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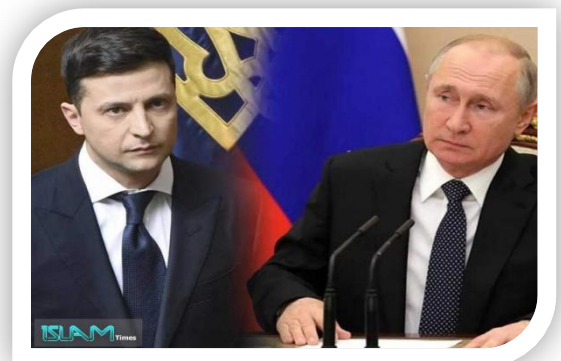
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1. Bihar special current affairs

1(A).Fast revision

1. Which Police station was adjudged as the best police station of Bihar and 10th at national level?- Rampur Chauram Arwal
2. Recently, it has been announced that Durgavati Dam will be developed as an eco-tourism spot. It is situated in which district of Bihar- **Kaimur**
3. Which city of Bihar was adjudged as the cleanest in the Swachh Sarvakshan 2021 at the national level? – **Gaya**
4. **Performance of Bihar in Swachh Survekshan 2021 National Ranking – 13 among all states**
5. Which district got the Best Citizen Feedback Award in the East Zone in the 50,000 -1 lakh population category- **Supaul**
6. Satgharwa Reservoir Scheme (सतघरवा जलाशय योजना) which was restarted by Bihar government recently belongs to which district? –**Munger**
7. Bihar's first genome sequencing lab has become operational at IGIMS Hospital in which city? -**Patna**
8. Patna High Court became which number High Court in the Country to commence live streaming of Court proceedings on YouTube?-**5TH**
9. Bihar's first ethanol plant will be set up in which district? **Bhojpur**
10. Shreyasi Singh won the Double Gold Medal in the 64th 1 National Shooting Championship held in Patiala. She is MLA from which assembly constituency? –**Jamui.**
11. "KALRAV" Bird Festival 2nd edition will be organized in which district of Bihar in January 2022? **Bhagalpur**
12. Bihar became the first state in India to launch Smart card? **Blood donor**
13. NITI Aayog released the 4th edition of health index for 2019-20, What was the rank of Bihar among large states? -**18th**
14. Gobindo Bhog rice is cultivated in which district of Bihar? **Kaimur**
15. Which university of BIHAR was honoured with the prestigious Quality Achievement Award-2021 by European Society for Quality Research (ESQR); a European organisation based in Switzerland? **Nalanda University**
16. Parliament passed the NIPER (Amendment) Bill to accord the status of 'institute of national importance' to six institutes of pharmaceutical education and research? Which institute of Bihar is among these six? **Hajipur**
17. In which district, the Bihar government has started construction of a barrage on the Kamla river? **Madhubani.**
18. Central Government has given approval to Bihar Government for mining of **1. Potash will be mined in Aurangabad and Gaya districts. 2. Chromium and Nickel in Sasaram, Rohtas district.**
19. The number of people from Bihar who were awarded Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri are respectively? **0-1-4.**
20. In which district of Bihar the Ayurveda festival was celebrated recently? **Nalanda.**
21. The Geographical Indications Registry (GIR) under the Central Ministry of Commerce has accepted the plea to rename GI-tagged Bihar Makhana as which of the following?- **Mithila Makhana.**

22. Which girl became the head of UNICEF Bihar 1 day? **Adya Kumari.**
23. Triple drug therapy (combination of three drugs — Ivermectin, Diethylcarbamazine and Albendazole (IDA)) has started in Bihar to eliminate which disease? **Lymphatic Filariasis.**
24. Which district's Balushahi is expected to get GI tag? **Sitamarhi.**
25. Which is the first institute in India to start engineering courses in Hindi? **NIT Patna.**
26. Parivar Niyojan Diwas will be organized on which date every month? **21st**
27. Chief minister Nitish Kumar inaugurated the 2nd ropeway of Bihar at Mandar hills in which district? **Banka**
28. Who is the first transgender constable of Bihar? **Rachit Raj**
29. The first Nagar Van (City Forest) of Bihar was set up in which district? **Gaya**
30. The first Farmer Producer Tea Company of Bihar was certified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs in which district? **Kishanganj.**
31. In which district Saran Bihar's biggest cargo / terminal will be built- **Saran**
32. The Dream of Revolution: A Biography of Jayaprakash Narayan Book Wrote by- **Bimal & Sujata Prasad**
33. Which is the First district of Bihar where all panchayats have libraries? **Purnea**
34. Which city of Bihar has been included in Ramayana circuit train by IRCTC **Sitamarhi.**
35. At which place in Bihar will the heliport be built under the UDAN scheme of the central government? **Bodh Gaya.**
36. The 2nd tiger reserve of Bihar would come up in which district? **Kaimur.**
37. What is the rank of Bihar in mushroom production, according to the Mushroom Directorate, Solan? **3rd.**
38. 'Sabaur Shri' and 'Sabaur Sab' are two varieties of which crop developed by Sabaur Agriculture University, Bhagalpur? **Paddy**
39. Bankatwa becomes Bihar's first block to complete double vaccination in eligible population, in which district it is located? **East Champaran**
40. Which of the following districts of Bihar was at first position in fish production in 2020-21? **Madhubani.**
41. Which Jail of Bihar became the first to launch a digital literacy campaign under the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDisha)? **Banka jail.**
42. NH-139W will connect which place with Patna? **Bettiah.**
43. Who among the following inaugurated a 'decentralised biomedical waste incinerator' in the Buxar district? **Prof. K. Vijay Raghavan**
44. What is the new family income limit to avail post-matric scholarship for SC/ST and OBC/EBC students in Bihar? **INR 3 lakh**
45. 'Didi ki Rasoi' scheme was launched from which place in Bihar? **Aurangabad**
46. McDowell Golambar Park' has been opened for the public in which city of Bihar? **Patna**
47. In which city of Bihar, 'Bapu Tower' is being constructed? **Patna**
48. Recently, the Central Government has released the 'National Monetization Pipeline'. Under this, which of the following airports of Bihar will be leased to the private sector by 2023? **Jai Prakash Narayan Airport.**
49. To promote the vegetables of Bihar, 'Tarkari Express' is launched from which place in Bihar? **Patna.**
50. Recently, who among the following got selected for the 'Chief of Defence Staff Commendation' from Bihar? **Jitendra Kumar.**
51. Asian Development Bank will fund the development of Bihar Road Research Center in which place? **Mokama.**
52. Ganga River Dolphin Day: **5 October.**
53. **Sultanganj to Kahalgaon**, about 60 km, has been declared a 'Gangetic River Dolphin Protected Area'.
54. Which district's Model of Stubble Management will be followed in the entire state? **Rohtas.**

55. Which district has topped in Bihar in terms of making the fastest progress in the annual ranking of Mukhyamantri Saat Nischey Yojana? –Supaul

1(B).Portfolio Of Cabinet Ministers Of Bihar

S.no	Name	Portfolio	Name	Portfolio	
1	Nitish Kumar (Chief Minister)	General Administration 2) Cabinet Secretariat 3) Home 4) Vigilance 5) Election Department 6) Other Departments not allocated to any Ministe	2	Tarkishore Prasad (Deputy Chief Minister)	1) Finance & Commercial Taxes 2) Urban Development & Housing
3	Renu Devi (Deputy Chief Minister)	1) Disaster Management 2) BC & EBC Welfare	4	Vijay Kumar Chaudhary	1) Education 2) Parliamentary Affairs
5	Shrawan Kumar	Rural Development	6	Jayant Raj Kushwaha	Rural Works
7	Sanjay Kumar Jha	1) Water Resources 2) Information & Public Relations	8	Bijendra Prasad Yadav	1) Energy 2) Planning & Development
9	Leshi Singh	Food & Consumer Protection	10	Sheela Kumari Mandal	Transport
11	Ashok Choudhary	Building Construction	12	Sunil Kumar	1) Excise & Registration 2) Prohibition
13	Madan Sahni	Social Welfare	14	Mohd Zama Khan	Minority Affairs
15	Neeraj Kumar Singh Bablu	Environment & Forest	16	Jibesh Kumar Mishra	1) Information & Technology 2) Labour Resources
17	Samrat Chaudhary	Panchayat Raj	18	Syed Shahnawaz Hussain	Industry
19	Mangal Pandey	Health	20	Nitin Nabin	Road Construction
21	Alok Ranjan Jha	Art, Culture & Youth Affairs	22	Amrendra Pratap Singh	Agriculture
23	Subhash Singh	Co-operatives	24	Pramod Kumar	1) Law 2) Sugar Cane Industries
25	Janak Ram	Mines & Geology	26	Narayan Prasad	Tourism

27	Ram Surat Kumar	Revenue & Land Reforms	28	Ram Prit Paswan	Public Health Engineering
29	Santosh Suman Manjhi	1) Minor Irrigation 2) SC-ST Welfare	30	Mukesh Sahani	Animal Husbandry & Fisheries
31	Sumit Kumar Singh	Science & Technology			

1(C).Bihar Economic Survey 2021-22

Recently, Bihar's Deputy Chief Minister Tarkishore Prasad presented the state's 16th Economic Survey 2021-22 on the floor of the House on the first day of the budget session of the Bihar Legislative Assembly.

Important Facts Of Points

- ✍ According to the Economic Survey, Bihar's **Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP)** grew by **2.5 percent** in 2020-21 and the growth rate is better than the national average, despite the effect of the 'lockdown' imposed to prevent the Covid-19 epidemic.
- ✍ According to the survey, the **per capita income in Bihar stood at Rs 50,555** during 2020-21 at the current market price as compared to the **per capita income of India at Rs 86,659**.
- ✍ During the last five years 2016-17 to 2020-21, **Bihar grew at the highest rate of 2.3 per cent in primary sector, 4.8 per cent in secondary sector and 8.5 per cent in tertiary sector.**
- ✍ **Agriculture and allied sectors** have grown at the rate of **2.1 percent in the state** during the last five years 2016-17 to 2020-21.
- ✍ **The total expenditure** of the state government in 2020-21 **increased by 13.4 percent** over the previous year to Rs 1,65,696 crore, which includes Rs 26,203 crore as capital expenditure and Rs 1,39,493 crore as revenue expenditure.
- ✍ Agriculture and allied sectors have grown at the rate of **2.1 per cent during the last five years**. The growth rate of livestock and fisheries was 10 percent and 7 percent respectively.
- ✍ **The urbanization of the state** has increased very rapidly in the last ten years. According to the 2011 census, the level of urbanization in **Bihar was just 11.3 percent, which has increased to 15.3 percent at present.**
- ✍ In the year 2011, **Bihar had only 3.1 percent of the total urban population of the country**. The state government has expressed hope that the level of urbanization in Bihar will be very high in the next decade in view of the urban economy growing at a high rate.
- ✍ Like the economic disparity among the districts of Bihar, the survey has also pointed out a great disparity in urbanization. **Patna district has the highest level of urbanization (44.3 percent)**, apart from this, only two districts- **Munger (28.3 percent)** and **Nalanda (26.2 percent)** have more than 25 percent urbanization.

- ✍ According to the figures for the year 2019-20, **Patna district tops in terms of per capita income with Rs 131.1 thousand. Begusarai district is at the second place**, whose per capita income is Rs 51.4 thousand. In terms of per capita income, they are followed by Munger (44.3 thousand), Bhagalpur (41.8 thousand), Rohtas (35.8 thousand), Muzaffarpur (34.8 thousand), Aurangabad (32 thousand), Gaya (31.9 thousand), Bhojpur (31.6 thousand) and Vaishali (Rs 30.9 thousand).
- ✍ **The districts with low per capita income are Sheohar (Rs 19.6 thousand), Araria (20.6 thousand), Sitamarhi (22.1 thousand), East Champaran (22.3 thousand), Madhubani (22.6 thousand), Supaul (22.9 thousand), Kishanganj (23.2 thousand) and Nawada (Rs 23.4 thousand).**

1(D).Bihar Budget 2022-23

The Finance Minister of Bihar **Mr Tarakishore Prasad** had presented the Budget for Bihar for the financial year 2022-23. The 2022-23 budget amount is **Rs 2,37,691.19 crore** (more than Rs. 19,388.19 crores of FY 2021-22) which makes it the biggest budget in the history of Bihar.

Highlights of the Budget

- ✍ The fiscal deficit for FY23 is estimated at **Rs 25,885.10 crore**. It is 3.47 % of the estimated Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP).
- ✍ **The budget estimate of fiscal deficit is within the prescribed limit of FRBM Act (for 2022-33 4.0 per cent).**
- ✍ **The economic growth rate of the state for the year 2022-23 is estimated at 9.7 percent.**
- ✍ **Expenditure:**
 - Rs 1,91,956.67 crore as revenue expenditure while Rs 45,734.52 crore is capital account.
 - Total receipts: The total receipts are estimated at Rs 2,37,891.94 lakh crore, which includes
 - Rs 1,96,704.51 crore by way of **revenue receipts** and
 - Rs 91,180.60 would be the **state's share in central taxes**
 - Rs 41,187.43 crore by **way of capital receipts**.
 - Rs 41,387.00 crores for the **government's own tax revenue**.

- ✍ In the budget, a budget provision of **Rs 500 crore** has been made for the financial year 2022-23 for the **Saat Nischay Part-2** scheme of **Atmanirbhar Bihar under good governance**.

- Nischay 1. **Yuva Shakti - Progress of Bihar**
- Nischay 2. **Strong woman, capable woman**
- Nischay 3. **Irrigation water to every field**
- Nischay 4. **Clean Village - Prosperous Village**
- Nischay 5. **Clean City - Developed City**
- Nischay 6. **Easy Connectivity**
- Nischay 7. **Additional health facilities for all**

Sector-wise expenditure

Agriculture and allied activities:

- ✂ Agriculture and Allied Activities (in 2022-23): Total of Rs. 3584.31 crores have been allocated for agricultural development. Rs. 600 crore has been proposed to implement Har Khet tak Sinchayi ka pani across the state.
- ✂ Rs. 11475.97 crores are proposed for the Energy Department.
- ✂ Rs. 4310.57 crores have been allocated for the Water Resources Department.
- ✂ Rs. 1589.69 crores have been allocated for Animal and Fisheries resources.
- ✂ Rs. 1286.31 crores for Cooperative Department.

Medical and Health Infrastructure:

- ✂ Rs. 2380.38 crores have been allocated for Public Health Services.
- ✂ Rs. 7035.56 crores for health schemes.

Education:

- ✂ Rs. 39191.87 crores have been allocated for the establishment of the Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Department along with Medical and Engineering Universities in Bihar.
- ✂ The Centre of Excellence will be established in all ITIs

Environment Sector:

- Total budget allocation- **Rs. 662.84 crore**

Manufacturing/ Industrial Sector:

- The total budget allocation will be **Rs. 1643.74** which is more than Rs. 358.57 crore last year.

Rural and Urban Development:

- Total budget allocation- **Rs. 23632.41 crore.**

Health and Family Welfare:

- The government has allocated **Rs. 7035.56 crore** for Public Health Services.

Social Security and Welfare:

- For the betterment of Old and Elderly people in the state, **Rs. 68.66 crore** has been allocated for the Social Welfare department.
- Total Budget allocation for Social Welfare department- **Rs. 8201.12 crore.**
- Total Budget allocation for BC and EBC welfare department- **Rs. 1873.86 crore.**
- Total Budget allocation for SC and ST welfare department- **Rs. 1729.60 crore.**
- Total Budget allocation for minority welfare department- **Rs.570.49 crore**

Labour:

- **Rs. 947.30 crores** have been allocated under the **Nishchay-2 scheme. Culture:**
- The total budget allocation will be **Rs. 1643.74 crore** for Art, Culture and Youth Department.

Panchayati Raj:

- **Rs.9801.41 crores** have been allocated for the Panchayati Raj department

1(E) .Bihar Special News

Good Governance Index By DARPG

- **Toppers – Overall**
 - Group A – Gujarat
 - Group B – Madhya Pradesh (Bihar 6th)
 - North east and Hilly states – Himachal Pradesh
 - Union territories – Delhi

40th India International Trade Fair (IITF) held at Pragati Maidan in Delhi

- Bihar bagged gold medal in the for “**excellence in display**” in state government/union territory pavilion category.
- Jharkhand & Uttar Pradesh - **Focus State**
- Bihar - **Partner State**

Food Safety Index 2021-22 By FSSAI

- **Gujarat** topped the 3rd food safety Index 2021-22 by FSSAI
- **Goa** topped among smaller states
- **J & K topped** among Uts
- **Bihar** – Last among large states 20th

National Multidimensional Poverty Index by NITI Ayog

- It has three equally weighted dimensions – **health, education, and standard of living.**
- Bihar emerged as the poorest state in India.
- Bihar also has the highest number of malnourished people.
- Bihar also ranks worst when it comes to percentage of population deprived of maternal health, percentage of population deprived of years of schooling, school attendance and percentage of population deprived of cooking fuel and electricity.
- As per the index, 51.91 per cent population of Bihar is poor, followed by 42.16 per cent in Jharkhand, 37.79 per cent in Uttar Pradesh.

