will be beneficial for the General Awareness (GA/GK) section of the upcoming **IDBI - JAM PGDBF 2024** exam.

1. In March 2024, Tata Power Solar Systems Limited (TPSSL) renewed its partnership with which lender to provide financing solutions for residential customers, in-line with the Government's PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana?

Answer: Union Bank of India

2. Which lender launched the 'Smart Choice Gold Loan' for customers in March 2024?

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank

3. Which company has recently (March 2024) received the final authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as a payment aggregator for its payment gateway brand, "CCAvenue"?

Answer: Infibeam Avenues

4. Alok Rungta has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of which life insurance house?

Answer: Future Generali India Life Insurance

5. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has unveiled its first skill development initiative "Project Odiserv" in Sambalpur, Odisha in collaboration with _____.

Answer: Bajaj Finserv

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6. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently (March 2024) inaugurated India's first underwater metro train service in Kolkata. The metro tunnel has been built under which river?

Answer: Hooghly River

7. Recently (March 2024), Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Sukhu announced the "Indira Gandhi Pyari Behna Sukh Samman Nidhi Yojna." The scheme provides a monthly stipend of Rs.1,500 to women aged between _____.

Answer: 18 to 60

8. India's 1st Dolphin Research Centre is based in which city?

Answer: Patna

9. Who has become the first woman sniper in the Border Security Force (BSF)?

Answer: Suman Kumari

10. Which country has become the first country in the world to enshrine abortion rights in its constitution?

Answer: France

11. Which public sector undertaking has bagged a power plant engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) order of over Rs 9,500 crore from NTPC Limited in March 2024?

Answer: Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)

12. Name the state government that has recently (March 2024) launched the "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyami Vikas Abhiyan (MYUVA)" to nurture entrepreneurship among the state's youth.

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

13. India's unemployment rate has declined to how much percent in 2023 from 3.6 percent in 2022, as per the latest employment-unemployment indicators report released by the National Statistical Office (NSO)?

Answer: 3.1 percent

14. Recently (March 2024), Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated how many centres of Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET) established across India?

Answer: Three

15. Which University has topped the medal tally of the Khelo India University Games 2023 with a total of 71 medals?

Answer: Chandigarh University

16. In March 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated India's first indigenous Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR) (500 MWe) in which state?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

17. Bengali translation 'Staliner Divan', authored by _____, has won the Romain Rolland Book Prize 2024.

Answer: Pankaj Kumar Chatterjee

18. The Swachhata Green Leaf Rating (SGLR) initiative has been introduced by the Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation in collaboration with which Union Ministry of India?

Answer: Ministry of Tourism

19. As per the latest data from the World Poverty Clock, the number of people living in extreme poverty in India has decreased to approximately ____ in 2024 from 4.69 crore in 2022.

Answer: 3.44 crore

20. Which team has won Season 10 of the Pro Kabaddi League?

Answer: Puneri Paltan

21. Name the country that has successfully launched the "Pars-I" remote sensing and imaging satellite into orbit from Russia.

Answer: Iran

22. Who has been honoured with 'India-UK Achievers' awards in March 2024?

Answer: Zoya Akhtar and Asma Khan

23. In March 2024, Ministry of Panchayati Raj organized the Two-Day Regional Conference on Strengthening of PESA in which city?

Answer: Ranchi

24. Recently (March 2024), the Defence Ministry signed a contract for the procurement of BrahMos missiles with BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (BAPL) at a cost of _____.

Answer: Rs.19,518.65 crore

25. Which Indian Naval Ship has participated in the third edition of Exercise Samudra Laksamana off Visakhapatnam?

Answer: INS Kiltan

26. NPCI International Payments has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which country's Eurobank S.A. to enhance cross-border UPI payments?

Answer: Greece

27. Name the automobile company that has joined hands with Union Bank of India for dealer financing solutions.

Answer: Maruti Suzuki

28. Which fintech company has introduced a new feature on its platform, 'Pocket UPI' to facilitate payments without linking to bank account?

Answer: MobiKwik

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29. Who has been awarded the Maharashtra Bhushan Award 2024?

Answer: Pradeep Mahajan

30. Who has been elected as the Prime Minister of Pakistan?

Answer: Shehbaz Sharif

31. In March 2024, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the 60T bollard pull tug named 'Ocean Grace' and the Medical Mobile Unit (MMU). The Ocean Grace is the first make in India ASTDS Tug developed by which company?

Answer: Cochin Shipyard Limited

32. In March 2024, Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the National Urban Cooperative Finance and Development Corporation Limited (NUCFDC) in which city?

Answer: New Delhi

33. The Union Cabinet has approved the establishment of International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) with headquarters in India. How much one-time budgetary support has been approved for this purpose?

Answer: Rs.150 crore

34. _____ has become the first Spanish-speaking nation to officially recognize the Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP) or Indian Pharma standards?

Answer: Nicaragua

35. 'Tawi Festival' is observed annually in _____.

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

36. The Ministry of Jal Shakti has signed an agreement with 12 technical education institutions for basin management of how many rivers?

Answer: Six

37. Coal India Limited (CIL) and which entity have inked a joint venture agreement (JVA) to set up an ammonium nitrate plant through surface coal gasification (SCG) technology route?

Answer: BHEL

38. Who has been appointed as the CEO of the World Gold Council for India?

Answer: Sachin Jain

39. World Wildlife Day (WWD) is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 3rd March

➤ **Important Days of March 2024:**

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Civil Defence Day	1 st March	Honor Heroes and Promote Safety Skills
Zero Discrimination Day	1 st March	To protect everyone's health, protect everyone's
Civil Accounts Day	1 st March	
World Hearing Day	3 rd March	Changing mindsets: Let's make ear and hearing care a reality for all!
World Wildlife Day (WWD)	3 rd March	Connecting People and Planet: Exploring Digital Innovation in Wildlife Conservation
Birth Defect Day	3 rd March	
National Birth Defect Awareness Month 2024		Breaking Barriers: inclusive support for children with birth defect
World Obesity Day	4 th March	Let's Talk About Obesity And...
National Safety Day	4 th March	
World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation	4 th March	
National Security Day	4 th March	
National Safety Week	4 th to 10 th March	Focus on Safety Leadership for ESG Excellence
International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness	5 th March	
Jan Aushadhi Diwas	7 th March	
Jan Aushadhi Diwas week	1 st March to 7 th March	

40. Reliance Foundation has introduced an innovative animal rescue, conservation, and rehabilitation programme. What is the name of the programme?

Answer: Vantara

41. Which state government has launched the Chief Minister's Universal Life Insurance Scheme to mitigate financial hardship caused by untimely demise?

Answer: Nagaland

42. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone for the Indian Space Research Organization's (ISRO) second spaceport in which state?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

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43. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has flagged off India's first indigenously built hydrogen fuel cell ferry boat in virtual mode. The vessel has been manufactured by which company?

Answer: Cochin Shipyard Limited

44. The Central Economic Intelligence Bureau (CEIB) has launched the "Automated Search Portal" to assist public sector banks with antecedent verification of prospective borrowers and non-performing assets in collaboration with which lender?

Answer: State Bank of India

45. The Bihar Startup Fund Trust (BSFT) has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which financial organization to boost the startup ecosystem?

Answer: SIDBI

46. Name the Indian economist that has been appointed as the new Director of the Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) of the World Bank's Global Environment Facility (GEF).

Answer: Geeta Batra

47. In the BWF Para Badminton World Championships 2024, India won ____ gold, ____ silver, and ____ bronze medals.

Answer: 3;4;11

48. Feleti Teo has been appointed as the Prime Minister of which country in February 2024?

Answer: Tuvalu

49. Adani Defence has inaugurated India's first ammunition and missile manufacturing complex in which place?

Answer: Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh

50. The world's third-largest mosque has been inaugurated in which country?

Answer: Algeria

51. National Science Day is observed annually on 28th February. What is the theme of National Science Day 2024?

Answer: Indigenous Technology for Viksit Bharat

52. Which Union Ministry of India has launched the 'NaViGate Bharat' portal?

Answer: Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

53. SECI has commissioned India's largest Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in which state?

Answer: Chhattisgarh

54. _____ has become the first Asian country to ratify a convention to end workplace violence and harassment?

Answer: Philippine

55. At the 14th Annual Aegis Graham Bell Awards, which entity has bagged 3 awards in the categories of 'Innovation on Telecom', 'Innovation in the Social Good', and 'Innovation in AI'?

Answer: C-DOT

56. SJVN Limited has signed a Power Usage Agreement (PUA) with Jammu & Kashmir Power Corporation Limited (JKPCL) to supply how many megawatts of Solar Power capacity to JKPCL from the under-construction 1,000 MW Bikaner Solar Power Project in Rajasthan?

Answer: 300 MW

57. NICDC Limited has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which institute to determine the best locations for establishing Greenfield Industrial Smart Cities across India by using PM GatiShakti?

Answer: IIT Delhi

58. Recently (February 2024), Union Minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar launched 'Investor Information and Analytics Platform'. This platform is developed by _____.

Answer: IIT Madras

59. In the Asia Cup 2024 archery stage-1 tournament, India won _____ medals.

Answer: 14

60. Who has won the Goodfellow Classic 2024 squash tournament?

Answer: Abhay Singh

61. Which two nations have formally joined the World Trade Organization (WTO) during the 13th Ministerial Conference of WTO in Abu Dhabi?

Answer: Comoros and Timor-Leste

62. In February 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the statue of Sant Guru Ravidas in which place?

Answer: Varanasi

63. Who is the author of a book titled "The Great Flap of 1942: How the Raj Panicked over a Japanese Non-invasion"?

Answer: Mukund Padmanabhan

64. Kalyani Steel has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which state government to set up a manufacturing facility with an investment of Rs.11,750 crore?

Answer: Odisha

65. Identify the fintech firm that has launched a mobile application store for consumers in India called 'Indus Appstore'.

Answer: PhonePe

66. Recently (February 2024), PFRDA notified amendments to National Pension System Trust (NPST) and Pension Fund Regulations for Good Governance. These amendments are in line with the announcement made in which Union Budget?

Answer: Union Budget 2023-24

67. Name the fintech startup that has recently (February 2024) partnered with five Indian banks to introduce an innovative virtual, cardless, and hardware-less cash withdrawal service.

Answer: Paymart

68. Ghazal singer Pankaj Udhas passed away recently (February 2024). He was awarded Padma Shri, India's fourth highest civilian award, in which year?

Answer: 2006

69. The 'Bharat Tex 2024', one of the largest-ever global textile events, has been organized in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

70. India's first 'Gati Shakti Research Chair' will be established at which Indian Institute of Management (IIM)?

Answer: Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Shillong

71. What is the venue of the first 'Maharashtra MSME Defence Expo 2024'?

Answer: Pune, Maharashtra

72. Which edition of Joint Military Exercise 'DHARMA GUARDIAN' between the Indian Army and the Japan Ground Self Defence Force has been commenced in Rajasthan?

Answer: 5th

73. Recently (February 2024), Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Institute of Naturopathy named 'Nisarg Gram' in which place?

Answer: Pune, Maharashtra

74. Which cricketer has become the fastest batter to score 10,000 runs in T20 cricket in February 2024?

Answer: Babar Azam

75. Researchers have discovered the world's largest snake in which region in February 2024?

Answer: Amazon Rainforest

76. NTPC Limited will set up India's largest green hydrogen production facility in which state?

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

77. In February 2024, the Cabinet approved an amendment in the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy for the space sector. As per the new policy, how much FDI will be allowed under Automatic route for Satellites-Manufacturing & Operation, Satellite Data Products and Ground Segment & User Segment?

Answer: 74%

78. A multinational peacekeeping exercise 'Shanti Prayas Exercise IV' is co-hosted by which countries?

Answer: Nepal & USA

79. The mascot of the 4th edition of the Khelo India University Games (KIUG) 2023 is named '_____.'

Answer: Ashtalakshmi

80. A 8-year-old _____ has become the youngest player to defeat a grandmaster in a classical chess match and has surpassed the previous record set by Leonid Ivanovic.

Answer: Ashwath Kaushik

81. Shashi Tharoor has been awarded which country's highest civilian honour 'Chevalier de la Legion d'honneur' in February 2024?

Answer: France

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82. In February 2024, Tech Mahindra acquired ____ stake in Orchid Cybertech Services (OCSI) through a wholly owned subsidiary.

Answer: 100%

83. In February 2024, Which edition of Raisina Dialogue was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi?

Answer: 9th

84. _____ in collaboration with MeitY and iCreate, has planned to launch the IMPEL AI program in order to catalyze AI startups in India.

Answer: Microsoft

85. Tripura has launched a universal health insurance scheme named 'Chief Minister's Jan Arogya Yojana (CM-JAY)'. How much annual insurance coverage does this scheme provide per family?

Answer: Rs.5 lakh

86. Identify the public sector bank from the given options that has recently (February 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA) to co-finance renewable energy projects?

