**Current Affairs Set 1**

**Q1:** Which country withdrawn from Kavkaz 2020 exercise held by Russia?

1. India
2. Mangolia
3. Vietnam
4. Venezuela

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Kavkaz 2020 is the Russian Strategic command and staff exercise. Approximately 20 countries are going to participating in this exercise. China and Pakistan are also taking part in this exercise.

India has withdrawn from Kavkaz multinational military exercise in Russia due to difficulties faced in Covid-19 pandemic.

**Q2:** When did we celebrate Telugu language day?

1. 28 August
2. 29 July
3. 29 August
4. 23 July

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Telugu language day is celebrated on birth anniversary of Gidugu Venkata Ramamurthy who work for the development and enrichment of Telugu language. This day is celebrated every year on 29 August. Telugu is one of the language which is mentioned in 8th schedule and also it is the classical language of India among 6 classical language.

**Q3:** Which organization recently mapped numerous envelop of gases known as Halo around Andromeda galaxy?

1. JAXA
2. NASA
3. ISRO
4. ROSCOSMOS

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

NASA has recently mapped the immense envelop of gases ‘Halo’ surrounding Andromeda galaxy from its Hubble space telescope. This galaxy also known as M31 and is a spiral shape including 1 trillion stars and comparable in size to Milky Way.

**Q4:** Where is the world’s largest wetland which sprawl over more than 150,000 km?

1. Mongolia
2. Brazil
3. South America
4. China

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

Pantanal is Brazil is the world’s largest Wetland and sprawls over more than 150,000 sq km. It is also covered area of Bolivia and Paraguay. Recently it is burning as vegetation compacted under the marshy flood water during the wet season dries out as ponds and lagoons evaporate, leaving flammable deposits underground.

**Q5:** From where was the first RORO service of south western railway started?

1. Kerala
2. Tamilnadu
3. Bengaluru
4. Andhra Pradesh

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

First ever RORO service of south Western Railway was started from Nelamangla near Bengaluru to Bale near Solapur. RORO railways service was first started in 1999 by Konkan Railways. It is a mechanism of carrying road vehicle loaded with various commodities, on open flat wagon of railway.

**Q6:** Under which act state government and Union territories are responsible to evolve criteria for identification of priority households and their actual identification.

1. NFSA act 2013
2. NFSA act 2010
3. NFSA act 2016
4. NFSA act 2018

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Under National food security act 2013 center has asked states and union territories to identify PWD eligible and issue ration cards to the remaining people in country. NFSA covers upto 75% of the rural population and 50% of urban population.

**Q7:** Which among the following states has launched the ‘Didi Vehicle Service’?

1. Madhya Pradesh
2. Tamilnadu
3. West Bengal
4. Tripura

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

The service has been launched by the women of Rural Livelihood Mission in the tribal-dominated area in Jhabua District of Madhya Pradesh. The service has been launched for rural women to ensure safe delivery, hence proving to be a lifeline for pregnant women in the tribal areas. The vehicle under this service will also be available for other emergency services.

**Q8:** Who among the following has been appointed as the new President of Indian Steel Association (ISA)?

1. Dilip Oommen
2. Prahlad Gupta
3. Ramesh Shah
4. Pallav Kumar Guha

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Indian Steel Association has appointed Dilip Oommen as the new President of the organization. He is the CEO of Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel India. He was unanimously appointed as the President for the next two years. He will replace Tata Steel CEO TV Narendran, who stepped down on May 1, from that post.

**Q9:** Who among the following has been appointed as the new Chairman of NABARD?

1. GR Chintala
2. Asvini Kumar
3. Rakesh Asthana
4. Ashwin Venkata

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

The Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet has appointed Govinda Rajulu Chintala as the Chairman of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development. He is the General Manager of NABARD and will be at the helm of the rural economy regulator till July 2022. He replaced Dr Harsh Kumar Bhanwala as the Chairman of NABARD.

