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Current Affairs Quiz: October 16 2019

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1. Where was the 3rd India Energy Forum by CERAWEEK held ?

- 1) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 2) Guwahati, Assam
- 3) Kolkata, West Bengal
- 4) New Delhi, Delhi
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) New Delhi, Delhi**

Explanation:

The 3rd India Energy Forum by CERAWEEK was conducted in New Delhi from 13-15 October 2019. The Summit, served as a platform to examine the fundamental challenges and opportunities to provide sustainable, secure and affordable energy choices to the nation. Various ministers held key speeches during the forum.

2. By which year, Indian railways has planned to become “net zero” emitter of carbon ?

- 1) 2025
- 2) 2022
- 3) 2030
- 4) 2032
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) 2030**

Explanation:

Indian railways has set target to have 100% electrification done by 2023 and also plans to become “net zero” emitter of carbon by 2030. It also plans to source 10% of its electricity needs through renewable energy sources by 2020.

3. Name the scheme launched by Dr Harsh Vardhan, which plans to engage motivated individuals with the food safety ecosystem at ground level .

- 1) Food Safety Mitra (FSM)
- 2) Food Safety Yojana (FSY)
- 3) Digital Food Safety (DFS)
- 4) Digital Food Safety Yojana (DFS Y)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 1) Food Safety Mitra (FSM)

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019 (World Food Day), Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Dr Harsh Vardhan launched Food Safety Mitra (FSM) Scheme, Eat Right Smart Jacket and Eat Right Jhola in New Delhi. FSM Scheme: It is introduced by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). It engages motivated individuals with food safety ecosystem at ground level. A FSM is an individual professional certified by FSSAI who assists in compliances related to Food Safety and Standards (FSS) Act, Rules & Regulations with 3 avatars- Digital Mitra, Trainer Mitra and Hygiene Mitra. The assistance of the Network of Professionals of Food and Nutrition in India (NetPro.FAN) can also be sought. Its details can be accessed through the website <https://fssai.gov.in/mitra/> .

4. Which Indian City is set to host the 5th edition of World Coffee Conference (WCC) & Expo 2020 for the first time in India ?

- 1) Hyderabad, Telangana
- 2) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- 3) New Delhi, Delhi
- 4) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Bengaluru, Karnataka

Explanation:

For the 1st time, India to host 5th edition of World Coffee Conference (WCC)& Expo 2020 with the theme 'sustainably through consumption' in Bengaluru, Karnataka from September 7-12, 2020. The event will celebrate all things of coffee in an immersive experience with conferences and will make Indian coffee a brand that is recognised worldwide and formulate ways to make India a sustainable destination for coffee.

5. Under which scheme, over 50 lakh people have benefited from free of cost treatment?

- 1) Pradhan Mantri Shram Arogya Yojana(PM-SAY)
- 2) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Arogya Yojana(PM-KAY)
- 3) Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Arogya Yojana(PM-AAY)
- 4) Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(PM-JAY)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(PM-JAY)

Explanation:

As of October 15, 2019 over 50 lakh people have benefited from free of cost treatment under the Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(PM-JAY) which is the world's largest health care programme. Top performing states of PM-JAY

6. Which of the following state is not among the top performers in providing free and tertiary healthcare treatment under Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(PM-JAY) ?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Gujarat
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Kerala
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Maharashtra

Explanation:

Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Chhattisgarh, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh emerged as the top performers in providing free and tertiary healthcare treatment under PM-JAY. The treatments were worth nearly Rs.7,901 crores across India.

7. Name the new train service launched by the Indian Railways to connect smaller towns around major cities.

- 1) 'Sewa Service'
- 2) 'Connect Service Rural'
- 3) 'Sewa Service Rural'
- 4) 'Rural Service'
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **'Sewa Service'**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019 the Indian Railways(IR) launched 09 'Sewa Service' Trains to connected with the unconnected smaller towns around major cities. Sewa service trains were launched by the Minister of railways and commerce & industry, Shri PiyushGoyal along with Minister for Health and Family Welfare(MoHFW), science & technology and earth sciences, Dr. Harsh Vardhan and Minister of petroleum & natural gas and steel, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Minister of State(Mos) for Railways Shri Suresh Channabasappa Angadi from New Delhi by inaugurating Delhi-Shamli passenger train.

8. Where was the Sangam Youth Festival 2019 organized by Indian army held ?

- 1) New Delhi
- 2) Jammu & Kashmir(J&K)
- 3) Mumbai
- 4) Kolkata
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 2) **Jammu & Kashmir(J&K)**

Explanation:

In a bid to promote peace and prosperity in the Chenab Valley region, Rashtriya Rifles, a branch of the Indian Army in collaboration with Jammu University have jointly organized "Sangam 2019-20 Youth Festival" at the University's Baderwah campus, Doda district, Jammu & Kashmir(J&K).

9. What was the theme of the Sangam Youth Festival 2019 ?

- 1) Theme – “New era to begin with”
- 2) Theme – “A New Beginning”
- 3) Theme – “Unity is Strength”
- 4) Theme – “Let’s Build Our Nation”
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Theme – “Let’s Build Our Nation”

Explanation:

The theme of the Sangam Youth Festival 2019 is ‘Let’s Build Our Nation’ at the University’s Bhaderwah campus, Doda district, Jammu & Kashmir(J&K).

10. What is the rank of India in the Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2019 by Concern Worldwide and Welt Hunger Hilfe ?

- 1) 102
- 2) 104
- 3) 105
- 4) 110
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 1) 102

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2019 jointly prepared by Irish aid agency Concern Worldwide and German organisation Welt Hunger Hilfe was released. India was ranked 102 out of 117 countries with the GHI score of 30.3, down from its 2018 position of 95. The top 17 countries with 2019 GHI scores of less than 5 were not assigned individual ranks, but collectively ranked 1–17. They are Belarus, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Estonia, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, Romania, Slovak Republic, Turkey, Ukraine and Uruguay.

11. **To which country, India handed over Mi-24V helicopters recently ?**

- 1) Iran
- 2) Afghanistan
- 3) Iraq
- 4) Russia
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Afghanistan

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, Indian Ambassador to Afghanistan Vinay Kumar has officially handed over the second pair of Mi-24V helicopters to Afghanistan's acting defence minister Asadullah Khalid at a ceremony held at the military airport in Kabul, Afghanistan.

12. **Which country topped in the 10th edition of World Giving Index (WGI) for the year 2019 by Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) ?**

- 1) Australia
- 2) New Zealand
- 3) Myanmar
- 4) USA
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) USA

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019 the 10th edition of World Giving Index (WGI) 2019 was released by Charities Aid Foundation (CAF). In the recently released report, United States of America(USA) topped the list. USA is followed by Myanmar, New Zealand and Australia in the second third and fourth place respectively.

13. **What is the rank of India as per the 10th edition of World Giving Index (WGI) for the year 2019 by Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) ?**

- 1) 75
- 2) 85
- 3) 82
- 4) 90
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) 82**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019 the 10th edition of World Giving Index (WGI) 2019 was released by Charities Aid Foundation (CAF). In the recently released report, India ranked at 82nd position among 128 countries that were surveyed where United States of America(US) topped the list. USA is followed by Myanmar, New Zealand and Australia in the second third and fourth place respectively.

14. **What is the minimum net worth for the units that wants to operate in Bharat Bill Payment Operating Unit (BBPOU) ?**

- 1) Rs 100 crore
- 2) Rs 75 crore
- 3) Rs 50 crore
- 4) Rs 25 crore
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Rs 100 crore**

Explanation:

RBI has decided to introduce the ever-open facility of application for license to operate Bharat Bill Payment Operating Unit (BBPOU), TReDS and White Label ATM (Automated Teller Machine).The units that want to provide or work for the platform for BBPOUs should have a net worth of Rs 100 crore and it should always be maintained. In case of TReDS, the minimum paid-up share capital should be Rs 25 crore. At the same time, net worth for interested units to come in the WLA (White Label ATMs) segment has been kept at Rs 100 crore.

15. **TReDS was in news recently, what does 'D' stands for _____ .**

- 1) Depreciation
- 2) Discounting
- 3) Deficit
- 4) Developing
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Discounting**

Explanation:

D stands for Discounting. The full form of TReDS is Trade Receivables Discounting System

16. **Which organization has stated that India has halved its poverty rate since 1990 & has achieved economic growth rate of over 7 percent in the last 15 years ?**

- 1) World Trade Organization(WTO)
- 2) United Nation (UN)
- 3) International Monetary Fund(IMF)
- 4) World bank (WB)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) World bank (WB)**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, As per the World bank (WB), India has halved its poverty rate since the 1990s, the situation has improved significantly and has achieved economic growth rate of over 7 percent in the last 15 years. Along with this, there are many challenges in the path of development journey of the country that it will have to improve the efficiency of resources for this. Agricultural productivity: The land will have to be used better through community economy in urban areas and by increasing agricultural production in rural areas.

17. **How much percent of women work in India as per the World Bank report ?**

- 1) 12 %
- 2) 25 %
- 3) 27 %
- 4) 30 %
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) 27 %**

Explanation:

World Bank estimated that 1.30 crore people are entering the employable age group every year, but 30 lakh employment opportunities are being created annually. Along with this, India is the reduction in the number of women workers. They constitute 27 % of the workforce, which is one of the lowest in the world.

18. **18) What is the Gross Domestic Product(GDP) growth of India for the year 2019 as per the International Monetary Fund (IMF)'s World Economic Outlook(WEO) report ?**

- 1) 6.1%
- 2) 6.5%
- 3) 6.3%
- 4) 7.1%
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) 6.1%**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019 the International Monetary Fund (IMF) downgraded India's Gross Domestic Product(GDP) growth forecast to 6.1% for the year 2019 from its previous estimate of 7.3% as per the IMF's World Economic Outlook(WEO) report. IMF also projected India's growth forecast for 2020 at 7%.

19. **Which organization has collaborated with the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific's (ESCAP)& released the Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2019 (APITR) ?**

- 1) International Monetary Fund(IMF)
- 2) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- 3) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development(OECD)
- 4) World Trade Organization(WTO)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)**

Explanation:

On October 14, 2019 the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) along with the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific's (ESCAP) collaboration, released the Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2019 (APITR).The report is published biennially to provide information on the impacts of recent and emerging developments in trade and Foreign Direct Investment(FDI) on countries to achieve sustainable development. The theme of APITR 2019 is "Navigating Non-Tariff Measures (NTMs) towards Sustainable Development".

20. **Name the Indian cricketer, who collaborated with Mastercard and launched a nationwide initiative titled "Team Cashless India" to boost digital payments**

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- 1) Rohit Sharma
- 2) Ravindra Jadeja
- 3) Virat Kohli
- 4) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Mahendra Singh Dhoni**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, A technology company in the global payments industry, Mastercard in collaboration with Indian cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni launched a nationwide initiative titled "Team Cashless India" to boost digital payments.

21. **Who was appointed as the Controller General of Accounts (CGA) on October 16, 2019?**

- 1) Rajiv Gauba
- 2) Rajiv Gauba
- 3) Jitendra Pal Singh Chawla
- 4) P. K. Sinha
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Jitendra Pal Singh Chawla**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, Mr Jitendra Pal Singh Chawla took over the responsibility as the Controller General of Accounts (CGA) succeeding Mr. Girraj Prasad Gupta. The 1985-batch Indian Civil Accounts Service (ICAS) Officer was appointed as CGA with effect from October 15, 2019 on regular basis but has been officiating as CGA with effect from September 1, 2019.

22. **Name the app launched by Department of Post for its savings account holders to facilitate easier transactions**

- 1) India Post Mobile Banking
- 2) Indian Department Post Mobile Banking
- 3) Post Mobile Banking of India
- 4) India Post Internet Banking
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) India Post Mobile Banking**

Explanation:

On October 14, 2019, The Department of Post has launched a mobile banking application "India Post Mobile Banking", for its savings account holders to facilitate easier transactions. The facility has started from 15 October, 2019 & will be available to all customers of core banking solutions (CBS) enabled post offices. Benefit: It will make it easier to manage most of the small savings schemes of the post office like time deposit, Kisan Vikas Patra, National Savings Certificate etc.

23. **Name the diagnostic kit developed by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) for the control of Swine .**

- 1) Japanese Epileptic 1gM ELISA
- 2) Japanese Encephalitis 1gM ELISA
- 3) Bluetongue sandwich ELISA (sELISA)
- 4) Bluetongue seizure ELISA (sELISA)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Japanese Encephalitis 1gM ELISA**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, Two diagnostic kits for Encephalitis, Bluetongue Virus called 'Bluetongue sandwich ELISA (sELISA)' for detection of antigen and the 'Japanese Encephalitis 1gM ELISA' for the control of Swine, developed by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) – Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) under the 'Make in India' initiative were released at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi with the aim to prevent the spread of virus in animals and thus predict their outbreak in humans. Each kit is meant for testing around 45 samples.