Answer: Punjab National Bank

87. The INDUS-X Summit has been organized in which Indian city in February 2024?

Answer: New Delhi

88. The Indian Air Force has conducted 'Exercise Vayu Shakti-24' in which place?

Answer: Jaisalmer, Rajasthan

89. What is the theme of World Day of Social Justice 2024?

Answer: Bridging Gaps, Building Alliances

➤ **Important Days of February 2024:**

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Central Excise Day	24 th February		
National Protein Day	27 th February	Solve with Protein	The day was first observed in 2020.
World NGO Day	27 th February		
National Science Day	28 th February	Indigenous Technology for Viksit Bharat	
Rare Disease Day	Last day of February (29 th February 2024)	Share Your Colours	

90. India's women's badminton team has defeated which country to win the 2024 Badminton Asia Team Championship title in Malaysia?

Answer: Thailand

91. Name the country that has launched a new surface-to-sea missile 'Padasuri-6'.

Answer: North Korea

92. Which Indian city hosted the 11th International Puppet Festival?

Answer: Chandigarh

93. Deputy national security adviser Vikram Misri has represented India at the 6th regional dialogue of officials of security councils and national security advisers on Afghanistan held in _____.

Answer: Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

94. Sora' is a new Generative AI model which can convert text prompt into video. It is developed by which company?

Answer: OpenAI

95. A special programme for school children called "Young Scientist Programme" "YUva Vigyani Karyakram" (YUVIKA) 2024 has been organized by _____.

Answer: Indian Space Research Organisation

96. Arunachal Pradesh has achieved 100 percent saturation in 'Har Ghar Jal' scheme under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM). With this, the state has become the _____ in the northeast and _____ state in India to achieve a 100% saturation under JJM.

Answer: First; Tenth

97. As per the latest statistics from the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), which state has the highest number of public EV (electric vehicle) charging stations in India?

Answer: Karnataka

98. In February 2024, SIDBI released the CRISIL's impact assessment report of the Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS). What is the title of this report?

Answer: Prabhaav

99. Which mutual fund house has launched India's first Multi factor-based ETF (Exchange Traded Fund) on Nifty Smallcap250 Index?

Answer: Mirae Asset Mutual Fund

100. Which lender has bagged the prestigious title of 'Best Technology Bank of the Year' award at the 19th IBA Annual Banking Technology Conference, Expo, and Citations?

Answer: South Indian Bank

101. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of SBI Capital Markets?

Answer: Virendra Bansal

102. Prabowo Subianto has been elected as the President of which country?

Answer: Indonesia

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Global Tourism Resilience Day	17 th February		
World Pangolin Day	3 rd Saturday of February (17 th February 2024)		
World Day of Social Justice	20 th February	Bridging Gaps, Building Alliances	
International Mother Language Day (IMLD)	21 st February	Multilingual education – a pillar of learning and intergenerational learning	

103. Recently (February 2024), Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the newly constructed Kalughat Inland Waterways Transport (IWT) terminal on National Waterways -1 in which state?

Answer: Bihar

104. Who inaugurated the "SUFALAM: Start-Up Forum for Aspiring Leaders and Mentors Startup Conclave 2024"?

Answer: Pashupati Kumar Paras

105. India's first Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) will start from which state?

Answer: Uttarakhand

106. The 58th Jnanpith Award for the year 2023 has been awarded to _____.

Answer: Rambhadracharya and Gulzar

107. Recently (February 2024), the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) hosted the first-ever Future Skills Summit in which city of India?

Answer: Guwahati

108. Recently (February 2024), the Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a deal with AWEIL, Kanpur for manufacturing & supply of a total of 463 indigenously manufactured 12.7 mm Stabilised Remote-Control Guns (SRCG) for the Indian Navy & Indian Coast Guard. What is the value of the deal?

Answer: Rs. 1752.13 crores

109. In February 2024, Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, presided over the 19th Foundation Day celebrations of the Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL). The headquarters of SPMCIL is located in which place?

Answer: New Delhi

110. Which government department has introduced the 'Sangam: Digital Twin' initiative in February 2024?

Answer: Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications

111. India has won the 9th GovTech Prize for AI-Powered Government Services. The award is instituted by which country?

Answer: UAE

112. What is the name of the scheme recently (February 2024) launched by the Odisha government to provide interest-free loans up to Rs 1 lakh to youth of the state?

Answer: SWAYAM

113. President Droupadi Murmu has recently (February 2024) inaugurated the mega National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsav' at which stadium?

Answer: Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Delhi

114. "Kaji Nemu" has been declared a state fruit of which Indian state in February 2024?

Answer: Assam

115. Gupteswar Forest has been declared a Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS). Gupteswar forest is located in which state?

Answer: Odisha

116. In February 2024, Ministry of Electronics, and Information Technology (MeitY) Secretary, S Krishnan inaugurated the SWASTHA project and the state-of-the-art ISO 5 and 6 Clean Room Facilities at the Centre for Nanotechnology in _____ (institute).

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Guwahati

117. How many units of free electricity per month will be provided to beneficiaries under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana?

Answer: 300 units

118. Which zonal railway has appointed Sindhu Ganapathy as the first transwoman Travelling Ticket Examiner (TTE)?

Answer: Southern Railway

119. Who has been recently (February 2024) appointed as the brand ambassador of Chennai Super Kings for the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2024?

Answer: Katrina Kaif

120. Which companies have received the final authorization from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as payment aggregators in February 2024?

Answer: Juspay, Zoho, and Decentro

121. In February 2024, Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar inaugurated a new defence system "Precision Approach Radar (PAR)" on board the Indian Naval Ship (INS) Utkrosh, which is based in _____.

Answer: South Andaman Islands

122. Where is the "BAPS Swaminarayan Temple" inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in February 2024?

Answer: Abu Dhabi

123. _____ released the Greening and Restoration of Wasteland with Agroforestry (GROW) report.

Answer: NITI Aayog

124. To develop prototypes for 10-Gigabit-capable symmetric Passive Optical Network (i.e., XGS-PON), Optical Line Terminal (OLT) and Optical Network Unit (ONU), which Indian Institute of Technology has joined hands with C-DOT in February 2024?

Answer: IIT Kharagpur

125. In February 2024, Union Minister of Education Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated the 52nd edition of the New Delhi World Book Fair at Bharat Mandapam. What is the theme of the New Delhi World Book Fair 2024?

Answer: Multilingual India: A Living Tradition

126. Recently (February 2024), IREDA collaborated with which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) to drive clean energy innovation?

Answer: IIT Bhubaneswar

127. Recently (February 2024), Australia won the Under 19 Men's ODI World Cup title by defeating India. This is the _____ title of Australia.

Answer: Fourth

128. Which Indian company has teamed up with Airbus Defence and Space to produce detailed parts and sub-assemblies for the C295 aircraft?

Answer: Tata Advanced Systems Limited

129. Which Indian sports personality has been honoured with a plaque at the famous Ice Palace at Jungfrauoch, known as the 'Top of Europe', in Switzerland?

Answer: Neeraj Chopra

130. What is the new name of Paytm Ecommerce after getting approval from the Registrar of Companies?

Answer: **Pai Platforms**

131. Who has been felicitated with the Lakshminarayana International Award in 2024?

Answer: **Pyarelal Sharma**

132. _____ has been awarded the 2024 Nelson Mandela Award (NMA) by the World Health Organization (WHO) for Health Promotion.

Answer: **National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) Bangalore**

133. How much interest rate is fixed by the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) on employees' provident fund deposits for 2023-24?

Answer: **8.25%**

134. India has been declared the winner of the SAFF Women's U-19 Championships along with which country?

Answer: **Bangladesh**

135. _____ will open India's first small animal hospital in Mumbai.

Answer: **Tata Trusts**

136. India's first conservation centre for Gangatiri cows will be built in which city?

Answer: **Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh**

137. What is the rank of India in the US Green Building Council's (USGBC) annual list of top 10 countries and regions in the world for LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification in 2023?

Answer: **Third**

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138. Name the state government that has recently (February 2024) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Google to provide artificial intelligence (AI)-led solutions across key sectors in the state.

Answer: Maharashtra

139. Union Agriculture Minister Arjun Munda has launched a portal 'SARATHI' that aims to help insurance companies reach out to farmers and rural population with tailored products as well as the government's subsidized insurance products including Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY). What is the expansion of the term 'SARATHI'?

Answer: Sandbox for Agricultural and Rural Security, Technology and Insurance

140. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Tata AIA Life Insurance?

Answer: Venkatachalam H

141. World Unani Day is observed annually on 11th February. This day is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of _____.

Answer: Hakim Ajmal Khan

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World Pulses Day	10 th February	Pulses: Nourishing Soils and People	
National Deworming Day	10 th February		
International Day of the Arabian Leopard	10 th February		Arabian Leopard is listed as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red list. The day was first observed in 2024.
Anti-Smuggling Day	11 th February		
International Day of Women and Girls in Science	11 th February	Women and Girls in Science Leadership, a New Era for Sustainability	The day was first observed in 2016.
World Unani Day	11 th February		The day marks the birth anniversary of great Indian

			Unani scholar and social reformer Hakim Ajmal Khan.
World Day of the Sick	11 th February		The year 2024 marks the 32nd World Day of the Sick.
Darwin Day	12 th February		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the 19 th -century British naturalist, Charles Darwin.
National Productivity Day	12 th February		
National Productivity Week	12 th to 18 th February	Artificial Intelligence (AI)-Productivity Engine for Economic Growth	
National Women's Day	13 th February		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Sarojini Naidu.
World Radio Day	13 th February	Radio: A century informing, entertaining and educating	The day was first observed in 2012.
International Epilepsy Day	Second Monday of February (12th February 2024)		
International Childhood Cancer Day	15 th February		

142. A polar bear sleeping on a small iceberg has won the 2023 Wildlife Photographer of the Year People's Choice Award. This photograph titled 'Ice Bed' is clicked by which photographer?

Answer: Nima Sarikhani

143. Microsoft has introduced an ambitious initiative "Dubbed ADVANTA(I)GE INDIA" to equip 2 million people in India with skills in artificial intelligence by which year?

Answer: 2025

144. Name the state government that has recently (February 2024) collaborated with the National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML) to implement ropeways as part of the National Ropeway Programme 'Parvatmala.'

Answer: Maharashtra

145. Which stadium has been renamed as the 'Niranjan Shah Stadium' in February 2024?

Answer: Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium

146. Olzhas Bektenov has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of _____.

Answer: Kazakhstan

147. Which edition of the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2024 has been organized in New Delhi?

Answer: 23rd

148. Which sports personality has recently (February 2024) been conferred with the 'Lifetime Achievement' award from the Sports Journalists Federation of India (SJFI) and the Delhi Sports Journalists Association (DSJA)?

Answer: PT Usha

149. Union Minister of State for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Shantanu Thakur has recently (February 2024) flagged-off the 1st trial cargo vessels from Maia Inland Customs Port in _____ to Sultanganj Port in _____.

Answer: West Bengal; Bangladesh

150. Bihar State Disaster Management Authority, in collaboration with IIT Patna, has developed a pendant-shaped device called 'NITISH' for farmers. What is the meaning of "S" in "NITISH"?

Answer: Novel Initiative Technological Intervention for Safety of Humanlives

151. By which year India will become the largest source of global oil demand growth as its domestic production is down by 22%, as per the latest projections by the International Energy Agency (IEA)?

Answer: 2030

152. In February 2024, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved the acquisition of how much percent stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited (target) by Zurich Insurance Company Limited (acquirer)?

Answer: 70%

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153. Recently (February 2024), the State Bank of India (SBI) reported a net profit of _____ for Q3 FY24 as against Rs.14,205 crore reported in Q3 FY23.

Answer: Rs.9,163 crore

154. Identify the institute from the given options that has developed India's first hypervelocity expansion tunnel test facility.

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur (IITK)

155. Which Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise has won the Best Green Bond - Corporate Award at The Asset Triple A Awards for Sustainable Finance 2024?

Answer: REC Limited

156. The foundation stone of India's first digital National Museum of Epigraphy has been laid in which city of India?

Answer: Hyderabad

157. Veteran poet Mir Mohammad Farooq Nazki has passed away recently (February 2024). Which award was given to Mir Mohammad Farooq Nazki for his poetry book "Naar Hyutun Kanzal Wanas" (Fire in the eyelashes) in 1995?

Answer: Sahitya Akademi Award

158. The Government of India (GoI) has set a target to have 25,000 Janaushadhi Kendras across the country by which year?

Answer: 31st March 2026

159. Nayib Bukele has been re-elected as the President of which country?

Answer: El Salvador

160. In February 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of projects worth over Rs.1330 crore in which state?

Answer: Goa

161. The Chhattisgarh government has launched a welfare scheme named "Mahtari Vandan Yojana". How much financial assistance will this scheme provide to married women?

Answer: Rs.1000 per month

162. In the banking system, the liquidity deficit has declined to Rs.1.40 lakh crore on 4th February 2024 from a high of Rs.3.46 lakh crore on 24th January 2024. What is the main reason for this decline?