**Q10:** Flipkart has tied up with which insurer for providing motor insurance cover?

1. Bajaj Alliance General Insurance Company
2. IFFCO Tokyo General Insurance Company
3. Acko General Insurance Company
4. New India Assurance Company Limited

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

The e-commerce major, Flipkart, has partnered with Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company in order to offer digital motor insurance policy to the customers of the e-commerce platform. The partnership between these two players will provide seamless, accessible as well as flexible insurance solution to the customers.

**Q11:** Which union ministry has recently launched the Master Program in Hindi subject from Indira Gandhi National Open University?

1. HRD ministry
2. MEITY
3. Ministry of home affairs
4. Ministry of education

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

The Union HRD Minister has launched the IGNOU’s online PG Program in Hindi via Facebook Live Session. This program is aimed at strengthening ‘Padhe India Online’ Initiative of the government. Apart from this, various other programs have been launched such as MA IN Gandhi and Peace Studies, BA in Tourism Studies, Certificate Course in Arabic, Certificate in IT, etc.

**Q12:** Recently government started considering acquisition of land of coal mining under which act?

1. Coal and mining bearing areas (CBA) act, 1960
2. Coal bearing act, 1953
3. Coal bearing areas (CBA) act, 1957
4. Coal bearing areas (CBA) act, 1983

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

Government considering acquisition of land under coal bearing areas (CBA) act, 1957. In June 2020, Under Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan government announced commercialization of coal. Under this program auction of 41 coal blocks launched by government for commercial mining. Commercial coal mining help India to meet it’s energy needs, attract investments and reduce dependence on imports and it also help in generating jobs for people.

**Q13:** Recently which organization has released Prison Statistics India 2019 report?

1. National crime record bureau
2. Narcotics control bureau
3. Niti Aayog
4. International commission for human trafficking

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

National crime record bureau released prison statistics India 2019 report. NCRB was setup in 1986 under ministry of home affairs. NCRB data facilitates evidence based policy making and helps to plan crime prevention strategies for future. NCRB was setup on the recommendation of National police commission and MHA task force to function as a repository of information on crime and criminals.

**Q14:** Which mission has recently started by government to measure and monitor the service delivery of water supply in rural areas?

1. Ganga water mission
2. Namami Gange mission
3. Jal Jeevan mission
4. PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

Under Jal Jeevan mission government started to create a smart rural water supply ecosystem for measurement and monitoring of water supply in rural areas. JJM has constituted a technical Expert committee to prepare a road map for monitoring and measurement of water supply management.

In 73rd Amendment of constitution, Gram Panchayat at village level are responsible to manage drinking water supply.

**Q15:** Recently Economic Minister’s meeting of East Asia Summit was held. Which of the following number of meeting was it?

1. 7th
2. 6th
3. 8th
4. 9th

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

East India summit is a forum of 18 countries of Asia pacific region formed to further the objectives of regional peace, security and prosperity. It is 8th east Asia summit economic minister’s meeting. The following measures were taken in this summit

To ensure equitable global distribution of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines.

To compliance with world trade organization reforms

Recognized facilitating essential movement of people across borders, without undermining each country’s efforts to prevent spread of virus, to stabilize trade and investment.

**Q16:** Which of the following Vaccine holding back India’s full immunization drive?

1. Rabies
2. Measles
3. Covid-19
4. Swine flu

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

Measles vaccine holding back India’s full immunization drive. Poor coverage of measles vaccination and later doses of basic vaccines like which are also used for polio, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis are pulling down the proportion of fully-immunised children in India. A child is recognized as fully immunised if she has given BCG, 3 doses of Polio vaccines, 3 shots of DPT vaccine and measles vaccine, all these, if delivered at time, are within child’s first year, with measles being the last.

**Q17:** Which country deployed warship in South China Sea (SCS) recently?

1. Japan
2. India
3. Russia
4. U.S

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

India has deployed warship in South China Sea after Galwan valley clash. The countries bordering SCS are China, Phillippines, Malaysia, Brunei, Indonesia, Singapore and Vietnam. China has been objecting for the presence of Indian navy warship in that region. Indian navy has also deployed its frontline vessel at Malacca strait.