24. **Which two countries were readmitted as members of International Cricket Council (ICC) recently ?**

- 1) Iraq and Nepal
- 2) China and Iraq
- 3) United States and Nepal
- 4) Zimbabwe and Nepal
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) Zimbabwe and Nepal**

Explanation:

On October 14, 2019, The International Cricket Council (ICC) readmitted Zimbabwe and Nepal as its members in a meeting held in Dubai. Zimbabwe Cricket was suspended with immediate effect in July 2019 and Nepal was banned in 2016, both nations for governmental interference.

25. **Which country won the 3rd edition of the SAFF U-15 Women's Championships 2019 ?**

- 1) Myanmar
- 2) Nepal
- 3) India
- 4) Bangladesh
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) India**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, Indian football team won the 3rd Edition of the SAFF U-15 Women's Championships 2019 by beating Bangladesh by 5-3 via penalty shoot-out. The tournament was an international football competition for women's under-15 national teams. It was organized by the South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) and was held at Changlimithang Stadium in Thimpu, Bhutan from October 9- 15, 2019 in which 4 teams had participated.

26. **What was the theme of the World Food Day 2019 ?**

- 1) Theme – "Our actions are our future. Healthy diets for a #zerohunger world"
- 2) Theme – "Our Actions Are Our Future, Ending World Hunger by 2030 is Possible"
- 3) Theme – "Change the future of migration: Invest in food security and rural development"
- 4) Theme – "Feeding the world, caring for the earth"
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Theme – "Our actions are our future. Healthy diets for a #zerohunger world"**

Explanation:

The World Food Day(WFD) is observed annually on October 16th by the Food and Agriculture Organisation(FAO) of the United Nations(UN) under the resolution (A/RES/35/70) adopted in the year 1981. At the FAO's 20th General Conference in 1979, the day was first decided to be celebrated to honour the founding date of FAO in 1945. The theme for the year 2019 is "Our actions are our future. Healthy diets for a #zerohunger world".

27. On which date, World Mathematics Day is observed ?

- 1) October 14
- 2) October 15
- 3) October 16
- 4) October 17
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) October 15**

Explanation:

World Mathematics Day was observed on October 15, 2019. It is observed annually since 2007 by educational resource provider 3P Learning. The day was initially celebrated on March 14, 2007 (Pi Day) and later on the schedule was changed to hold the event in October 2015. The day is supported by UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) as global charity partner. Late Shakuntala Devi of India is known as a Human Computer who holds a record in the 1982 edition of The Guinness Book of World Records. She solved complex maths problems in seconds.

28. What was the theme of the Global Handwashing Day 2019 ?

- 1) Theme – "Our Hands, Our Future!"
- 2) Theme – "Leaving no one behind"
- 3) Theme – "Clean hands- a recipe for health"
- 4) Theme – "Clean Hands For All"
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) Theme – "Clean Hands For All"**

Explanation:

Global Handwashing Day (GHD) is observed annually on October 15 to increase awareness and understanding of the importance of handwashing. GHD was founded by the Global Handwashing Partnership (GHP) and was first celebrated in the year 2008. The theme for the year 2019 is "Clean Hands For All".

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. Yashasvi Jaiswal is associated with which sport ?

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **Cricket**

Explanation:

Mumbai teenager Yashasvi Jaiswal was in news because he smashed his way into the record books by becoming the youngest player to score a List-A double century.

2. **Nandankanan Zoological Park is located in which state ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Odisha**

Explanation:

This park was in news recently because Subhranshu, a white tiger passed away recently in the park.

3. **Who is the Secretary General of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Mukhisa Kituyi**

4. **Who is the Chief Economist of International Monetary Fund (IMF) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Gita Gopinath**

5. **How many deputy governors are there in Reserve Bank of India (RBI) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4**

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1. **Where was the 3rd edition of India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2019, the largest digital technology forum in South Asia held ?**

- 1) New Delhi, Delhi
- 2) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- 3) Hyderabad, Telangana
- 4) Kochi, Kerala
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) New Delhi, Delhi**

Explanation:

3rd Edition of India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2019 was held in Aerocity, New Delhi from October 14 -16, 2019. It was organised by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Government of India and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI). IMC is the largest digital technology forum in South Asia.

2. **What was the theme of the 3rd edition of India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2019 ?**

- 1) Theme – “Science for shaping the future of India”
- 2) Theme – “Connecting the next billion Indians to the worldwide web is the single biggest opportunity in India”
- 3) Theme – “Imagine: a new Connected world; Intelligent. Immersive. Inventive”
- 4) Theme – “New Digital Horizons. Connect. Create. Innovate”
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Theme – “Imagine: a new Connected world; Intelligent. Immersive. Inventive”**

Explanation:

3rd Edition of India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2019 was held in Aerocity, New Delhi from October 14 -16, 2019 under the theme “Imagine: a new Connected world; Intelligent. Immersive. Inventive”. It was organised by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Government of India and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI). IMC is the largest digital technology forum in South Asia.

3. _____ **edition of Livestock Census for the year 2019 was released by Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.**

- 1) 15th
- 2) 20th
- 3) 25th
- 4) 30th
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) 20th**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, The provisional data of the 20th Livestock Census for 2019 was released by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying which works under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.

4. **How much percent of livestock population was increased in the year 2019 from the year 2012 as per the 20th edition of Livestock Census for the year 2019 ?**

- 1) 6.5%
- 2) 2.3%
- 3) 5.5%
- 4) 4.6%
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) 4.6%**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, The provisional data of the 20th Livestock Census for 2019 was released by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying which works under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying. It showed that the livestock population increased by 4.6%, from 512.06 million in 2012 livestock census to 535.78 million in 2019.

5. **Which state has the highest number of livestock with 67.8 million population as per the 20th edition of Livestock Census for the year 2019?**

- 1) Uttar Pradesh
- 2) West Bengal
- 3) Madhya Pradesh
- 4) Rajasthan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **Uttar Pradesh**

Explanation:

Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of livestock of 67.8 million, followed by Rajasthan 56.8 million, Madhya Pradesh: 40.6 million and West Bengal: 37.4 million .

6. **Name the state, which has the highest number of poultry population as per the 20th edition of Livestock Census for the year 2019 .**

- 1) West Bengal
- 2) Andhra Pradesh
- 3) Tamil Nadu
- 4) Telangana
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) **Tamil Nadu**

Explanation:

Tamil Nadu has the highest number of poultry population with 120.8 million, followed by Andhra Pradesh (107.9 million), Telangana (80 million) and West Bengal (77.3 million).

7. **Name the Indo-Japan joint Air Force exercise, that began in Arjan Singh of Panagarh town in West Bengal .**

- 1) Siam Bharat
- 2) Shinyuu Maitri
- 3) Eastern Bridge
- 4) Desert Eagle
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 2) **Shinyuu Maitri**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019 the Indian Air Force (IAF) of India and Japan's Japanese Air Self Defence Force (JASDF) joint air force exercise named "Shinyuu Maitri" began at the Air Force Station, Arjan Singh of Panagarh town in West Bengal. It is a week-long exercise and will be conducted till October 23, 2019.

8. **India's longest 9.2 km long Chenani-Nashri tunnel, that located in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) is named after which politician ?**

- 1) Lal Krishna Advani
- 2) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- 3) Vishwanath Pratap Singh
- 4) Shyama Prasad Mukherjee
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **Shyama Prasad Mukherjee**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, as per the Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways of India, Nitin Gadkari, India's longest 9.2 km long Chenani-Nashri tunnel located on National Highway-44 (NH 44) in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) will be named after Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, who fought for Kashmir on One Nation One Flag issue & has contributed a lot to national integration.

9. **Which country has topped in the 1st edition of Hurun Global Unicorn List For 2019 ?**

- 1) China
- 2) Russia
- 3) United States (US)
- 4) Japan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **China**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, 1st Edition of Hurun Global Unicorn List for 2019 was released by Hurun Research Institute. It is a ranking of the world's billion-dollar tech 'start-ups' founded in the 2000s which are not yet listed on a public exchange. China topped with 206 and United States (US) stood at second position with 203.

10. **What is the rank of India in the 1st edition of Hurun Global Unicorn List For 2019 ?**

- 1) 4
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 5
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) 3**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, 1st Edition of Hurun Global Unicorn List for 2019 was released by Hurun Research Institute. It is a ranking of the world's billion-dollar tech 'start-ups' founded in the 2000s which are not yet listed on a public exchange. India was ranked third in the list with 21 unicorns while China topped with 206 and United States (US) stood at second position with 203.

11. **At which position does India ranks in terms of female senior management representation as per the Credit Suisse Research Institute (CSRI)'s report titled "The CS Gender 3000 in 2019: The changing face of companies" ?**

- 1) 15
- 2) 23
- 3) 25
- 4) 27
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) 23**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, the Credit Suisse Research Institute (CSRI) released the 3rd edition of the report titled "The CS Gender 3000 in 2019: The changing face of companies". According to the report, in terms of female representation on board globally, India ranked 23rd out of the 56 countries in 2019 .

12. **Which of the following countries topped in the Credit Suisse Research Institute (CSRI)'s report titled "The CS Gender 3000 in 2019: The changing face of companies" in terms of female CEO(Chief Executive Officer) representation ?**

- 1) Malaysia and Italy
- 2) Singapore and Malaysia
- 3) Thailand and Malaysia
- 4) Singapore and Italy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) Singapore and Italy**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, the Credit Suisse Research Institute (CSRI) released the 3rd edition of the report titled "The CS Gender 3000 in 2019: The changing face of companies". According to the report, in terms of female representation on board globally, India ranked 23rd out of the 56 countries in 2019 while the list was topped by Singapore and Italy in terms of female CEO (Chief Executive Officer) representation.

13. **Where was the "Indo-Bangla Baul Music Festival 2019" held?**

- 1) Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2) New Delhi, India
- 3) Chittagong, Bangladesh
- 4) Mumbai, India
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Dhaka, Bangladesh**

Explanation:

On 13th October 2019, a 3-day long festival of Baul songs called "Indo-Bangla Baul Music Festival 2019" organized by the Lalon Biswasangha in association with Indian High Commission, to mark the 129th death anniversary of Bengali philosopher & Baul saint, Fakir Lalon Shah, concluded in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

14. **Which two countries participate in the air exercise named “Ex Eastern Bridge-V” ?**

- 1) India and United States
- 2) Japan and India
- 3) Oman and India
- 4) India and Sri Lanka
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Oman and India**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, 5th edition of 10-day bilateral air exercise between the air forces of India [Indian Air Force -IAF] and Oman [Royal Air Force of Oman -RAFO] called “Ex Eastern Bridge – V” has been commenced at RAFO base Masirah in Oman. It will be concluded on October 26, 2019.

15. **Which country is set to establish the world’s first AI university, “Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI)” ?**

- 1) Saudi Arabia
- 2) United Arab Emirates(UAE)
- 3) Pakistan
- 4) Afghanistan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) United Arab Emirates(UAE)**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) announced the establishment of the World’s first Artificial Intelligence (AI) university, named Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI) in Masdar City in Abu Dhabi, UAE. MBZUAI will begin its graduate-level courses in 2020.

16. **Which bank has partnered with the Home Credit India (HCIN) for offering joint lending ?**

- 1) Axis Bank
- 2) ICICI Bank
- 3) HDFC Bank
- 4) Karur Vysya Bank (KVB)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Karur Vysya Bank (KVB)

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, Home Credit India (HCIN), a leading consumer durable loan provider, for the first time joined hands with one of the oldest banks in India, Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) for offering joint lending. Under the partnership, Home Credit and KVB will be jointly providing the loan as a single amount to the customer. End-to-end automated processing is the special feature of this tie-up by which the customer gets real-time approval and disbursement.

17. **Name the country, which is set to levy 3% web tax for internet transactions on digital giants like Facebook, Google and Amazon, including United States giants from 2020 .**

- 1) Italy
- 2) France
- 3) Germany
- 4) United Kingdom
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Italy

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, As a part of the 2020 draft budget, Italy approved to levy 3% web tax for internet transactions on digital giants like Facebook, Google and Amazon, including United States giants from 2020. This plan is expected to yield about 600 million euros (\$662 million) per annum.

18. _____ **edition of Busan International Film Festival (BIFF) for the year 2019 held in Busan, South Korea ?**

- 1) 20th
- 2) 22nd
- 3) 24th
- 4) 26th
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) 24th**

Explanation:

24th Busan International Film Festival (BIFF) was held at Busan Cinema Center in Busan, South Korea from October 3- 12, 2019. A total of 299 films from 85 countries were screened (118 world premieres and 27 international premieres) at the event.