Answer: Government spending

163. Which life insurance entity has recently (February 2024) introduced Multicap Fund within its Unit Linked Insurance Plan (ULIP) portfolio?

Answer: Ageas Federal Life Insurance

164. A report titled "Indian Economy: Capital as Growth Driver" states that Indian economy is expected to grow at an average rate of 6.7% per year between fiscals 2024 and 2031. The report is released by _____.

Answer: CRISIL

165. As per RBI's Digital Payments Index (RBI-DPI) that measures the adoption of online transactions, Digital payments across India have registered a growth of ____ in a year through March 2023.

Answer: 10.94 %

166. Which team has won the Nagesh Trophy in the Men's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023-24?

Answer: Karnataka

167. Name the organization that has recently (February 2024) joined hands with IIT Madras to develop India's first indigenously designed 155 Smart Ammunition to achieve indigenisation in the defence sector.

Answer: Munitions India Limited

168. _____ has become the first metro service in India to integrate with the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC).

Answer: Chennai Metro

169. Which team has secured the first FIH Men's Hockey5s World Cup 2024 title?

Answer: Netherlands

170. The allocated budget for Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) issuance in the fiscal year 2024-25 is _____.

Answer: Rs.3,500 crore

171. In the Brand Guardianship Index 2024, Mukesh Ambani ranked first among all the Indians and second globally with a score of _____.

Answer: 80.3

172. World Cancer Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 4th February

173. Who inaugurated the Commonwealth Legal Education Association (CLEA) – Commonwealth Attorneys and Solicitors General Conference (CASGC) 2024 in New Delhi?

Answer: Narendra Modi

174. The Interim Union Budget 2024-25 has allocated Rs.6.21-lakh crore to the Ministry of Defence. This is _____ of the total Budget expenditure.

Answer: 13.04%

175. The Central government has announced to upgrade how many standard rail coaches to Vande Bharat standards in the Interim Union Budget 2024-25?

Answer: 40,000 standard rail coaches

176. As per the Interim Union Budget of 2024-25, the fiscal deficit is estimated to be ____ of GDP in 2024-25.

Answer: 5.1%

177. What percentage of GDP did the government allocate to boost capital expenditure, as announced in the interim Budget 2024-25?

Answer: 3.4 percent

178. Name the small finance bank that has recently (February 2024) partnered with Edelweiss Tokio Life Insurance to offer life insurance products.

Answer: ESAF Small Finance Bank

179. Recently (February 2024), the World Health Organization (WHO) awarded its first-ever certificates validating progress in eliminating industrially produced trans fatty acids to five countries. What is the name of these five countries?

Answer: Denmark, Lithuania, Poland, Saudi Arabia, and Thailand

180. North India's first human DNA bank has been established in which university?

Answer: Banaras Hindu University

181. Which heritage site will be India's nomination for the UNESCO World Heritage List for the year 2024-25?

Answer: Maratha Military Landscapes of India

182. Who has been elected as the new Chief Minister of Jharkhand?

Answer: Champai Soren

183. Which automobile company has achieved a global sales record of 11.2 million vehicles in 2023, securing its position as the world's top-selling automaker for a fourth straight year?

Answer: Toyota Motor

184. Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav has recently released the report on the Status of Snow leopards in India. Which state recorded the highest number of snow leopards according to the report?

Answer: Ladakh

185. World Wetlands Day is annually observed worldwide on which date?

Answer: 2nd February

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➤ Important Days of February 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Indian Coast Guard Day	1 st February		This year 2024, India has celebrated the 48 th Coast Guard Day
World Wetlands Day	2 nd February		
Rheumatoid Awareness Day	2 nd February		
World Cancer Day	4 th February	Close the Care Gap: Together, we challenge those in power	The day came into existence on 4 th February 2000, during the World Cancer Conference for the New Millennium in Paris, France
International Day of Human Fraternity	4 th February		
International Day of Female Genital Mutilation	6 th February	Her Voice. Her Future: Investing in Survivors – Led movements to End Female Genital Mutilation	The day was first observed in 2003.
World Interfaith Harmony Week	First week of February (1-7 February)		This day was first proposed by King Abdullah II of Jordan

			at the United Nations in 2010.
Safer Internet Day	6th February	Together for a better internet	The day was first observed in 2004.

186. Who penned a book titled “Ek Samandar, Mere Andar”?

Answer: Sanjeev Joshi

187. Azali Assoumani has been re-elected as the President of which country?

Answer: Comoros

188. Asian Games medallist Naorem Roshibina Devi has been named International Wushu Federation’s (IWUF’s) Female Athlete of the Year in the sanda category. She is from which state?

Answer: Manipur

189. Who has won the U.S.-based National Boxing Association’s intercontinental super featherweight title after defeating American Gerardo Esquivel at Toppenish City, Washington?

Answer: Mandeep Jangra

190. What is India’s GDP growth estimate in FY24, as announced by the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

Answer: 6.7%

191. The Department of Economic Affairs, in its January 2024 review of the economy, stated that employable percentage of final-year and pre-final-year students increased from 33.9% in 2014 to ____ in 2024.

Answer: 51.3 %

192. The Ministry of Education has released the All-India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2021-2022. Which large state in India consistently maintains the highest Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education over the span of five academic years, from 2017-18 to 2021-22, according to the survey?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

193. Recently (February 2024), the Union Cabinet approved the continuation of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) to be implemented under Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF) for another three years up to 2025-26. What is the outlay of the scheme?

Answer: Rs.29,610.25 crore

194. What is the primary objective of the 'Cashless Everywhere' initiative launched by the General Insurance Council?

Answer: To facilitate cashless hospitalization for policyholders

195. In January 2024, REC Limited signed a pact with _____ to boost renewable energy and infrastructure financing in India.

Answer: National Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited

196. Name the life insurance company that has recently (January 2024) introduced "iSelect Guaranteed Future Plus."

Answer: Canara HSBC Life Insurance

197. Tableau on theme 'India: Mother of Democracy' has secured the first prize at the Republic Day Parade 2024. This tableau belongs to which ministry/ organization/state?

Answer: Ministry of Culture

198. Who has become the first woman to hold the rank of Subedar in the Indian Army?

Answer: Preeti Rajak

199. Which state of India hosted the 4th edition of the National Chilika Birds Festival?

Answer: Odisha

200. Which team has won the maiden edition of the FIH Women's Hockey5s World Cup?

Answer: Netherlands

201. Which airport has been honoured with the prestigious Excellence Award by Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI) in the recent National Convention on Quality Concepts 2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra?

Answer: Thiruvananthapuram International Airport

202. Which edition of the Joint Military Exercise 'SADA TANSEEQ' between India and Saudi Arabia has been commenced in Rajasthan?

Answer: First

203. Where is the 63rd Central Geological Programming Board (CGPB) meeting organized?

Answer: Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

204. The Ministry of Defence has signed a deal with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) for the acquisition of how many fast patrol vessels (FPVs) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at a cost of Rs.1,070.47 crore?

Answer: 14 fast patrol vessels (FPVs)

205. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of Praveen Achuthan Kutty as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of which bank?

Answer: DCB Bank

206. In January 2024, RBI approved the Life Insurance Corporation of India's (LIC) application to acquire up to 9.99 percent aggregate holding of paid-up share capital in which bank?

Answer: HDFC Bank

207. Which state of India will setup World's First 'Black Tiger Safari'?

Answer: Odisha

208. What is the theme of National Voters' Day 2024?

Answer: Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure**IDBI JAM PGDBF Free Mock Test****➤ Important Days of January 2024:**

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Parakram Diwas	23 rd January		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The year 2024 marks the 127th birth anniversary of him.
National Girl Child Day	24 th January		The day was first observed in 2008.
International Day of Education	24 th January	Learning for Lasting Peace	
National Tourism Day	25 th January		
National Voters' Day	25 th January	Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For sure	The day was first observed in 2011.
International Customs Day	26 th January		
International Holocaust Remembrance Day	27 th January	Recognizing the Extraordinary Courage of Victims and Survivors of the Holocaust	
Data Privacy Day	28 th January		
World Leprosy Day	Last Sunday of January (29 th January 2023)	Beat Leprosy	
World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day	30 th January		

209. Cherchera festival is observed annually in which state?**Answer:** Chhattisgarh**210.** Name the host country of the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2024.**Answer:** South Africa

211. Which Union Ministry of India has organized the event known as "Bharat Parv" in January 2024?

Answer: Ministry of Tourism

212. India and which country have recently (January 2024) agreed to jointly fund scientific research projects in the fields of health, decarbonized hydrogen, marine sciences, and applied mathematics?

Answer: France

213. In January 2024, "Exercise CYCLONE" has been conducted between India and which country?

Answer: Anshas, Egypt

214. _____ has become the 5th country to achieve a soft moon landing with the successful deployment of the Smart Lander for Investigating Moon (SLIM) spacecraft in January 2024.

Answer: Japan

215. World's tallest statue of Dr BR Ambedkar, who is known as the architect and developer of the Indian Constitution, has been unveiled in which state of India?

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

216. In January 2024, the Union Cabinet approved the proposal to set up 660 MW thermal power station in Madhya Pradesh and 2×800 MW thermal power plant in Odisha. The subsidiaries of which company will establish these power plants?

Answer: Coal India Limited

217. The book titled "Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan" depicts the life of the legendary 17th-century Ahom warrior Lachit Barphukan. Who is the author of the book?

Answer: Arup Kumar Dutta

218. On 22nd January 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Ram Mandir temple on razed Babri mosque site in Ayodhya, marking a momentous occasion in India's history. The Ram Lalla idol has been crafted by which sculptor?

Answer: Arun Yogiraj

219. In January 2024, Union Minister of Mines, Coal, and Parliamentary Affairs, Pralhad Joshi inaugurated the 2nd State Mining Ministers' Conference in which city?

Answer: Bhopal

220. Gole Mela' is a famous festival held twice every year in which temple?

Answer: Jagannath temple

221. In January 2024, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone for "Ayush Diksha Centre" in which state?

Answer: Odisha

222. Who inaugurated the National Skill Training Institute for Women (NSTI (W)) in Hyderabad, Telangana?

Answer: Union Minister of Culture **G. Kishan Reddy**

223. With which country has India recently (January 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the field of sharing successful digital solutions implemented at population scale for digital transformation?

Answer: Republic of Cuba

224. Parakram Diwas' is observed annually across India on 23rd January to commemorate the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The year 2024 marks the observance of which birth anniversary of him?

Answer: 127th

225. Gaan-Ngai festival has been recently (January 2024) celebrated by Zeliangrong community in which place?

Answer: Manipur

226. Recently (January 2024), SEBI notified that investors will be allowed to freeze or block their trading account if any suspicious activity is detected from _____.

Answer: 1st July 2024

227. In January 2024, REC Limited issued its first Japanese Yen green bonds worth _____ under its USD 10 billion global medium-term notes programme.

Answer: 61.1 (JPY) billion

228. To expand the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) globally, which payment platform has recently (in Jan '24) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NPCI International Payment?

Answer: Google Pay

229. Identify the lender that has collaborated with Clix Capital through the Yubi Co.lend Platform to provide loans to the Indian MSME sector.

Answer: Karnataka Bank

230. Who inaugurated the 5th Meghalaya Games in January 2024?

Answer: Droupadi Murmu

231. Which state celebrates 'Kokborok Day' annually?

Answer: Tripura

232. Who has won the ICC Women's Player of the Month Award for December 2023?

Answer: Deepti Sharma

233. Which company has become the first ISO 27001:2022 certified petrochemical organization in the industry by BSI (British Standards Institution)?

Answer: Haldia Petrochemicals Limited

234. Recently (January 2024), the Indian and Japanese Coast Guards conducted a successful joint exercise named 'Sahyog Kaijin' off the coast of Chennai, Tamil Nadu. This marks the _____ edition of this exercise.

Answer: 20th

235. In January 2024, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) launched the 'New Solar Power Scheme' for electrification in habitations and villages of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG). What is the financial outlay for the scheme?

Answer: Rs.515 crore

236. Recently (in January 2024), Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) Rao Inderjit Singh launched "_____" mobile application for the Members of Parliament (MPs) under the MPLAD (Member of Parliament Local Area Development) scheme.

Answer: e-Sakshi

237. Who inaugurated the 9th chapter of 'Capsule on Science, Technology and Applied Research' (CAPSTAR) at Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), Pune?

Answer: Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan

238. What is the objective of the Samavesha project recently launched by I-STEM?

Answer: To promote research collaboration

239. Which Indian state has inaugurated Rs.800 crore Shrimandir Parikrama Prakaalpa (SMPP) project in January 2024?

Answer: Odisha

240. As per the States' Startup Ranking 2022, which four states have been ranked as Best Performing States based on their initiatives taken to develop the startup ecosystem for promoting budding entrepreneurs?

Answer: Gujarat, Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu

241. Where is the 19th Centre of the World Economic Forum's Fourth Industrial Revolution Network (4IR) set to be established?