National Institutional Ranking Framework NIRF Ranking 2021 (Ministry of Education)

- IIT Patna – 51st position Overall Only one institute in top 100
- IIT Patna ranking in the “engineering” category - 21st
- IIT Patna also got 47th rank in the “research” category among the top 50 institutes in the country

130 MW Dagmara Hydro-Electric Project

- MoU was signed between National Hydro Power Corporation (NHPC) Limited and Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation Limited (BSHPC)
- Location - Supaul, on KOSI RIVER (**Kosi - 'sorrow of Bihar'**) It will be a run-of-river hydro project which means it will use the natural downward flow of the Kosi river to generate power.

Bihar Sports University Bill, 2021

- The Sports University will be set up in **Rajgir**
- Bihar became the **6th state** to establish a Sports University
- In the university, one-third of total seats would also be reserved for women and girls.

Patna Metro

- Loan – Rs 8000 crore
- Total Cost of the project – Rs. 13365.77 crore
- Funding agencies - European Union, Asian Development Bank and Japan International Cooperation Agency 'JICA'
- East-West corridor of Patna Metro starts from Danapur and goes to Mithapur via Patna Railway Station.
- North-South Corridor will go from Patna Railway Station to New ISBT.

NITI Aayog's Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) urban index

- Patna ranked 52nd out of 56 cities (Patna total score - 57.29 (Performer))
- Shimla - 1st first rank (Score 75.5)
- Cities are divided into **4 categories** – Achiever (100 marks), Front runner (65-99 marks) ,Performer (50-64 marks) ,Aspirant (0-49 points)

National Family Survey – 5

- Bihar's sex ratio has improved from 1062 in 2015-16 survey (NFHS-4) to 1090.
- Sex ratio of urban areas of Bihar – 982 Sex ratio of rural areas – 1111
- Infant mortality rate in Bihar - 46.8 (per 1000). It was 48.1 in the previous survey.
- Literacy rate among women in the age group of 15-49 - 55 percent
- Total fertility rate in Bihar - 3.0 (child/female). It was 3.4 in the previous survey.

'Rabi Mahabhiyan

- Launched by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar On October 23, 2021
- Rabi crops – Wheat, barley, oats, gram, mustard**
- Machinery Banks will be set up through farmer groups and agricultural machines will be rented to local farmers by these groups. For agricultural machinery banks, the government will give 80 percent subsidy, the maximum limit of which has been fixed at Rs 8 lakh.

Short News

- ✍ Recently, in the ranking released by NITI Aayog from March to June, **Sheikhpura district** of Bihar has been ranked seventh in the whole country with '**good ranking**'. On getting the seventh position in the ranking, an additional allocation of **Rs 3 crores** will be given by the central government to the health department of the district
 - In the ranking of districts released by NITI Aayog, Chandel of Manipur is at first place, Sahibganj of Jharkhand is at second place and Ferozepur of Punjab is at third place.
- ✍ The National Council of Teacher Scientist (NCTS) honored Anand Kumar, mathematician and the founder of Super-30, with the 'Sarabhai Teacher Scientist National Honorary Award, 2021'
- ✍ Recently, the Government of India has given approval to the Bihar Government for **mining of Potash in Aurangabad** and **Gaya** districts of Bihar and **Chromium and Nickel in Rohtas district**
- ✍ Jamalpur Rail Workshop is the first rail factory in Asia. It is manufacturing a crane lifting 140 tons, the specialty of which is that it can work at 90°. Before Jamalpur, an attempt was made to make such a crane in the Parel factory of Maharashtra, but it was not successful.
- ✍ Rachit Raj of Bihar, who has been appointed in the secret branch of Superintendent of Police of Kaimur District (Bihar), has become the first transman constable of the country.
- ✍ Bihar Agricultural University has decided to implement Rohtas model of stubble management in the entire state. Under the Rohtas model, a compressed bundle of stubble is made at high pressure with the help of a machine called a Strabblar. This bundle is sold to dairy societies, where it is used as fodder. This not only provides additional income to the farmers but also solves the fodder problem of the cattle rearers and encourages animal husbandry and milk production. This stubble management model of **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Rohtas** has been awarded **Eco-Agriculture Award, 2021** in May 2021
- ✍ Recently, the ranking for August, 2021 have been released under the 'Jal Jeevan Hariyali Abhiyan' by the Bihar State Government. Buxar district has got the first position in the entire state
- ✍ Bihar has become the first state in the country, where a squad of women commandos has been made read
- ✍ In the data, recently released by the Center for Monitoring of Indian Economy, it has been revealed that unemployment in Bihar has decreased by 3.6 percent in September compared to August. It is clear from the data that while unemployment was 13.6 percent in the month of August, it has come down to 10 percent by the end of September. Although unemployment in Bihar is still higher than the national average of 6.9 percent, which remains a cause for great concern
- ✍ Recently, a report has been published by NITI Aayog on the functioning of **district hospitals** across the country, in which the condition of **Bihar is Most Backward State**, only 6 beds available for per 1 lakh population, only 8 hospitals in Bihar have the facility of diagnostic testing service
- ✍ **Purnia district** of Bihar has become the **first district** in the country where **libraries have been opened in all the Gram Panchayats** with the help of the donated books from the education department.
- ✍ **Union Minister Ashwini Kumar Choubey** announced the conduct of the **Galactic Dolphin Census**. The Union Minister said that **Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary** would be developed into a world class tourist destination and a Dolphin Conservation Force would be formed to carry out the

conservation and promotion work of dolphins. It is noteworthy that from **Sultanganj to Kahalgaon**, about 60 km, has been declared a '**Gangetic River Dolphin Protected Area**'.

- ✂ Chief Minister Nitish Kumar reviewed the works of 'Gangajal Udvah Yojana'. A total distance of 150 km from Hathidah-MohanjeTetar-Abgilla Of the pipeline of about 118 km Pipe laying has been completed. It is to be known that '**Gangajal Udvah Yojana**' is an ambitious scheme of the Government of Bihar, through which **pure drinking water** will be provided to the people of **Rajgir, Gaya, Bodh Gaya and Nawada**.
- ✂ Recently, the State Health Department informed that, on the lines of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority, the formation of Price Monitoring and Resource Unit in Bihar has been approved by the cabinet. Bihar will be the 16th state in the country to establish such a unit. Earlier, states like Uttar Pradesh, Kerala, Odisha, Gujarat, Rajasthan have also formed such units.
- ✂ On October 11, 2021, approval was given to the proposal of the Energy Department to install prepaid meters in all the houses of the state. The project, costing Rs. 1110 crore has to be completed in the next 42 months. Once the project is completed, Bihar will become the first state in the country to have prepaid meters in all households
- ✂ Recently, after Aurangabad in Bihar, West Champaran district has seen a sharp increase in the cases of diarrhea.
- ✂ On October 21, 2021, Chief Minister Nitish Kumar announced a 15-day government holiday for 'Vipassana Meditation' in the centenary celebrations to mark the completion of 100 years of the Bihar Legislative Assembly building
- ✂ On October 23, 2021, as soon as Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar started the '**Rabi Mahabhiyan**', the Agriculture Department announced various schemes for this. As per the announcement of the Agriculture Department, **328 Krishi Machinery Banks** will be set up by the government in 13 districts of the state
- ✂ According to recently published data, the share of women in MGNREGA works in Bihar is more than that of men (about 54 percent).
- ✂ The '**Vaccine Mitra**' chatbot was launched by Bihar Health Minister Mangal Pandey on November 2, 2021 with an aim to promote COVID-19 vaccination.
- ✂ In the recently released **Public Appearances Index, 2021**, In this index,
 - **Bihar has been ranked 12th** in the list of large states in the equity column, while Gujarat is at the first and Uttar Pradesh is at the last position.
 - In the category of large states in the growth/growth column, **Bihar has got the last (18th)** position, while Telangana is at the first position.
 - In the sustainability column, **Bihar has been ranked 17th** in the big states category, while Uttar Pradesh has been ranked 18th (last). Kerala is on the first rank.
 - In the overall ranking, Kerala has been ranked first and Tamil Nadu is at second place. **Bihar and Uttar Pradesh are at the last rank**
- ✂ The **6th International Dharma Dhamma Conference** was inaugurated by the Vice President of India, Venkaiah Naidu at **Nalanda University located in Rajgir**, Nalanda district of Bihar
- ✂ President Ram Nath Kovind presented the **Padma Awards announced for the year 2020** to 8 personalities from Bihar

- For the year 2020, **one person from Bihar was awarded Padma Vibhushan** and **7 people were awarded Padma Shri**
- Former Defense Minister George Fernandes was posthumously awarded the Padma Vibhushan for his service in the field of public affairs
- At the same time, the following **seven personalities** were given the **Padma Shri award**:
 - **Shri Sujoy Kumar Guha** (in the field of Science & Engineering)
 - **Shri Bimal Kumar Jain** (in the field of Social Work)
 - **Mrs. Shanti Jain** (in the field of art)
 - **Dr. Shanti Roy** (in the field of medicine)
 - **Shri Shyamsundar Sharma** (in the field of Arts)
 - **Shri Ramji Singh** (in the field of social work)
 - **Shri Vashisht Narayan Singh** (Posthumous) (in the field of Science and Engineering)
- ✍ President Ram Nath Kovind presented the **Padma Awards announced for the year 2021** to **5 personalities from Bihar**
 - For the year 2021, **Shri Ram Vilas Paswan** was posthumously awarded the **Padma Bhushan** for the year 2021 for his work in public affairs.
 - At the same time, the following 4 personalities were given the Padma Shri award:
 - Smt. Dulari Devi (in the field of Arts)
 - Shri Ramchandra Manjhi (in the field of art)
 - Dr. Dilip Kumar Singh (in the field of medicine)
 - Mrs. Mridula Sinha (Posthumous) - In the field of literature and education
- ✍ Chief Minister **Nitish Kumar** honored **Dr. Shankar Nath Jha**, who worked for Musahar children, with the best education award '**Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Education Award-2021**' in a program organized at the convention building on the occasion of Education Day.
- ✍ Bihar has received the **Skoch Governance Gold Award** in the recently held 75th Skoch conference. At the same time, the **Mukhyamantri Gram Sampark Yojana**, which is running under the Department of Rural Affairs, has been given a silver award by the Skoch Institute.
- ✍ The team of Rohtas has won the title of Bihar Athletics Meet held from 15 to 17 November 2021
- ✍ Bihar has been ranked 17th in the ranking of states of **Swachh Survekshan, 2021** released by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India on November 20, 2021. In the Citizen Feedback category of cities with a population of 50 thousand to 1 lakh, **Supaul** of Bihar has got the **first place** in the country
- ✍ The Bihar government's Art-Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Dr. Alok Ranjan Jha introduced **Bihar Sports University Bill, 2021** in the Legislative Assembly. The Headquarters of the Sports University to be established will be in Rajgir (Nalanda). Bihar became the sixth state in the country, where a sports university is being established.
- ✍ Bihar government has decided to upload the details of birth and death on an online portal. Bihar will become the first state in the country to make the birth and death statistics public.
- ✍ Recently, in the meeting of the state cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, approval was given for the construction of a two-kilometer-long bridge over the **Son river at Panduka in Rohtas**. This bridge will be completed by March 2024 at a cost of Rs. 210 crore 13 lakh.

- ✍ On August 17, 2021, the Bihar government declared the date for the election of Gram Panchayat and Gram Kachari. These elections will be held in 11 phases, the notification of which will be issued on August 24, 2021. Elections are to be held for the six posts of Gram Panchayat and Gram Kachari. These include the posts of mukhiya, panchayat samiti member, zilla parishad member, ward member, sarpanch and panch.
- ✍ The 39.4 km cross border rail link connecting Jaynagar in Bihar to Kurtha in Nepal has been handed over to Nepal by government of India. This will be the first broad gauge cross border rail link between India and Nepal
- ✍ Former Union Minister & Bihar Governor Buta Singh passes away at 86 .Four-time MP from Jalore-Sirohi, Singh served as Home Minister in Rajiv Gandhi's cabinet from 1986-1989. He was also National President of Scheduled Caste Commission.
- ✍ [Bihar](#) has built an interesting **200 ft glass bridge which will be inaugurated next year in [Raigir](#), Nalanda district.**
- ✍ Bihar's Bicycle Girl **Jyoti Kumari** Becomes Brand Ambassador for Anti-drug Abuse Programme
- ✍ Colonel **Santosh Babu**, who was among the 20 soldiers that died in the line of duty in brutal hand-to-hand combat with Chinese troops in eastern Ladakh's Galwan Valley, has been awarded with the second highest wartime gallantry honour posthumous **Maha Vir Chakra**, , for showing "conspicuous bravery in face of enemy, exemplary leadership and astute professionalism.
- ✍ Dr. Avinash Kumar, a resident of Hisua honored Dr. Avinash with the 7th Atal Award at Vigyan Bhawan, Delhi.
- ✍ Bihar becomes first state in the country to implement e-storage system
- ✍ The Bihar government has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) for climate resilience and low carbon development strategy formulation.
- ✍ 67th National Awards: Sushant Singh Rajput's 'Chhichhore' wins best Hindi Film
- ✍ After winning 12 seats in the Bihar assembly elections and securing about 4 percent votes, the Election Commission has given the status of a state party to the CPI-ML in Bihar
- ✍ Bihar under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme of the Central Government selected 3 cities Sitamarhi, Buxar and Darbhanga In these three cities, the amount received under the central scheme will be used for tourism.
- ✍ Bihar's Siwan tops in going abroad.The largest number of people going abroad from Bihar is from Siwan.The second is from Patna on the number
- ✍ Bihar Cabinet has approved the Ethanol Production Promotion Policy, 2021, becoming the 1st Indian State to have an ethanol promotion policy.
- ✍ The Bihar government's health department on Tuesday launched a dedicated Whatsapp chatbot called '**Vaccine Mitra**' to make it easier for people to access a wide range of information about Covid vaccination.
- ✍ **Chief Minister Nitish** Kumar presented Bihar's highest award in the field of education, **Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Shiksha Puruskar, 2021**, to **Dr Shankar Nath Jha** for his distinguished work in the field of education, especially among children of the Musahar community living in Dalit localities of Jamui.

- ✍ BIHAN App launched by Bihar (Bi-Bihar, H-Horticulture, A Agriculture, N-Natural Resource Management)
- ✍ Bihar got '**Skoch**' award for good governance for the online facilities being given to people to get listed for services under the Right to Public Service Act enforced in 2011.
- ✍ Anushka created history by becoming the youngest sarpanch (21 years old) in Bihar. Anushka Kumari won from Kushahar Panchayat of Sheohar block.
- ✍ India's first rice silo warehouse to be built in Bihar
- ✍ IRCTC's first **Ramayana circuit** train departed from Delhi's Safdarjung railway station on 7 November 2021 The train will take tourists to Delhi, Janakpur, Ayodhya, **Sitamarhi**, Varanasi, Prayag, Nasik, Chitrakoot, Hampi and Rameshwaram.
- ✍ **Chak Bihar software** is such a software developed by **IIT Rooraki for Bihar**, with the help of which the work of consolidation in Bihar will become very easy. And now about 80% of Amin's work will be done by this Chak Bihar software.
- ✍ Chief minister Nitish Kumar started three-week-long campaign for social reforms, christened '**Samaj Sudhar Abhiyan**', from Motihari on 22nd December 2021. As part of the campaign, he will visit all 9 divisions across the state and hold public meetings to make people aware of the benefits of liquor prohibition and bad impacts of dowry system and child marriage on the society.
- ✍ CM Nitish Kumar said – by **March 2025**, every house will have smart pre-paid meter. Bihar is the first state where electricity connections up to **19 kW load** capacity in all urban and rural areas are being given to people online through **Suvidha App**.
- ✍ **100 MW solar power plants** will be started at **Jamui and Banka**. These plants will be set up by Sutlej Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited. An amount of Rs 1000 crore will be spent on this.
- ✍ **Bihar's biggest industrial park** is going to be built in **Dobhi, Gaya**. With this, Gaya will now play a big role in the progress of the country not only in Bihar. Under this, an industrial park is being constructed in **1600 acres**. At the same time, if **30 percent green zone** is also to be developed, then there will be a park in about **3000 acres**. Consultant has been appointed.
- ✍ **Vigyan Ratnakar**, a Maithili science magazine of **Vigyan Prasara**, an autonomous organization working under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, was released .
- ✍ The Ministry of Home Affairs has declared **six out of 16 Naxal-affected districts** in Bihar as Naxal-free, thus reducing the activities of the outlawed CPI (Maoist) in the state to only 10 districts. According to this new classification, **Muzaffarpur, Vaishali, Jehanabad, Nalanda, Arwal and East Champaran** have been cleared from the list of Naxal-affected districts.
- ✍ Bihar Government inked an MOU with **Tata Memorial** centre to set up a modern Cancer Hospital and Research Centre at an expenditure of **Rs 300 crore in Muzaffarpur**.
- ✍ Milkha Singh Sports Complex has been established in the Central University of South Bihar in Gaya.
- ✍ East Central Railway has decided to develop **5 more stations** as worldclass facilities. These stations are **Sitamarhi, Barauni, Darbhanga, Pt Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction and Dhanbad**. Earlier railways had announced to redevelop and give world-class status to Rajendra Nagar Terminal, Gaya, Muzaffarpur, Begusarai and Singrauli stations. HQ - Headquarters: Hajipur
- ✍ **4 item from Bhagalpur** to get GI Tag-**Manjusha Chitrakala, Bhagalpuri silk, Zardalu mango, Katarni rice**.