19. **Who received the Face of Asia award 2019 in the 24th Busan International Film Festival (BIFF) .**

- 1) Ananya Panday
- 2) Bhumi Pednekar
- 3) Radhika Apte
- 4) Kiara Advani
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Bhumi Pednekar**

Explanation:

Indian actress Bhumi Pednekar, aged 30, receive the Face of Asia award 2019 at Busan International Film Festival. She was screening of her upcoming film 'Dolly Kitty Aur Woh Chamakte Sitaare' at BIFF. It was her first international award. Tannishtha Chatterjee's directorial debut 'Roam Rome Mein' received the Asian Star Award 2019.

20. **Name the first Indian film maker, who won the prestigious Kim Ji-seok Award 2019 for his film lewduh or Market in English .**

- 1) Shoojit Sircar
- 2) Neeraj Pandey
- 3) Rajkumar Hirani
- 4) Pradip Kurbah
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **Pradip Kurbah**

Explanation:

Meghalaya's filmmaker Pradip Kurbah won the prestigious Kim Ji-seok Award 2019 for his film lewduh or Market in English. With this, he became the first Indian film to bag this award. Hindi film "Aise Hee" (English-Just Like That) was screened under the 'New Currents Awards' as a Special Mention. The film has been directed by Kislay, also an FTII (Film and Television Institute of India)

21. **Kayakalp Award was in news recently, it is awarded to _____.**

- 1) Educational Institutions
- 2) Social Activist
- 3) Public Health Facilities
- 4) Sport Personalities
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) **Public Health Facilities**

Explanation:

Kayakalp awards were presented to the Public Health Facilities. On October 11, 2019, Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare felicitated the 2019 Kayakalp awards in New Delhi.

22. **Which Central government hospital has won the first prize under the government's Kayakalp scheme for 2018-19 in central government hospitals 'A' category ?**

- 1) All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi
- 2) VinobaBhave Civil Hospital (VBCH), Silvassa
- 3) Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry
- 4) All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Bhopal
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi**

Explanation:

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi won the first prize of ₹3 crores in the 2019 Kayakalp awards under in central government hospitals 'A' category. Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry was the runner up and was awarded Rs.1.5 cores. The Kayakalp award is felicitated to public health facilities in terms of hygiene and cleanliness.

23. **Name the first Asian orchestra to win Orchestra of the Year 2019 award given by the Gramophone Magazine at the Gramophone Classical Music Awards 2019 .**

- 1) City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong
- 2) Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra
- 3) Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra
- 4) Hong Kong Sinfonietta Orchestra
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra**

Explanation:

On 17 October 2019, a 45-year-old professional Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra (HK Phil) became the first Asian orchestra to win Orchestra of the Year 2019 award given by the Gramophone Magazine at the Gramophone Classical Music Awards 2019 at London, United Kingdom (UK). It was the only category of the annual awards opened to public votes in which Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra defeated 9 other rivals. This award is often likened to the Oscars for the classical music world.

24. **Who was appointed as the Vice Chairman of the World Steel Association (worldsteel) ?**

- 1) Parth Jindal
- 2) Gautam Adani
- 3) Azim Premji
- 4) Sajjan Jindal
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Sajjan Jindal**

Explanation:

On October 15, 2019, The Board of Directors (BoD) of the World Steel Association (worldsteel) elected new officers for 2019/2020 at the Worldsteel General Assembly in Monterrey, Nuevo León, Mexico for a term of 1 year. Mr Sajjan Jindal, Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of JSW (Jindal South West Holding Ltd) Steel, was elected as the vice chairman along with Andre Johannpeter, executive vice-chairman, Gerdau S.A succeeding Yu Yong and Kosei Shindo.

25. **Name the Howitzer cannons that was recently inducted into Indian Army .**

- 1) Akatsiya
- 2) Thunder
- 3) Dhanush
- 4) Palmaria
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Dhanush**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, the Indian army has added indigenous 'Made in India' Dhanush Howitzer cannons and the US (United States)-based Precision Guided Excalibur artillery ammunition, which will increase its combat capability.

26. **Jennifer louise gunn announced retirement recently, she is associated with which sport ?**

- 1) Cricket
- 2) Football
- 3) Tennis
- 4) Badminton
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Cricket

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, England's legendary female cricketer Jennifer Louise Gunn (33), who is the most capped player in T20Is (Twenty-Twenty International) and England Women's second-most capped player in ODIs (One Day International), has announced her retirement from international cricket.

27. **P.V. Krishnamoorthy passed away recently, he was a _____ .**

- 1) Actor
- 2) Journalist
- 3) Politician
- 4) Social Activist
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Journalist

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, Veteran broadcast journalist P.V. Krishnamoorthy, aged 98, passed away in Chennai, Tamil Nadu. He was born in Yangon, Myanmar, on April 1, 1921. He was the first Directorate General (DG) of Doordarshan when Doordarshan was separated From AIR in 1976. He was the first broadcaster to receive the Media Ratna award of the Indian Broadcasters Forum in 2011. Sangeet Natak Akademi had awarded him the Tagore Akademi Ratna (Fellowship) in 2012.

28. **Who is the editor of the book titled “India in a Warming world: Integrating Climate Change and Development” ?**

- 1) Yamini Aiyar
- 2) Philippe Cullet
- 3) Colin Filer
- 4) Navroz K Dubash
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Navroz K Dubash**

Explanation:

Book titled “India in a Warming world: Integrating Climate Change and Development” featuring a collection of articles by climate experts including Sunita Narain, Anil Agarwal, Dr. Friederike Otto & Shibani Ghosh, edited by Navroz K Dubash is set to release in November 2019. It is published by Oxford University Press (OUP).

29. **On which date, White cane safety day is observed ?**

- 1) October 14
- 2) October 13
- 3) October 15
- 4) October 16
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) October 15**

Explanation:

The White cane safety day is observed annually on October 15th ever since 1964 after the United States(US) passed a resolution H.R. 753. The day aims to create awareness on the significance of white cane among the common people and also about the special needs of the visually impaired. White cane is considered as the important symbol of blindness and tool of independence. In 2011, the former US President Barack Obama also named White Cane Safety Day as Blind Americans Equality Day.

30. **What was the theme of the “International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2019” ?**

- 1) Theme – “Acting together to empower children, their families and communities to end poverty”
- 2) Theme – “Accelerating global actions for a world without poverty”
- 3) Theme – “Answering the Call to end poverty: A path toward peaceful and inclusive societies”
- 4) Theme – “Moving from humiliation and exclusion to participation: Ending poverty in all its forms”
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Theme -“Acting together to empower children, their families and communities to end poverty”

Explanation:

The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty by the United Nations(UN) is observed annually on 17th October under the resolution (A/RES/47/196), adopted on 22 December 1992 at the UN General Assembly (UNGA). The theme for the year 2019 is “Acting together to empower children, their families, and communities to end poverty”. This year marks the 27th anniversary of the declaration by the General Assembly. The day aims to recognize that all people must come together to end poverty and discrimination in order to build a sustainable future. Under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), No Poverty is the No.1 goal.

31. **World Trauma Day (WTD) is observed annually on _____ .**

- 1) October 16
- 2) October 17
- 3) October 15
- 4) October 14
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 2) October 17

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, World Trauma Day (WTD) is observed all over the world to create awareness on the increasing rate of accidents and injuries causing death and disability across the world and the need to prevent them. Trauma refers to any kind of injury to the body from various sources like road accidents to fires, violence and hate crimes.

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. **Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Uttar Pradesh**

2. **Where is the head quarter of Worldsteel located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **Brussels, Belgium**

3. **Pung Cholom dance form is associated with which state ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Manipur**

4. **What is the tagline of Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **Smart Way to Bank**

5. **Who is the Chief of the Air Staff (CAS) of Indian Air Force(IAF) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria**

Current Affairs Quiz: October 18 2019

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1.

1. **Which organization has launched the India Innovation Index (III) 2019 along with the Institute for Competitiveness ?**

- 1) Reserve Bank of India(RBI)
- 2) National Development Council(NDC)
- 3) National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog
- 4) Central Information Commission (CIC)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, The National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog along with the Institute for Competitiveness as competitive partner, launched the India Innovation Index (III) 2019.

2. **Which state was ranked as the most innovative state in India as per the National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog's India Innovation Index (III) 2019 ?**

- 1) Karnataka
- 2) Tamil Nadu
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Uttar Pradesh
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Karnataka

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, The National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog along with the Institute for Competitiveness as competitive partner, launched the India Innovation Index (III) 2019. According to the index, Karnataka ranked as the most innovative state in India. It was followed by TamilNadu and Maharashtra in the second and third places respectively. The index examines innovation ecosystem in the nation and aims to address the challenges in it.

3. **Which ministry along with Progress, Harmony and Development Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) has released the University-Industry Linkages (UILs) Index 2019 ?**

- 1) Ministry of Labour and Employment
- 2) Ministry of Women and Child Development
- 3) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- 4) Ministry of Science and Technology
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Ministry of Science and Technology

Explanation:

Progress, Harmony and Development Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) and the Ministry of Science and Technology, released the University-Industry Linkages (UILs) Index 2019 recently

4. **Name the state that topped in the University-Industry Linkages (UILs) Index 2019 released by the Ministry of Science and Technology & Progress, Harmony and Development Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI).**

- 1) Bihar
- 2) Karnataka
- 3) Kerala
- 4) Gujarat
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 2) Karnataka

Explanation:

In the survey conducted by Progress, Harmony and Development Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) and the Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India, Karnataka topped the University-Industry Linkages (UILs) Index 2019 with the score of 7.8 out of 10. Kerala and Gujarat were ranked second and third with the score of 7.3 and 6.7, respectively. The study was released by Dr Shekhar C Mande, Secretary, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Ministry of Science and Technology.

5. **What was theme of the 11th edition of Nuclear Energy Conclave 2019 that held in New Delhi ?**

- 1) Theme – “Creating conditions for rapid capacity addition on nuclear power in India”
- 2) Theme – “Nuclear Power- Towards a Clean & Base Load Energy”
- 3) Theme – “Economics of Nuclear Power- Innovation towards Safer & Cost Effective Technologies”
- 4) Theme – “Nuclear Power: Growth Prospects”
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Theme – “Economics of Nuclear Power- Innovation towards Safer & Cost Effective Technologies”

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The Union Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), Minister of State (MoS) Prime Minister’s Office (PMO), Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh inaugurated the 11th Edition of Nuclear Energy Conclave 2019 in New Delhi. It was held under the theme “Economics of Nuclear Power- Innovation towards Safer & Cost Effective Technologies”. It was organized by India Energy Forum (IEF).

6. **What is the face value of the postal stamp of Hyderabad’s National Institute of Nutrition(NIN) launched by Harsh Vardhan in New Delhi ?**

- 1) Rs.5
- 2) Rs.10
- 3) Rs.15
- 4) Rs.20
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Rs.5

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019 the union Minister of Health and Family Welfare(MoHFW) Shri Harsh Vardhan released postal stamp of Hyderabad(Telangana) city based ICMR-National Institute of Nutrition (NIN) to commemorate its centenary celebration. It is also the oldest institute of ICMR. The stamp was released in New Delhi at the Indian Council of Medical Research(ICMR). The theme for the NIN centenary year was ‘Empowering the nation through nutrition’. 5000 stamps each with a face value of Rs.5 have been printed, whereas India Posts would print 1000 stamps additionally for online sale at e-post office, display and sale them at philately (collection and study of postage stamps) exhibitions. This postal stamp was brought out under the ‘Corporate My Stamp’ scheme of India Posts.

7. **Who was conferred with the 'ICMR-NIN-Centenary Award' 2019 posthumously .**

- 1) Madhuri Ruia
 - 2) Rujuta Diwekar
 - 3) Shikha Sharma
 - 4) C. Gopalan
 - 5) None of these
- Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) C. Gopalan

Explanation:

'ICMR-NIN-Centenary Award', a onetime instituted award to commemorate NIN's centenary was conferred posthumously to C. Gopalan, nutrition scientist who passed away recently at the age of 101 on October 3, 2019

8. **Name the first Indian state, which provides the maternity leave benefits to teachers & other staff of private educational institutions .**

- 1) Tamil Nadu
 - 2) Kerala
 - 3) Maharashtra
 - 4) West Bengal
 - 5) None of these
- Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Kerala

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019 the Kerala govt, as a first in the nation has planned to extend maternity leave benefits to teachers and other staff of private educational institutions, including the people working in the unaided sector. This extension of maternity leave under the Maternity Benefit Act, was approved by the Central govt and when once amended, Kerala would be the first state to provide maternity benefits in the private educational sector.