**Q18:** Under which scheme the states and union territories are engaged in sharing its language, literature, festivals, cultural events, tourism?

1. PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana
2. Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat
3. Swadesh darshan scheme
4. Hamari Sanskriti Hamari Virasat

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

Under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat every state and union territories is paired with other states and UT for a year, during which they carry out a structured engagement with one another in the spheres of language, literature, cuisine, festivals, cultural events, tourism etc. Ministry of education has been designated as Nodal ministry for it.

**Q19:** Recently which anniversary was celebrated of Mahatma Ayyankali on 28 august in Kerala?

1. 150th
2. 140th
3. 157th
4. 110th

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

Mahatma Ayyankali was born on 28 august 1863. He is a social reformer in Travancore, British India (present day kerala). He belonged to untouchable Pulaya caste and faced caste discrimination. He also become a member of the assembly of Travancore, known as Sree Moolam Popular Assembly or Praja Sabha and died in 1941.

**Q20:** Recently which country became the first country in Africa to eliminate Sleeping sickness?

1. Bolivia
2. Togo
3. Armenia
4. Azerbaijan

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

Togo has become the first country in Africa to eliminate this disease. Togo is a western Africa country, bordering Ghana, Benin and Burkina Faso. It extends south to the gulf of Guinea. Human African Trypanosomiasis or sleeping sickness is a widespread tropical disease which spread by the bite of an infected tseste fly (Glossina genus), a native species of African continent.

**Q21:** Recently which organization reported irregularities in the data used to prepare Ease of doing business report?

1. WTO
2. World bank
3. IMF
4. UN

**Answer:** B

**Solution:**

Ease of doing business index is published by World Bank. It provide objective measures of business regulation and their enforcement across 190 economies and selected cities at the national and subnational level. India has moved 14 places to be at 63rd position among 190 nations in the World bank EODB report 2020.

**Q22:** Recently rules of transaction of business of the government of which union territory notified by ministry of Home Affairs?

1. Jammu and Kashmir
2. Chandigarh
3. Dadar and Nagar Haveli
4. Delhi

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Transaction of business of the government of UT of Jammu and Kashmir rules, 2019 notified by ministry of home affairs. Under this rules ‘Police, Public order, All India services and anti corruption’ will fall under the executive functions of lieutenant Governer of UT of Jammu and Kashmir. Thus CM or the council of minister will have no say on their functioning.

**Q23:** Recently CHUNAUTI startup challenge was launched by ministry of electronics and information technology. What is the full form of CHUNAUTI?

1. Challenge hunt under NGIS for advanced uninhibited technology intervention
2. Challenge hunt under NGIS for allevation of uninhibited technology intervention
3. Challenge hunt under NGIS for aggregrate uninhibited technology interval
4. Challenge hunt under NGIS for advanced unique technical intervention

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

Challenge hunt under NGIS for advanced uninhibited technology intervention is a next Gen start up challenge contest under next generation incubation scheme (NGIS) to find product and solutions to address challenges faced during and post pandemic situation with special focus on tier-2 towns of India.

**Q24:** Where was India’s first international women’s trade centre setup recently?

1. Kerala
2. Tamilnadu
3. Andhra Pradesh
4. West Bengal

**Answer:** A

**Solution:**

The trade center was setup at Angamaly, kerala in consonance with United Nations sustainable development goals. It aims to accelerate women entrepreneurship and secure gender parity while providing women with a safe place to start new business and marketed their products worldwide.

**Q25:** Which state assembly passed resolution for inclusion of state in sixth schedule of constitution?

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. West Bengal
3. Arunachal Pradesh
4. Odisha

**Answer:** C

**Solution:**

Sixth schedule of constitution include special provision for administration of tribal areas in state of Meghalaya, Tripura, Assam and Mizoram. It is provided under article 244 that formed a special system of administration in areas which designated as scheduled areas and tribal areas. At present Arunachal Pradesh is under article 371H of constitution and has not been given similar constitutional benefit in sixth schedule.