1(F).Panchayat Election of Bihar-2021

On August 17, 2021, the Bihar government declared the date for the election of Gram Panchayat and Gram Kachari. These elections will be held in 11 phases, the notification of which will be issued on August 24, 2021.

Important Points

- ✍ The decision was taken in the state cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.
- ✍ The **model code of conduct** will be implemented in the respective areas as soon as the notification is issued on August 24, 2021. The first phase of polling will be held on September 24, 2021 and the last phase will be held on December 12, 2021. In this way, the process of Panchayat elections will go on in the state for about two and a half months.
- ✍ After the meeting, Additional Chief Secretary of the cabinet, Sanjay Kumar told in the press conference that in the flood-affected areas, polling will be held in the last phases.
- ✍ Elections are to be held for the six posts of Gram Panchayat and Gram Kachari. These include the posts of mukhiya, panchayat samiti member, zilla parishad member, ward member, sarpanch and panch.
- ✍ For the first time, Panchayat elections are being held in 11 phases in the state.
- ✍ Phase I: September 24, 2021; Phase II: September 29, 2021; Phase III: October 08, 2021; Phase IV: October 20, 2021; Phase 5: October 24, 2021; Phase 6: November 03, 2021; Phase 7: November 15, 2021; Eighth Phase: November 24, 2021; Ninth Phase: November 29, 2021; 10th phase: December 08, 2021; 11th phase: December 12, 2021.



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2.Appointment (National, International)

2(A).National

✍ Chairman and CEO of Railway Board-	Vinay Kumar Tripathi
✍ New Chief Secretary of Bihar -	Amir Subhani succeeding <i>Tripurari Sharan</i>
✍ Director General of National Mission for Clean Ganga -	G Asok Kumar [<i>succeeded Rajiv Ranjan Mishra</i>]
✍ 10 TH chairman of (ISRO)	S Somanath [<i>replaced K Sivan</i>]
✍ Chief Economic Advisor of India -	Venkatraman Anantha Nageswaran
✍ Chairperson of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) -	Alka Upadhyaya
✍ President of (FICCI)	-Sanjiv Mehta succeeded <i>Uday Shankar</i>
✍ Director General, National Mission for Clean Ganga G-	Asok Kumar
✍ Chief of Naval Staff Vice Admiral	R Hari Kumar
✍ Secretary-General (SG) of Rajya Sabha	P.C. Mody
✍ Director General of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)	Sheel Vardhan Singh
✍ Chairman of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)	Vivek Johri
✍ Chairman of National Commission for Minorities	Iqbal Singh Lalpura.
✍ Chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)	J.B. Mohapatra

New Cabinet Ministers -2021

New Cabinet Ministes	Portfolios
Narayan Rane	• Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
Sarbananda Sonowal	• Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways and Minister of AYUSH
Virendra Kumar	• Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment
Jyotiraditya Scindia	• Minister of Civil Aviation
Ramchandra Prasad Singh	• Minister of Steel
Ashwini Vaishnaw	• Minister of Railways; Minister of Communications; and Minister of Electronics and Information Technology
Pashu Pati Kumar Paras	• Minister of Food Processing Industries
Kiren Rijiju	• Minister of Law and Justice
Raj Kumar Singh	• Minister of Power; and Minister of New and Renewable Energy
Hardeep Singh Puri	• Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas; and Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs
Mansukh Mandaviya	• Minister of Health and Family Welfare; and Minister of Chemicals and

	Fertilizers
Bhupendra Yadav	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change; and Minister of Labour and Employment
Parshottam Rupala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
G Kishan Reddy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Culture; Minister of Tourism; and Minister of Development of North Eastern Region
Anurag Singh Thakur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Information and Broadcasting; and Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports

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2(B).International

✍ New chair of UN Counter-Terrorism Committee -	TS Tirumurti
✍ Secretary-General of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) -Zhang Ming (China) succeeded Vladimir Norov	
✍ New secretary general of Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) -Haitham Al Ghais (Kuwait) replaced -Mohammad Barkindo	
✍ Chief Economist of International Monetary Fund (IMF) -Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas (France) succeeded - Gita Gopinath	
✍ India's first UN Development Programme (UNDP) Youth Climate Champion -Prajakta Koli	
✍ 1st Indian to complete NASA's International Air and Space Program -	Jahnvi Dangeti
✍ 1st female Prime Minister of Sweden -	Eva Magdalena Andersson
✍ India's next Ambassador to China-	Pradeep Kumar Rawat
✍ India's Permanent Representative at UN Conference on Disarmament Anupam Ray replaced Dr Pankaj Sharma	
✍ Goodwill Ambassador of UN-World Food Programme	Daniel Brühl
✍ Chairman of ICC Men's Cricket Committee	Sourav Ganguly
✍ Permanent CEO of International Cricket Council (ICC)	Geoff Allardice
✍ President of International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) UAE's	Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi.
✍ CEO of Twitter	Parag Agrawal.
✍ Controller General of Accounts (CGA)	Deepak Das
✍ New Vice Chief of the Naval Staff	SN Ghormade
✍ Cabinet Secretary of India	Rajiv Gauba [1-year extension]
✍ Chairperson of the National Commission for Women (NCW)	Rekha Sharma [3-year extension]

Heads of various organizations National and international in News

Organization	Name of Person	Organization	Name of Person
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Meta CEO	Mark Zuckerberg;	FICCI President	Sanjiv Mehta
Tata Steel CEO	T. V. Narendran	Chief of Naval Staff	Admiral R Hari Kumar
ICC Chairman	Greg Barclay	Indian Coast Guard Director-General	Virender Singh Pathania
Amazon CEO	Andrew R. Jassy	Food and Agriculture Organization Head	Qu Dongyu
NABARD Chairman	Govinda Rajulu Chintala	Twitter CEO	Parag Agrawal
World Health Organization Director-General	Tedros Adhanom	Chairman and Space Secretary of ISRO	Dr S Somanath
World Bank President	David Malpass	Google CEO	Sundar Pichai
		Microsoft CEO	Satya Nadella
International Olympic Committee President	Thomas Bach	Microsoft Chairperson	John W. Thompson
Chairman of Central Board of Excise and Custom	Vivek Johri	New Development Bank President	Marcos Prado Troyjo

3.States and their Chief Ministers & Governors

State	Chief Minister	Governor
1. Andhra Pradesh	YS Jagan Mohan Reddy	Biswa Bhusan Harichandan
2. Arunachal Pradesh	Pema Khandu Brig.	(Dr.) B. D. Mishra
3. Assam	Himanta Biswa Sarma	Prof. Jagdish Mukhi
4. Bihar	Nitish Kumar	Phagu Chauhan
5. Chhattisgarh	Bhupesh Baghel	Sushri Anusuiya Uikey
6. Goa	Pramod Sawant	P.S. Sreedharan Pillai
7. Gujarat	Bhupendra Patel	Acharya Dev Vrat
8. Haryana	Manohar Lal Khattar	Bandaru Dattatraya
9. Himachal	Pradesh Jairam Thakur	Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
10. Jharkhand	Hemant Soren	Ramesh Bais
11. Karnataka	Basavaraj S Bommai	Thaawarchand Gehlot
12. Kerala	Pinarayi Vijayan	Arif Mohammed Khan
13. Madhya Pradesh	Shivraj Singh Chouhan	Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel
14. Maharashtra	Uddhav Thackeray	Bhagat Singh Koshyari
15. Manipur	N. Biren Singh	La. Ganesan

16. Meghalaya	Conrad Kongkal Sangma	Satya Pal Malik
17. Mizoram	Pu Zoramthanga	Dr. Kambhampati Haribabu
18. Nagaland	Neiphiu Rio	Jagdish Mukhi
19. Odisha	Naveen Patnaik	Prof. Ganeshi Lal
20. Punjab	Charanjit Singh	Channi Banwarilal Purohit
21. Rajasthan	Ashok Gehlot	Kalraj Mishra
22. Sikkim	PS Golay	Ganga Prasad
23. Tamil Nadu	MK Stalin	R. N. Ravi
24. Telangana	K Chandrasekhar Rao	Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan
25. Tripura	Biplab Kumar Deb	Satyadeo Narain Arya
26. Uttar Pradesh	Yogi Aditya Nath	Smt. Anandiben Patel
27. Uttarakhand	Pushkar Singh Dhami	Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh
28. West Bengal	Mamata Banerjee	Jagdeep Dhankhar

4.Awards (National, International)

National

- ✍ **Ramnath Goenka Award- Zishaan A Latif** He won the award in the Photo Journalism category for his photo essay,
- ✍ **SKOCH Award 2021 (Silver)** in the Governance category -**Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) Forensic Service, Delhi** For its work towards combating Crime and Violence against Children.
- ✍ National Award for eGovernance 2020-21 (Silver) -Mon District Administration of Nagaland
- ✍ **'Subhas Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar-**
 - **Gujarat Institute of Disaster Management** (in the Institutional category) and
 - **Professor Vinod Sharma**, Vice Chairman of Sikkim State Disaster Management Authority (in the Individual category)
- ✍ **12th Bharat Ratna Dr Ambedkar Award 2022** -Harshaali Malhotra
- ✍ **Netaji Award 2022 by Netaji Research Bureau-** Shinzo Abe
- ✍ **Param Vishisht Seva Medal** -Neeraj Chopra
- ✍ **Assam Baibhav-** Industrialist Ratan Tata For his contribution to setting up cancer treatment facilities in the state.
- ✍ Indian Film Personality of the Year award at 52nd IFFI 2021- **Hema Malini, Prasoon Joshi.**
- ✍ Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development 2021 -**Pratham** (Pratham is dedicated to improving the quality of education for underprivileged children in India and across the world.
- ✍ 4th Satyajit Ray Award -**Bejawada Gopal**
- ✍ 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award -Rajinikanth
- ✍ 7th Dr. M S Swaminathan Award for 2017- 19 **V Praveen Rao**
- ✍ Merriam-Webster Word of the Year for 2021 - **'Vaccine'-**

- ✍ 'Best Airport in India and Central Asia' in 2021 by Skytrax **IGI Airport, Delhi**
- ✍ Assam govt's 'Asom Baibhav Award' 2021 **Ratan Tata**
- ✍ **56th Jnanpith Award** **Nilmani Phookan Jr**
- ✍ 57th Jnanpith Award. **Damodar Mauzo**
- ✍ Golden Peacock Environment Management Award 2021 **Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL)**
- ✍ Sushila Devi Award 2021 **Anukruti Upadhyay**
- ✍ **Mother Teresa Memorial Award 2021** -Anil Prakash Joshi,Vidyut Mohan and Ridhima Pandey won **Asha Bhosle**
- ✍ Maharashtra Bhushan award 2021
- ✍ **National Youth Award- Mohammad Azam** from Karimnagar district in Telangana has been awarded the **National Youth Award**

Padma Awards 2022 announced:

- President has authorised the **conferment of 128 Padma Awards**, including two duo cases (the Award is considered as one in a dual case).
- There are **four Padma Vibhushan awards**, **seventeen Padma Bhushan awards**, and **107 Padma Shri awards** on the list. There are **34 women among the awardees**, as well as **10 foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI** and **13 posthumous** recipients.
- **Padma Vibhushan (4)**

Name	Field	State / Country
Ms. Prabha Atre	Art	Maharashtra
Shri Radheyshyam Khemka (Posthumous)	Literature and Education	U.P.
General Bipin Rawat (Posthumous)	Civil Service	Uttarakhand
Shri Kalyan Singh (Posthumous)	Public Affairs	Uttar Pradesh

Sahitya Akademi Award 2021:

- **Namita Gokhale** won in English for her novel '*Things to Leave Behind*
- Namita Gokhale(English)
- Daya Prakash Sinha (Hindi)

Gallantry Awards 2021:

- **Vir Chakra:** Abhinandan Varthaman
- **Kirti Chakra** Sapper Prakash Jadhav (posthumously)
- **Shaurya Chakra**
 - Major Vibhuti Shankar Dhoundiyal (posthumously)
 - Naib Subedar Sombir (posthumously)
 - Major Maheshkumar Bhure

67th National Film Awards 2021:

- **51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award:** Rajinikanth
- **Best Feature Film:** 'Marakkar Arabikadalinte Simham' (Malayalam)
- **Best Hindi Film:** 'Chhichhore'
- **Best Direction:** Sanjay Puran Singh Chauhan ('Bahattar Hoorain')

- **Best Actress:** Kangana Ranaut ('Manikarnika', 'Panga')
- **Best Actor:** Manoj Bajpayee for 'Bhonsle' and Dhanush for 'Asuran'

Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2022

- Film of the Year Award: **Pushpa: The Rise**
- Best Film Award: **Shershaah**
- Best Actor Award: **Ranveer Singh** for film **83**
- Best Actress Award: **Kriti Sanon** for film **Mimi**

International

✍ Mrs World 2022-	Shaylyn Ford This is the <i>8th time</i> an American representative won the title of Mrs. World.
✍ 20th Dhaka International Film Festival (DIFF) 2022 in Dhaka -	Koozhangal (Tamil) best film award in the Asian Film Competition category
✍ TX2 award -	Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve (Tamil Nadu)
✍ Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism Awards 2019	
✍ World Athletes of the Year	- Elaine Thompson-Herah (Jamaica) and Karsten Warholm (Norway)
✍ WTA Player of the	Year Ashleigh Barty (Australia)
✍ South African playwright and novelist	Damon Galgut won the 2021 Booker Prize for " <i>The Promise</i> ", his <i>third shortlisted novel</i> .
✍ JCB Prize for Literature 2021	M Mukundan.
✍ Lifetime Achievement Award for 2021 by the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Council	- Prakash Padukone.
✍ SDG Progress award	Sheikh Hasina
✍ 70th Miss Universe 2021 India's	- Harnaaz Sandhu
✍ PETA India's 2021 'Person of the Year'	Alia Bhatt
✍ Bhutan's highest civilian award,	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
✍ International Booker Prize 2021-	David Diop novel, ' <i>At Night All Blood is Black</i> '.
✍ PEN Pinter prize 2021	Tsitsi Dangarembga.

ICC Awards for the year 2021 the year

- ICC Umpire of the Year -**Marais Erasmus**
- ICC Men's T20I Cricketer of the Year -**Mohammad Rizwan (Pakistan)**
- ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Year -**Tammy Beaumont (England)**
- ICC Emerging Men's Cricketer of the Year -**Janneman Malan (South Africa)**
- ICC Emerging Women's Cricketer of the Year- **Fatima Sana (Pakistan)**

BAFTA TV Awards 2021:

- ✍ Leading Actress- **Michaela Coel, I May Destroy You**

✂ Leading Actor- Paul Mescal, Normal People

52nd International film festival of India Awards 2021

- Most friendly State for film shooting: **Uttar Pradesh**
- Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Male): Jitendra Bhikulal Joshi (Godavari)
- Best actor (female): Angela Molina (Paraguay) for Charlotte
- Golden Peacock Award for Best Film: Japanese film Ring Wandering (Masakazu Kanyeko)

49th International Emmy Awards 2021:

- Best Performance by an Actor -David Tennant in Des (UK)

Best Performance by an Actress Hayley Squires in Adult Material (UK)

Nobel Prize List 2021:

Category	Person
Medicine or Physiology	1. David Julius (US)
	2. Ardem Patapoutian (US)
Physics	1. Syukuro Manabe (Japanese-born American),
	2. Klaus Hasselmann (German) and
	3. Giorgio Parisi (Italian)
Chemistry	1. Benjamin List (German)
	2. David MacMillan (Scottish)
Literature	1. Tanzanian writer Abdulrazak Gurnah
Peace	2. Maria Ressa (Philippine) and
	3. Dmitry Muratov (Russia)
Economics	1. David Card (US),
	2. Joshua D Angrist (US),
	3. Guido W Imbens (US)

About Nobel Prize

Country: Sweden (all prizes except the Peace Prize),

Norway (Peace Prize only)

5. Government Scheme/ Campaign

SCHEME	PURPOSE
SRESHTA scheme (Central Government)	Scheme for Residential Education for Students in High Schools in Targeted Areas (SRESHTA) for socio economics upliftment and overall development of <i>Scheduled Castes students</i> . It will be launched on 6th December on Mahaparinirvan Diwas of Dr B R Ambedkar. It will enable bright SC students to have a better future by getting a high-quality education
UJALA scheme (Central government)	On 5th January 2022, the Power Ministry successfully completed 7 years of distributing and selling LED lights under its flagship Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA) programme . UJALA initiative is the world's largest zero subsidy domestic lighting programme with more than 36.78 crore LEDs distributed across the country.
Padhe Bharat (Union Education Ministry)	Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launched a 100- day Reading Campaign called ' Padhe Bharat '. Padhe Bharat Campaign was launched to improve learning levels of students . Children studying in Balvatika to class 8 will be covered under the campaign. It will be organized for 100 days (14 weeks) starting from 1st January 2022 to 10th April 2022.
Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (Central Government)	Centre extended Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana till March 2022 . Under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Ann Yojana, the Centre is providing five-kilogram food grains per person per month free of cost to all beneficiaries covered under the National Food Security Act. The scheme is a food security welfare scheme that was envisaged by PM Modi to provide assistance and help mitigate the economic impact of COVID-19. The government will be incurring an expenditure of nearly two lakh 6000 crore rupees on Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana.
National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) (Central Government)	Under it, industry & commercial organisations will train approximately nine lakhs' apprentice
SVAMITVA Scheme (Central Government)	SVAMITVA Scheme stands for " Survey of Villages Abadi and Mapping with Improved Technology in Village Areas ".
Gati Shakti National Master Plan (Central Government)	Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a Rs 100 lakh crore national master plan called "Gati Shakti National Master Plan" on October 13, 2021. This plan was launched for multi-modal connectivity with the aim of developing infrastructure to reduce logistic costs and boost Indian economy.
India's 1st 'One Health' Consortium (Central Government)	On October 14, 2021, the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) launched India's 1st 'One Health' consortium to carry out surveillance of important bacterial, viral and parasitic infections of zoonotic as well as transboundary pathogens. It will consist of 27 organizations led by DBT-National Institute of Animal Biotechnology (NIAB), Hyderabad (Telangana).
'Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission'	PM Narendra Modi has launched 'Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (ABHIM)' worth Rs 64,180 crore from Uttar Pradesh's Varanasi.