9. **How many member bodies are there in the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) ?**

- 1) 41
- 2) 40
- 3) 47
- 4) 45
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) 47**

Explanation:

United Nations (UN) General Assembly has elected 14 new members to the 47-member body of UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC). The term of these 14 new members is 3 years starting from January 2020 till December 2022.

10. **Which of the following country was elected as the new member of the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) recently ?**

- 1) Venezuela
- 2) China
- 3) South Africa
- 4) Saudi Arabia
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Venezuela**

Explanation:

Venezuela was one among the newly elected 14 members. They are Armenia, Brazil, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Libya, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Namibia, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Sudan and Venezuela.

11. **Which country is set to host the 46th G7 Economic Summit for 2020 ?**

- 1) Berlin, Germany
- 2) Rome, Italy
- 3) Ottawa, Canada
- 4) Miami, Florida
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Miami, Florida**

Explanation:

46th Group of Seven (G7) Economic Summit 2020 of developed world leaders will be hosted by the president of the United States (US) Mr Donald Trump at one of his own properties, the Trump National Doral golf resort near Miami, Florida on June 10-12, 2020. This was announced by the White House acting chief of staff Mr Mick Mulvaney.

12. **FATF was in news recently, what does 'A' stands for _____ .**

- 1) Average
- 2) Action
- 3) Asset
- 4) Association
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Action

Explanation:

A stands for Action. The full form of FATF is Financial Action Task Force.

13. **Which month is given as the deadline for Pakistan to curb financial terrorism by Financial Action Task Force (FATF), if fails it will be placed in Black list ?**

- 1) December 2020
- 2) April 2020
- 3) February 2020
- 4) Decemner 2019
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) February 2020

Explanation:

The deadline provided is February 2020. If Pakistan does not curb the financing of terrorism by February 2020, it will be put on the black list. The decision has been taken by FATF after the completion of its five day plenary session in Paris, France.

14. **Name the first Indian company that crossed a market cap of over Rs 9 lakh crore .**

- 1) Reliance Industries Limited (RIL)
- 2) Indian Oil Corporation
- 3) Hindustan Unilever
- 4) Tata Group
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Reliance Industries Limited (RIL)

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) has become the first Indian company to have a market capitalization (m-cap) of Rs.9,00,666 crore. RIL's stock rose 1.76% during early trading and reached the level of Rs.1420.75. Earlier in August 2018, Reliance had set the record of the first company in the country to touch the market capitalization level of Rs 8 lakh crore.

15. **Who was appointed as the whole-time member of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) for a period of 5 years ?**

- 1) R.K. Chandolia
- 2) Rajiv Gauba
- 3) K Subramaniam
- 4) Sudhaker Shukla
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Sudhaker Shukla

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, Sudhaker Shukla, a 1985 batch Indian Economic Service(IES) officer, was appointed as the whole-time member of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) for a period of 5 years, after the approval from Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).

16. **Who was appointed as the new chief of the European Central Bank (ECB) for a non-renewable term of 8 years ?**

- 1) Katarina Barley
- 2) Christine Lagarde
- 3) Ursula von der Leyen
- 4) Julia Klöckner
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Christine Lagarde

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The European Union (EU) leaders confirmed the appointment of former 1st women head of the Washington based body , International Monetary Fund(IMF) Christine Lagarde (63) as the new chief of the European Central Bank (ECB) for a non-renewable term of 8 years. She will be replacing Mario Draghi (Italy) from November 1, 2019.

17. Where was the Asian Junior Boxing Championships 2019 held ?

- 1) Havana, Cuba
- 2) Lima, Peru
- 3) Fujairah, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
- 4) Yokohama, Japan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Fujairah, United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Explanation:

The Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC) Asian Junior Boxing Championships 2019 was held in Fujairah, United Arab Emirates (UAE) from October 11-17, 2019. 239 participants from 26 countries had participated in the events. It was organized by Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC). Indian boxers clinched 21 medals (6 gold, 9 silver, 6 bronze). It ended top in terms of medals won but finished second.

18. Name the 1st women cricketer & 4th cricketer, who completed 20 years in the highest form of International cricket .

- 1) Mithali Raj
- 2) Harmanpreet Kaur
- 3) Jhulan Goswami
- 4) Veda Krishnamurthy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 1) Mithali Raj

Explanation:

Mithali Raj became the 4th cricketer and the 1st in women's cricket to complete 20 years and 105 days in the highest form of international cricket. She also holds the record for the most number of ODIs played by a female cricketer (204).

19. **Who won the third straight European Golden Shoe award for the year 2018-19, which was his 6th European Golden Shoe award by the European Sports Media**

- 1) Luis Suárez
- 2) Francesco Totti
- 3) Cristiano Ronaldo
- 4) Lionel Messi
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Lionel Messi**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, Barcelona captain Lionel Messi won the third straight Golden Shoe as he was the top league-goal scorer in the European leagues 2019, after scoring 36 goals. It was his sixth Golden Shoe.

20. **Former olympic champion Li xuerui of china announced retirement recently, she is associated with which sport ?**

- 1) Chess
- 2) Badminton
- 3) Tennis
- 4) Cricket
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Badminton**

Explanation:

Chinese badminton player, Li Xuerui (28), who won the gold medal in the 2012 London Olympics, has announced her retirement from international badminton.

21. **Ballet dancer & choreographer Alicia Alonso passed away recently, she belonged to which country ?**

- 1) Seychelles
- 2) Maldives
- 3) Cuba
- 4) Puerto Rico
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Cuba

Explanation:

Legendary Cuban ballet dancer & choreographer Alicia Alonso passes away in Havana, Cuba after suffering from health complications. She was 98. She also received prestigious awards from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization- UNESCO (Pablo Picasso Medal for her extraordinary contribution to dance in 1999) ,Spain (Gold medal from the Circulo de Bellas Artes of Madrid in 1998), and France (Grand Prix de la Ville de Paris in 1999).

22. **Who is the author of the book titled “The Daughter from a Wishing Tree: Unusual Tales About Women in Mythology” ?**

- 1) Sudha Murty
- 2) Jhumpa Lahiri
- 3) Anita Desai
- 4) Arundhati Roy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Sudha Murty

Explanation:

The book titled “The Daughter from a Wishing Tree: Unusual Tales About Women in Mythology” written by Indian writer Sudha Murty is set to release. It is published by Puffin Publishers. It is a mythology series depicting the untold stories of women in mythology (collection of myths).

23. **Name the author of the book titled “Mind Master: Winning Lessons from a Champion’s Life” which portrays his experiences in life as well as in the game .**

- 1) Humpy Koneru
- 2) Pentala Harikrishna
- 3) Magnus Carlsen
- 4) Vishwanathan Anand
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Vishwanathan Anand

Explanation:

Indian first chess grandmaster and 5-time world champion, Shri Vishwanathan Anand authored a new book titled “Mind Master: Winning Lessons from a Champion’s Life” which portrays his experiences in life as well as in the game. The book published by Hachette India, will be released on December 11, 2019. He was the first world champion from Asia. · He was the first recipient of the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award in 1991–92, India’s highest sporting honour. · He was the first recipient from sportsfield to obtain India’s second highest civilian award, the Padma Vibhushan.

2. **Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs**

1. **Where is the headquarter of European Central Bank (ECB) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Frankfurt, Germany**

2. **Who is the Chairperson of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **MS Sahoo**

3. **Where is the headquarter of Financial Action Task Force (FATF) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Paris, France**

4. **Who is the President of United Nation Human Rights Council (UNHRC) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Coly Seck**

5. **When was NITI Aayog formed ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**January 1, 2015**

Current Affairs Quiz: October 19 2019

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1. **Name the King of Netherlands, who visited India for the first time since his ascension to the throne in 2013 .**

- 1) Willem-Alexander
- 2) Dirk III
- 3) Frederick Henry
- 4) Louis Bonaparte
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) King Willem-Alexander

Explanation:

King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima of the Netherlands paid a 5 day official visit to India at the invitation of Indian president Shri Ram Nath Kovind, from October 13-17 2019 to boost bilateral and political cooperation between the two nations. This was the first visit to India by the king since his ascension to the throne in 2013.

2. **Where was the 25th edition of DST-CII India Netherlands Technology Summit 2019 held ?**

- 1) Nasik, Maharashtra
- 2) Kochi, Kerala
- 3) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 4) New Delhi, Delhi
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) New Delhi, Delhi

Explanation:

On october 15, 2019 the 25th edition of two day organised DST-CII India Netherlands Technology Summit was held in New Delhi. The summit was inaugurated by King Willem-Alexander .The Netherlands is the partner country of the summit. The central theme of the summit was 'NEXUS' to co-create on pioneering innovative solutions for global challenges.

3. **Name the 2nd phase of the Indo-Dutch project launched by Dr. Harsh Vardhan and the Netherlands King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima in New Delhi .**

- 1) National Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse or NATUS-HR
- 2) Local Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse or LOTUS-HR
- 3) Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse or TUS-HR
- 4) Local Treatment of Rural Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse or LOTRS-HR
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Local Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse or LOTUS-HR

Explanation:

The 2nd phase of the Indo-Dutch project called Local Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse, or LOTUS-HR was launched at India-Netherlands water laboratory Barapullah drain in New Delhi by Dr. Harsh Vardhan and the Netherlands King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima.

4. **Where was the 1st edition of Asia Health-2019 conference with the theme “Serving the World’s Fastest Growing Region through Healthcare Convergence” held ?**

- 1) Jakarta, Indonesia
- 2) New Delhi, India
- 3) Beijing, China
- 4) Tokyo, Japan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) New Delhi, India

Explanation:

The 1st edition of Asia Health-2019 conference with the theme Serving the World’s Fastest Growing Region through Healthcare Convergence, organized jointly by the National Health Authority and CII (Confederation of Indian Industry) held in New Delhi from 16 – 19 October 2019 with the aim to bring multiple stakeholders together to discuss the future of Health.

5. Who chaired the 1st edition of Asia Health 2019 conference that held in New Delhi?

- 1) Jitendra Singh
- 2) Shripad Naik
- 3) Harsh Vardhan
- 4) Prakash Javadekar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) Jitendra Singh**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, Dr. Jitendra Singh, the Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space has chaired the Asia Health-2019 conference in New Delhi .

6. Where was the 2nd edition of India's large joint exercise (Army, Navy and Airforce) DANX-2019 held ?

- 1) Shillong, Meghalaya
- 2) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- 3) Aizawl, Mizoram
- 4) Port Blair, Andaman and Nicobar islands
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Port Blair, Andaman and Nicobar islands**

Explanation:

A 5-day long 2nd edition of large joint exercise Defence of Andaman & Nicobar Islands 2019 (DANX-19) was successfully conducted under the aegis of the Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) from October 14-18, 2019 at Port Blair, Andaman and Nicobar islands. The main objective of the exercise was to practice and strengthen the procedures and drills of all command forces.

7. Which country is set to host the 91st International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol) General Assembly in 2022 ?

- 1) Chile
- 2) Russia
- 3) India
- 4) United States
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) India

Explanation:

India will host the 91st International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol) General Assembly in 2022. The proposal was made by Union Home Minister Amit Shah to the Interpol Secretary General Jürgen Stock during a meeting in New Delhi during Mr Stock's official visit in August 2019.

8. Where was the 88th International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol) General Assembly for the year 2019 held ?

- 1) Bali, Indonesia
- 2) Santiago, Chile
- 3) Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 4) Beijing, China
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Santiago, Chile

Explanation:

The 88th General Assembly of Interpol was held in Santiago, Chile from October 15 – 18, 2019. Rishi Kumar Shukla, director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) represented Interpol in India as the country's national central bureau. He was accompanied by Delhi police commissioner Amulya Patnaik and Madhya Pradesh police chief V K Singh. The last Interpol general assembly hosted by India was in 1997.

9. **'OASIS' is launched by Indian Army recently to digitize the official records of the army officers, what is 'A' stands for _____ .**

- 1) A – Automated
- 2) A – Adaptive
- 3) A – Accountability
- 4) A – Archive
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) A – Automated

Explanation:

A stands for Automated. The Indian Army launched a new programme called OASIS (Officers Automated Structures Information System). The purpose of this programme is to digitize the official records of the army officers. The IAs intranet will be hosting the software. Previously the records were preserved manually at the Manpower Planning Directorate(MPD) in New Delhi.

10. **Which organization has released the 2019 edition of Global Tuberculosis(TB) report recently ?**

- 1) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development(OECD)
- 2) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention(CDC)
- 3) United Nations(UN)
- 4) World Health Organization (WHO)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) World Health Organization (WHO)

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019 the World Health Organisation(WHO) has released the 2019 edition of Global Tuberculosis(TB) report. The aim of the report was to provide data on TB (mycobacterium Tuberculosis) assessments and the progress in prevention and diagnosis of the disease in all regional and country level.