Answer: Hyderabad

242. The 14th Ministerial-level meeting of the India-United States Trade Policy Forum (TPF) has been held in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

243. What is the primary objective of Operation AMRITH, an initiative by the Kerala government?

Answer: To prevent the overuse of antibiotics in the state

244. Tata Consumer Products has acquired a complete 100% stake in which company, renowned for marketing products under the brands Ching's Secret and Smith & Jones, in an all-cash deal valued at Rs.5,100 crore?

Answer: Capital Foods

245. Identify the lender that has recently (in Jan '24) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Rural Development to facilitate enterprise financing for rural self-help groups (SHG).

Answer: State Bank of India

246. India's first National Highway Steel Slag Road section on NH-66 will connect which two cities?

Answer: Mumbai-Goa

247. Name the Tiger Reserve that has become India's first international Dark Sky Park for protecting the night sky.

Answer: Pench Tiger Reserve

248. International Camel Festival has been observed in which city of Rajasthan?

Answer: Bikaner

249. The second edition of the International AYUSH Conference and Exhibition has been inaugurated in which city?

Answer: Dubai

250. India Meteorological Department (IMD) celebrated 150th Year of its establishment and service to the nation in January 2024 Under which ministry does IMD operate?

Answer: Ministry of Earth Sciences

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National Start-up Day	16 th January		The day was first observed in 2022.
NDRF Raising Day	19 th January		In 2024, the day marks the celebration of the 19th NDRF Raising Day.

251. Which Indian state has topped the inaugural Beach Games 2024 held in Diu?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

252. Mitsubishi Heavy Industries has recently (in Jan '24) launched an H-IIA rocket carrying which satellite for the Japanese government?

Answer: Optical-8

253. In January 2024, the Karnataka government launched the Yuva Nidhi scheme. Under this scheme, the students who have completed graduation and diploma courses in 2023 will get an unemployment allowance for a period of how many years?

Answer: 2 years

254. Who has launched a book titled 'Modi: Energising a Green Future'?

Answer: Bhupendra Yadav

255. Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia has recently (in Jan '24) announced the inauguration of five new airports in which state?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

256. In the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023, Indore and Surat have been adjudged as the 'cleanest cities' in India in the category of more than one lakh population. This is the _____ time that Indore has won the accolade of the cleanest city in India.

Answer: Seventh

257. IIT Madras will open its second IIT campus outside India in which country?

Answer: Sri Lanka

258. Which country has launched the Green Fuels Alliance India (GFAI) initiative to boost collaborative efforts between India and the country in the sustainable energy solutions sector?

Answer: Denmark

259. In the World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2024 report released by the International Labor Organization (ILO), the global unemployment rate is projected to increase marginally by what percent in 2024?

Answer: 5.2%

260. Name the state that has recently (in Jan '24) announced to set up the Blue Carbon Agency to preserve and restore coastal ecosystems.

Answer: Tamil Nadu

261. Which state of India has launched 'Gunotsav 2024' for holistic assessment of student's performance?

Answer: Assam

262. Who has been honoured with the prestigious MS Swaminathan Award in recognition of his contributions as a scientist and extension specialist in the field of agronomy?

Answer: B.R. Kamboj

263. Which city hosted the 58th All-India Annual Conference of Director Generals and Inspector Generals of Police?

Answer: Jaipur

264. Who has become the first woman to hold a USD 100 billion fortune, as per the Bloomberg Billionaires Index?

Answer: Francoise Bettencourt Meyers

265. Identify the company that has become the first in India to chemically recycle waste into International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC)-Plus certified polymers.

Answer: Reliance Industries Limited

266. Name the Union Territory (UT) that has become the first to implement the PM Vishwakarma Yojana (PMVY), an initiative that aims to empower and enhance the skills of the craftsman community.

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

267. In January 2024, the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities organized which edition of Divya Kala Mela in Surat, Gujarat?

Answer: 12th

268. Which has formed a dedicated technical committee to promote standardization in the field of Marine Energy Conversion Systems (MECS)?

Answer: Bureau of Indian Standards

269. Which Union Ministry of India has introduced the National Transit Pass System (NTPS) as a "One Nation-One Pass"?

Answer: Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

270. India's first all-girls Sainik School has been opened in which place?

Answer: Vrindavan Uttar Pradesh

271. The year 2024 marks the observance of the ____ Foundation Day of DRDO.

Answer: 66th

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Pravasi Bhartiya Divas (PBD)	9 th January		The day was first observed in 2003.
World Hindi Day	10 th January		
Startup India Innovation Week	10 th January to 18 th January		
National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	11 th January		
National Road Safety Week	11 th to 17 th January 2024		
National Youth Day	12 th January		The year 2024 marks the 27 th National Youth Day and the 161 st birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda (12 January 1863).
Armed Forces Veterans Day	14 th January		The day was first observed in 2016.
Army Day	15 th January		The year 2024 marks the 76 th Indian Army Day.

272. Who has won the Women's Under-19 title in the 2023 Scottish Junior Open Squash?

Answer: Anahat Singh

273. Reliance Power has inked a pact to sell its 1,200 MW Kalai II hydroelectric project for Rs 128.39 crore to THDC India. Kalai II hydroelectric project is located in which state?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

274. Gujarat has set a Guinness record for performing mass Surya Namaskar simultaneously at ____ places in the state on the first day of the New Year (2024).

Answer: 108

275. Name the state government that has introduced a new common application form named 'Praja Palana Guarantee Darakasthu' to enable access to schemes under its flagship 'six guarantees' program to support disadvantaged sections.

Answer: Telangana

276. Identify the name of China's cutting-edge ocean drilling vessel designed to penetrate the Earth's crust and reach the mantle for the first time in human history.

Answer: Mengxiang

277. The Gujarat government will introduce India's first submarine tourism to explore the marine life surrounding Bet Dwarka, a small island off the coast of Dwarka city, which has a mythological significance in the Hindu religion. For this project, the Gujarat government has teamed up with which company?

Answer: Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited

278. Who inaugurated the National Street Food Festival 2023 in New Delhi?

Answer: Hardeep Singh Puri

279. Karbi Youth Festival is observed annually in the state of _____.

Answer: Assam

280. Which e-commerce company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Adani Total Gas Ltd (ATGL) for supply chain decarbonization?

Answer: Flipkart

281. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has collaborated with the Government of Assam's flagship Arohan scheme to motivate meritorious students to pursue STEM subjects in their higher education?

Answer: IIT Guwahati

282. Which state of India has emerged as India's 'Petro Capital'?

Answer: Gujarat

283. As per the report by crypto trading platform CoinSwitch, which city has topped in India's crypto adoption?

Answer: Delhi

284. Who has become the first woman from the minority Hindu community to contest in the provincial elections in Pakistan's restive Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province?

Answer: Dr Saveera Parkash

285. Who has been honoured with the prestigious "Man of the Year-2023" award?

Answer: L.P. Hemanth K. Srinivasulu

286. Which edition of the Smart India Hackathon (SIH) has been organized in December 2023?

Answer: 6th

287. Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi has become the first world leader to have _____ YouTube subscribers.

Answer: 20 million

288. In December 2023, Cabinet approved the Migration and Mobility Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of _____.

Answer: Italian Republic

289. _____ has launched India's first Growth Liquid ETF (Exchange-Traded Fund).

Answer: Zerodha Fund House

290. Which Indian state has launched 'Baayu', India's first app-based 100% electric and decentralised open mobility electric bike (e-bike) taxi service?

Answer: Assam

291. ISRO will launch the 'Proba-3 Mission' in September 2024. This mission is associated with which space agency?

Answer: European Space Agency's (ESA)

292. Parshuam Kund Festival is observed annually in which state/UT of India?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

293. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed India's first high-resolution landslide susceptibility map?

Answer: IIT Delhi

294. Recently (January 2024), Union Minister Parshottam Rupala laid the foundation stone for the upgradation of the Paradip Fishing Harbour (PFH) in which state for Rs.108.91 crore?

Answer: Odisha

295. Which Union Ministry of India has organized the National Kala Utsav 2023-24 in New Delhi?

Answer: Ministry of Education

296. The Indian Railways has set a target to become the world's largest green railway by 2030. It has achieved _____ route kilometres (RKMs) electrification in the calendar year 2023.

Answer: 6,577

297. India's first Healthy and Hygienic Food Street named "Prasadam" has been inaugurated in which city?

Answer: Ujjain

298. Gangasagar Mela, India's second largest pilgrimage gathering after Kumbh Mela, is observed annually in which state?

Answer: West Bengal

299. Which country has officially declared the snow leopard as its national symbol?

Answer: Kyrgyzstan

300. Name the lender that has recently (January 2024) launched its new Data and Analytics Centre (DnA) in Bengaluru.

Answer: Canara Bank

301. Name the central sector scheme that has won the Best Innovation Award for Innovation Sandbox presentation during Public Policy Dialogues-2024.

Answer: SVAMITVA Scheme

302. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has observed its which foundation day in January 2024?

Answer: 77th

303. Which organization has recently (January 2024) teamed up with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to set up a Multi Skill Development Institutes (MSDIs)?

Answer: Coal India Limited

304. Earth's Rotation Day is observed annually on which day?

Answer: 8th January

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Global Family Day	1 st January		The day was first observed in 1997.
World Day of Peace	1 st January		
World Introvert Day	2 nd January		
International Mind-Body Wellness Day	3 rd January		
Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) Day	3 rd January		

World Braille Day	4 th January		The day was first observed in 2019.
World Day of War Orphans	6 th January		

305. _____ has launched the first set of satellites with “Direct-to-Cell” capabilities.

Answer: SpaceX

306. Which city has hosted the International Kite Festival 2024?

Answer: Ahmedabad

307. _____ has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ISRO’s National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to develop and report a ‘Green Cover Index’ for the extensive network of the Indian National Highways.

Answer: National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)

308. Which nation will become the first European country to issue digital Schengen visas to visitors for the Paris Olympics 2024?

Answer: France

309. Which state of India has launched the upgraded social welfare pension of Rs.3,000 per month with an expanded reach to cover 66.34 lakh beneficiaries?

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

310. Which state road transport corporation has launched ‘Namma Cargo’ logistics?

Answer: Karnataka

311. Recently (December 2023), the Union Cabinet approved the construction of 4.56 km long new bridge on River Ganga in which state?

Answer: Bihar

➤ **Important Days of December 2023:**

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
National Farmers Day	23 rd December		The year 2023 marks the 121st birth anniversary of Choudhary Charan Singh.
National Consumer Rights Day	24 th December		The day was first observed in 1986.
Good Governance Day	25 th December		The year 2023 marks the 99th birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
Veer Bal Diwas	26 th December		The day marks the martyrdom of the "Sahibzades", four sons of Guru Gobind Singh, the last Sikh guru.
International Day of Epidemic Preparedness	27 th December		The day was first observed in 2020.

312. In December 2023, Pakistan successfully tested its indigenously developed guided multi-launch rocket system named 'Fatah-II'. This rocket system is capable of hitting targets with high precision at a range of up to _____ kilometres.

Answer: 400 km

313. Identify the state police that has recently (December 2023) introduced a new initiative, "Mission Investigation@75 days", to complete the investigation of cases within 75 days of FIR registration.

Answer: Bihar

314. Name the country that will implement a new carbon import levy on some products from 2027 to help protect businesses against cheaper imports from countries with less strict climate policies.

Answer: United Kingdom

315. Who has launched the MedTech Mitra, a strategic initiative to empower MedTech innovators and advance healthcare solutions?

Answer: Mansukh Mandaviya

316. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has inaugurated the first intra-district helicopter service of the state from ____ to ____.

Answer: Agra; Mathura

317. NABARD and which financial institution have recently (December 2023) launched an initiative to facilitate climate action in India's agriculture, natural resources, and rural development sector with tech support from Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation?

Answer: Asian Development Bank

318. _____ has bagged the prestigious Engineering News Record 2023 - Global Best Projects Awards for the construction of the New Parliament Building.

Answer: Tata Projects

319. Who has been appointed as the Director General (Investigation) by the Competition Commission of India (CCI)?

Answer: Ansuman Pattnaik

320. Which airport in India has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by UNESCO's Prix Versailles?

Answer: Kempegowda International Airport

321. _____ has been honoured with the National Energy Conservation Award for the year 2023.

Answer: Crompton

322. Who has been honoured with the 'Impact Fielder of the ODI Series' medal following India's 2-1 series win against South Africa in December 2023?

Answer: Sai Sudharsan

323. The United Nations has designated 2024 as the International Year of ____.

Answer: Camelids

324. Recently (December 2023), the Union Ministry of Textiles has unveiled the 'Paat-Mitro' app for farmers. This application is developed by which organizations?

Answer: Jute Corporation of India

325. Which thermal power station has been awarded the 11th Edition of FICCI Water Award 2023 under the "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category?

Answer: NTPC Kanti

326. Which Indian national has been honoured with Bhutan's National Order of Merit (NOM) Gold Medal?

Answer: Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh

327. As per the International Monetary Fund (IMF), India's GDP is projected to grow at how much percent in FY24 and FY25?