(Central Government)

"SAMBHAV" (MSME Ministry)

Narayan Tatu Rane, Union Minister of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) launched 'SAMBHAV' an e-national level Awareness programme 2021 to promote the role of entrepreneurship towards the development of India.

"Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana" (Indian Railways)

Indian Railways took a leap in advancement of Skill India Mission by launching the **"Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana (RKVY)"** under the aegis of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)". This Mission will provide Railways an entry level training in industry relevant skills with the help of 75 Railway training institutes across India.

'Gati Shakti' Infra Scheme (Central Government)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 15th Aug announced an ambitious ₹100 lakh crore holistic infrastructure development programme **"Gatishakti"**, which is aimed at boosting employment opportunities and productivity of industries.

SUJALAM' Campaign (Ministry of Jal Shakti)

Ministry of Jal Shakti has launched a '100 days campaign' named **SUJALAM** to create more and more **Open Defecation Free (ODF) Plus villages** by undertaking wastewater management at the village level

'Stand Up India Scheme' (Government of India)

The Government of India has extended the duration of the 'Stand Up India Scheme' up to the year 2025. The scheme was launched by the Prime Minister on 05 April 2016 to facilitate loans to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and women borrowers, to promote entrepreneurship among them.

Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (Government of India)

Union Government is implementing **Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (BPKP)** as a sub scheme of **Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)** since 2020-21. It aims to promote traditional indigenous practices. The scheme focusses on **exclusion of all synthetic chemical inputs and promotes on farm biomass recycling**. Under BPKP, financial assistance of Rs 12200 per hectare for 3 years is provided for cluster formation.

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U) (Central government)

Central government has approval 708 proposals for construction of 3.61 lakh houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U).

'Mukhya Mantri Udyaymi Yojna' scheme (Bihar)

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on 19th June launched two ambitious schemes christened as the **'Mukhya Mantri Yuva Udyaymi Yojna'** and the **'Mukhya Mantri Mahila Udyami Yojna'** to promote entrepreneurship among youth and women of all sections under the state's 'Mukhya Mantri Udyami Yojna' scheme.

Youth and Women-irrespective of caste and creed, wishing to start entrepreneurship, will get a **loan of Rs 10 lakh**, in which **Rs 5 lakh would be a grant from the state government and the rest Rs 5 lakh will come as loan, refundable in 84 instalments**.

Scheme / programme	Starting date	Objective of Scheme
1. Jan Dhan Yojna	28 August, 2014	To connect more and more peoples from the banking services
2. Skill India Mission	28 August, 2014	Skill Development in Youth
3. Make in India	28 Sept, 2014	Promoting manufacturing Sector in the country
4. Swachh Bharat Mission	2 October, 2014	Making India a clean country till October 2, 1919
5. Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana	11 October, 2014	Development in the villages which includes social development, cultural development.
6. Shramew Jayate Yojana	16 October, 2014	Plan dedicated to labour development
7. Beti Bachao Beti Padhao	22 January, 2015	The goal of this scheme is to make girls socially and financially self-reliant through education .
8. Hridaya Plan	21 January, 2015	To take care of world heritage sites and to make these sites economically viable.
9. PM Mudra Yojna	8 April , 2015	Loan to small businessmen from 50 thousand to 10 lakh
10. Ujala Yojana	1 May, 2015	Distribution of LED bulbs at a low price to reduce electricity consumption
11. Atal Pension Yojna	9 May, 2015	Monthly pension for people from the unorganized sector b/w age of 18 to 40 years
12. Prime Minister Jyoti Jyoti Bima Yojna	9 May, 2015	Life Insurance of Rs. 2 lakh for people b/w 18 to 50 years (@Premium of Rs. 330 per annum)
13. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana	9 May, 2015	General insurance/accident insurance for people between 18 and 70 years of 2 lakh (at a premium of 12 Rs. / year)
14. Smart city scheme	25 June, 2015	Developing 100 selected cities of the country as smart cities from 2015 to 2020
15. AMRUT Plan	25 June, 2015	Developing all the basic amenities in more than 500 cities which have more than one lakh population
16. Digital India Mission	2 July, 2015	Making all government services electronically available to the public
17. Gold Monetization Scheme	5 November, 2015	Putting inoperative gold (lying at home and lockers) in productive works.
18. Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme	5 November, 2015	To check the real demand of Gold; government introduced the Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme.
19. UDAY	20th Nov, 2015	Financial turnaround of Power Distribution Companies of Public Sector
20. Start-up India	16 January, 2016	To Promote new enterprises
21. Setu Bhartam Yojna	4 March , 2016	Construction of Over and Under Bridge to make National Highways Railway Crossing free
22. Stand Up India	5 April, 2016	Loans up to 10 lacs to 1 crore for establishment of new companies to Scheduled Castes / Tribes and Women Entrepreneurs
23. Gramoday Se Bharat Uday	14-24 April 2016	Emphasizing the development of villages for proper development of the country
24. Prime Minister Ujjwala Plan	1 May, 2016	Providing the LPG connection to BPL families at subsidized rates
25. Namami Gange Yojana	7 July, 2016	Cleanliness of river Ganga

6. Summit/ Conference

Summit/Conference Location	About
24th Conference on e - Governance 2020-21 - Hyderabad	Union Minister of Science and Technology, Dr Jitendra Singh has inaugurated the 24th National Conference on e-Governance in Hyderabad, Telangana. The conference has been organised by the Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievance
16th India Digital Summit 2022 Virtual mode	Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, addressed the 16th edition of India Digital Summit, 2022 through a video conference. Theme "Supercharging Startups" . During the event, the Minister unveiled 'LEAP' (Leverage, Encourage, Access & Promote) as the way forward to further strengthen our Startups ecosystem
WEF's Davos Agenda - Virtual mode	PM Narendra Modi virtually delivered "State of the World" special address at World Economic Forum's Davos Agenda. WEF Davos Agenda event held in virtual mode, amid the covid-19 pandemic, from January 17 to 21. WEF virtual meeting was aligned with the objective of "orienting global leaders on the imperatives of the year ahead"
15th BRICS Science Technology Innovation (STI) Steering Committee meeting	The Committee decided that India will host five events in 2022 . During the meeting, India handed over the chairmanship to China for 2022. Theme for BRICS 2022: "Foster High-Quality BRICS Partnership Usher in a New Era for Global Development"
First India-Central Asia Summit 2022 Virtual mode	Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi hosted the 1st India-Central Asia Summit 2022 in a virtual format with the Presidents of 5 Central Asian Nations of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan
5th Indian Ocean Conference Abu Dhabi	The union minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar , Ministry of External Affairs (EAM) visited Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE) to attend the 5th Indian Ocean Conference on December 4-5, 2021. The theme of the conference was 'Indian Ocean: Ecology, Economy, Epidemic' .
16th G20 Leaders' Summit Italy	Narendra Modi visited Italy and participated in the 16th G20 (Group of Twenty) Leaders' Summit, which was held in Rome, Italy from October 30 to 31, 2021 under chairmanship of Italian PM Mario Draghi.
13th ASEM Summit virtual platform hosted by Cambodia	The 13th edition of the ASEM (Asia-Europe Meeting) Summit has been organized from 25 to 26th November, 2021. T The Indian delegation is being led by Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu through the virtual platform. ASEM grouping have 51 member countries, European Union and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

20th Summit of SCO Council of Heads of Government Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan	External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar represented India at the 20th Summit of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of Government (CHG) held on 25th November 2021 in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan under the Chairmanship of Kazakhstan.
9th BRICS Science & Technology Ministers Meeting virtual platform	Dr Jitendra Singh, Ministry of Science & Technology (MoST) virtually chaired the 9th BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) Science & Technology Ministers Meeting .
18th G-20 summit (2023) India	India will hold the G20 presidency from December 1, 2022, and will convene the G20 leaders' summit in 2023 for the first time.
International Climate Summit 2020-21 India	India is all set to host a key conference as part of the International Climate Summit (ICS) 2020-21 to build a dialogue for India's transition to clean energy
13th BRICS Summit 2021 India (virtual mode)	Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, chaired the 13th BRICS Summit virtually on September 9, 2021. India has chosen the theme of the Summit as "BRICS@15: Intra-BRICS Cooperation for Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus"
Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of State Dushanbe, Tajikistan	The 21st Meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of State was held in hybrid format on September 17, 2021, in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The meeting was held under the Chairmanship of the President of Tajikistan, Emomali Rahmon.
76th session of the United Nations General Assembly New York	Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on September 25, 2021
G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting Hosted by Italy	Meenakashi Lekhi, the Minister of State for Culture of India participated in the G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting on behalf of the Government of India
8th SCO Meeting of Ministers of Justice Hosted by Tajikistan	The Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju has virtually attended the eighth meeting of Ministers of Justice of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). The three days' meeting was hosted by Tajikistan
28th ASEAN Regional Forum Ministerial Meeting Hosted by Brunei	The Minister of State for External Affairs, Dr Rajkumar Ranjan Singh led India's delegation to the 28th ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Foreign Ministers Meeting. The Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Brunei Darussalam.
WEF'S Sustainable Development Impact Summit 2021 Geneva, Switzerland	The World Economic Forum's annual Sustainable Development Impact Summit will take place on September 20-23, 2021 in Geneva, Switzerland. The United Nations General Assembly, the summit convenes under the theme "Shaping an Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery".

Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2021 Hosted by New Zealand (virtual mode)	New Zealand is the revolving host of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum. It is headquartered in Singapore. They discussed on collective actions to tackle the Covid-19 pandemic and its economic impacts.
World Universities Summit 2021 O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonapat, Haryana	The Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated and addressed the World Universities Summit as Chief Guest. The theme of the summit was "Universities of the Future: Building Institutional Resilience, Social Responsibility and Community Impact".
Central-South Asia conference 2021 Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan has hosted a high-level International Conference titled "Central and South Asia: Regional Connectivity. Challenges and Opportunities" at Tashkent. The conference was an initiative of the President of Uzbekistan, Shavkat Mirziyoyev.
BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting Virtual mode	India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will chair a BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting virtually on June 1, 2021.
47th G7 Summit 2021 UK	This year's summit was hosted by the UK. The last G7 summit was in France in 2019, with last year's event in the US canceled due to the pandemic. Indian Prime Minister addressed the 47th G7 Summit 2021 through video conferencing.

7. Ranking / Index

Index	India's Rank	1st Rank
Henley Passport Index 2022	83rd	Rank 1: Japan, Singapore
2021 Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI)	85th	Rank 1 : Denmark,
Worldwide Cost of Living Index 2021		Most expensive city in the world to live in 2021: Tel Aviv, Israel
2021 World's 100 Most Powerful Women	37th: Nirmala Sitharaman 88th: Falguni Nayar 52nd: Roshni Nadar	1st: MacKenzie Scott (US) 2nd: Kamala Harris (US) 3rd: Christine Lagarde (France)
5th Truecaller's Global Spam & Scam Report 2021	4th: India	1st: Brazil 2nd: Peru 3rd: Ukraine
Global Unicorn Index 2021	3rd: India 54 (+33)	1st: USA-487 (+254)
"2019 Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRVs) Report	3rd: India	1st: Russia
2022 QS World University Rankings	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (42nd regionally), IIT Delhi (45th regionally)	Rank 1: National University of Singapore
IQAir Air Quality Index (AQI)	1 st: Delhi 4 th: Kolkata 6 th: Mumbai	

Global Hunger Index 2021	Rank 101	92 rank: Pakistan,
FIFA Ranking 2021	106th	Rank 1: Belgium Rank 2: Brazil
71st Global Food Security Index 2021	71st	Rank 1st: Ireland Rank 2nd: Austria
World Justice Project's (WJP) Rule of Law Index 2021	79th	
Global Drug Policy Index 2021	18th	
Climate Change Performance Index 2022:	10 th	
World Talent Ranking report 2021	56 th	
Global Health Security Index 2021:	66 TH	
5th Truecaller's Global Spam & Scam Report 2021:	4 TH	
EIU's Democracy Index 2021:	46th	; Norway topped
"2019 Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRVs) Report	3 RD	Russia topped
2021 TRACE global Bribery Risk Rankings:	82 nd	
Hurun's Global Unicorn Index 2021:	3rd;	US topped
"Global Youth Development Index 2020"	Rank 122nd	Rank 1: Singapore
World's 100 best airports list 2021	Delhi at number 45	Rank 1: Doha Hamad
Safe Cities Index 2021	New Delhi at 48th Mumbai at 50th	1. Copenhagen 2. Toronto 3. Singapore
International IP Index 2022	: India ranks 43rd	• Rank 1- United States • Rank 2- United Kingdom • Rank 3- Germany

Others

- **Gujarat** has topped the composite ranking in the **Good Governance Index (GGI)**, followed by Maharashtra and Goa
- NITI Aayog has released fourth edition of the State Health Index for 2019– 20
 - **Among the Larger States, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Telangana** emerged among the best three performers In terms of Overall Performance at **1st, 2nd and 3rd rank respectively.**
 - **Among the Smaller States**, Mizoram (1st), Tripura (2nd), and Sikkim (3rd)
 - **Among the UTs**, DH & DD-Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (1st), Chandigarh (2nd), and Lakshadweep (3rd)
- World Inequality Report 2022: India among most unequal countries
- India will **become 3rd largest economy in 2031** as per **CEBR's World Economic League Table 2022**
- Atal Rankings of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) 2021
 - **IIT Madras** has again emerged as the best institute under the "CFTIs, Central University, & Institute of National Importance" category in the ARIIA 2021 list, followed by IIT Bombay and IIT Delhi.

- Gujarat has retained its position as the top performer among 21 states in the **Logistics Ease Across Different States (LEADS) 2021 index** followed by Haryana, Punjab, Tamil Nādu.
- Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, and Meghalaya have emerged as the **poorest states** in India, according to **NITI Aayog's Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)**.
- **Swachh Survekshan 2021 Ranking**: Indore is the cleanest city, Chhattisgarh is cleanest state
- Knight Frank's 16th **The Wealth Report 2022**: India ranked 3rd in billionaire population globally; US topped

8.Important Day

January -2022

4 January	World Braille Day	25 January	National Voters Day
10 January	World Hindi Day	25 January	National Tourism Day
12 January	National Youth Day	26 January	International Customs Day
23 January	Parakram Diwas		
24 January	National Girl Child Day		

December

1 December	World AIDS Day	11 December	International Mountain Day
2 December	World Computer Literacy Day	22 December	National Mathematics Day
3 December	International Day of Persons with Disabilities or World Handicapped day	24 December	National Consumer Rights Day or National Consumer Day
4 December	Indian Navy Day	25 December	Good Governance Day or Sushasan Divas
9 December	International Anti-Corruption Day		

November

2 November	Ayurveda Day 2021	19 November	World Toilet Day
11 November	National Education Day	20 November	World Children's Day
14 November	World Diabetes Day	26 November	National Milk Day
16 November	National Press Day		

October

5 October	World Teachers' Day	24 October	World Polio Day
10 October	World Mental Health Day	29 October	International Internet Day
14 October	World Standards Day	31 October	Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day
16 October	World Food Day		
24 October	United Nations Day		

September

5 September	Teachers' Day	8 September	International Literacy Day
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9 September	Himalayan Day or Himalaya Diwas
10 September	World Suicide Prevention Day
14 September	Hindi Diwas

15 September	International Day of Democracy
21 September	International Day of Peace (UN)
28 September	World Rabies Day
29 September	World Heart Day

August

7 August	Javelin Throw Day
10 August	World Lion Day
10 August	World Biofuel Day
12 August	International Youth Day
13 August	World Organ Donation Day

22 August	World Sanskrit Day
26 August	Women's Equality Day
29 August	National Sports Day.

July

1 July	National Doctor's Day
11 July	World Population Day
18 July	Nelson Mandela International Day or Mandela Day

22 July	World Brain Day
28 July	World Hepatitis Day
29 July	International Tiger Day

June

1 June	World Milk Day
5 June	World Environment Day
7 June	World Food Safety Day
20 June	World Refugee Day

21 June	International Yoga Day
29 June	National Statistics day

May

1 May	International Labour Day or May
3 May	World Press Freedom Day
11 May	National Technology Day
12 May	International Nurses Day
21 May	Anti-terrorism day

22 May	International Day for Biological Diversity
29 May	International Mount Everest Day
31 May	World No Tobacco Day

April

7 April	World Health Day
10 April	World Homoeopathy Day
18 April	World Heritage Day
22 April	World Earth Day

23 April	World Book and Copyright Day
24 April	National Panchayati Raj Day
25 April	World Malaria Day

9. Economic Survey-2022

Recently, the **Economic Survey 2021-22** was tabled in **Parliament** by the Finance Minister soon after the President's address to both Houses of Parliament.