11. **Which country reported 27% of total Tuberculosis(TB) cases around the world as per the World Health Organisation(WHO)'s 2019 edition of Global Tuberculosis(TB) report ?**

- 1) Bangladesh
- 2) Pakistan
- 3) India
- 4) China
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) India

Explanation:

8 countries reported for 2/3rd of global TB as per the World Health Organisation(WHO)'s 2019 edition of Global Tuberculosis(TB) report . Among them India topped the list in high burden TB reported countries. India reported for 27% of total TB cases around the world. It was followed by China(9%), Indonesia(8%), Pakistan(6%) and Bangladesh(4%). It also had 27% of total drug resistant TB of total 130,000 such cases. China reported 14% of drug resistant cases.

12. **Where was the 2nd edition of the Indo-French Knowledge Summit 2019 between India and France to promote higher education, research and innovation held ?**

- 1) Mumbai, India
- 2) Lyon ,France
- 3) New Delhi, India
- 4) Paris, France
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Lyon ,France

Explanation:

In order to promote higher education, research and innovation, a two-day 2nd edition of the Indo-French Knowledge Summit 2019, organised by the Embassy of France in India in association with the Ministry of Science and Technology and the HRD(Human Resource Development)Ministry, held at the University of Lyon ,France from October 17-18, 2019.

13. **What should be the minimum turnover of the business establishments, which will not be imposed with charges or Merchant Discount Rate on customers as well as merchants on digital payments from November 1, 2019 ?**

- 1) Rs 50 crore
- 2) Rs 40 crore
- 3) Rs 25 crore
- 4) Rs 10 crore
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) Rs 50 crore**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The Ministry of Finance notified that banks will not levy charges or merchant discount rate (MDR) on digital payments to the customers or merchants of the businesses with an annual turnover of more than Rs 50 crore from 1 November, 2019. This move is to encourage digital payments and they will have to mandatorily offer electronic mode of payments to their customers from the said date.

14. **Which two articles were amended in order to not levy charges or merchant discount rate (MDR) on digital payments to the customers or merchants of the businesses with an annual turnover of more than Rs 50 crore from 1 November, 2019 ?**

- 1) Income Tax Act 1963 & Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2005
- 2) Income Tax Act 1965 & Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2009
- 3) Income Tax Act 1967 & Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2007
- 4) Income Tax Act 1961 & Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2007
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Income Tax Act 1961 & Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2007**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The Ministry of Finance notified that banks will not levy charges or merchant discount rate (MDR) on digital payments to the customers or merchants of the businesses with an annual turnover of more than Rs 50 crore from 1 November, 2019. In this regard, amendments have been made in the Income Tax Act 1961 and in the Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2007.

15. **Name the first female National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) astronauts, who have created history by taking a walk outside the International Space Station(ISS) .**

- 1) Catherine Coleman & Kathleen Rubins
- 2) Jessica Meir & Eileen Collins
- 3) Christina Koch & Jessica Meir
- 4) Peggy Whitson & Anne McClain
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Christina Koch & Jessica Meir**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The United States (US) Space agency, National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) astronauts Christina Koch (40) & Jessica Meir (42) have created history by taking a walk outside the International Space Station (ISS). This is the 1st time that only a team of women astronauts has walked outside the ISS.

16. **Name the female Tennis Player, who was topped in the Forbes list of "World's highest paid women athletes for 2019" .**

- 1) Simona Halep
- 2) Serena Williams
- 3) Naomi Osaka
- 4) Angelique Kerber
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) Serena Williams**

Explanation: Serena Williams topped in the Forbes list of World's highest paid women athletes for 2019. **Top 3 world's highest paid women athletes:**

Name	Earning
Serena Williams (Tennis- America)	\$29.2 million
Naomi Osaka (Tennis- Japan)	\$24.3 million
Angelique Kerber (Tennis- Germany)	\$11.8 million

17. **Indian women athlete, PV (Pusarla Venkata) Sindhu was ranked 13th in the Forbes list of “World’s highest paid women athletes for 2019”, she belongs to which sport ?**

- 1) Cricket
- 2) Badminton
- 3) Tennis
- 4) Table Tennis
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Badminton

Explanation:

In the Forbes list of world’s highest paid women athletes for 2019, Indian badminton player PV (Pusarla Venkata) Sindhu was ranked 13th with a total earning of \$5.5 million, comprising total prize money of \$500,000 and endorsements worth \$5 million. She is India’s most marketable female athlete having endorsements with Bridgestone, JBL, Gatorade, Panasonic and more.

18. **Who was appointed as the new chairman of Indian Banks’ Association(IBA) ?**

- 1) Rajnish Kumar
- 2) P.K Gupta
- 3) Dinesh Kumar Khara
- 4) Duncan Victor Brain
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 1) Rajnish Kumar

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019 the chairman of State Bank of India(SBI) Shri Rajnish Kumar was appointed as the new chairman of Indian Banks’ Association(IBA). He succeeds Sunil Mehta, the former Managing Director(MD) & Chief Executive Officer(CEO) of Punjab National Bank(PNB).

19. **To which country Upender Singh Rawat was concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India ?**

- 1) Honduras
- 2) Guatemala
- 3) Mexico
- 4) Republic of Nicaragua
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Republic of Nicaragua

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) of the Government of India notified that Mr Upender Singh Rawat was concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Nicaragua, with residence in Panama city. He is the Ambassador of India designate to the Republic of Panama. The Indian Foreign Service (IFS) Officer of 1998 batch, will succeed Mr Ravi Thapar.

20. **Who was appointed as the new Director-General of National Security Guard(NSG)?**

- 1) Nikhil Kumar
- 2) S. Subramanian
- 3) Anup Kumar Singh
- 4) R.T. Nagrani
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Anup Kumar Singh

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) of the Government of India notified that Ahmedabad city Police Commissioner Anup Kumar Singh, aged 59, was appointed as the Director General (DG) of the National Security Guard (NSG) succeeding Sudeep Lakhtakia. He is the 1985-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer of Gujarat cadre. The appointment was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).

21. **Name the 2nd interstellar comet observed by NASA's(National Aeronautics and Space Administration) Hubble Space Telescope, which is around 260 million miles distance from Earth .**

- 1) 2I/Hergenrother
- 2) 2I/Borisov
- 3) 2I/Oumuamua
- 4) 2I/Gehrels
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) 2I/Borisov**

Explanation:

On October 12, 2019, An independent space agency of the United States(US), NASA's(National Aeronautics and Space Administration) Hubble Space Telescope has observed 2nd interstellar comet named 2I/Borisov passing through the solar system. It is around 260 million miles distance from Earth and will be closest to the sun on December 7, 2019. Moving at a speed of 110,000 miles per hour, Its distance when closest to the sun will be equivalent to twice the distance between the Sun and Earth.

22. **Where was the world's fastest ant named Saharan silver ant (Cataglyphis bombycina) that covers 2.8 feet per second found by German researchers from the University of Ulm and Freiburg ?**

- 1) Tunisia
- 2) Morocco
- 3) Andorra
- 4) Monaco
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Tunisia**

Explanation:

The Saharan silver ant (Cataglyphis bombycina) of the world's 12,000 known ant species, has been discovered as the world's fastest ant. A team of German researchers from the University of Ulm and Freiburg(Germany) discovered the ant in Douz area of Tunisia. The desert living ant hits speeds of nearly one meter per second, and covers 2.8 feet per second 108 times its body length per second.

23. **Ronaldo Singh is associated with which sport ?**

- 1) Fencing
- 2) Hiking
- 3) Chess
- 4) Cycling
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Cycling**

Explanation:

The 2020 Asian Track Cycling Championships was held from 17 to 21 October 2019 at the Jincheon National Training Center Velodrome in Jincheon, South Korea organized by Asia Cycle Federation (ACC). It consisted of 40th Asian Cycle Track Championships and 27th Junior Asian Cycle Track Championships. Indian cyclist Ronaldo Singh Laitonjam won a gold medal in men's junior Keirin event.

24. **Ekushey Padak awardee, Kalidas Karmakar of Bangladesh passed away recently, he was a _____ .**

- 1) Politician
- 2) Athlete
- 3) Painter
- 4) Scientist
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Painter**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019 renowned painter Kalidas Karmakar of Bangladesh passed away at his residence at the age of 73 due to cardiac arrest. Karmakar was born on January 10, 1946 in Faridpur district of south-central Bangladesh. He received Ekushey Padak, the second highest civilian award in Bangladesh. His paintings had been distributed across the world in countries like India, United States(US), Japan, Hong Kong etc.

25. **Renowned Socio Political philosopher, poet and social activist K.B. Siddaiah passed away recently, he belonged to which Indian State ?**

- 1) Telangana
- 2) Karnataka
- 3) Andhra Pradesh
- 4) Kerala
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Karnataka**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019 renowned Socio Political philosopher, poet and social activist K.B. Siddaiah passed away at the age of 65. A month ago, he met with an accident and was under treatment until his death at Manipal Hospitals in Bengaluru, Karnataka. Born on March 2, 1954 in Karnataka Siddaiah taught English at Sri Siddhartha PU college in Tumakuru, Karnataka. His famous literary works were in Kannada, including Bakaala, Daklakathadevi Kavya, Anatma, and Gallebaani etc.

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. **Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant is located in which state ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Tamil Nadu**

Explanation:

The second 1,000 MW nuclear power unit at Kudankulam, owned by the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd NSE 2.45 % (NPCIL) stopped power generation .

2. **What is the Capital & Currency of Republic of Nicaragua ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **Capital: Managua & Currency: Nicaraguan córdoba**

3. **Where is the headquarter of Indian Banks' Association (IBA) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**New Delhi**

4. **Who is the Chairman of Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Pramod Chandra Mody**

5. **Where is the headquarter of International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Lyon, France**

Current Affairs Quiz: October 20 2019

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1. Which city emerged as the most polluted city in India with the Air Quality Index (AQI) figures at 358 ?

- 1) Gurgaon, Haryana
- 2) Gaya, Bihar
- 3) Loni, Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Faridabad, Haryana
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Loni, Uttar Pradesh

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, According to the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) of India, Loni rural (Dehat) of Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh emerged as the most polluted city in India with the Air Quality Index (AQI) figures at 358. Strict measures under the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) were implemented in the city to tackle air pollution. It topped the list of 108 most polluted cities.

2. Name the state, that topped in terms of expenditure incurred on capital outlay/asset creation (capex) by State governments during 2015-2019 on irrigation in India .

- 1) Telangana
- 2) Andhra Pradesh
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Karnataka
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Telangana

Explanation:

According to a study by CARE Ratings, Telangana was ranked first in terms of expenditure incurred on capital outlay/asset creation (capex) by State governments during 2015-2019 on irrigation in India. Other largest spenders: Tamil Nadu spent highest on urban development; Bihar on rural development; Uttar Pradesh in the areas of transport, energy, public health, education and housing and Maharashtra on agriculture.

3. Which two countries participated in the Naval Exercise named "IMNEX-2019" recently ?

- 1) India & Maldives
- 2) India & Malawi
- 3) India & Madagascar
- 4) India & Myanmar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) India & Myanmar**

Explanation:

Naval Exercise, IMNEX-2019 is held between India & Myanmar.

4. Where was the 2nd edition of India- Myanmar Naval Exercise IMNEX-2019 begun ?

- 1) Yangon, Myanmar
- 2) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- 3) Naypyitaw, Myanmar
- 4) Kochi, Kerala
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**

Explanation:

The 2nd edition of India- Myanmar Naval Exercise IMNEX-2019 has begun in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. It will be held from October 19-22, 2019. The opening ceremony was conducted onboard INS (Indian Naval Ship) Ranvijay. The exercise is conducted in 2 phases: Harbour phase (till October 20) and Sea Phase (from October 20- 22).

5. Which insurance firm has launched the first-of-its-kind video calling service within the life insurance industry ?

- 1) Reliance Nippon Life Insurance
- 2) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance
- 3) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance
- 4) Aegon Life Insurance Company
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance**

Explanation:

Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance launched a first-of-its-kind video calling service within the life insurance industry to enhance the customer experience and provide resolutions to the queries of its customers.

6. **Name the first-of-its-kind video calling service launched by Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance to enhance the experience .**

- 1) i-SERV
- 2) e-SERV
- 3) i-VideoSERV
- 4) e-VideoSERV
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) i-SERV**

Explanation:

Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance launched a first-of-its-kind video calling service within the life insurance industry called i-SERV to enhance the customer experience and provide resolutions to the queries of its customers.