Answer: 6.3%

328. Tibetan Spiritual leader Dalai Lama has inaugurated the three-day International Sangha Forum 2023 in which city?

Answer: Bodh Gaya

329. National Farmers Day is observed annually on 23rd December to commemorate the birth anniversary of whom?

Answer: Choudhary Charan Singh

330. The Government of India (GoI) has recently (December 2023) inked a loan agreement with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for how much Japanese Yen for constructing Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) Corridor?

Answer: 37 billion Japanese Yen

331. Which nation will host the first 32-team FIFA Club World Cup in 2025?

Answer: USA

332. The first edition of 'Kuno Forest Festival' has been observed in which state of India?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

333. Accenture has established a Generative AI Studio in which city of India?

Answer: Bengaluru, Karnataka

334. Former Chairman of the National Commission for Women, Dr V. Mohini Giri, has passed away in December 2023. She was honoured with the Padma Bhushan award in which year?

Answer: 2007

335. Where has the Indian Air Force conducted the successful firing test of its in-house designed SAMAR air defence missile system?

Answer: Suryalanka Air Force Station, Andhra Pradesh

336. The world's largest meditation centre, 'Swarved Mahamandir', has been inaugurated in which place?

Answer: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

337. As per the latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, the unemployment rate among graduates in the age group of 15 years and above has declined to ____ percent in 2022-23 from 14.9 percent in 2021-22.

Answer: 13.4%

338. Which Indian Naval Ship (INS) has received the original 'Vir Chakra' awarded to late Vice-Admiral Benoy Roy Chowdhury for his gallant actions during the 1971 India-Pakistan war?

Answer: INS Shivaji

339. Which airline has made history by becoming the first Indian airline to carry 100 million passengers in a single calendar year?

Answer: IndiGo

340. Which city has secured the first place in the country for food adulteration cases, according to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data?

Answer: Hyderabad

341. Who has launched India's first Winter Scientific Expedition to Arctic?

Answer: Kiren Rijiju

342. In December 2023, the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the government of _____ to protect the rights of skilled labourers from India.

Answer: Saudi Arabia

343. Which state has emerged as the largest economy of India with a GDP share of 15.7%?

Answer: Maharashtra

344. Name the insurance company that has recently (in Dec '23) launched the 'Alpha Wealth' plan with comprehensive features to ensure financial security for the insured and their family?

Answer: Canara HSBC Life Insurance

345. Identify the lender that has recently (in December 2023) launched India's first fully integrated school of sustainability in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank

346. Which country has won the Under-19 Asia Cup 2023?

Answer: Bangladesh

347. Haryana has topped the medal tally in the Khelo India Para Games 2023. Which state has secured the second position?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

348. The International Gender Equality Prize for 2023 has been awarded to an NGO in Afghanistan that works to promote and protect the rights of women in Afghanistan. This award is presented by which country?

Answer: Finland

349. Who have been awarded the Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2023 for their efforts in bringing together youth and people of Israel and the Arab world for a non-violent solution to the Israel-Palestine conflict?

Answer: Daniel Barenboim and Ali Abu Awwad

350. The Government of India (GoI) has passed the Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2023 to establish a Central Tribal University in which state named after tribal goddesses Sammakka and Sarakka?

Answer: Telangana

351. Which country will impose green tax on air passengers from 2025?

Answer: Denmark

352. Who has been honoured with the Visionary Leader Icon Award 2023 by Advocates Association for Social Responsibility and Awareness (AASRAA)?

Answer: Srinivas Naik Dharavath

353. Indian coal demand is expected to rise by _____ annually to 1397 million tonnes till 2026, according to 'Coal 2023-Analysis and forecast to 2026' report of International Energy Agency (IEA).

Answer: 3.5%

354. The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the procurement of electronic fuzes for the Indian Army. What is the value of the contract?

Answer: Rs.5,336.25 crore

355. In October 2023, India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) has increased to _____ as compared to 6.2% in September 2023.

Answer: 11.7%

356. Vijay Diwas is observed annually across India on 16th December. The year 2023 is observing which Vijay Diwas?

Answer: 53rd

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Vijay Diwas	16 th December		The year 2023 marks the 53rd Vijay Diwas.
International Day to End Violence Against Sex Workers	17 th December		
International Migrants Day	18 th December		
National Minorities Rights Day	18 th December	Celebrating Diversity and Inclusion	
World Arabic Language Day	18 th December	Arabic - the Language of Poetry and Arts	
Goa Liberation Day	19 th December		The year 2023 marks 62 years of Goa's independence.
International Human Solidarity Day	20 th December		
National Mathematics Day	22 nd December		

357. Which insurance company has recently (December 2023) partnered with PhonePe to provide car and bike insurance products?

Answer: Acko General Insurance

358. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised the UPI (Unified Payments Interface) payment limit for hospitals and educational institutions from the existing Rs 1 lakh to Rs ____ per transaction.

Answer: 5 lakh

359. Who has recently (December 2023) been appointed as the brand ambassador of Tripura state to promote tourism?

Answer: Sourav Ganguly

360. RattanIndia Enterprises has introduced '____', a compact delivery drone, for e-commerce and health care industries.

Answer: L07

361. Who has been awarded Singapore's Highest Arts Award 'Cultural Medallion' in December 2023?

Answer: Meira Chand

362. Invest India has hosted which edition of the World Investment Conference (WIC) in New Delhi?

Answer: 27th

363. Tiriyani Block of Kumuram Bheem Asifabad district, which secured top position in the first delta rankings of Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP), belongs to which state of India?

Answer: Telangana

364. Name the state that has recently (December 2023) launched the 'Maha Lakshmi' scheme to provide free travel for women, girls, and transgender persons.

Answer: Telangana

365. Zhuque-2 Yao-3, the world's first liquid oxygen-methane powered launch vehicle, has been launched by which country?

Answer: China

366. Who is the author of a book titled "Naye Bharat ka Samveda"?

Answer: Narendra Modi

367. In December 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design' during the first Indian Art, Architecture & Design Biennale (IAADB) 2023 held in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

368. Which Indian social activist has been given the International Anti-Corruption Champion award for 2023?

Answer: Nikhil Dey

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Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
SAARC Charter Day	8 th December		The year 2023 marks the observance of 39th SAARC Charter Day.
International Anti-Corruption Day	9 th December	UNCAC at 20: Uniting the World Against Corruption	
International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime	9 th December		
Human Rights Day	10 th December	Freedom, Equality and Justice for All	
United Nations Children's Funds (UNICEF) Day	11 th December		The year 2023 marks the 77th anniversary of UNICEF.
International Mountain Day	11 th December	Restoring Mountain Ecosystems	
International Day of Neutrality	12 th December		
International Universal Health Coverage Day	12 th December	Health For All: Time For Action	
National Energy Conservation Day	14 th December		

369. Which financial institution has launched partnership platforms namely the Global Methane Reduction Platform for Development (CH₄D) and the Global Flaring and Methane Reduction Partnership (GFMR) at the 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)?

Answer: World Bank

370. IIFL Home Finance has hosted the ____ chapter of 'Kutumb' event in collaboration with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to discuss the green building ecosystem and affordable housing.

Answer: 15th

371. Who has addressed the 2nd Edition of the flagship Financial Technology event - Infinity Forum 2.0?

Answer: Narendra Modi

372. Identify the country that will host the 37th session of the Asia Pacific Regional Conference (APRC) of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in February 2024.

Answer: Sri Lanka

373. In December 2023, Indian Army conducted a Table-Top Exercise (TTX) for the Women Officers of ____ at Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi.

Answer: ASEAN

374. Mohan Yadav has become the new Chief Minister of which state of India?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

375. Recently (December 2023), UNESCO, during its 18th session of the Intergovernmental Committee in Botswana, officially added Garba dance of Gujarat to its esteemed Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity. The Garba dance form is the ____ cultural element from India to make it to the UNESCO list.

Answer: Fifteenth

376. In December 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the first urban flood mitigation project of Rs.561.29 crore for 'Integrated Urban Flood Management activities for Chennai Basin Project'. This is under the National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF), which also includes Central assistance of Rs. ____.

Answer: Rs.500 crore

377. Which Indian military unit has recently (December 2023) teamed up with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to infuse cutting-edge technology and digital infrastructure?

Answer: Indian Army

378. International Anti-Corruption Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: December 9th

379. Who has been recently (December 2023) named the Time magazine's 2023 Person of the Year?

Answer: Taylor Swift

380. Recently (December 2023), Union Minister for Education Dharmendra Pradhan conferred the National Award for Innovations and Good Practices in Educational Administration (2020-21 and 2021-22) on ____ outstanding district and block education officers from across India.

Answer: 65

381. In December 2023, Anumula Revanth Reddy sworn in as the Chief Minister of Telangana. With this, he became the 1st congress CM of Telangana and the ____ CM of the state since its formation in 2014.

Answer: Second

382. The recently published 2023 World Malaria Report by the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates 249 million malaria cases in 2022, surpassing the pre-pandemic level of 233 million in 2019 by 16 million cases. As per the report, India accounted ____ of malaria cases in the WHO South-East Asia Region in 2022.

Answer: 66

383. What is India's GDP growth in FY24, as projected by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)?

Answer: 6.8%

384. 'Gemini' is the largest and most capable Artificial Intelligence (AI) model introduced by which entity?

Answer: Google

385. Identify the state that has recently (December 2023) launched the "AMA Bank" scheme to provide banking services in unbanked Gram Panchayats.

Answer: Odisha

386. Which state of India has recently (December 2023) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to develop 11 greenfield airports?

Answer: Gujarat

387. How much loan has recently (December 2023) been sanctioned by ADB to improve the quality, efficiency, and reliability of power supply in Uttarakhand?

Answer: USD 200 million

388. Who has become the first woman medical officer in the Indian Army to be deployed at Siachen?

Answer: Geetika Koul

389. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2023 (WRC 2023)?

Answer: Mohammed Al Ramsi

390. National Armed Forces Flag Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 7th December

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World AIDS Day	1 st December	Let communities lead	
World Computer Literacy Day	2 nd December		The day was first observed in 2001.
National Pollution Control Day	2 nd December		The year 2023 marks the 39th anniversary of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy.
International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	2 nd December		
International Day of Persons with Disabilities	3 rd December	United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with disabilities	
International Day of Banks	4 th December		

International Cheetah Day	4 th December		
National Navy Day	4 th December		
Indian Navy Week	1 st to 7 th December 2023		
World Soil Day	5 th December	Soil and Water: A Source of Life	The day was first observed in 2014.
International Volunteer Day or International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development	5 th December	The power of collective action: if everyone did	The day was first observed by the UN General Assembly in 1985.
Mahaparinirvan Divas	6 th December		The day commemorates the death anniversary of Dr Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar
Maitri Diwas	6 th December		The day is observed annually by India to celebrate diplomatic relations with Bangladesh.
International Civil Aviation Day	7 th December	Advancing Innovation for Global Aviation Development	
National Armed Forces Flag Day	7 th December		

391. In December 2023, which shipyard company has launched the first three ships of the 8 Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Crafts (ASW SWC) project namely Indian Naval Ship (INS) Mahe, INS Malvan, and INS Mangrol for the Indian Navy?

Answer: Cochin Shipyard Limited

392. The 24th edition of the Hornbill Festival has been recently (December 2023) observed in which Indian state?

Answer: Nagaland

393. The 'Hump WWII Museum', the 2nd museum in Asia dedicated to the fallen airmen of the Allied forces during the World War II, has been inaugurated in which state of India?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

394. Which country has beaten India to be elected as the Vice-Chairman of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2023-2025 from the Asia Pacific Group?

Answer: Pakistan

395. In December 2023, the China National Space Agency (CNSA) has launched the MisrSat 2 satellite. This satellite is jointly developed with which country?

Answer: Egypt

396. Recently (December 2023), the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) has introduced a seed fund scheme to support start-ups engaged in the fields of urban development and disaster management through the utilization of space technology. The scheme provides financial assistance of up to Rs. _____.

Answer: Rs.1 crore

397. World Soil Day is observed annually on 5th December to spread awareness of the importance of soil quality for human well-being, food security and ecosystems. The 2023 theme for World Soil Day is _____.

Answer: Soil and Water: A Source of Life

398. Which bank has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on cooperation and exchange of information related to Clearing Corporation of India Ltd (CCIL)?

Answer: Bank of England

399. How much stake will be acquired by SBI Mutual Fund in Karur Vysya Bank?

Answer: 9.99% stake

400. What position has India been placed in the World Digital Competitiveness Ranking 2023 released by the International Institute for Management Development (IMD)?

Answer: 49th

401. Where has the world's first portable hospital, 'Aarogya Maitri Aid Cube', been established?

Answer: Gurugram

402. _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Business Finland to boost the startup ecosystems in India and Finland?

Answer: Kerala Startup Mission

403. Who is the first Indian woman recipient of the WISE Prize for Education?

Answer: Safeena Hussain

404. International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) is a UN day that is celebrated every year on _____.

Answer: December 3rd

405. Name the Indian state that has recently (in Dec '23) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) for the holistic development of Dairy Sector.