- The central theme of this year's Economic Survey is the **"Agile approach"**.
- This year's survey uses various examples to highlight the **use of satellite and geospatial data** to reflect the infrastructural growth in the country.

Key Points of the Economic Survey 2021-22

❖ State of the Economy (GDP Growth):

- ❖ The Indian economy is **estimated to grow by 9.2% in real terms in 2021-22** (as per **first advance estimates**) subsequent to a contraction of 7.3% in 2020-21.
- ❖ The **Gross Domestic Product (GDP)** projected to grow by 8-8.5% in real terms in 2022-23.
 - Projection comparable with **World Bank** and **Asian Development Bank's** latest forecasts of real GDP growth of 8.7% and 7.5% respectively for 2022-23.
 - According to the **International Monetary Fund's** latest **World Economic Outlook** projections, India's real GDP is projected to grow at 9% in 2021-22 and 2022-23 and at 7.1% in 2023-2024, which would **make India the fastest growing major economy in the world for all 3 years**.
- ❖ Combination of high **Foreign Exchange Reserves**, sustained **Foreign Direct Investment**, and rising export earnings will provide an adequate buffer against possible **global liquidity tapering** in 2022-23.
 - **Tapering** is the theoretical reversal of quantitative easing (QE) policies, which are implemented by a central bank and intended to stimulate economic growth.

❖ Fiscal Developments:

- **Sustained revenue collection and a targeted expenditure** policy has contained the **Fiscal Deficit** for April to November, 2021 at 46.2% of Budget Estimates.
- The **revenue receipts from the Central Government (April to November, 2021)** have gone up by **67.2% YoY**(Year on Year) as against an expected growth of 9.6% in the **2021-22 Budget Estimates**.
- **Gross Tax Revenue** registers a **growth of over 50%** during April to November, 2021 in YoY terms.
 - This performance is strong compared to **pre-pandemic levels of 2019-2020 also**.
 - **Tax Revenue** forms part of the Receipt Budget, which in turn is a part of the Annual Financial Statement of the Union Budget.
- During April-November 2021, Capex (Capital Expenditure) has grown by 13.5% (YoY) with focus on **infrastructure-intensive sectors**.
- With the **enhanced borrowings on account of Covid-19**, the Central Government debt has gone up from 49.1% of GDP in 2019-20 to 59.3% of GDP in 2020-21, but is expected to follow a **declining trajectory with the recovery of the economy**.
- **Buoyant tax revenues and government policies** have created "headroom for taking up additional fiscal policy interventions".
- Stressing the need to continue the focus on capital expenditure, **it has indicated that the government is on course to achieve the fiscal deficit target of 6.8% of GDP for the current year (2021-22)**.

❖ External Sectors:

- India's **merchandise exports and imports rebounded strongly** and surpassed pre-Covid levels during the current financial year.
- There was **significant pickup in net services with both receipts and payments** crossing the pre-pandemic levels, despite **weak tourism revenues**.
- **Net capital flows** were higher at USD 65.6 billion in the first half of 2021-22, on account of continued inflow of foreign investment, **revival in net external commercial borrowings**, higher banking capital and additional **Special Drawing Rights (SDR)** allocation.
 - As of end-November 2021, **India was the fourth largest forex reserves holder in the world** after China, Japan and Switzerland.

❖ Monetary Management and Financial Intermediation:

- The **liquidity** in the system remained in surplus.
 - **Repo rate** was maintained at 4% in 2021-22.
 - **Reserve Bank of India** undertook various measures such as **G-Sec Acquisition Programme** and **Special Long-Term Repo Operations** to provide further liquidity.
- **The economic shock of the pandemic has been weathered well by the commercial banking system:**
 - **Bank credit growth** accelerated gradually in 2021-22 from 5.3% in April 2021 to 9.2% as on 31st December 2021.
 - The **Gross Non-Performing Advances** ratio of **Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs)** declined from 11.2% at the end of 2017-18 to 6.9% at the end of September, 2021.
 - **Net Non-Performing Advances** ratio declined from 6% to 2.2% during the same period.
 - **Capital to risk-weighted asset ratio** of SCBs continued to increase from 13% in 2013-14 to 16.54% at the end of September 2021.
 - The **Return on Assets and Return on Equity for Public Sector Banks** continued to be positive for the period ending September 2021.
- **Exceptional year for the capital markets:**
 - Rs. 89,066 crore was raised via 75 **Initial Public Offering (IPO)** issues in April-November 2021, which is much higher than in any year in the last decade.

❖ Prices and Inflation:

- The average **headline Consumer Price Index (CPI) -Combined inflation** moderated to 5.2% in 2021-22 (April-December) from 6.6% in the corresponding period of 2020-21.
- The decline in retail inflation (CPI) was led **by easing food inflation**. Food inflation averaged at a low of 2.9% in 2021-22 (April to December) as against 9.1% in the corresponding period last year.
- Effective **supply-side management kept prices of most essential commodities under control** during the year. Proactive measures were taken to contain the price rise in pulses and edible oils.

- **Reduction in central excise** and subsequent cuts in **Value Added Tax** by most States helped ease petrol and diesel prices.
- **Wholesale inflation based on Wholesale Price Index (WPI)** rose to 12.5% during 2021-22 (April to December). This has been attributed to:
 - Low base in the previous year,
 - Pick-up in economic activity,
 - Sharp increase in international prices of crude oil and other imported inputs, and
 - High freight costs.
- **Divergence between CPI-C and WPI Inflation:** The divergence peaked to 9.6% points in May 2020. However in 2021 there was a **reversal in divergence with retail inflation falling below wholesale inflation by 8.0% points** in December 2021. This divergence can be explained by factors such as:
 - Variations due to base effect,
 - Difference in scope and coverage of the two indices,
 - Price collections,
 - Items covered,
 - Difference in commodity weights, and
 - WPI being more sensitive to cost-push inflation led by imported inputs.
- With the gradual waning of base effect in WPI, the divergence in CPI-C and WPI is also expected to narrow down.

❖ Sustainable Development and Climate Change:

- India's overall score on the **NITI Aayog Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) India Index and Dashboard improved to 66** in 2020-21 from 60 in 2019-20 and 57 in 2018-19.
- **India has the tenth largest forest area in the world.** In 2020, India ranked third globally in increasing its forest area during 2010 to 2020.
 - In 2020, the forests covered 24% of India's total geographical area, accounting for 2% of the world's total forest area.
- In August 2021, the **Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2021**, was notified which is aimed at phasing out single use plastic by 2022.
- Draft regulation on **Extended Producer Responsibility** for plastic packaging was notified.
- The **Compliance status of Grossly Polluting Industries (GPIs)** located in the Ganga main stem and its tributaries improved from 39% in 2017 to 81% in 2020.
- The Prime Minister, as a part of the national statement delivered at the **26th Conference of Parties (COP 26)** in Glasgow in November 2021, announced **ambitious targets to be achieved by 2030** to enable further reduction in emissions.
 - The need to start the one-word movement '**LIFE**' (**Lifestyle for Environment**) urging mindful and deliberate utilisation instead of mindless and destructive consumption was underlined.

❖ Agriculture and Food Management:

- The Agriculture sector **experienced buoyant growth in the past two years**, accounting for a sizable 18.8% (2021-22) in Gross Value Added (GVA) of the country registering a growth of 3.6% in 2020-21 and 3.9% in 2021-22.
- **Minimum Support Price (MSP) policy** is being used to promote **crop diversification**.
- Net receipts from crop production have increased by 22.6% in the latest **Situation Assessment Survey (SAS)** compared to the SAS Report of 2014.
- **Allied sectors** including animal husbandry, dairying and fisheries are **steadily emerging to be high growth sectors** and major drivers of overall growth in the agriculture sector.
 - The **Livestock sector** has grown at a **CAGR of 8.15% over the last five years ending 2019-20**.
- Government **facilitates food processing through various measures** of infrastructure development, subsidised transportation and support for formalisation of micro food enterprises.
- India runs one of the **largest food management programmes in the world**.
- Government has further **extended the coverage of the food security network** through schemes like **PM Gareeb Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY)**.

❖ Industry and Infrastructure:

- The **Index of Industrial Production (IIP)** grew at 17.4% during April-November 2021 as compared to (-) 15.3% in April-November 2020.
- **Capital expenditure for the Indian railways has increased** to Rs. 155,181 crores in 2020-21 from an average annual of Rs. 45,980 crores during 2009-14 and it has been budgeted to further increase to Rs. 215,058 crores in 2021-22 – a five times increase in comparison to the 2014 level.
- Extent of **road construction per day increased substantially** in 2020-21 to 36.5 Kms per day from 28 Kms per day in 2019-20 – a rise of 30.4%.
- **Net profit to sales ratio of large corporations reached an all-time high** of 10.6% in July-September quarter of 2021-22 despite the pandemic (RBI Study).
- Introduction of **Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme**, major boost provided to infrastructure- both physical as well as digital, along with measures to reduce transaction costs and improve ease of doing business, would support the pace of recovery.

❖ Services:

- **Gross Value Added:**
 - GVA of services crossed pre-pandemic level in July-September quarter of 2021-22; however, **GVA of contact intensive sectors like trade, transport, etc. still remain below pre-pandemic level**.
 - Overall service Sector GVA is expected to grow by 8.2% in 2021-22.
- **Foreign Direct Invest:**
 - During the **first half of 2021-22, the service sector received over USD 16.7 billion** Foreign Direct Invest – accounting for almost 54% of total FDI inflows into India.
- **Reforms:**

- Major **government reforms include**, removing telecom regulations in IT-BPO sector and opening up of the space sector to private players.

➤ Exports:

- Services exports surpassed pre-pandemic level in January-March quarter of 2020-21 and **grew by 21.6% in the first half of 2021-22** - strengthened by global demand for software and IT services exports.

➤ Start-Ups:

- India has become the **3rd largest start-up ecosystem in the world** after the US and China. Number of new recognized start-ups increased to over 14000 in 2021-22 from 733 in 2016-17.
- **44 Indian start-ups have achieved unicorn status in 2021** taking the overall tally of unicorns to 83, most of which are in the services sector.

❖ Social Infrastructure and Employment:

➤ Employment:

- With revival of the economy, **employment indicators bounced back to pre-pandemic levels** during the last quarter of 2020-21.
- As per the quarterly **Periodic Labour Force Survey (PFLS)** data up to March 2021, employment in urban sector affected by pandemic has recovered almost to the pre-pandemic level.
- According to **Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)** data, formalisation of jobs continued during the second Covid wave; adverse impact of Covid on formalisation of jobs much lower than during the first Covid wave.

➤ Social Infrastructure:

- **Expenditure on social services** (health, education and others) by Centre and States as a proportion of GDP increased from 6.2% in 2014-15 to 8.6% in 2021-22 (BE)
- As per the **National Family Health Survey-5**:
 - **Total Fertility Rate (TFR)** came down to 2 in 2019-21 from 2.2 in 2015-16.
 - **Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)**, under-five mortality rate and institutional births have improved in 2019-21 over year 2015-16.
- Under **Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)**, 83 districts have become '**Har Ghar Jal**' districts.
- Increased allotment of funds to **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS)** to provide buffer for unorganised labour in rural areas during the pandemic.
- In addition to the **National Health Mission**, Union Budget 2021-22, announced **Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission**, a new **Centrally Sponsored Scheme** to develop capacities of primary, secondary and tertiary Health Care Systems, strengthen existing national institutions, and create new institutions to cater to detection and cure of new and emerging diseases.
- India is **among the few countries producing Covid vaccines**. The country started with two made in India Covid vaccines. In line with India's vision of **Atmanirbhar Bharat**, India's **first domestic Covid -19 vaccine, Whole Virion Inactivated Coronavirus Vaccine (COVAXIN)**, was developed and manufactured by Bharat Biotech International Limited in collaboration with National Institute of Virology of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

- The progress of vaccination should be seen not just as a health response indicator, but also as a buffer against economic disruptions caused by repeated pandemic waves.

10. Union Budget 2022 – 2023

The Union Budget 2022-23 seeks to complement macro-economic level growth with a focus on micro-economic level all-inclusive welfare. The budget aims to lay a strong foundation to steer the Indian economy towards Amrit Kaal for the next 25 years, from India at 75 years to India at 100.

Union Budget 2022 focusses on 4 pillars:

- PM GatiShakti
- Inclusive Development
- Productivity Enhancement & Investment, Sunrise Opportunities, Energy Transition, and Climate Action
- Financing of Investments

Top Economic Indicators

Economic Indicators	Analysis
Growth estimates	9.2 percent expansion in GDP in FY22 8–8.5 percent projected GDP growth for FY23
Deficit	The revised Fiscal Deficit in the current year is estimated at 6.9 percent of GDP. The Fiscal Deficit in 2022-23 is estimated at 6.4 per cent of GDP.
Capital expenditure	The outlay for capital expenditure has been stepped up sharply by 35.4 per cent from Rs 5.54 lakh crore in the current year to Rs 7.50 lakh crore in 2022-23.
Repo rate	RBI kept the repo rate unchanged at 4 percent since May 2020; continues with an accommodative monetary policy stance.
FDI	Net FDI inflows amounted to US\$ 24.7 billion for April–November 2021, 29.5 percent lower than those for April–November 2020.
Inflation	CPI averaged at 5.2 percent in April–December 2021, driven primarily by food inflation and high fuel prices.
Merchandise exports	Merchandise exports expanded by 49.7 percent to US\$ 301.4 billion in April–December 2021, exceeding the pre-pandemic levels.

Announcements under Different Sectors

Sector	Highlights
Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan at a cost of ₹20,000 crore To award contracts to lay optical fibre in rural areas, completion in 2025 To allocate additional 195 billion rupees for production-linked incentives towards solar equipment manufacturing
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital University will be established based on a networked hub model. One Class, One TV channel will be expanded from 12 to 200 TV Channels to provide supplementary education in all regional languages.
Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23 tele mental health centres of excellence. Integrated benefits to women and children through Mission Shakti, Mission Vatsalya, Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0.
Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NABARD to facilitate funds with blended capital to finance startups for agriculture & rural enterprise. 2022 to be Year of Millet – support for post-harvest value addition for millet products Using Kisan drones for crop assessment and spraying of pesticides
Defense	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget 2022-23 would give a push to self-reliance in defence production as part of the Atma Nirbhar Bharat initiative. The 68 per cent capital procurement budget in the sector was earmarked for domestic procurement.
Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long term capital gain surcharge to be capped at 15% Emergency credit line guarantee scheme for small and medium-sized businesses to be extended to March 2023
Railways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of the PM Gatishakti Masterplan, 2,000 kilometres of railway network will be brought under Kavach. Also, 400 new-generation Vande Bharat Trains with better energy efficiency and passenger riding experience will be developed and manufactured during the next three years.
MSMEs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) programme will be rolled out with a Rs 6,000 crore outlay spread over 5 years for MSMEs. The Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) that provided much needed additional credit to over 1.3 crore MSMEs will be extended till March 2023 with its guarantee cover expanded by Rs 50,000 crore to Rs 5 lakh crore.

11.National Education Policy -2020

Features of National Education Policy 2020

- The NEP 2020 aims at making “India a global knowledge superpower”.
- The Cabinet has also approved the **renaming** of the Ministry of Human Resource Development to the **Ministry of Education**.
- The NEP cleared by the Cabinet is **only the third major revamp of the framework of education** in India since independence.
 - The two earlier education policies were brought in **1968 and 1986**.

School Education

✍ **Universalization** of education from **preschool to secondary level** with **100% Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)** in school education by **2030**.

✍ To bring 2 crore out of school children back into the mainstream through an **open schooling system**.