7. **Which firm has partnered with the Synchrony & launched the co-branded Venmo's first credit card ?**

- 1) PhonePe
- 2) MobiKwik
- 3) Paytm
- 4) PayPal
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) PayPal**

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, PayPal Holdings Inc and Synchrony partnered to launch co-branded Venmo's first credit card. Synchrony will become the exclusive issuer of a Venmo co-branded consumer credit card in the United States (US). It is expected to be launched in the second half of 2020.

8. **Debayan Saha of which university has invented a device called "PM 2.5", to curb air pollution ?**

- 1) Indian Institute of Technology(IIT), Delhi
- 2) Indian Institute of Technology(IIT), Kharagpur
- 3) Indian Institute of Technology(IIT), Madras
- 4) Indian Institute of Technology(IIT), Bombay
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Indian Institute of Technology(IIT), Kharagpur**

Explanation:

Debayan Saha, a mechanical engineering graduate from IIT (Indian Institute of Technology) Kharagpur has invented a device called "PM 2.5" when fitted near the silencer pipe in vehicles will curb air pollution. 1 car fitted with the device can neutralise the pollution emitted from 10 cars in its vicinity.

9. **Where was the 9th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup 2019, an international men's under-21 field hockey tournament held ?**

- 1) Hanoi, Vietnam
- 2) Bangkok, Thailand
- 3) Johor Bahru, Malaysia
- 4) Jakarta, Indonesia
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Johor Bahru, Malaysia**

Explanation:

The 9th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup 2019, an international men's under-21 field hockey tournament, was held at Taman Daya Hockey Stadium, Johor Bahru, Malaysia.

10. **Which country won the 9th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup 2019, an international men's under-21 field hockey tournament ?**

- 1) Great Britain
- 2) India
- 3) France
- 4) United Kingdom
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) Great Britain**

Explanation:

The 9th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup 2019, an international men's under-21 field hockey tournament, was held at Taman Daya Hockey Stadium, Johor Bahru, Malaysia from October 12-19, 2019. Great Britain defeated India in the finals by 2-1. It was their 3rd title.

11. **Which company's former Co-Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Mark Hurd passed away recently ?**

- 1) Accenture
- 2) Microsoft
- 3) IBM
- 4) Oracle
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **Oracle**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019, Former Co-Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Oracle Mark Hurd, aged 62, passed away. He was born in Manhattan, New York City, United States on January 1, 1957. He had previously served as Chairman, CEO, and president of Hewlett-Packard (HP), was in the Board of Directors of Globality and a member of the Technology CEO Council and board of directors of News Corporation.

12. **After how many years, World Statistics Day (WSD) is observed ?**

- 1) 10 years
- 2) 5 years
- 3) 2 years
- 4) 3 years
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) **5 years**

Explanation:

World Statistics Day (WSD) is observed on October 20, once every 5 years, first celebrated in 2010 and next on 20 October 2020. The day acknowledges the fundamental importance of sustainable national statistical capacity. India celebrates its statistics day on 29 June every year commemorating the birthday of the legendary statistician Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis.

13. **13) World Osteoporosis Day (WOD) is observed on _____ .**

- 1) October 17
- 2) October 18
- 3) October 19
- 4) October 20
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **October 20**

Explanation:

World Osteoporosis Day (WOD) was observed on October 20, 2019 to create awareness on the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of Osteoporosis which is a disease of bone in which the density and quality of bone are reduced. The day is organised by the International Osteoporosis Foundation (IOF) annually. This year's campaign features "THAT'S OSTEOPOROSIS" as a headline. For the first time, it will highlight emotionally impactful visuals and stories of real people living with osteoporosis in all regions of the world.

14. **On which date, National Solidarity Day is observed to commemorate the national integrity shown by Indians at Sino- Indo war against China ?**

- 1) October 20
- 2) October 19
- 3) October 18
- 4) October 17
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **October 20**

Explanation:

National Solidarity Day was observed on October 20, 2019 which commemorates the national integrity shown by Indians at Sino- Indo war against China. China had attacked India on this day in 1962. In 1966 a committee constituting the then Prime Minister Late Indira Gandhi and other dignitaries decided to dedicate 20th October as National Solidarity Day annually.

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. **Who is the CEO of PayPal ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Dan Schulman**

2. **What is the Capital and Currency of Myanmar ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Capital: Nay Pyi Taw (Naypyidaw) & Currency: Burmese kyat**

3. **Who is the MD & CEO of Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Tarun Chugh**

4. **Taman Daya Hockey Stadium is located in which country ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Malaysia**

5. **Where is the headquarter of United Nations Statistical Commission (UNDS/StatCom) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**New York, US**

Current Affairs Quiz: October 21 2019

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1. Who inaugurated the Vibrant Goa Global Expo and Summit 2019 ?

- 1) Ram Nath Kovind
- 2) Pramod Sawant
- 3) Narendra Modi
- 4) Rajnath Singh
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Pramod Sawant

Explanation:

The Vibrant Goa Global Expo and Summit 2019 (VG GES 2019) was conducted from October 17-19, 2019 at Goa University, Taleigao, Goa. The summit was inaugurated by Chief Minister of Goa Shri Pramod Sawant, in the presence of all high officials.

2. Which state government has signed MoU with the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) to establish a start-up centre to boost the IT industry ?

- 1) Andhra Pradesh
- 2) Karnataka
- 3) Kerala
- 4) Goa
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Goa

Explanation:

The department of Information and Technology (DoIT) of the Goa govt signed 2 Memorandum of Understandings (MoU) with the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) to establish a start-up centre in the state that would boost the IT industry in the state. Another MoU was signed to set up an IT park at Dona Paula, Goa.

3. For which of the following field the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has signed 30 licensing agreements with 16 Indian companies during the Vibrant Goa Global Expo and Summit 2019 ?

- 1) Protection of Classified Military Information
- 2) Technologies for providing human centric systems
- 3) Transfer of Technology(TOT)
- 4) Gaganyaan Mission
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Transfer of Technology(TOT)

Explanation:

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) signed 30 licensing agreements for Transfer of Technology (ToT) with 16 Indian companies inclusive of including three start-ups. Technologies developed by DRDO is generally used in defence industry and Armed Forces. The companies that obtained the ToT from DRDO provides ready-to-eat meals, survival ration and emergency flying ration products to the armed forces.

4. Who inaugurated the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT) e-portal and YouTube Channel during the “Digital Bharat – Digital Sanskriti” event ?

- 1) Prahlad Singh
- 2) Pralhad Joshi
- 3) Rakesh Singh
- 4) Narendra Singh Tomar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Prahlad Singh

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, Union Minister of State (MoS) for Culture & Tourism (Independent Charge) Mr Prahlad Singh inaugurated CCRT e-portal and YouTube Channel with support from Routes 2 Routes, during the event “Digital Bharat – Digital Sanskriti” at the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT) Head Quarter located at Dwarka, New Delhi. The event was organised by Rashtriya Centre for Cultural Resources and Training under the Ministry of Culture.

5. **Who is the author of the book titled “Dewas Ki Sanskritik Parampara” that was released during the “Digital Bharat – Digital Sanskriti” event ?**

- 1) Sudha Murthy
- 2) Jeevan Singh Thakur
- 3) Ravinder Singh
- 4) Durjoy Datta
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) **Jeevan Singh Thakur**

Explanation:

Union Minister of State (MoS) for Culture & Tourism (Independent Charge) Mr Prahlad Singh released a book titled “Dewas Ki Sanskritik Parampara” written by Shri Jeevan Singh Thakur, published in the series “Untold Tales of India’s Cities” by CCRT. A brief presentation of the film ‘Rahas’, produced by CCRT based on Rasalila in Chhattisgarh and directed by Shri Sunil Shukla was showcased.

6. **Where was the 2 day long Sudarshan Chakra Vahini war exercise 2019 of Indian Army held ?**

- 1) Balasore, Odisha
- 2) Kochi, Kerala
- 3) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- 4) Jaisalmer, Rajasthan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **Jaisalmer, Rajasthan**

Explanation:

On October 20, 2019, A 2 day long Sudarshan Chakra Vahini war exercise 2019 of the Indian Army commenced at Jaisalmer field firing range, Rajasthan. The army showcased its strength regarding Agni Missile and artillery. Artillery, Arms and mechanized forces, Army air defence and helicopters of army aviation, endogenously manufactured light helicopter Rudra and self-propelled artillery gun system K-9 vajra had participated in the exercise.

7. Where was the Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge inaugurated ?

- 1) New Delhi
- 2) Mumbai
- 3) Ladakh
- 4) Jammu
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Ladakh**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, Defence Minister Mr Rajnath Singh inaugurated Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge. The Bridge, which is 1400 feet span, is constructed by the Project Himank of Border Road Organization (BRO) and is at an altitude of 14,650 feet in the forward area of the Ladakh region (Proposed union territory from October 31, 2019). Its cost is Rs 100 crores.

8. Over which river, the Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge inaugurated ?

- 1) River Shyok
- 2) River Doda
- 3) River Zaskar
- 4) River Jhelum
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) River Shyok**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, Defence Minister Mr Rajnath Singh inaugurated Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge over River Shyok. The Bridge, which is 1400 feet span, is constructed by the Project Himank of Border Road Organization (BRO) and is at an altitude of 14,650 feet in the forward area of the Ladakh region (Proposed union territory from October 31, 2019). Its cost is Rs 100 crores.

9. **Which 2 cities were connected by recently inaugurated Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge ?**

- 1) Padum and Zaskar
- 2) Durbuk and Daulat Beg Oldie
- 3) Zaskar and Durbuk
- 4) Durbuk and Padum
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Durbuk and Daulat Beg Oldie**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, Defence Minister Mr Rajnath Singh inaugurated Col. Chewang Rinchen Setu/Bridge over River Shyok, connecting Durbuk and Daulat Beg Oldie in Eastern Ladakh. The Bridge, which is 1400 feet span, is constructed by the Project Himank of Border Road Organization (BRO) and is at an altitude of 14,650 feet in the forward area of the Ladakh region (Proposed union territory from October 31, 2019). Its cost is Rs 100 crores.

10. **Where was the annual meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group (WBG) & International Monetary Fund (IMF) 2019 held ?**

- 1) Tokyo, Japan
- 2) Beijing, China
- 3) New Delhi India
- 4) Washington DC, United States (US)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Washington DC, United States (US)**

Explanation:

The Annual Meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group (WBG) & International Monetary Fund (IMF) 2019 was held in Washington, DC, United States (US) from October 14- 20, 2019.

11. **Who led the Indian Delegation to the annual meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group (WBG) & International Monetary Fund (IMF) 2019 in Washington DC, United States (US) ?**

- 1) Narendra Modi
- 2) Atanu Chakraborty
- 3) Nirmala Sitharaman
- 4) Shaktikanta Das
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Nirmala Sitharaman

Explanation:

The Annual Meetings of the Boards of Governors of the World Bank Group (WBG) & International Monetary Fund (IMF) 2019 was held in Washington, DC, United States (US) from October 14- 20, 2019. Indian delegation was led by the union finance minister Mrs Nirmala Sitharaman. She was accompanied by Mr. Shaktikanta Das, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI); Secretary Economic Affairs, Mr Atanu Chakraborty; and other officials.

12. **How much amount does India plans to spend on its infrastructure in the next 5 years to achieve the goal of \$5 trillion economy by 2024 ?**

- 1) \$1.4 trillion
- 2) \$2.4 trillion
- 3) \$2.7 trillion
- 4) \$1.9 trillion
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) \$1.4 trillion

Explanation:

In the meeting, Finance Minister notified that India plans to spend \$1.4 trillion on its infrastructure in the next 5 years to achieve the goal of \$5 trillion economy by 2024. In the last 10 years (2008-17), \$1.1 trillion was spent on infrastructure.

13. **Name the India delegate, who addressed the 3rd G20 (Group of 20) Okayama Health Ministers' Meeting for the year 2019 ?**

- 1) Arjun Munda
- 2) Harsh Vardhan
- 3) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- 4) Prakash Javadekar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Harsh Vardhan**

Explanation:

The 3rd G20 (Group of 20) Okayama Health Ministers' Meeting for the year 2019 was held in Okayama City, Japan from October 19-20, 2019. During the meeting the Union minister of health and family welfare, Science and technology and Earth Science Shri Harsh Vardhan shared the vision of Universal Health Coverage(UHC). Special vision for projected 20% of elderly population in India by 2050 was also discussed.

14. **Which country was removed from the "grey list" of international terror financing watchdog FATF (Financial Action Task Force) ?**

- 1) Bangladesh
- 2) Pakistan
- 3) Afghanistan
- 4) Sri Lanka
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Sri Lanka**

Explanation:

On October 19, 2019 the Island Nation Sri Lanka was removed from the "grey list" of international terror financing watchdog FATF (Financial Action Task Force). Sri Lanka was subjected to review in October 2016 of the International Cooperation Review Group (ICRG) of FATF to assess the progress of Anti Money Laundering (AML)/Combating the Financing of Terrorism(CFT). In 2017, it was identified in the "Grey List".