Answer: Assam

406. The Chief Minister of Uttarakhand, Pushkar Singh Dhami, has released a new book titled 'RESILIENT INDIA: How Modi Transformed India's Disaster Management Paradigm' at the ____ World Congress on Disaster Management held in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

Answer: 6th

407. How much loan has been approved recently (November 2023) by ADB to support the modernization of water supply services in Kochi city of Kerala?

Answer: USD 170 million

408. To examine the impact of the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act of 2023 on the insurance sector, IRDAI has formed an 11-member task force headed by _____.

Answer: Randip Singh Jagpal

409. In November 2023, HSBC India has signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with the UK Export Finance (UKEF) to establish a financing programme of up to _____ million pound to support Indian MSMEs.

Answer: 100

410. Recently (November 2023), the Ministry of Defence (MoD) has inked a deal with Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL) to procure 16 super rapid gun mount for the Indian Navy (IN). What is the total valuation of the deal?

Answer: Rs.2956.89 crore

411. Which team has lifted the Hockey India Senior Men National Championship 2023 title after defeating Hockey Haryana in the finals?

Answer: Hockey Punjab

412. What is the new name of the Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs), as announced by the Indian Government in November 2023?

Answer: Ayushman Arogya Mandir

413. The Indian Mission to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), together with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, organized the ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 in ____ (country).

Answer: Indonesia

414. In November 2023, the President of India, Droupadi Murmu, inaugurated an Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Kuliana, Odisha, developed with a budget of _____.

Answer: Rs.38 crore

415. The second edition of Joint Military Exercise 'AUSTRALIND-23' has been conducted at which place?

Answer: Perth, Australia

416. National Milk Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: November 26th

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International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	25 th November	UNiTE! Invest to Prevent Violence against Women & Girls!	
International Meatless Day	25 th November		
National Milk Day	26 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the Father of India's White Revolution, Dr Verghese Kurien.
Constitution Day	26 th November		Indian Constitution was adopted on 26 th November 1949.

National Cadet Corps (NCC) Day	Fourth Sunday of November (26 th November 2023)		The year 2023 marks the 75th raising day of NCC.
World Sustainable Transport Day	26 th November		The day was first observed in 2023.
National Organ Donation Day	27 th November		
Aviation Safety Awareness Week	28 th November to 1 st December 2023		
International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People	29 th November		
Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare	30 th November		

417. The world's largest single-site solar power plant, the 2-gigawatt (GW) Al Dhafra Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Independent Power Project (IPP), has been inaugurated in _____.

Answer: UAE

418. Name the Maharatna company that has recently (November 2023) been awarded the "Best Employer for Policies in Diversity & Inclusion" Award at the 4th Diversity & Inclusion Excellence Awards and Conclave organized by Assocham.

Answer: REC Limited

419. How many medals has India won in the World Wushu Championship 2023?

Answer: Three

420. The ____ edition of Bengal Global Business Summit has been held in Kolkata in November 2023.

Answer: 7th

421. Which state of India has unveiled the world's first 3D-printed temple?

Answer: Telangana

422. The 11th edition of the International Tourism Mart (ITM) has been organized in _____.

Answer: Shillong, Meghalaya

423. Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India, _____, has been elected as the Vice-Chair of the United Nations (UN) Panel of External Auditors for 2024, as announced during the 63rd session of the Panel.

Answer: Girish Chandra Murmu

424. Where has the AIFF-FIFA Talent Academy been opened?

Answer: Bhubaneswar, Odisha

425. Which Indian city hosted the India Mushroom Summit 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

426. Recently (November 2023), the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog has launched a new accelerator called 'Rapid Innovation and Startup Expansion (RISE)' to support India and which country's circular economy startups?

Answer: Australia

427. Tamil writer Perumal Murugan has won the 2023 JCB Prize for Literature for his novel named '_____'.
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Answer: Fire Bird

428. Which state's Responsible Tourism (RT) Mission has been selected for the Global List of Case Studies of the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO)?

Answer: Kerala

429. Who has launched the software application "Dashboard" portal of the Ministry of Science & Technology for real-time, prompt and effective Parliament business?

Answer: Jitendra Singh

430. Which country's EFS Facilities Services Group has recently (in Nov'23) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to facilitate skilled International Workforce Mobility (IWM) for Indian nationals?

Answer: UAE

431. Who has been awarded the first-ever 'Lifetime Disturbing the Peace Award' by the Vaclav Havel Center?

Answer: Salman Rushdie

432. The Association of Asia-Pacific Airlines (AAPA) has set a target for its members to adopt _____ (percent) sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) usage by 2030.

Answer: 5%

433. Dr R Ravi Kannan, Director, Cacha Cancer Hospital and Research Center, Silchar has been awarded the FICCI Healthcare Excellence Award 2023 in which category?

Answer: Healthcare Humanitarian

434. Which Indian University has recently (in Nov'23) collaborated with Samarkand Institute of Economics and Service, Uzbekistan to establish a student exchange programme?

Answer: University of Delhi

435. Which state will host the 9th India International Science Festival?

Answer: Haryana

436. Who has been honoured with the 'Gaansamragini Lata Mangeshkar Award 2023'?

Answer: Suresh Ishwar Wadkar

437. _____, a maharatna company, has won the 'the Innovation Award - India' and 'Midstream Project of the Year Awards - India' at the Asian Oil and Gas Awards 2023.

Answer: GAIL (India) Limited

438. Which Indian personality has won the 2023 Kenneth Boulding Award for Ecological Economics?

Answer: Bina Agarwal

439. Bihar Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar has approved the Bihar Reservation Amendment Bill 2023. As a result, the reservation quota for backward classes has increased from 50 percent to _____.

Answer: 65%

440. Sea buckthorn, a plant that yields tiny, sour-tasting orange or yellow berries, has been awarded a GI (Geographical Indication) tag. It has become the 4th GI tagged product of _____.

Answer: Ladakh

441. In November 2023, which entity has been barred by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) from lending under its “eCOM” and “Insta EMI Card” products?

Answer: Bajaj Finnace

442. The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has recently (in Nov'23) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with _____ to facilitate easier access to credit for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

Answer: Technology Development Board

443. Who is the first woman recipient of the Dhahan Prize for Punjabi Literature?

Answer: Deepti Bubuta

444. An estimated _____ children in India missed their first dose of Measles vaccine in 2022, as per the report titled “Progress Toward Measles Elimination-Worldwide, 2000-2022” released by the World Health Organization and US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Answer: 11 lakhs

445. In November 2023, Amazon India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to promote which programme?

Answer: Amazon WoW (Women of the World) programme

446. Which Formula 1 (F1) driver has won the F1 Las Vegas Grand Prix 2023?

Answer: Max Verstappen

447. Sheynnis Palacios has been crowned Miss Universe 2023. She is from which country?

Answer: Nicaragua

448. Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has recently (in Nov'23) attended the 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting - Plus (ADMM-Plus) held in _____.

Answer: Jakarta, Indonesia

449. Who has been honoured with the first 'Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award' instituted by the Goa government?

Answer: Mathavaraj S

450. Luc Frieden has been named _____ Prime Minister of Luxembourg.

Answer: 23rd

451. Who has won the NASA IMPACT Planet Award 2023 for his/ her outstanding contribution to the Geospatial AI Foundation Model project?

Answer: Sujit Roy

452. Who is the first Indian comedian to win the Emmy Award?

Answer: Vir Das

453. Ekta Kapoor has received the _____ honour at the 51st International Emmy Awards ceremony held in New York City.

Answer: Directorate Award

454. Name the first interstate transmission project commissioned by ReNew Power in November 2023.

Answer: Koppal Transmission Scheme

455. Which fintech company has tied up with global travel technology company, Amadeus, to redefine travel experience with Artificial Intelligence (AI)?

Answer: Paytm

456. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of the State Bank of India (SBI) for the period of two years in place of Swaminathan Janakiraman?

Answer: Vinay M Tonse

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National New Born Week	15 th to 21 st November	Safety, Quality and Nurturing Care - Every Newborn's Birth Right	
International Day for Tolerance	16 th November		The day was first observed in 1997.
National Press Day	16 th November		
All India Cooperative Week	14 to 20 November	Role of Cooperatives in Making India \$ 5 Trillion Economy and Sustainable Development Goals	The week was first observed in 1953.
National Epilepsy Day	17 th November		
International Students' Day	17 th November		
World Prematurity Day	17 th November	Small Actions, BIG IMPACT: Immediate Skin-to-Skin Care for Every Baby, Everywhere	
World Philosophy Day	Third Thursday of November (16 th November 2023)		
National Naturopathy Day	18 th November		
World Day for Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence	18 th November		

World Antimicrobial Awareness Week	18 th to 24 th November	Preventing Antimicrobial Resistance Together	
World Heritage Week	19 th to 25 th November		
World Toilet Day	19 th November	Accelerating Change	The day was first observed in 2013.
International Men's Day	19 th November	Zero Male Suicide	
National Integration Day	19 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of India's first woman Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.
Women's Entrepreneurship Day	19 th November		
World Children's Day	20 th November	For every child, every right	
Africa Industrialization Day	20 th November		
World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims	Third Sunday of November (19 th November 2023)	Justice	
World Television Day	21 st November		
World Fisheries Day	21 st November		

457. Recently published research in the journal Environmental International states that nearly 1 in 3 deaths from non-melanoma skin cancer is caused by working under the sun. This research is jointly published by _____.

Answer: World Health Organization (WHO) and International Labour Organization (ILO)

458. In November 2023, the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur has entered into a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Skills (IIS) to mentor IIS for _____ (years).

Answer: 5 years

459. Which edition of the World Food India (WFI 2023) has been organized in New Delhi, where the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi provided Seed Capital Assistance to over 1 lakh Self Help Group (SHG) members?

Answer: Second

460. Nadir Larbaoui has been appointed as the Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: Algeria

461. The song 'Abundance in Millets,' featuring Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has been nominated in which category at the 2024 Grammy Awards?

Answer: Best Global Music Performance

462. Who has been honored with the 19th Kalakar Puraskar Award?

Answer: Apolinaris D'Souza

463. In the month of November 2023, the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) approved the Digital Advertisement Policy 2023 to empower which organization?

Answer: Central Bureau of Communication

464. The _____ edition of bilateral exercise between Indian Navy and Bangladesh Navy, BONGOSAGAR-23, and the _____ edition of Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) by the two navies have been conducted in the Northern Bay of Bengal in November 2023.

Answer: Fourth; Fifth

465. What is the rank of India in the Inclusiveness Index 2023 published by the Othering and Belonging Institute (OBI)?

Answer: 117th

466. Which organization has launched the framework for building climate resilient and low carbon health systems?

Answer: World Health Organization

467. In Nov'23, Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel (AM/NS) India has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Odisha to establish a High Performance Centre of _____.

Answer: Kho Kho

468. Which Indian cricketer has been inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame 2023 along with Diana Edulji and Aravinda de Silva?

Answer: Virender Sehwag

469. In Nov'23, _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Lean Campus Startups (Trust) & WEICI India to empower corporate and women entrepreneurs through various training programmes.

Answer: Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs

470. Which Indian state's 'Airgun Surrender Abhiyan' has received international recognition at the UNESCO's International Conference on Biosphere Reserves held in Malaysia?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

471. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed a mobile application called 'OptRoute' to enable easier and efficient transportation of goods within cities?

Answer: IIT Madras

472. Which Indian state has topped the medal tally and won the Raja Bhalindra Singh Rolling Trophy for overall championship in the 37th National Games?

Answer: Maharashtra

473. Which state/UT police has become the first police force in India to introduce GPS tracker anklets for monitoring terror?

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

474. The Indian Women's Hockey Team has won the Jharkhand Women's Asian Champions Trophy Ranchi 2023 by defeating which team in the final match?

Answer: Japan

475. _____ has been sworn in as the new Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) by President Droupadi Murmu.

Answer: Heeralal Samariya

476. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has become the first to establish an international campus in Tanzania in November 2023?

Answer: IIT Madras

477. Who has become the 1st Athlete to receive the Council of Fashion Designers of America's (CFDA) Fashion Icon Award?

Answer: Serena Williams

478. Who has been appointed as the Surveyor General of India?

Answer: Hitesh Kumar S. Makwana

479. Name the nation that has become the 95th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA).

Answer: Chile

480. Which IT firm has entered into a three-year partnership with Amazon Web Services (AWS) to accelerate the cloud transformation of financial organizations in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa?

Answer: Infosys

481. With which country has India recently (in Nov'23) signed a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) to cooperate on medical product regulation and enhance the quality of medical products and healthcare services?

Answer: Netherlands

482. Which life insurance company has recently (in November 2023) launched the Guaranteed Assured Income (GAIN) for the customers of Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVBG)?