✍ The current **10+2** system to be **replaced** by a new **5+3+3+4** curricular structure corresponding to **ages 3-8, 8-11, 11-14, and 14-18 years respectively**.

- It will bring the uncovered age group of **3-6 years** under school curriculum, which has been recognized globally as the **crucial stage for development of mental faculties of a child**.
- It will also have 12 years of schooling with **three years of Anganwadi/ pre schooling**.
- **By 2030**, the minimum **degree qualification for teaching** will be a **4-year integrated B.Ed. degree**.

Years	Stage	Curriculum
5	Foundational	3 years of pre-primary followed by class 1 and 2
3	Preparatory	Classes 3 to 5
3	Middle	Classes 6 to 8
4	Secondary	Classes 9-12

Higher Education

✍ **Gross Enrolment Ratio** in higher education to be **raised to 50% by 2035**. Also, **3.5 crore seats** to be added in higher education. The **current** Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education is **26.3%**.

✍ **M.Phil** courses will be **discontinued** and all the courses at undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD level will now be interdisciplinary.

✍ The **National Research Foundation** will be created as an **apex body** for fostering a strong research culture and building research capacity across higher education

✍ **Higher Education Commission of India (HECI)** will be set up as a **single umbrella body** for the entire higher education, **excluding medical and legal education**. Public and private higher education institutions will be governed by the **same set of norms** for regulation, accreditation and academic standards. Also, HECI will be having **four independent verticals namely**,

- National Higher Education Regulatory Council (NHERC) for **regulation**,

- General Education Council (GEC) for **standard setting**,
- Higher Education Grants Council (HEGC) for **funding**,
- National Accreditation Council (NAC) for **accreditation**.

✍ **Affiliation of colleges** is to be **phased out in 15 years** and a stage-wise mechanism to be established for granting graded autonomy to colleges.

Other Changes

- ✍ An autonomous body, the **National Educational Technology Forum (NETF)**, will be created to provide a platform for the **free exchange of ideas** on the use of technology to enhance learning, assessment, planning, administration.
- ✍ National Assessment Centre- '**PARAKH**' has been created to assess the students.
- ✍ It also paves the way for **foreign universities to set up campuses** in India.
- ✍ It emphasizes setting up of **Gender Inclusion Fund, Special Education Zones** for disadvantaged regions and groups.
- ✍ National Institute for **Pali, Persian and Prakrit**, Indian Institute of **Translation and Interpretation** to be set up.
- ✍ It also aims to **increase** the public investment in the Education sector to reach **6% of GDP** at the earliest.
- ✍ Currently, India **spends around 4.6 % of its total GDP on education**.

12. India State of Forest Report-2021

Findings of the Report:

✍ Increment in Area:

- The **forest and tree cover in the country continues to increase** with an additional cover of 1,540 square kilometres over the past two years.
- India's forest cover is now **7,13,789 square kilometres, 21.71%** of the country's geographical area, an increase from **21.67% in 2019**.
- Tree cover has increased by 721 sq km.
 - Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than one hectare occurring outside the **recorded forest area**. This covers trees in all formations including scattered trees.

✍ Increase/Decrease in Forests:

- The states that have shown the highest increase in forest cover are **Telangana (3.07%), Andhra Pradesh (2.22%) and Odisha (1.04%)**.
- Five states in the Northeast – **Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland** have all **shown loss in forest cover**.

✍ States with Highest Forest Area/Cover:

- **Area-wise: Madhya Pradesh has the largest forest cover** in the country followed by Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra.

- In terms of forest cover as percentage of total geographical area, the top five States are Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur and Nagaland.
 - The term '**forest area**' denotes the **legal status of the land** as per the government records, whereas the term '**forest cover**' indicates presence of trees over any land.

Mangroves:

- **Mangroves** have shown an increase of 17 sq km. India's total mangrove cover is now 4,992 sq km.

Forest Prone to Fires:

- 35.46% of the forest cover is prone to **forest fires**. Out of this, 2.81% is extremely prone, 7.85% is very highly prone and 11.51% is highly prone.
 - By 2030, **45-64% of forests** in India will experience the effects of **climate cShange** and rising temperatures.
 - Forests in all states (except Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Nagaland) will be highly vulnerable climate hot spots. Ladakh (forest cover 0.1-0.2%) is likely to be the most affected.

Total Carbon Stock:

- The total **carbon stock** in the country's forests is estimated at 7,204 million tonnes, an increase of 79.4 million tonnes since 2019.
- Forest carbon stock is the **amount of carbon that has been sequestered from the atmosphere** and is now stored within the forest ecosystem, mainly within living biomass and soil, and to a lesser extent also in dead wood and litter.

Bamboo Forests:

- Bamboo forests have grown from 13,882 million culms (stems) in 2019 to 53,336 million culms in 2021.

New Features of ISFR 2021

- It has for the **first time assessed forest cover in tiger reserves, tiger corridors** and the **Gir forest** which houses the **Asiatic lion**.
- The forest cover in tiger corridors has increased by **37.15 sq km (0.32%) between 2011-2021**, but decreased by 22.6 sq km (0.04%) in tiger reserves.
- Forest cover has increased in 20 tiger reserves in these 10 years, and decreased in 32.
- **Buxa (West Bengal), Anamalai (Tamil Nadu) and Indravati reserves (Chhattisgarh)** have shown an **increase in forest cover** while the **highest losses** have been found in **Kawal (Telangana), Bhadra (Karnataka) and the Sunderbans reserves (West Bengal)**.
- **Pakke Tiger Reserve** in Arunachal Pradesh has the **highest forest cover**, at nearly 97%.

13.Current Affairs (National)

February-2022

- ✍ **The United States** was **India's top trading partner in the calendar year 2021** with a trade of \$112.3 billion. The US is **followed by China** on second. The value of trade between India and China was \$110.4 billion. In 2020, China was India's top trading partner and the US was in the second rank.
- ✍ **India has become the first country** in the world to administer a **DNA vaccine against COVID-19**. The ZyCoV-D which is the World's first plasmid DNA vaccine has been produced by Ahmedabad-based vaccine manufacturer Zydus Cadila and it was administered for **the first time in Patna**.
- ✍ Indian Railway Protection Force has launched a nationwide operation to curb human trafficking. As part of **"Operation AAHT"**, special teams will be deployed on all long-distance trains/routes with a focus on **rescuing victims, particularly women and children, from the clutches of traffickers**.
- ✍ **India's first commercial-scale biomass-based hydrogen plant** will come up at the **Khandwa district of Madhya Pradesh**.
- ✍ National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (**NABARD**) has launched the '**JIVA programme**' to promote natural farming under its existing watershed and wadi programmes in 11 states.
- ✍ **Union Power Minister R K Singh** has announced that India will **achieve zero-diesel use in agriculture and replace fossil fuel with renewable energy by 2024**.
- ✍ The government of India has banned 54 apps of Chinese origin citing security concerns.
- ✍ Ministry of Education has approved a new scheme named **"New India Literacy Programme"** for the period FYs 2022-2027 to cover all the **aspects of Adult Education**. The scheme aims to align Adult Education with all aspects of National Education Policy 2020 and Budget Announcements 2021-22.
- ✍ The government of India will be promoting the '**Heal by India**' initiative to improve India's educational institutions in the health sector.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated a 550-tonne capacity **"Gobar-Dhan (Bio-CNG) Plant"** in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the '**Kisan Drone Yatra**', an initiative by Garuda Aerospace Pvt Ltd and flagged off **100 'Kisan Drones'** in various cities and towns across India to spray pesticides in farms across the states of India.
- ✍ **The Indian Institute of Technology** will establish its **first branch outside India in the United Arab Emirates (UAE)** as part of the India-UAE trade deal signed.
- ✍ **Jal Jeevan Mission** has achieved the significant milestone of providing tap water to every home of 100 districts across the country. **Chamba, in Himachal Pradesh**, has become the **100th 'Har Ghar Jal' district**,
- ✍ Sarbananda Sonowal who is India's union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways and AYUSH has inaugurated **Nikarshan Sadan** – The Dredging Museum at DCI campus in **Vishakhapatnam**.
- ✍ Union Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Giriraj Singh has launched **Ombudsperson App** for Mahatma Gandhi **NREGA**.
- ✍ Union Minister for **Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME)**, Narayan Rane has announced the establishment of **MSME-Technology Centre** with an outlay of **Rs. 200 Crore, in Sindhudurg, Maharashtra**.

- ✍ The government of India has launched an evacuation mission named **Operation Ganga** to evacuate Indian nationals from Ukraine due to the **Russia-Ukraine tension**.
- ✍ The Ministry of Education has launched a campaign titled '**Bhasha Certificate Selfie**'. The aim of this campaign is to promote the **Bhasha Sangam mobile app**, launched by the Ministry under the aegis of **Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat** to encourage cultural diversity and promote multilingualism.

January-2022

- ✍ Centre has released over **Rs 830 crores** to Odisha to expedite the implementation of **Jal Jeevan Mission in the state**. Odisha has planned to become Har Ghar Jal State in 2024. Jal Jeevan Mission was announced on 15th August 2019, with the aim to provide assured tap water supply to every rural home by 2024
- ✍ PM Modi laid the foundation stone of **Major Dhyan Chand Sports University at Meerut, Uttar Pradesh**. The University will be established at Salawa and Kaili villages of Sardhana town in Meerut at an estimated cost of about 700 crores.
- ✍ **The Losar Festival in Ladakh** is celebrated at the onset of the New Year in the traditional schedule of Tibetan Buddhism. It is celebrated by the **Buddhist Community in the Ladakh** region. Losar is a Tibetan word which means '**New Year**'.
- ✍ **Himachal Pradesh** has become the **first LPG (Liquefied petroleum gas) enabled and smoke free Indian state**. This success is backed by the Central Government's **Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)** scheme and HP Government's **Mukhya Mantri Grihini Suvidha Yojana (GSY)**
- ✍ **Telangana** stood **first in the country** in the list of the highest number of **open defecation free (ODF Plus)** villages under the **Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) Phase-II programme till December 31, 2021**.
- ✍ **The Kerala High Court** is all set to become **India's first paperless court**. Supreme Court judge Justice DY Chandrachud inaugurated the smart courtrooms on 1 January 2022. In the 1st phase six courtrooms, including the Chief Justice's room, will be converted into smart courts
- ✍ **Ayush Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** has laid the foundation stone of the **Heartfulness International Yoga Academy in Hyderabad, Telangana**. He also launched **75 crores suryanamaskar initiative** as part of the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav".
- ✍ Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology **Dr Jitendra Singh** inaugurated **India's first & unique 'Open Rock Museum' at the campus of Council of Scientific & Industrial Research – National Geophysical Research Institute (CSIR-NGRI), Hyderabad, Telangana**. The Open Rock Museum displays around 35 different types of rocks from different parts of India with ages ranging from 3.3 Billion years to around 55 Million years of the Earth's history
- ✍ **Odisha's Ganjam district** was declared **child marriage-free with effect from January 3, 2022**, after collecting detailed information about all weddings that took place in 2020 and 2021.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared that, **26 December** will be observed as '**Veer Baal Diwas**' annually **starting from the year 2022**. The day will be commemorated as a tribute to the courage of the 4 Sahibzades (the four sons of Guru Gobind Singh Ji), who attained martyrdom in the 17th century.
- ✍ **Kochi, Kerala** has become **India's first city to have a Water Metro Project** after the launch of its first boat in December 2021, namely '**Muziris**,' among the 23 battery-powered electric boats being manufactured by Cochin Shipyard Limited.

- ✍ **The government of Haryana** in collaboration with the **Ministry of Civil Aviation** is set to establish India's **first ever Heli Hub in Gurugram**. The first of its kind heli-hub in Gurugram is designed to all the facilities in one place for Helicopters.
- ✍ **Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav** has released biennial **India State of Forest Report 2021**. Total forest and tree cover in India in 2021 is **80.9 million hectares (8,09,537 sq. km)**. This is **24.62%** of the geographical area of the country. **Forest and tree cover** in India has risen by **2,261 square Kilometers (sq km)** in 2 years (compared to 2019). **17 states** and union territories have above 33% of the geographical area under forest cover. **Largest forest cover: Madhya Pradesh, Maximum increase in forest cover: Andhra Pradesh ,Total carbon stock in India's forest: 7,204 million tonnes.**
- ✍ **World's largest national flag**, made of **Khadi fabric** was put to display to celebrate the **"Army Day"** on **January 15, 2022**. It was displayed at **Longewala, along the India – Pakistan Border in Jaisalmer**.
- ✍ Union government has dedicated **India's first BHEL-built 'coal to methanol' (CTM) pilot plant** to the nation in Hyderabad. **The 0.25 TPD capacity CTM pilot plant is currently producing methanol with purity of more than 99% from high-ash coal**. This conversion of high-ash Indian coal to methanol through the gasification route is the first-of-its-kind technology demonstration in India.
- ✍ **Arif Mohammad Khan**, Governor of Kerala, declared **Kumbalangi village (India's first eco-friendly tourist village)** in the Ernakulam district of Kerala as the **first-ever sanitary napkin-free village** in India.
- ✍ The administration of **Jammu & Kashmir** has declared the Jerri settlement (**Jerri hamlet**) in **Reasi district** as the first **'Milk Village'** of the Union Territory.
- ✍ Union Home Minister Amit Shah has released **India's First District Good Governance Index** for 20 Districts of UT of Jammu and Kashmir. **The top 5 districts** in the District Good Governance Index" are **Jammu, Doda, Samba, Pulwama and Srinagar**. J&K will become first Union Territory in the country to have Good Governance Index.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate **216-foot statue of Ramanujacharya** in a sitting position in **Hyderabad on Feb 5, 2022** to celebrate **1,000th birth anniversary of the saint**. Ramanujacharya was an 11th century saint and a revolutionary social reformer. **The statue will be called as 'Statue of Equality'**
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a grand statue of iconic freedom fighter **Netaji Subhas Chand Bose at India Gate, New Delhi**. The size of the hologram statue is **28 feet in height and 6 feet in width**
- ✍ **The Digital University Kerala (DUK)** has announced partnership with the Centre for Materials for Electronics Technology (C-MET) in Thrissur, **Kerala to establish India's first Graphene Innovation Centre in Kerala**.
- ✍ **The State Government of Andhra Pradesh** has given its approval to **increase the number of districts in the state to 26 from the existing 13**. The process for the creation of 13 new districts will be completed by Telugu New Year in April 2022.
- ✍ **National Highway for Electric Vehicle (NHEV)** inaugurated **India's largest Electric Vehicle (EV) charging station at Delhi-Jaipur National Highway in Sector 52 of Gurgaon, Haryana**, which has 100 charging points for fourwheelers

December -2021

- ✍ **Hornbill Festival** celebrated in Naga Heritage village Kisama, **Nagaland**
- ✍ **Earth Station of Doordarshan Kendra** inaugurated in **Gorakhpur, UP**

- ✍ Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) extended the **timeline for the implementation of the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)** for all 100 participating cities **to June 2023**. The Mission was launched in the year FY2015-16
- ✍ In accordance with the data by **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**, Gujarat has surpassed Maharashtra to become **India's leading manufacturing hub**.
- ✍ NITI Aayog launched "**e-Sawaari India Electric Bus Coalition**" with CESL & WRI India
- ✍ Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the continuation of **Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin (PMAY-G) beyond March 2021 till March 2024**.
- ✍ The NITI Aayog has planned to establish **1000 Atal Tinkering Laboratories** in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✍ Ken-Betwa inter-linking of rivers project has been approved by the Union Cabinet. the overall cost of the Ken-Betwa link project has been estimated at Rs. 44,605 crores.
- ✍ **Uttar Pradesh holds top spot in Total Registered EVs in India**
- ✍ PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the **first phase of the Kashi Vishwanath Dham Corridor project**. The project is spread over **5 lakh square feet** and connects the temple premises to the River Ganga. **Project is constructed at a cost of ₹339 crore**
- ✍ **Saryu Nahar National Project**, is inaugurated by Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi in **Balrampur, Uttar Pradesh (UP)**
- ✍ **The Geographical Indications Registry (GIR)** under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry accepted the proposal to rename **Bihar Makhana or fox nut as Mithila Makhana** and retain its Geographical Identification (GI) tag.
- ✍ **Maharashtra tops** the list of states with maximum number of beneficiaries under **Atmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY)**. It is followed by Tamil Nadu and Gujarat.
- ✍ **First Drone Mela** in the country was organised at **Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh**.
- ✍ Govt laid foundation stone for **Maa Umiya Dham** Development Project in **Ahmedabad, Gujarat**.
- ✍ **Askot Wildlife Sanctuary** in Uttarakhand declared as **Eco Sensitive Zon**.
- ✍ **NTPC will set up India's 1st Green Hydrogen Microgrid Projects** at Simhadri, Andhra Pradesh.
- ✍ **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)** has added **Kolkata's Durga Puja festival** to its '**Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity**'.
- ✍ **7th India International Science Festival 2021** held at Panaji, Goa. Theme 2021: '**AzadiKaAmritMahotsav – celebrating Creativity, Science, Technology and Innovation for a prosperous India**'.
- ✍ Centre granted 'in-principle' approval for **6 Nuclear Reactors at Jaitapur, Maharashtra**. 1650 MW each, making **Jaitapur as India's largest nuclear power generating site** with a total capacity of **9900 MW**.
- ✍ Cabinet cleared proposal to raise **women's marriage age** from **18 to 21 years**.
- ✍ **India's 1st International Arbitration and Mediation Centre (IAMC)** inaugurated in **Hyderabad, Telangana**.
- ✍ **Nagaland created 3 new districts Chumukedima, Tseminyu, and Nuiland**.
- ✍ Punjab CM **declared "Krishna Balram Jagannath Rath Yatra"** as state festival.
- ✍ PM Modi laid foundation stone of **4 hydro power projects in Mandi, Himachal Pradesh**.