15. **Which organization released the report “World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019” ?**

- 1) World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- 2) World Trade Organization(WTO)
- 3) World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)
- 4) United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)**

Explanation:

“World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019” report was released by the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO).

16. **Which country ranked 1st in the chart IP filings 2018 accounts as per the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)’s “World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019” ?**

- 1) China
- 2) Korea
- 3) Japan
- 4) United States
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) China**

Explanation:

China ranked 1st in the chart IP filings 2018 accounts for over 50% including patent, trademarks and design. It received about 160,400 more filings in 2018 as against 2017 as per the “World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019” report by the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO).

17. **What is the rank of India in the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)'s "World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019" ?**

- 1) 2
- 2) 7
- 3) 3
- 4) 5
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) 7**

Explanation:

On October 16, 2019, According to "World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) 2019" report for 49 countries released by the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), India has emerged as a top 10 nation (ranked 7th) in the ranking of the total (resident and abroad) IP (Intellectual Property) filing activity by origin & its patent filings rose to 7.5% to 3,473 in 2018.

18. **Name the island, which was in news recently because the State-owned China Sam Group signed a strategic cooperation agreement with Solomons' Central Province to lease the island .**

- 1) Nukapu Island
- 2) Gavutu Island
- 3) Banie Island
- 4) Tulagi Island
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Tulagi Island**

Explanation:

State-owned China Sam Group signed a strategic cooperation agreement with Solomons' Central Province to lease Tulagi Island and the surrounding islands for the development of the special economic zone (SEZ). It was signed by the Chinese State Councillor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi and Solomon Islands Foreign Minister Jeremiah Manele at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China on October 9, 2019. Tulagi island has a natural deep-water harbour. It is about two square kilometres (0.8 square miles) with a population of 1,200.

19. **Name the campaign launched by the United Nations (UN) along with United Nations World Food Programme (UNWFP) to raise awareness and take steps against hunger and malnutrition in India .**

- 1) Eradicate hunger
- 2) Provide the need
- 3) Feed Our Future
- 4) Right to Eat
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Feed Our Future

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, In a bid to raise awareness and take steps against hunger and malnutrition in India, the food-assistance branch of the United Nations (UN) and the world's largest humanitarian organization, United Nations World Food Programme (UNWFP) has launched a 2nd cinema advertisement campaign 'Feed Our Future' in Facebook's Mumbai office, Maharashtra with support from UFO Moviez India Limited ,an Indian digital cinema distribution network.

20. **Which card firm has launched first contactless mobile payment facility for credit card holders using Host Card Emulation (HCE) technology ?**

- 1) State Bank of India(SBI) Cards & Payments Services Ltd
- 2) Indian Bank(IB) Cards & Payments Services Ltd
- 3) ICICI Bank Cards & Payments Services Ltd
- 4)HDFC Bank Cards & Payments Services Ltd
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 1) State Bank of India(SBI) Cards & Payments Services Ltd

Explanation:

On October 17, 2019, A payment solutions provider in India SBI (State Bank of India) Cards & Payments Services Ltd, has launched first of its kind new contactless mobile payment facility 'SBI Card Pay', which allows users to present payments through mobile phones at Near Field Communication (NFC)-enabled Point of Sales (POS) machines using Host Card Emulation (HCE) technology. The service is for credit card cardholders.

21. **Who was awarded with the 'Most Eminent Senior Citizen Award' for the year 2019 by Vice President of India Shri Venkaiah Naidu on the occasion of Elder's Day celebration organized by Age Care India ?**

- 1) Ashis Kr Chowdhury
- 2) K. Parasaran
- 3) Somenath Bhattacharjee
- 4) Manika Roy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) K. Parasaran

Explanation:

On October 20, 2019, the Vice President of India Shri Venkaiah Naidu presented the 'Most Eminent Senior Citizen Award' for the year 2019 to Shri K. Parasaran (92), former Attorney General of India in New Delhi on the occasion of Elder's Day celebration organized by Age Care India (organisation for the welfare of elders).

22. **Which country unveiled the new commercial carrier rockets codenamed the Smart Dragon family & Tenglong liquid-propellant rocket ?**

- 1) United States
- 2) Russia
- 3) Japan
- 4) China
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) China

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, China Rocket, commercial space wing of China Academy of Launch Vehicle Technology (CALT), unveiled its new generation of commercial carrier rockets codenamed the Smart Dragon (SD) family, and a Tenglong liquid-propellant rocket which is a cluster of solid-fuelled rockets. These new Long rocket series can carry up to 1.5-tonne payload. With this launch, it gears up to compete with India to attract the lucrative global space launch market as India has already launched a record-breaking 104 satellites into orbit (96 belong to the United States).

23. **Name the 8,000-year-old world's oldest natural pearl discovered at a Neolithic site on Marawah Island, Abu Dhabi .**

- 1) Abu Dhabi Pearl
- 2) Neolithic Pearl
- 3) Marawah Pearl
- 4) Oldest Neolithic Pearl
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **Abu Dhabi Pearl**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, an 8,000-year-old world's oldest natural pearl named 'Abu Dhabi Pearl' was discovered at a Neolithic site on Marawah Island, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE). It was found in the floor of a room discovered during excavations and the layers from which the pearl came have been carbon-dated to 5800-5600 BC (Before Christ), during the Neolithic period. It was discovered by the archaeologists of the Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi (DCT Abu Dhabi).

24. **Dhyan Chand Awardee, Dadu chougule passed away recently he was associated with which sport ?**

- 1) Football
- 2) Cricket
- 3) Wrestling
- 4) Badminton
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Wrestling**

Explanation:

On October 20, 2019, Maharashtra's legendary wrestler & Dhyan Chand Awardee, Dadu Chougule passed away in Kolhapur, Maharashtra due to heart attack. He was 73. He was also awarded the prestigious Dhyan Chand Award for lifetime achievement in sports in 2018. He won a silver medal in the 1974 Commonwealth Games held in New Zealand. The Government of Maharashtra honoured him with 'Shivchattrapati Puraskar'.

25. **Who is the author of the book titled “Bridgital Nation” unveiled by Prime Minister (PM) of India, Shri Narendra Modi ?**

- 1) Natarajan Chandrasekaran
- 2) Rajesh Gopinathan
- 3) Abidali Neemuchwala
- 4) Cyrus Mistry
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **Natarajan Chandrasekaran**

Explanation:

On October 20, 2019, the Prime Minister (PM) of India, Shri Narendra Modi unveiled a book titled “Bridgital Nation” in New Delhi, where the first copy of the book was presented to Shri Ratan Tata. The book is written by Natarajan Chandrasekaran, Chairman of Tata Sons and Ms. Roopa Purushothaman, chief economist & head of policy advocacy of Tata Sons.

26. **Name the book authored by Sarunas Paunksnis, that focuses the film forms on urban life and culture of the new middle class, as well as pessimism, violence, and fear .**

- 1)1)Bollywood Cinema: Temples of Desire
- 2) Dark Fear, Eerie Cities: New Hindi Cinema in Neoliberal India
- 3) National Identity in Indian Popular Film, 1947-2019
- 4) Encyclopaedia of Indian Cinema
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) **Dark Fear, Eerie Cities: New Hindi Cinema in Neoliberal India**

Explanation:

On October 18, 2019 a new book titled “Dark Fear, Eerie Cities: New Hindi Cinema in Neoliberal India” authored by Sarunas Paunksnis, professor at Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania was released. The book published by Oxford University Press portrays the emergence of Hindi cinema in the early 21st century.

27. **On which date, Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders(IDD) Prevention Day also known as World Iodine Deficiency day is observed ?**

- 1) October 18
- 2) October 19
- 3) October 20
- 4) October 21
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **4) October 21**

Explanation:

The Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders(IDD) Prevention Day also known as World Iodine Deficiency day is observed annually on October 21. The aim of this day is to create awareness on iodine deficiency which leads to many health problems and also on the adequate use of iodine in day to day life.

28. **_____ edition of National Police Commemoration Day is observed on October 21, 2019, to pay homage to the CRPF (Central Reserve Police Force) personnel who were killed by the Chinese Army in 1959.**

- 1) 53
- 2) 55
- 3) 61
- 4) 58
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) 61**

Explanation:

61st Edition of National Police Commemoration Day was observed on October 21, 2019, to pay homage to the CRPF (Central Reserve Police Force) personnel who were killed by the Chinese Army in 1959.

29. **Which state has announced weekly offs for police for the first time in India ?**

- 1) Andhra Pradesh
- 2) Kerala
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Uttar Pradesh
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) Andhra Pradesh**

Explanation:

Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh YS Jagan Mohan Reddy announced weekly offs for police in the state. It is given for the first time in India during the 61st Edition of National Police Commemoration Day.

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. **Which state's biggest trade fair is known as the "Baliyatra" ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Odisha**

Explanation:

Baliyatra, one of the biggest trade fairs of Odisha, is scheduled to begin on November 12. The trade fair will continue for eight days. This year's Baliyatra will be jointly organized by the Cuttack District Administration, District Cultural Council, and the Cuttack Municipal Corporation (CMC).

2. **Who is the Executive Director of United Nations World Food Programme(UNWFP) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**David Beasley**

3. **Where is the headquarter of World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) located ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Geneva, Switzerland**

4. **Border Road Organization (BRO) works under which ministry ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Ministry of Defence**

5. **Who is the MD of International Monetary Fund (IMF) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Kristalina Georgieva**

Current Affairs Quiz: October 22 2019

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1. Where was the first MeitY Start-up Summit 2019 held ?

- 1) Guwahati, Assam
- 2) Kolkata, West Bengal
- 3) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 4) New Delhi, Delhi
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) New Delhi, Delhi

Explanation:

The first MeitY Start-up Summit 2019 held in New Delhi.

2. Who inaugurated the MeitYStartup Hub(MSH) portal during the first MeitY Start-up Summit 2019 in New Delhi ?

- 1) Nitin Gadkari
- 2) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- 3) Ram Vilas Paswan
- 4) Prakash Javadekar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Ravi Shankar Prasad

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019 the Union minister of law & justice, communications, electronics & Information Technology(IT), Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad unveiled new initiatives by the Ministry of Electronics & Information (MeitY) in the first MeitY Start-up Summit 2019 held in New Delhi. Some of the important events in the summit are as follows

3. **Which organization has released the annual Crime in India Report 2017, after a delay of 2 years on October 21, 2019 ?**

- 1) Central Bureau of Investigation(CBI)
- 2) Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPRD)
- 3) National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)
- 4) National Investigation Agency(NIA)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, The annual Crime in India Report 2017 was released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) after a delay of 2 years (last in 2016).

3,59,849 cases of crime against women were reported in India.

4. **Name the state, which has the most number of crimes against women with 56,011 cases as per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)'s annual Crime in India Report 2017 .**

- 1) Maharashtra
- 2) Assam
- 3) Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Delhi
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Uttar Pradesh**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, The annual Crime in India Report 2017 was released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) after a delay of 2 years (last in 2016).

3,59,849 cases of crime against women were reported in India. Uttar Pradesh topped the list of states with the most number of crimes against women with 56,011 cases. It was followed by Maharashtra with 31,979 cases and West Bengal with 30,002 cases.

5. **Which state was encountered with the maximum number on circulation of false/fake news and rumours as per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)'s annual Crime in India Report 2017 ?**

- 1) Madhya Pradesh
- 2) Maharashtra
- 3) Kerala
- 4) Uttar Pradesh
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Madhya Pradesh

Explanation:

For the first time, data was collected on circulation of false/fake news and rumours. Under this, maximum incidents were reported from Madhya Pradesh (138), Uttar Pradesh (32) and Kerala (18) as per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)'s annual Crime in India Report 2017 .

6. **Where was the US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) summit 2019 held ?**

- 1) New York, United States
- 2) Mumbai, India
- 3) Washington D.C., United States
- 4) New Delhi, India
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) New Delhi

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019 the members of the US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) under the delegation of its chairman Mr. John Chambers, called on Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in New Delhi for the USISPF summit 2019. This meet was part of US-India's combined partnership in fields of economic growth, entrepreneurship, employment-creation, and innovation.

7. What does '3D' stands for, which was stated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during the US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) summit 2019 ?

- 1) Democracy, Diverse and Development
- 2) Democracy, Demography and Dimaag(Brain)
- 3) Diverse, Democracy and Dimaag(Brain)
- 4) Democracy, Diverse and Democracy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **2) Democracy, Demography and Dimaag(Brain)**

Explanation:

3D stands for Democracy, Demography and Dimaag(Brain). Shri Modi ensured the govt.s target of ease of living with India's unique strength of three D's. They are Democracy, Demography and Dimaag(Brain). Ease of Doing Business like reduction of corporate tax and labour reforms were also discussed.