Answer: Canara HSBC Life Insurance

483. Who has been appointed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) as its UPI Safety Ambassador?

Answer: Pankaj Tripathi

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➤ Important Days of November 2023:

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World Urbanism Day	8 th November	Learn Globally, Apply Locally	
International Day of Radiology	8 th November	Celebrating Patient Safety	The day was first observed in 2012.
National Legal Services Day	9 th November	Access to Justice for All: Empowering the Marginalised through Legal Awareness	
International Week of Science & Peace	9 th to 15 th November		The week was first observed in 1986.
World Science Day for Peace and Development	10 th November	Building Trust in Science	
World Usability Day	Second Thursday of November (9 th November 2023)	Collaboration and Cooperation	The day was first observed in 2005.
National Education Day	11 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the first education minister of independent India.
World Quality Week	6 th to 10 th November 2023	Quality: realising your competitive potential	

World Pneumonia Day	12 th November	Every Breath Counts: Stop Pneumonia in Its Track	
Public Service Broadcasting Day	12 th November		
World Kindness Day	13 th November	Be Kind Wherever Possible	The day was first observed in 1998.
World Diabetes Day	14 th November	Access to Diabetes Care	
National Children's Day	14 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of India's 1 st Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru (2023 marks the 134th birth anniversary of him)
Tribal Pride Day	15 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda (2023 marks the 148th birth anniversary of him)
World Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Day	Third Wednesday of November (15 th November 2023)	Breathing is Life - Act Earlier	The first World COPD Day was held in 2002.

484. Mera Hou Chongba is a festival of solidarity observed in which Indian state/UT?

Answer: Manipur

485. Durga Bharat Samman is an award presented by which state?

Answer: West Bengal

486. Max Verstappen has won the Formula 1 (F1) Mexico City Grand Prix 2023. Who has finished second in the race?

Answer: Lewis Hamilton

487. Who has been named the Brand Ambassador of Henry Harvin Education (HHE)?

Answer: Chetan Bhagat

488. Who has been appointed as a member of the Strategic and Technical Advisory Group (STAG) for Tuberculosis by the World Health Organization (WHO)?

Answer: Sarang Deo

489. Argentine professional footballer Lionel Messi has won the Ballon d'Or Award 2023 for the record ____ time.

Answer: 8th

490. What is the theme of the 16th edition of the Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference & Exhibition 2023?

Answer: Integrated and Resilient Urban Transport

491. What is the main aim of the 'Mission Kala Kranti' launched by the Government of West Bengal?

Answer: To promote the art and culture of West Bengal and India

492. Koppu Sadashiv Murthy has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the _____.

Answer: Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL)

493. Which Indian city has been designated as the 'City of Literature' by UNESCO in 2023?

Answer: Kozhikode

494. During the 6th Session of the International Solar Alliance Assembly in New Delhi, it has been decided to increase the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Cap for solar projects from 10% up to ____ of project cost.

Answer: 35%

495. _____ state government has recently (November 2023) launched the “Dr Puneeth Rajkumar Hrudaya Jyoti Yojana” to provide treatment to cardiac arrest patients.

Answer: Karnataka

496. In the Hangzhou Asian Para Games 2022, India has finished ____ position in the medal tally with ____ medals.

Answer: 5th position; 111 medals

497. The bulk deposit limit for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) has been increased to _____ from Rs.15 lakh.

Answer: Rs.1 crore

498. Name the lender that has become the first foreign bank in India to introduce Electronic Bank Guarantee (E-BG) services to facilitate digitization of trade finance.

Answer: HSBC India

499. Where is the Asian Shooting Championships 2023 held?

Answer: Changwon, South Korea

500. Surendra Kumar Adhana has been re-elected as a member of the United Nations Advisory Committee on Administrative & Budgetary Questions (UN-ACABQ) for the term _____.

Answer: 2024-26

501. India will host the World Telecommunication Standardisation Assembly in which year?

Answer: 2024

502. At which city has the RailTel Corporation of India Limited set up a Centre of Excellence (CoE) to provide training on railway signalling, and telecommunications systems in November 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

503. Recently (November 2023), Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL) and Gas Authority of India (GAIL) have signed a ____ (year) contract, estimated at a value of over Rs.63,000 crore, to supply propane to GAIL's propane dehydrogenation (PDH)-polypropylene (PP) project in Usar in _____ (state).

Answer: 15 years; Maharashtra

504. Which country has become the first in the world to fully sterilise and vaccinate its entire stray dog population?

Answer: Bhutan

505. According to the EdelGive Hurun India's Philanthropy List for 2023, _____ is India's leading philanthropist with an annual donation of Rs.2,042 crore.

Answer: Shiv Nadar

506. How much funding has been approved by the Government of Norway for strengthening food security and environmental protection in Uttarakhand under India's 'The Hunger Project'?

Answer: USD 44.7 million

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World Vegan Day	1 st November	
International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists	2 nd November	
International Biosphere Reserve Day	3 rd November	
India Water Week (IWW)	1 st to 5 th November	
World Tsunami Awareness Day	5 th November	Fighting Inequality for a Resilient Future
International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict	6 th November	

Infant Protection Day	7 th November	
National Cancer Awareness Day	7 th November	

507. What is India's first semi-high speed regional rail service called?

Answer: Namo Bharat

508. _____ has become the first district in India to officially designate its own tree, flower, bird and species.

Answer: Kasaragod

509. Who has been conferred with the 19th Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice (2023)?

Answer: Narges Mohammadi

510. Dhordo village has been honoured with the Best Tourism Village 2023 title by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). It is located in which state?

Answer: Gujarat

511. Which Indian state has launched the 'iStart Talent Connect Portal' to boost employment opportunities?

Answer: Rajasthan

512. Recently (October 2023), the _____ Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) has become the second to get habitat rights in the state of Chhattisgarh.

Answer: Baiga

513. Which Indian city will host the 'Bharat Tex 2024'?

Answer: New Delhi

514. What is the purpose of the Nanda Gaura Yojana (NGY) introduced by Uttarakhand state government?

Answer: To improve the gender ratio and education of girls.

515. Who has been felicitated with the 2022 'Award for Global Leadership' conferred by the Centre on the Legal Profession, Harvard Law School?

Answer: D Y Chandrachud

516. Who has been appointed as the next Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of IRCTC?

Answer: Sanjay Kumar Jain

517. Who has been named the brand ambassador of PepsiCo India's potato chips brand Lay's?

Answer: MS Dhoni

518. Which country has honoured Dr Ashok Gadgil and Dr Subra Suresh with the National Medal for Technology and Innovation and the National Medal of Science, respectively?

Answer: USA

519. India's first liquid Nano Di-Ammonia Phosphate (DAP) plant of the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) has been set up at which place?

Answer: Kalol, Gujarat

520. Who has been appointed as the next Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Kotak Mahindra Bank with effect from 1st January 2024?

Answer: Ashok Vaswani

521. In October 2023, Kotak Mahindra Bank has received approval from the RBI to acquire 100% stake of which non-banking finance company?

Answer: Sonata Finance

522. Swayampurna e-bazaar, an online platform that supports self-help groups, has been launched by which Indian state?

Answer: Goa

523. The International Conference of the Global Media and Information Literacy Week (2023) has been co-organized by UNESCO and the Government of _____.

Answer: Jordan

524. The book titled "*The Lords of Wankhede: Tales Between Two Titles*" explains the changes that occurred in Indian cricket between 1983 and 2023. This book is co-authored by _____.

Answer: W.V. Raman and R. Kaushik

525. Where has the Indian Army established its first Vertical Wind Tunnel (VWT)?

Answer: Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh

526. Robert Fico has been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: Slovakia

527. Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project, seen in the news recently, is present in which Indian state?

Answer: Uttarakhand

528. A new book titled "Breaking the Mould: Reimagining India's Economic Future" has been written by whom?

Answer: Raghuram Rajan and Rohit Lamba

529. Who has been named as the 'National Icon' for voter awareness and education by the Election Commission of India (ECI) in October 2023?

Answer: Rajkumar Rao

530. _____ has become the first state in India to have hallmarking centres in all districts.

Answer: Kerala

531. Which digital transformation solutions company has won the 'Mahatma Awards 2023 for CSR Excellence in the Community Initiative' category?

Answer: UST

532. Escrowpay has secured India's first digital escrow regulatory fintech authorization from which organization?

Answer: International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)

533. Go Savings Account, a zero-balance digital banking product, has recently (Oct'23) been launched by which lender?

Answer: RBL Bank

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International Snow Leopard Day	23 rd October		
International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week	Last Week of October (22 nd to 28 th October 2023)		The year 2023 marks the 11th International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. The focus of campaign 2023 is " <i>End Childhood Lead Poisoning</i> ".
World Development Information Day	24 th October		
International Day of Diplomats	24 th October		The day was proposed by Indian poet-diplomat Abhay K.
United Nations Day	24 th October		The year 2023 marks the 78th anniversary of the United Nations and its founding Charter.
World Polio Day	24 th October		
Disarmament Week	24 th to 30 th October		
Global Media and Information Literacy Week	24 th to 31 st October	"Media and Information Literacy in Digital Spaces: A	

		Collective Global Agenda"	
World Sustainability Day	4th Wednesday of October (25 th October 2023)		
World Dwarfism Day	25 th October		
Accession Day of Jammu & Kashmir	26 th October		
World Day for Audio-visual Heritage	27 th October	Your Window to the World	
Indian Army Infantry Day	27 th October		The year 2023 marks the 77 th Infantry Day.
World Occupational Therapy Day	27 th October	Unity through community	
International Animation Day	28 th October		
World Stroke Day	29 th October	Together we are #GreaterThan Stroke	
International Internet Day	29 th October		
International Day of Care & Support	29 th October		
International Open Access Week	Last week of October (23 rd to 29 th October 2023)	Community over Commercialization	
National Unity Day	31 st October		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. This year marks the 148th birth anniversary of him.
World Savings Day (World Thrift Day)	31 st October	Conquer your tomorrow	In India, due to the death of the late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on 31 st October 1984, the World Savings Day is observed on 30 th October.

World Cities Day	31 st October	Financing sustainable urban future for all	The day was first observed in 2014.
Vigilance Awareness Week	30th October to 5 th November 2023	Say no to Corruption; commit to the Nation	The week is observed across India by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC).

534. Which state government has launched the 'Hope Initiative' to curb the drug menace?

Answer: Punjab

535. The year 2023 marks the observance of ____ Raising Day of National Security Guard (NSG).

Answer: 39th

536. In the 15th annual Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index (MCGPI 2023), ____ has topped the index, while India has secured the ____ rank among 47 countries.

Answer: Netherlands; 45th

537. Who has been appointed as India's permanent representative to the United Nations (UN) and other international organisations in Geneva by the Ministry of External Affairs?

Answer: Arindam Bagchi

538. A harvest festival 'Kongali' is observed annually in which state of India?

Answer: Assam

539. With which country has India held 2+2 Foreign and Defence Dialogue in New Delhi in October 2023?

Answer: United Kingdom

540. Which edition of the Global Maritime India Summit 2023 has been organized in Mumbai?

Answer: Third

541. Nobel Peace Prize winner, Martti Ahtisaari, has passed away in October 2023. He served as the 10th President of which country?

Answer: Finland

542. Which state's nodal agency for investment promotion, Guidance, has received the United Nations Promotion Award 2023?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

543. The Indian Navy has recently (October 2023) conducted a two-day coastal security exercise called '_____' in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Puducherry.

Answer: Sagar Kavach

544. In October 2023, Union Ports, Shipping and Waterways Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has virtually flagged off a new international ferry service between Tamil Nadu's Nagapattinam and Sri Lanka's Kankasanturai. What is the name of this ferry?

Answer: Cheriyaapani

545. Who unveiled the bust of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore at the International Friendship Park in Bac Ninh province, Vietnam, as per the latest (October 2023) news?

Answer: S Jaishankar

546. Who unveiled Nagaland's first medical college named 'Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences & Research (NIMSR)' in October 2023?

Answer: Mansukh Mandaviya

547. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 141st International Olympic Committee (IOC) Session in ____ (city) in October 2023.

Answer: Mumbai

548. When is the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty observed?

Answer: 17th October

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World Food Day	16 th October	Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind	The day was first observed in 1981.
International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	17 th October	Decent Work and Social Protection: Putting dignity in practice for all	
World Trauma Day	17 th October		The day was created in New Delhi in 2011.
Global Dignity Day	Third Wednesday of October (18 th October 2023)		
Bone & Joint Action Week	12 th to 20 th October		
World Osteoporosis Day	20 th October	Build Better Bones	
International Chefs Day	20 th October		
World Statistics Day	20 th October		
National Solidarity Day	20 th October		
National Police Commemoration Day	21 st October		
Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Prevention Day	21 st October		
International Stuttering Awareness Day	22 nd October	One Size Does NOT Fit All	

549. Recently (October 2023), the Executive Committee of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) during its ____ meeting has approved seven projects worth around Rs.285 crore.

Answer: 51st

550. The Mahila Thana of ____ has become India's first women-centric police station to get ISO 9001:2015 certification.

Answer: Bhopal

551. Name the state that has recently (October 2023) launched the "Location Accessible Multi-modal Initiative" (LAccMI) scheme.