- ✍ **Telangana** has secured 1st place among the 34 states and Union Territories that implement the **Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM)**. Tamil Nadu and Gujarat has secured the 2nd and 3rd place on the list respectively.
- ✍ PM Modi inaugurated **Bina (MP)- Panki (UP) Multiproduct pipeline project & Kanpur Metro Rail Project in Kanpur, UP.**
- ✍ Government of UP has renamed the **Jhansi Railway Station**, in Jhansi, UP as **“Veerangana Laxmibai Railway Station” after Rani Laxmibai.**
- ✍ Japan introduced world's 1st **Dual Mode Vehicle** that can run on Roads and Tracks
- ✍ **Egypt** added as the **fourth new member of BRICS New Development Bank. Bangladesh, UAE, and Uruguay joined BRICS New Development Bank in September 2021.**
- ✍ **World's longest Metro line** opened in **Shanghai, China.**

November-2021

- ✍ **Giriraj Singh**, Union Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj inaugurated **'Bhumi Samvaad'** – a National Workshop on **Digital India Land Record Modernisation Programme (DILRMP)** at India Habitat Centre in New Delhi.
- ✍ India's Largest Landfill Biogas Plant inaugurated in **Hyderabad.**
- ✍ RK Singh inaugurated **“Pakal Dul Hydro Electric Project”** in J&K.
- ✍ Srinagar (summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir) has been selected to join UNESCO creative cities network(UCCN) for the vibrant cultural ethos of the old city.
- ✍ **Wangala** (the festival of 100 Drums Festival.) celebrated in **Meghalaya.**
- ✍ **Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh** inaugurated the **first operationalised private sector defence manufacturing facility in Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC) in Lucknow.**
- ✍ India's 1st **grass conservatory** inaugurated in **Ranikhet, Uttarakhand.**
- ✍ Piyush Goyal launched **India's 1st Digital Food Museum in Tamil Nadu.**
- ✍ India's **1st Fisheries Business Incubation Centre** launched in **Gurugram, Haryana.**
- ✍ India's **1st Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO) Project** will be set up in **Hingoli, Maharashtra.**
- ✍ **UP's 1st Anti-Air Pollution Tower** inaugurated in **Noida.**
- ✍ Odisha celebrated **'Boita Bandana' Festival.**
- ✍ Meghalaya became **1st north-eastern state** to sign MoU with **WFP to improve food security.**
- ✍ Home Minister Amit Shah laid foundation stone for **'Rani Gaidinliu Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum'** in Manipur.
- ✍ **Madhya Pradesh** will create **first cyber tehsil of India.**
- ✍ Cherry Blossom Festival 2021 celebrated in Shillong, Meghalaya
- ✍ **Varanasi** became **1st Indian city to start Ropeway Service** as a Mode of Public Transport.
- ✍ **Kerala Tourism** launched **STREET project for experiential tourism**

- ✍ 7th **India International Science Festival 2021** will be held in **Goa**.
- ✍ Delhi's **Sadar Bazar Police Station** ranked **best-performing police station in India**.

October-2021

- ✍ Varanasi will become First City in India to use Ropeway Services for Public Transportation.
- ✍ The famed **white onion** of **Alibag in Maharashtra's Raigad district** was given the Geographical Indication (GI) tag bringing worldwide recognition to its unique sweet taste, no-tears factor, as well as its medicinal properties.
- ✍ A variety of rice widely grown in **Wada** in the **Palghar district, Maharashtra** has been given a 'Geographical Indication' tag,
- ✍ Railways launched two long haul freight trains 'Trishul', 'Garuda' The Indian Railways has launched two long haul freight trains "**Trishul**" and "**Garuda**" — which are twice or multiple times longer than the normal composition of freight trains.
- ✍ India's 1st State Government-owned Wildlife DNA testing analysis lab inaugurated in Nagpur
- ✍ Goa became the **1st state** to achieve ODF and **Electricity for each household**
- ✍ Uttarakhand got **India's largest aromatic garden in the Nainital district**. The research wing of the Uttarakhand Forest Department inaugurated the biggest aromatic garden of India in Lalkuan of Nainital district.

September -2021

- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the "**Shikshak Parv-2021**". The theme of 'Shikshak Parv-2021' is "Quality and Sustainable Schools: Learnings from Schools in India".
- ✍ Union Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh and Union Highways Minister, Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the **Emergency Landing Facility on a National Highway in Rajasthan** on September 9, 2021.
- ✍ State of Tamil Nadu and Denmark have planned to create an energy island in Gulf of Mannar that lies between the west coast of Sri Lanka and south-eastern tip of India.
- ✍ Nuakhai Juhar, the agrarian festival of Western Odisha, was celebrated with religious fervour and tradition.
- ✍ India's largest open-air fernery has been inaugurated in Ranikhet of Uttarakhand. The new centre will serve the dual objective of 'conservation of fern species as well as 'create awareness about their ecological role and promote further research.
- ✍ **Hathei chilli**, which is found in **Manipur's Ukhrul district** and is known for its unique flavour, and Tamenglong mandarin orange have been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- ✍ The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for **Odisha and Andhra Pradesh** after the '**Cyclone Gulab**' made landfall over Northwest and adjoining West-central Bay of Bengal on 26th Sept
- ✍ Supreme Court of India has approved an electronic system named **FASTER (Fast and Secured Transmission of Electronic Records)**. The FASTER system will be used for transferring eauthenticated copies from courts to prisons.

- Nagaland's "sweet cucumber" was awarded a geographical identification (GI) tag as an agricultural product under provisions of The Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999.

August-2021

- Bhubaneswar has become the first Indian city to achieve **100 per cent COVID-19 vaccination**.
- India's nuclear power capacity is expected to reach 22,480 Mega Watts by 2031 from the current 6,780 MegaWatts
- Chhattisgarh became the first state to recognise Community Forest Resource Rights in an urban area, Under Forest Rights Act, 2006, Community Forest Resource Right gives gram sabhas the right to protect, regenerate or conserve or manage any forest resources used by the entire community, or village.
- Kakori Train Conspiracy renamed to **Kakori Train Action**.
- Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha has inaugurated the **Bungus Awaam Mela** with grand arrangements for **village games, exhilarating local performances, and other activities to celebrate the 75th year of Independence at Bungus valley in Kupwara district**.
- Four more Indian wetlands added to Ramsar list---**Thol from Gujarat, Wadhvana from Gujarat, Sultanpur from Haryana and Bhindawas from Haryana**.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi** on 15th August set a target of becoming '**energy independent**' by 2047 through a mix of electric mobility, gas-based economy, doping ethanol in petrol and making the country a hub for hydrogen production.
- Kaziranga National Park (KNP)** in Assam has become the first national park in India to be equipped with satellite phones.
- The theme of the **75th Independence Day this year is 'Nation First, Always First'** to honour the sacrifices made by our freedom fighters for the nation..
- According to Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, **Rajeev Chandrashekhar**, **six lakh villages in India will get internet connectivity by 2024 under the Bharat Net programme**. According to the minister, about 2.8 lakh villages have got internet facility as of now
- Assam celebrated **Wanchuwa Festival 2021** This festival is celebrated by Tiwa tribesmen to mark their good harvest
- State-run electricity producer **NTPC Limited** began commercial operations at **India's largest floating solar PV project at its Simhadri** thermal station in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh on 21 Aug.
- The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) has given a name to India's complex mission of evacuating its citizens from war-torn Afghanistan, as '**Operation Devi Shakti**'
- Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has introduced a new registration mark for new vehicles i.e. "**Bharat series (BH-series)**".

July-2021

- Digital India initiative** has completed its six years on 1 July 2021. It was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on **1 July 2015**.

- ✍ The **52nd edition of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** will be held in **Goa** from 20th -28th November 2021.
- ✍ The Government of India has decided to bring **Department of Public Enterprises (DPE)** under the finance ministry. DPE was earlier under the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises
- ✍ The government has created a Ministry of Cooperation to boost the Indian cooperative movement and give a fillip to the indigenous enterprises. The new ministry of Cooperation will work to realise the vision of **"Sahkar se Samriddhi"** and will provide a separate administrative, legal and policy framework to boost the cooperative movement in the country.
- ✍ Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Giriraj Singh has launched the Online Course Mobile App **"Matsya Setu"**.
- ✍ KVIC (Khadi and Village Industries Commission) has launched Project **BOLD (Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Draught)**, a first-of-its-kind exercise, to create bamboo-based green patches in arid and semi-arid land zones.
- ✍ Union Minister for Education, **Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'** has launched **NIPUN** Bharat programme. The aim of the NIPUN programme is that every child in India gets foundational literacy and numeracy (FLN) by the end of Grade 3, by 2026-27. **NIPUN stands for National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy.**
- ✍ Nitin Gadkari, inaugurated **India's first private Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)** facility plant at Nagpur in Maharashtra.
- ✍ External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has unveiled a statue of Mahatma Gandhi in Georgia at a prominent Tbilisi park.
- ✍ The **Manduadih railway station** has been finally **renamed as Banaras by the Northeastern railways (NER).**
- ✍ Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has launched **BHIM-UPI QR-based payments in Bhutan.**
- ✍ Union Minister Piyush Goyal has been appointed as the **Leader of the House in Rajya Sabha**
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the International Cooperation and Convention Centre **"Rudraksh"**, in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
- ✍ In order to facilitate farmers to get **'right information at right time'** in their desired language, a digital platform namely **'KisanSarathi'** was launched jointly by Narendra Singh Tomar, Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- ✍ The Government of India has extended the duration of the **'Stand Up India Scheme'** up to the year 2025. The scheme was launched by the Prime Minister on 05 April 2016 to facilitate loans to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and women borrowers, to promote entrepreneurship among them.
- ✍ Amit Shah along with chief minister of Meghalaya **Conrad K. Sangma** inaugurated the much awaited Greater **Sohra Water Supply Scheme** at Sohra in East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya.
- ✍ The Centre is setting up the **Garima Grihas** for transgender persons, this shelter homes have been initiated with the aim of providing safe and secure shelter to transgender persons.
- ✍ The centre has announced 27% reservation for OBCs and a 10% quota for students from the economically weaker sections (EWS) for undergraduate and postgraduate medical and dental courses under the All-India Quota (AIQ) scheme.

- ✍ Central government has decided to bring **Department of Public Enterprises (DPE)** under **finance ministry**. DPE was earlier under Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises. Finance ministry now comprises of six departments, after inclusion of DPE. **Other five departments are:** • Department of Economic Affairs, • Department of Expenditure, • Department of Revenue, • Department of Investment & Public Asset Management and • Department of Financial Services.
- ✍ A passenger train Rajdhani Express from Assam's Silchar railway station has reached the Vaingaichunpao railway station in Manipur for a trial run, putting the state on the Indian Railways map.
- ✍ India's first cryptogamic garden, with around 50 different species grown, has been inaugurated in Deoban area of Dehradun in Uttarakhand.

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June-2021

- ✍ The Union Cabinet has approved a memorandum of cooperation between **India-Japan** in the **field of sustainable urban development**.
- ✍ The Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot virtually launched an initiative called, **SAGE (Seniorcare Aging Growth Engine)** on June 04, 2021, and also the SAGE portal to support India's elderly persons. The SAGE portal will act as a "onestop access" of elderly care products and services by credible start-ups.
- ✍ Union Minister of State for Finance and Corporate Affairs, **Anurag Singh Thakur** launched the six modules of short films of Investor Education & Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) titled "**Hisaab Ki Kitaab**". These short films developed by **Common Services Centers(CSC)** eGov as a part of their training tool.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually addressed the World Environment Day event, PM Modi also released the "**Report of the Expert Committee on Road Map for ethanol blending in India 2020-2025**". **The theme of the report is 'promotion of biofuels for a better environment'.**
- ✍ India has been elected as a member of the **United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)**, one of the six main organs of the **United Nations, for three-year terms of 2022-24**.
- ✍ Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Prakash Javadekar launched an awareness campaign on **single use plastic 2021** on the occasion of **World Ocean Day, June 8**. In India two-third waste was getting collected and one-third was not getting collected, he said. **India aims to phase Single Use Plastics by 2022.**
- ✍ The Ministry of Ayush organised a curtain raiser event for the 7th International Day of Yoga. The event underlined the importance of the central theme of IDY 2021 "**Be With Yoga, Be At Home**".
- ✍ The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the implementation of "**Deep Ocean Mission**". This mission is proposed by the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), **to explore the deep ocean for resources and develop deep-sea technologies for sustainable use of ocean resources.**
- ✍ The government of India has launched '**Project O2 for India**' **to step up production of medical oxygen** to meet the potential increase in demand due to further waves of the pandemic. '
- ✍ On the occasion of the seventh International Yoga Day on June 21, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled the **mYoga mobile app**. The app has been developed in collaboration between the World

Health Organisation (**WHO**) and Ministry of *Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy* (**Ministry of AYUSH**), Government of India.

- ✍ As per the World Investment Report 2021 by the **UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)**, India was the **fifth-largest recipient of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)** inflows in the world in 2020.
- ✍ Ahead of the Tokyo Games, the official Olympic theme song for the Indian contingent was launched. **Mohit Chauhan** has composed and sung the song titled **"Lakshya Tera Samne Hai"**.
- ✍ **India and Bhutan** have jointly launched the **"Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB)"**. It has been launched for strengthening the tax administration of Bhutan. It will focus on International Taxation and Transfer Pricing.
- ✍ Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, Prakash Javadekar has inaugurated **NATRAX- the High-Speed Track(HST)** in Indore which is the longest such track in Asia.

May-2021-

- ✍ **India and Russia** have agreed to establish a **'2+2 Ministerial Dialogue'** at the Foreign & Defence Minister level between the two countries. **Russia is the 4th country** and **1st Non-Quad member** country with which India has established the '2+2 Ministerial dialogue' mechanism. **India has such a mechanism with the US, Japan and Australia.**
- ✍ The Government has released **Rs 5,968 crore to 15 states for the implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission in the financial year 2021-22.**

April-2021

- ✍ Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan has launched the **'Tribal TB Initiative'** in pursuit of **TB Mukht Bharat**.
- ✍ Union Education Minister, Ramesh **Pokhriyal 'Nishank'** has launched the **"MyNEP2020"** Platform of National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) Web Portal which will be operational from April 1 to May 15, 2021.
- ✍ The construction of the arch of the **world's highest railway bridge that soars 359 metres** above the bed of the **Chenab river in Jammu and Kashmir** was completed. **The 1.3-kilometre-long bridge** aims to boost connectivity to the Kashmir Valley and it is being constructed at a cost of ₹ 1,486 crores as part of the **Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Railway Link (USBRL) project.**
- ✍ The Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, **Dr Harsh Vardhan** and the Union Minister of Tribal Affairs, **Shri Arjun Munda** jointly launched **'Anamaya'**, the Tribal Health Collaborative on April 07, 2021.
- ✍ The Supreme Court of India has launched its Artificial Intelligence portal **"SUPACE" (Supreme Court Portal for Assistance in Courts Efficiency)**. Through this portal, the SC intends to leverage machine learning to deal with the vast amounts of data received at the time of filing of cases.
- ✍ The Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, **Narendra Singh Tomar** launched a portal **'Madhukranti'** and Honey Corners on April 07, 2021, with the **aim to bring an increase in income of farmers, employment generation and increase in exports.**
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently appealed to the Chief Ministers of the States to organise **"Tika Utsav"**. Tika Utsav is a vaccine festival. It is to be held between April 11, 2021, and April 14, 2021. **The**

main objective of the festival is to vaccinate as many people as possible. It will also focus on zero wastage of the COVID-19 vaccine.

- ✍ Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, *Piyush Goyal* has inaugurated **e-SANTA**, an electronic marketplace, to provide a platform for connecting aqua farmers and buyers.
- ✍ **NITI Aayog**, in partnership with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Centre for Social and Behaviour Change, Ashoka University launched called **"Poshan Gyan"**, a national digital repository on health and nutrition.
- ✍ Union Health Minister, Dr Harsh Vardhan has launched Aahaar Kranti, a mission dedicated to spreading awareness about nutrition.
- ✍ **Italy** has launched its **first-ever mega food park** project in India, at Fanidhar in the **Mehsana district of Gujarat**. The project aims to **create synergy between agriculture and industry of the two countries and focuses on the research and development of new and more efficient technologies in the sector.**
- ✍ India has been elected by acclamation, to **three bodies of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)**, for a **three-year term beginning January 1, 2022**. These UN Bodies are:
 - Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ),
 - Executive Board of the UN Entity for Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women (UN Women) and
 - Executive Board of the World Food Programme (WFP).