8. Name the missile, which was purchased by the Defense Acquisition Council (DAC) to increase the firepower of Indian Tanks & auxiliary power unit (APU) for T-72 and T-90 battle tanks .

- 1) Anti-Tank Guided Missile (ATGM)
- 2) Anti-Submarine Missile (ASM)
- 3) Ground-Launched Cruise Missile (GLCM)
- 4) Intermediate-Range Ballistic Missile (IRBM)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **Anti-Tank Guided Missile (ATGM)**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, The Defense Acquisition Council (DAC), chaired by Defense Minister Rajnath Singh has approved the purchase of more than Rs 3300 crore of military equipment for the armed forces, including indigenously designed and developed anti-tank guided missiles. The first two projects include the purchase of a third generation anti-tank guided missile (ATGM) to increase the firepower of Indian Tanks & auxiliary power unit (APU) for T-72 and T-90 battle tanks. The APU will enable various upgrades to the Fire Control System and to add night fighting capability to the tanks.

9. **Ministry of AYUSH has signed an MoU with Ministry of Defence for providing health services to armed forces, Expand AYUSH ?**

- 1) AYUSH-Ayurvedic, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Herbal
- 2) AYUSH-Ayurvedic, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy
- 3) AYUSH-Ayurvedic, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy
- 4) AYUSH-Ayurvedic, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Herbal
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) AYUSH-Ayurvedic, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019 Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH (Ayurvedic, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy) and Defence Shri Shripad Yesso Naik signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the ministry of AYUSH and Defence to provide health services of AYUSH under the health establishments of Directorate General of Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS). The MoU was signed during the inauguration of Ayurveda Palliative Care Unit at Palliative Care Centre, base Hospital in New Delhi.

10. **Which E-Commerce company was allowed by Indian Railways to use its EMU (electric multiple unit) services under its new pilot project ?**

- 1) Myntra
- 2) Flipkart
- 3) Snapdeal
- 4) Amazon
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Amazon**

Explanation:

Indian Railways has allowed e-commerce companies to use its EMU (electric multiple unit) services under its new pilot project. Eastern Railway has also allowed Amazon to use the vendor compartment from Sealdah – Dankuni (West Bengal) EMU Local (suburban services) to carry its goods.

11. **Name the institute that topped in the 2nd edition of Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) India University Rankings 2020 .**

- 1) Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M)
- 2) Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT-B)
- 3) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (IIS-B)
- 4) Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT-D)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**2) Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB)**

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, In the latest 2nd edition of Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) India University Rankings 2020, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) has again topped all Indian Institutes in the list with an overall score of 88.5 followed by IISc- Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (ranked 2nd with 84.7 score) & Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IITD), which has improved a notch to rank 3rd with 82.2 scores.

12. **What is the revenue growth of India for the year 2010-18, within India's banking sector as per the McKinsey & Company's Global Banking Annual Review 2019 ?**

- 1) 10.3%
- 2) 15.3%
- 3) 17.3%
- 4) 20.3%
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**1) 10.3%**

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, McKinsey & Company released its Global Banking Annual Review 2019. According to the report, Indian revenue growth within India's banking sector reduced from 22% (2002-07) to 10.3% (2010-18).

13. **Which entity has partnered with State Bank of India(SBI) to offer EMIs (equated monthly instalments) for debit card transactions ?**

- 1) BankBazaar
- 2) MobiKwik
- 3) Pine Labs
- 4) Capital Float
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **3) Pine Labs**

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, Pine Labs, an Indian merchant platform company has joined hands with Indian multinational, public sector bank, State Bank of India (SBI) to offer EMIs (equated monthly instalments) for debit card transactions. The tie-up will enable SBI to widen its EMI facility at the Pine Labs Point-of-Sales (PoS) terminals at more than 40,000 merchants across over 1,500 cities.

14. **Name the film which won the Best film award from India in the Regional Asian Academy Creative Awards 2019 (AAA) .**

- 1) Badla
- 2) Article 15
- 3) Manikarnika: The Queen of Jhansi
- 4) Gully Boy
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**4) Gully Boy**

Explanation:

The Asian Academy Creative Awards 2019 (AAA) Regional Winners were announced. The awards will be presented over two nights on December 5 and 6, 2019 at the Victoria Theatre, Singapore. These awards are the constituent event of the Singapore Media Festival and hosted by the Singapore Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA). These awards are given for creative excellence. Ranveer Singh and Alia Bhatt starrer 'Gully Boy', India's official entry to the 92nd Oscar Awards, was named as the best film from India. It is directed by Zoya Akhtar.

15. **Name the app that was developed by a team of students from Bharti Vidyapeeth College of Engineering, Delhi which sends an SOS (save our souls) alert based on audio snippets in case of emergency .**

- 1) Help
- 2) Rakshak
- 3) Alert
- 4) Emergency
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Rakshak

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, a team of students from Bharti Vidyapeeth College of Engineering, Delhi, won the 2019 Marconi Society's Celestini Programme awards for their innovative solutions for addressing challenges of women's safety and air pollution. The team won first prize of \$1500 for the app "Rakshak" that sends an SOS (save our souls) alert based on audio snippets in case of an emergency. Another team from the same college has won the second prize of \$500 for the app "VisionAir" that uses photos of the horizon taken from a smartphone to estimate the air quality.

16. **Who was appointed as the new CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) ?**

- 1) Pankaj Kumar
- 2) Rajesh Kotecha
- 3) Tarun Shridhar
- 4) Trilochan Mohapatra
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Pankaj Kumar

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, As per the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), Government of India(GOI), Pankaj Kumar (a 1987 batch Indian Administrative Service -IAS officer of Nagaland cadre) has been appointed as the new CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI). He replaces Ajay Bhushan Pandey.

17. **To which country, Godavarthi Venkata Srinivas concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India ?**

- 1) Republic of Senegal
- 2) Republic of Seychelles
- 3) Republic of Cabo Verde
- 4) Republic of Suriname
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Republic of Cabo Verde**

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) of the Government of India notified that Mr Godavarthi Venkata Srinivas was concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Cabo Verde, with residence in Dakar. At present, he serves as the Ambassador of India to the Republic of Senegal. He is the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) Officer of 1993 batch, succeeding Mr Rajeev Kumar.

18. **Who was appointed as the chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) ?**

- 1) Tarun Shridhar
- 2) Trilochan Mohapatra
- 3) Braj Raj Sharma
- 4) Rajesh Bhushan
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**3) Braj Raj Sharma**

Explanation:

Braj Raj Sharma, the current secretary in Home minister Department of Border Management, has been appointed as the chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC). He replaces Ashim Khurana. Rajesh Bhushan will be Secretary (Coordination) in the Cabinet Secretariat. He will replace IAS Arun Goyal.

19. **Where did a group of scientists have discovered Six new species of Lizard of 'Dravidgerco' family ?**

- 1) Akathiyoor, Kerala
- 2) Mulugu, Telangana
- 3) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- 4) Aurangabad, Maharashtra
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) **Aurangabad, Maharashtra**

Explanation:

On October 22, 2019, A group of scientists have discovered Six new species of Lizard in the Western Ghats Mountains in Aurangabad, Maharashtra. The discovery is crucial as only one species of the 'Dravidgerco' family (of Dravidogecko anamallensis described in 1875 by German-born British zoologist Albert Gunther was recognised under this genus) showed up to date.

20. **Name the online portal of India's technological capability launched by Lt. Gen (Dr) Rajesh Pant .**

- 1) Keya
- 2) TechSagar
- 3) Digital form
- 4) Darpan-Pli
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) **TechSagar**

Explanation:

On October 21, 2019, Lt. Gen (Dr) Rajesh Pant, National Cyber Security Coordinator of India launched an online portal of India's technological capability named 'TechSagar'. It was launched by the National Cyber Security Coordinator's office in partnership with Data Security Council of India (DSCI). It can be accessed at: www.techsagar.in

21. **Who won the 7th season of 2019 Vivo Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) ?**

- 1) Bengal Warriors
- 2) Bengaluru Bulls
- 3) Dabang Delhi
- 4) U Mumba
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) **Bengal Warriors**

Explanation:

The 7th season of 2019 Vivo Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) had begun on July 20, 2019 and concluded on October 19, 2019 in which Bengal Warriors won their first title by defeating Dabang Delhi by 39-34 points at the EKA Arena by TransStadia, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

22. **Pardeep Narwal is associated with which sport ?**

- 1) Cricket
- 2) Tennis
- 3) Kabaddi
- 4) Football
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) **Kabaddi**

Explanation:

Pardeep Narwal is associated with Kabaddi. Pardeep Narwal of Patna Pirates became the first player to score 1,000 raid points in PKL history against the match with Tamil Thalaivas at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Indoor Stadium in Kolkata, West Bengal.

23. **Name the 65th chess Grandmaster (GM) of India .**

- 1) Saptarshi Roy
- 2) Nihal Sarin
- 3) Arjun Erigaisi
- 4) Raunak Sadhwani
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Raunak Sadhwani

Explanation:

A 13-year-old Raunak Sadhwani from Nagpur, Maharashtra became the 65th chess Grandmaster (GM) of India. Raunak achieved this feat in the FIDEChase.com (Federation Internationale des Echecs or International) Grand Swiss 2019, an 11-round Swiss tournament took place from 10-21 October 2019 in the COMIS Hotel and Golf Resort in Douglas, Isle of Man, a self-governing British Crown dependency in the Irish Sea between England and Ireland. At 13 years, nine months and 26 days, he is the ninth youngest GM in the world. He also Maharashtra's youngest and Nagpur's first chess Grandmaster.

24. **Who won the Men's Singles title in the 16th Danisa Denmark Open 2019 ?**

- 1) Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo
- 2) Kento Momota
- 3) Chen Long
- 4) Marcus Fernaldi Gideon
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) **Kento Momota**

Explanation: Danisa Denmark Open 2019, a Super 750 badminton tournament, was held at Odense Sports Park, Odense, Denmark from October 15-20, 2019. It was the 16th tournament of the 2019 Badminton World Federation (BWF) World Tour and a part of the Denmark Open championships.

Category	Winner	Runner
Men's Singles	Kento Momota (Japan)	Chen Long (China)
Women's Singles	Tai Tzu-ying (Taiwan)	Nozomi Okuhara (Japan)
Men's Doubles	Marcus Fernaldi Gideon & Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo (Indonesia)	Mohammad Ahsan & Hendra Setiawan (Indonesia)
Women's Doubles	Baek Ha-na & Jung Kyung-eun (South Korea)	Chen Qingchen & Jia Yifan (China)
Mixed Doubles	Praveen Jordan & Melati Daeva Oktavianti (Indonesia)	Wang Yi Lyu & Huang Dong Ping (China)

25. **International Stuttering Awareness Day(ISAD)is observed annually on**

_____ .

- 1) October 22
- 2) October 21
- 3) October 20
- 4) October 19
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer- **1) October 22**

Explanation:

The International Stuttering Awareness Day(ISAD) is observed annually on October 22 to raise awareness on the people of 1% of the world's population having speech disorder of stuttering (also known as stammering). This ISAD is organised by 3 organisation. They are the European League of Stuttering Associations(ELSA), International Fluency Association (IFA) and International Stuttering Association(ISA). The day was designated to be observed in 1998, sixteen years ago by these organisations. The theme for the year 2019 is "Growth Through Speaking".

Static GK Quiz based on Current Affairs

1. **Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Assam**

Explanation:

Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Assam.This was in news recently because two wild buffaloes in the sanctuary was dead due to the anthrax outbreak.

2. **Riya Bhatia was in news recently, she is associated with which sport ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Tennis**

Explanation:

Riya Bhatia beat Nastja Kolar of Slovenia 7-5, 1-6, 6-3 in the final of the \$25,000 ITF women's tennis tournament in Lagos, Nigeria.

3. **Name the world's highest battlefield, which is now open for tourists .**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Siachen Glacier**

Explanation:

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh opened the world's highest battlefield, Siachen Glacier, is for tourists. Tourism will be allowed from Siachen base camp to Kumar Post that lies above 15,000 feet. Siachen base camp at Partapur is at an altitude of 12,000 feet and temperatures can dip as low as -60 degrees during the winter. The highest post in Siachen is Bana Post, which is 23,000 feet. Other than an annual civilian expedition, this is the first time that the area has been opened by the army for tourists

4. **Who is the CEO of Data Security Council of India (DSCI) ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Rama Vedashree**

5. **What is the Capital and Currency of Republic of Cabo Verde ?**

Answer & Explanation

Answer-**Capital: Praia & Currency: Cape Verdean escud**