Answer: Odisha

552. Which Indian state government has introduced a poverty alleviation scheme named 'Orunodoi 2.0'?

Answer: Assam

553. A 17-year-old Grandmaster _____ has won the FIDE World Junior Rapid Chess Championship 2023 in the open section.

Answer: Raunak Sadhwani

554. Christopher Luxon has been elected as the 42nd Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: New Zealand

555. Which country's space operator Promethee has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Skyroot Aerospace Private Limited for satellite launch services onboard Vikram rockets for the Japetus earth observation constellation?

Answer: France

556. In October 2023, the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) tied up with Coca-Cola India to launch the 'Superpower Retailer Program' under the Skill India Mission. The Superpower Retailer Program is being piloted in the Indian state of _____.

Answer: Odisha

557. Dahyabhai Karunashankar Shastri, a renowned Indian Sanskrit scholar, has passed away in October 2023. He hails from which Indian state?

Answer: Gujarat

558. What is the theme of World Food Day 2023?

Answer: Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind

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Indian Air Force Day	8 th October	IAF - Air Power Beyond Boundaries	Indian Air Force has observed its 91st Raising Day on 8th October 2023.
World Dyslexia Day	8 th October	Uniquely You	
World Hospice and Palliative Care Day	Second Saturday of October (14 th October 2023)	Compassionate Communities: Together for Palliative Care	
World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD)	Second Saturday of May (13 th May 2023) and Second Saturday of October (14 th October 2023)	Water: Sustaining Bird Life	
World Post Day	9 th October	Together for trust: Collaborating for a safe and connected future	
Indian Foreign Service Day	9 th October		Indian Foreign Service was established on 9 th October 1946.
National Postal Week	9 th to 13 th October 2023		
National Post Day	10 th October		
World Mental Health Day	10 th October	Mental Health is a Universal Human Right	
World Day Against the Death Penalty	10 th October		
National Current Good Manufacturing Practice Day (cGMP Day)	10 th October	cGMP: Transforming Helathcare	
International Day of Girl Child	11 th October	Invest in Girls' Rights: Our Leadership, Our Well-being	The day was first observed in 2012.
World Arthritis Day	12 th October	It's in your hands, take action	
World Sloth Bear Day	12 th October		IUCN Red List status of Sloth Bear is 'Vulnerable'.
International Day for Disaster Reduction	13 th October	Early Warning	

World Sight Day	Second Thursday of October (12 th October 2023)	Love Your Eyes at Work	
International E-Waste Day	14 th October	You can recycle anything with a plug, battery or cable!	The day was first observed in 2018.
World Standard Day	14 th October	Shared Vision for a Better World – Standards for Sustainable Development Goals” (incorporating SDG3)	The day was first observed in 1970.
World Egg Day	Second Friday of October (13 th October 2023)	Eggs for a healthy future	
World Student’s Day	15 th October		The day commemorate the birth anniversary of the former president of India, Late Dr APJ Abdul Kalam.
International Day of Rural Women	15 th October		The day was first observed in 2008.
Global Handwashing Day	15 th October	Clean hands are within reach	The day was first observed in 2008.

559. The National Tribal Festival, 'Aadi Mahotsav', has been inaugurated by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda in which place in October 2023?

Answer: Jamshedpur, Jharkhand

560. The poster girl of Kerala's adult literacy programme, Karthyayani Amma, has passed away in October 2023. She was honoured with the Nari Shakti Puraskar award, the highest civilian award for a woman, by the Government of India in which year?

Answer: 2020

561. Tamil Nadu IT Minister Palanivel Thiaga Rajan has released a book on ChatGPT for the use of professionals in various fields. What is the name of the book?

Answer: The Professionals Handbook to ChatGPT

562. The 2nd edition of annual Indian Space Conclave (ISC 2023) has been held in New Delhi. ISC 2023 has been organized by which organization?

Answer: Indian Space Association

563. To strengthen flood and riverbank erosion risk management in Assam, how much million loan has been approved by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in October 2023?

Answer: USD 200 million

564. Which lender has recently (October 2023) launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' for its financial inclusion customers?

Answer: State Bank of India

565. Which lender has recently (October 2023) launched its digital bank proposition in its latest advertising campaign 'Open 2023'?

Answer: Axis Bank

566. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has recently (October 2023) hosted the ____ BRICS International Competition Conference (BRICS ICC) 2023 in New Delhi.

Answer: 8th

567. Which airport has become the first in Asia to commission a Disabled Aircraft Recovery Kit (DARK)?

Answer: Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport

568. At the Hangzhou Asian Games 2022, India finished fourth in the medal tally with 107 medals, including ____ Gold, ____ Silver, and ____ Bronze.

Answer: 28; 38; 41

569. Which state's Employment and Skill Development department has recently (October 2023) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Microsoft to provide training related to digital skills to the students?

Answer: Uttarakhand

570. Which nation will hold the chairmanship of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) from 2023 to 2025?

Answer: Sri Lanka

571. South Asia's first aircraft recovery training school has been set up at which airport?

Answer: Bangalore Airport

572. Who has been re-elected as the President of the Solvent Extractors' Association of India (SEA) for 2023-24?

Answer: Ajay Jhunjunwala

573. Recently (October 2023), Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple projects worth about Rs.5000 crore in Jodhpur Rajasthan. During the event, he flagged off the Runicha Express which will connect ____ to ____.

Answer: Jaisalmer to Delhi

574. Which birth anniversary of Rani Durgavati is observed in 2023?

Answer: 500th

575. The first Gandhi Museum of North America has been opened in which place?

Answer: Houston, USA

576. _____ launched the first two prototype satellites 'KuiperSat-1' and 'KuiperSat-2' to Low Earth Orbit (LEO) as part of "Protoflight" mission of Project Kuiper.

Answer: Amazon

577. Claudia Goldin has won the 2023 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel. She has been awarded for _____.

Answer: Women's labour market outcomes

578. Which state/UT has hosted the 16th edition of 'cOcOn', the international cyber security and hacking conference?

Answer: Kerala

579. Operation Iron Swords has been launched by which country in October 2023?

Answer: Israel

580. Air Force Day commemorates the official induction of the Indian Air Force (IAF) into India's armed forces in 1932. When is Indian Air Force Day observed annually?

Answer: 8th October

581. As per the data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), India's fiscal deficit for the tenure April to August of the financial year 2023-24 is at _____.

Answer: Rs.6.42 trillion

582. India has been re-elected as the President of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) General Conference (GC) for the ____ consecutive term.

Answer: Third

583. Which organization, in collaboration with the Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU), has launched an initiative titled Universalization of Traditional Indian Knowledge System (UTIKS)?

Answer: Indian Council for Cultural Relations

584. Which state has announced the formation of three new districts namely, 'Malpura', 'Sujangarh', and 'Kuchaman'?

Answer: Rajasthan

585. India's largest pumped storage project has been inaugurated in which state in October 2023?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

586. Which session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has been held in 2023?

Answer: 78th

587. The World Health Organization (WHO) has recommended a new vaccine, R21/Matrix-M, for the prevention of _____ in children.

Answer: Malaria

588. Who has been named the 'Global Ambassador' for the men's Cricket ODI World Cup 2023?

Answer: Sachin Tendulkar

589. Which Indian state has launched the "Mukhyamantri Sukh Ashraya Yojana" to provide comprehensive support to orphans, especially abled children, destitute women, and elderly individuals in the state?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

590. International Teachers Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 5th October

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International Coffee Day	1 st October	Promoting the right to a safe and healthy working environment in the coffee supply chain	The day was first observed in 2015.
National Voluntary Blood Donation Day	1 st October		
World Vegetarian Day	1 st October		
Vegetarian Awareness Month	1 st October to 1 st November		
International Day of Older Persons	1 st October	Fulfilling the Promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for Older Persons: Across Generations	

National Pension System Diwas	1 st October		The day was first observed in 2021.
National Wildlife Week	2 nd to 8 th October	Partnerships for wildlife conservation	The year 2023 marks the 69 th National Wildlife Week.
World Day for Farmed Animals (WDFA)	2 nd October		
International Day of Non-Violence	2 nd October		The year 2023 marks the 154 th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
World Habitat Day	First Monday of October (2nd October 2023)	Resilient urban economies. Cities as drivers of growth and recovery	
World Space Week	4 th to 10 th October	Space and Entrepreneurship	
World Animal Day	4 th October	Great or Small, Love Them All	
International Teachers Day	5 th October	The teachers we need for the education we want: The global imperative to reverse the teacher shortage	
Breast Cancer Awareness Month	1 st to 31 st October		
World Cerebral Palsy Day	6 th October	Together Stronger	
World Smile Day	First Friday of October (6 th October 2023)		The day was first observed in 1999.
World Cotton Day	7 th October	Making cotton fair and sustainable for all: from farm to fashion	The day was first observed in 2019.

591. What is the name of the annual joint military exercise conducted between India and Bangladesh, which recently (October 2023) commenced its 11th edition in Umroi, Meghalaya?

Answer: SAMPRITI

592. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched 'Sankalp Saptah', a unique week-long programme linked to the effective implementation of _____.

Answer: Aspirational Blocks Programme

593. As per the Ookla Speedtest Global Index (August 2023 edition), _____ has topped the index, while India has been ranked _____ in the index.

Answer: UAE; 47th

594. Which public sector enterprise has approved two joint ventures with EverEnviro Resource Management Pvt Ltd and GPS Renewables Pvt Ltd to set up compressed biogas (CBG) plants?

Answer: Indian Oil Corporation Limited

595. Who has become the first women to be honoured with the Global Indian Award by the Canada India Foundation (CIF)?

Answer: Sudha Murthy

596. Who has assumed the role of the 28th Director General of the Border Roads Organization (BRO)?

Answer: Lieutenant General Raghu Srinivasan

597. What is the venue of the 'Bharatiya Bhasha Summit' in 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

598. Mohamed Muizzu has been elected as the new President of _____.

Answer: Maldives

599. Who has been elected as the Chairman of PTI (Press Trust of India)?

Answer: K N Shanth Kumar

600. Which birth anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri has been observed on 2nd October 2023?

Answer: 119th

601. What is the rank of India in the Global Innovation Index 2023 published by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)?

Answer: 40th

602. How many individuals have been awarded the National Service Scheme Awards for the year 2021-2022?

Answer: 52

603. Who has been chosen as the recipient of the 2023 SASTRA Ramanujan Prize in mathematics?

Answer: Ruixiang Zhang

604. Chhattisgarh has launched the "Chief Minister Construction Workers Pension Assistance Scheme". The scheme provides construction workers, who are registered for ten years and completed 60 years of age, pension assistance of _____ per month for life.

Answer: Rs.1500

605. Name the Indian state that has become the fourth to introduce an e-cabinet system.

Answer: Tripura

606. The Indian Railways has inked a supply contract with the Indo-Russian joint venture Kinet Railway Solutions for manufacturing how many Vande Bharat trains?

Answer: 120

607. Which is India's most valuable brand, as per the 10th Kantar BrandZ Top 75 Most Valuable Indian Brands Report?

Answer: Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)

608. Who have been awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2023?

Answer: Pierre Agostini (USA), Ferenc Krausz (Hungary), and Anne L'Huillier (France)

Other winners:

- The **2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine** has been awarded to Hungarian scientist **Katalin Kariko** and U.S. scientist **Drew Weissman** for their discoveries concerning nucleoside base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19.

- The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2023 to **Moungi G. Bawendi (USA), Louis E. Brus (USA) and Alexei I. Ekimov (USA)** for the discovery and development of **quantum dots**, nanoparticles so tiny that their size determines their properties.
- The **Nobel Prize in Literature 2023** has been awarded to **Jon Fosse (Norway)** for his innovative plays and prose which give voice to the unsayabl
- The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the **Nobel Peace Prize for 2023** to **Narges Mohammadi**, an Iranian human rights activist, and scientist, for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all.

609. Which Indian state has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute (NGI) to explore harnessing geothermal potential?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

610. What is the venue of the 13th Indo-Pacific Armies Chiefs Conference (IPACC)?

Answer: New Delhi

611. Which state has launched a new scheme namely 'Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana', and 'Pada Pushti Yojana' to improve nutritional status?

Answer: Odisha

612. The 4th edition of 'Nadi Utsav' has been organized on the banks of which rivers?

Answer: Yamuna

613. Which public sector undertaking (PSU) has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with state-owned hydro power firm SJVN Ltd to finance renewable energy and thermal power projects worth Rs.1.18 trillion?

Answer: Power Finance Corporation

614. Recently, a report released by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER) states that India's Ultra-Processed

Food Sector has grown at a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of ____ (percent) in retail sales value from 2011 to 2021.

Answer: 13.37%

615. Who has been named the 14th Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC)?

Answer: Vivek Bhasin

616. When will India host the 17th International Congress on the Chemistry of Cement (ICCC)?

Answer: 2027

617. Who has won the MotoGP Bharat 2023 held at the Buddh International Circuit in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Marco Bezzechi

618. Biswanath Ghat in ____ (state) has been selected as the Best Tourism Village of India in 2023.

Answer: Assam

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