March-2021

- ✍ The **Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha Television channels** that broadcast the proceedings of the upper and lower Houses of Parliament, respectively, have been merged into a single entity. The new channel has been named the **'Sansad Television'**.
- ✍ The UN General Assembly adopted by consensus a resolution sponsored by India and supported by over 70 nations declaring 2023 as the **International Year of Millets**.
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has addressed **'Janaushadhi Diwas'** celebrations through video conference. He dedicated to the nation the 7500th **Janaushadhi Kendra at NEIGRIHMS, Shillong** during the event. **1st March to 7th March** is celebrated as **'Janaushadhi Week'** across the nation with the theme of **"Jan Aushadhi – Seva Bhi, Rozgar Bhi"** for creating awareness about the use of generic medicines.
- ✍ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has inaugurated the **'Maitri Setu'** bridge between India and Bangladesh through a video conference, to strengthen the connectivity between both countries and especially with the north-eastern region of India. Maitri bridge will also make **Tripura** the **'Gateway of North East**.
- ✍ The Jammu and Kashmir administration has approved the incorporation of a joint venture company (JVC) under the name **"Ratle Hydroelectric Power Corporation"**. To implement the 850 MW **Ratle Hydro-Electric Project (HEP) on river Chenab in the Kishtwar district of the Union Territory (UT) of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K)**.
- ✍ The government of India has launched the **"Gram Ujala Scheme"** to provide the **cheapest LED bulbs** in rural areas. the scheme was launched **from Arrah district in Bihar**. In this phase, around 15 million LED bulbs will be distributed in the villages of Arrah (Bihar), Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh), Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh), Nagpur (Maharashtra), and western Gujarat.

- ✍ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has launched the '**Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain**' campaign on March 22, 2021, on the occasion of **World Water Day** for conserving water. PM urged that every penny of **MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) funds be spent on rainwater conservation till the monsoon arrives.**

14. International Current Affairs

February-2022

- ✍ **North Korea** successfully tested its **Hwasong-12** intermediate-range **ballistic missile** from the Jagang Province area.
- ✍ **China** is celebrating the **Spring Festival**, it's the most important annual festival as it entered the Lunar new "**Year of the Tiger**".
- ✍ Instagram has announced the launch of '**Take a Break**' in all countries, including India, to empower people to make informed decisions about the way they are spending their time. This feature will be promoted in India through a campaign, in partnership with '**We The Young**', called '**Break Zaroori Hai**'. '
- ✍ **India** has agreed to provide a **grant to Sri Lanka** to implement a '**Unitary Digital Identity framework**', apparently modelled on the Aadhaar card.
- ✍ **Israel** becomes the first-ever country to allow **drone flights in civilian airspace**.
- ✍ **World Health Organization (WHO)** South-East Asia Region (SEAR) has launched a '**Quit Tobacco App**'.
- ✍ **The air forces of Bangladesh** and the **United States** will conduct a joint tactical airlift exercise '**Cope South 22**'. The six days exercise has been sponsored by **Pacific Air Forces (PACAF)**.
- ✍ **Nepal** will be the **first country** to adopt **India's UPI system**, which will play a pivotal role in transforming the digital economy of the neighbouring country,
- ✍ French president, **Emmanuel Macron** has announced that France and its European partners will start the **military withdrawal** from **Mali** after more than nine years fighting a jihadist insurgency.
- ✍ **Israel** successfully tested a new naval air defence system "**C-Dome**," to be used on the Israeli Navy's Sa'ar 6-class corvettes.
- ✍ **Russian President**, Vladimir Putin has recognised the independence of separatist regions in eastern Ukraine – **Donetsk and Luhansk**.
- ✍ **Canada** became the **first country in the world** that has authorized the use of a **plant-based COVID-19 vaccine**.
- ✍ **New Development Bank (NDB)** will become the first multilateral agency to open an office in the Gujarat International Finance Tech City (GIFT).

January-2022

- ✍ **India chaired Counter-Terrorism Committee of UNSC** in January 2022 after 10 years. It was established by Security Council resolution 1373 adopted unanimously on 28 September 2001 **in the wake of the 9/11 terror attacks in the US.**

- ✍ France has assumed the rotating presidency of the **Council of the European Union** with effect from **January 01, 2022** for the **next six months till June 30, 2022**. France will be **replaced by the Czech Republic**.
- ✍ **Apple Inc. became the world's first company** to touch \$3 trillion Market Cap.
- ✍ The Indian-origin British Sikh Army officer, **Captain Harpreet Chandi** became the 1st woman of colour to make a **solo unsupported trek to the earth's South Pole**.
- ✍ The Caribbean nation of **Antigua and Barbuda** joined the **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** as the 102nd member by signing the International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement, the India-led global green energy initiative. ISA was jointly launched by **India and France in 2015** during the 21st session of the United Nations Climate Change COP-21 in Paris, France to promote solar energy.
- ✍ **India** has announced financial assistance of **USD 900 million loans to Sri Lanka** to help the island nation in building up its depleted foreign reserves and for **food imports**.
- ✍ Indonesia passed a bill **replacing its capital Jakarta with East Kalimantan**, situated to the east of Borneo Island. The new capital city of the country will be called **Nusantara**. Indonesian President Joko Widodo had first announced the plan to move the capital city from Jakarta in 2019.
- ✍ **The National Stock Exchange of India (NSE)** has emerged as the **world's largest derivatives exchange** for the third consecutive year in 2021 in terms of the number of contracts traded, based on the statistics maintained by the Futures Industry Association (FIA).
- ✍ **India and Israel** recently launched a **commemorative logo** to mark the **30 years of diplomatic relations**. The logo has Ashoka Chakra and Star of David - the two symbols that adorn the national flags of both countries. It also has the numeral 30, featuring 30th anniversary of the countries
- ✍ India has emerged as the World's largest exporter of cucumber and gherkins
- ✍ **World's-largest canal lock** unveiled in **Netherlands**. Canal lock was inaugurated by Dutch King Willen Alexander.
- ✍ According to the **World Gold Council (WGC) report 'Gold Demand Trends 2021'**, the global gold demand rose **10 per cent in 2021** to 4,021.3 tonnes. India's gold consumption surged to 797.3 tonnes in 2021,

December-2021

- ✍ **South Korea** is soon going to get the **world's first floating city**, to deal with the problem of floods due to rising sea levels. The city will be built off the coast of Busan in South Korea and is likely to be **completed by 2025**
- ✍ India joined the G20 'Troika' with Indonesia and Italy. India will assume **G20 Presidency** in December **2022** from Indonesia and will **convene the G20 Leaders' Summit for the first time in 2023**. **Troika** refers to the **top grouping within G20** that consists of the *current, previous and incoming presidencies* - Italy (December 2020- 2021); Indonesia (December 2021- 2022); India (December 2022-2023). **Theme** for G20 Leaders' Summit 2022: **"Recover Together, Recover Stronger"**
- ✍ **India and European Union (EU)** have agreed to step up Clean Energy and Climate Partnership at India-EU Energy Panel meet. They jointly agreed on a detailed work programme **until 2023** to implement the **2016 India-EU Clean Energy and Climate Partnership**.

- ✍ India assumed the Chairmanship of Council of Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (RATS SCO) for 1 year from October 28, 2021.
- ✍ The **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)** granted **Observer Status** to **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** by adopting resolution 76/123. *ISA was jointly launched by India and France to promote solar energy among its Member Countries.*
- ✍ India has been re-elected to **International Maritime Organisation (IMO)** Council for the **2022-2023** biennium under category B states.
- ✍ **UAE** became the 1st Country to transition to 4 and half-day work week
- ✍ **Dubai** became **world's 1st 100% paperless government.**
- ✍ **National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog** has signed a Statement of Intent with the **United Nations World Food Program** for mainstreaming of **millets** and supporting India in taking lead globally in **knowledge exchange** using the opportunity of **2023 as International Year of Millets.**

November-2021

- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his **British** counterpart Boris Johnson jointly launched the '**One Sun, One World, One Grid (OSOWOG)**' initiative at the COP 26 Climate Meet in Glasgow. The vision behind OSOWOG is 'The Sun Never Sets'.
- ✍ **UK approved world's 1st oral pill to treat COVID-19.**
- ✍ **United States of America (USA)** has joined International Solar Alliance (ISA) as a member country. **USA is now 101st country to sign the framework agreement of the ISA.**
- ✍ TVS Motor became 1st Indian 2- wheeler maker to join United Nations Global Compact
- ✍ **India** got re-elected to the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) with 164 votes for a **4-year term, starting from 2021-25.**
- ✍ **El Salvador** announced to build **world's first 'Bitcoin City'.**
- ✍ **US, Australia and UK** signed key deal in **Nuclear Submarine Alliance.**
- ✍ WHO named new COVID-19 Strain **B.1.1.529** as '**Omicron**'

October-2021

- ✍ The Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB) has launched its programme in Seychelles. India has been chosen as the Partner Administration for this programme.
- ✍ International Energy Agency (IEA) has invited India to become its full-time member.
- ✍ Germany launched World's First Self Driving Train
- ✍ India re-elected to UN Human Rights Council for 2022-24
- ✍ **India, Australia, and UK** in collaboration with **small island developing states (SIDS)**, have planned to launch '**Infrastructure for Resilient Island States (IRIS)**', on the sidelines of Conference of Parties (COP26).
- ✍ **WHO Global TB report for 2021:** India worst-hit country in TB elimination.
- ✍ India, Israel, United Arab Emirates and United States have decided to launch new quadrilateral economic forum.

- ✍ **Global terror financing watchdog Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** has retained Pakistan on its 'Grey List' of countries.
- ✍ **Invest India, a young 'start-up'** within the Government of India has been unanimously elected as the **President of the World Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (WAIPA) for 2021-2023.**
- ✍ South Korea inaugurated World's Largest Hydrogen Fuel Cell Power Plant
- ✍ Mark Zuckerberg owned Facebook Inc has changed the corporate name of world's largest social media platform to 'Meta' (Meta Platforms, Inc.), to reflect its emphasis on building the metaverse vision'.

September -2021

- ✍ **Sri Lanka** has declared a state of **emergency** as the **food crisis worsened** after private banks ran out of foreign exchange to finance imports.
- ✍ The Shanghai-based New Development Bank (NDB) has approved the **United Arab Emirates, Uruguay and Bangladesh** as its **new member countries**
- ✍ **Typhoon Chanthu** drenched **Taiwan** as the storm's center passed the island's east coast.
- ✍ U.S, U.K. and Australia announced new security partnership "**AUKUS**" for Indo-Pacific. presumably aimed at countering China's expansionism in the Indo-Pacific.
- ✍ **Iran** was officially admitted as a full member (9th) of the **Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)** on 18th Sept.
- ✍ **India** has emerged as the **second biggest trading partner of Dubai**, after China. India's overall volume, in the first half of 2021, is touching 38.5 billion dirhams.

AUGUST-2021

- ✍ **India** took over from France to assume the presidency of the **United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the month of August 2021.**
- ✍ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will virtually preside over an open debate at United Nations Security Council (UNSC) on August 9, 2021.
- ✍ A 19-year old Pakistani climber **Shehroze Kashif** became the youngest person in the world to reach the summit of K2, the second-highest peak in the world.
- ✍ **Germany** became the **5th country** to sign the **International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement** after amendments to it entered into force on 8th January 2021.
- ✍ The **Afghanistan government** transferred the power to the **Taliban**.

July-2021

- ✍ **China** is certified **malaria-free by WHO**
- ✍ **Bhutan** has become the **first country** to adopt **India's Unified Payment Interface (UPI)** standards for its quick response (QR) code. It is also the second country after Singapore to have BHIM-UPI acceptance at merchant locations.
- ✍ **The United Arab Emirates** on 17th July **became the first Gulf nation to open an embassy in Israel.**
- ✍ The **United States, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Uzbekistan**, have agreed in principle to establish a new **quadrilateral diplomatic platform** focused on enhancing regional connectivity.

- ✍ Singapore unveiled one of the world's largest floating solar panel farms, to meet a goal of quadrupling its solar energy production by 2025 to help tackle climate change.
- ✍ Amsterdam has unveiled the world's first 3D-printed steel pedestrian bridge.
- ✍ **Sweden** has ratified the framework agreement for the **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** and is now a member of the **global platform**, which is an initiative of India aimed at **promoting renewable energy and sustainable development**.

June-2021

- ✍ TCS opened its first European innovation centre in Amsterdam, Netherland.
- ✍ **India** was elected to the **United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** for 2022-2024 term. India has been selected in Asia-Pacific States category. Other elected countries include Oman, Afghanistan and Kazakhstan.
- ✍ **El Salvador** has become the first country to formally **adopt bitcoin as legal tender**.
- ✍ Countries including **Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana and United Arab Emirates (UAE)** have been elected unopposed to powerful UN Security Council (UNSC) as non-permanent members for 2022-23 term.
- ✍ The UN General Assembly overwhelmingly approved a **declaration calling for urgent action to end AIDS by 2030**, noting "with alarm" .
- ✍ **China, Pakistan and India** have **350, 165 and 156 nuclear warheads** respectively as of January this year and the three countries appear to be expanding their nuclear arsenals, a study by Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) has said.
- ✍ India has decided to make **CoWIN platform** an open source for other countries in order to enable them to use this technology to run their own vaccination drives.

May-2021

- ✍ The Democratic Republic of **Congo** recently declared the end of the twelfth **outbreak of Ebola**. The current Ebola outbreak was genetically linked to that of the outbreak that occurred in 2018-20.
- ✍ Nepalese climber, **Kami Rita** has scaled **Mount Everest** for the **25th time**, breaking his own record for the most ascents of the **world's highest peak**.
- ✍ Hong Kong mountaineer, **Tsang Yin hung**, recorded "world's fastest ascent of Everest by a woman" in just 26 hours. She broke the earlier record of Nepali woman Phunjo Jhangmu Lama completed the climb in 39 hours 6 minutes.
- ✍ The UAE government awarded Bollywood actor **Sanjay Dutt** with its **Golden Visa**. The Golden Visa system essentially offers long-term residency to people with outstanding talents.

April-2021

- ✍ The **United Arab Emirates** named the next two astronauts in its space programme on 10th April, including the **country's first female astronaut**. Noura al-Matroushi as the UAE's first female astronaut. Her male counterpart is Mohammed al-Mulla.

- ✂ Tropical cyclone **Seroja** has ripped across a 1,000km stretch of Western Australia, leaving a trail of damage. The category three storm made landfall near the town of Kalbarri yesterday with windspeed of up to 170km/h.
- ✂ The **Table Mountain National Park** is located in Cape Town of South Africa. Recently, a **fire caught** in the park and is burning it rapidly. It is included in the UNESCO World Heritage site
- ✂ India has been elected by acclamation **to three bodies** of the UN Economic and Social Council. India was elected by acclamation to the
 - Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice,
 - UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women), and
 - Executive Board of the World Food Programme, for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2022.
- ✂ Two Indian firms, **Reliance Industries' technology arm Jio Platforms** and e-learning startup **Byju's** have figured in the Time Magazine's first-ever list of 100 most influential companies
- ✂ The **United Kingdom** has become the **first country** to announce regulation for the use of **self-driving vehicles at low speeds**.

March-2021

- ✂ Australian conservationists on March 3, 2021 unveiled plans to build the world's first refuge for the platypus, to promote breeding and rehabilitation as the duck-billed mammal faces extinction due to climate change.
- ✂ **Switzerland** has voted on March 7, 2021 in favour of the **proposal to ban the full facial coverings such as burqa and niqab in almost all the public places**.
- ✂ **The largest floating solar farm of the world** is being built in **Singapore**. The country has resorted to set up the energy plants off the coasts and reservoirs across it.
- ✂ The Ministry of External Affairs of India has informed that **Italy** has signed a framework agreement with India on March 17, 2021 to join the **International Solar Alliance (ISA)**. ISA is a treaty-based intergovernmental alliance comprising of 121 countries.
- ✂ World's first **Ship Tunnel** will be built in **Norway**.
- ✂ The giant container ship "**Ever Given**" that blocked traffic in the Suez Canal for the last week resumed its journey,
- ✂ Russian space agency '**Roscosmos**' successfully launched 38 foreign satellites into orbit, onboard Soyuz-2.1a carrier rocket from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. The satellite called "**Arktika-M**", .
- ✂ Google has launched a new web platform '**Women Will**' on March 8, 2021, on the occasion of "International Women's Day".
- ✂ The Japanese scientific research institute called RIKEN and Fujitsu started developing the "**Fugaku**" six years ago. It is the **world's most powerful supercomputers**. Fugaku has been named after an alternative name for **Mount Fuji**.

✍ El Salvador is the first country in Central America to be certified malaria-free by the World Health Organization.

15.App/ Website/Portal

App/ website/portal	Company / department	Purpose
Quit Tobacco App	World Health Organization	To help people quit tobacco use in all forms including smokeless and other related products.
'KISAN' mobile app	IIT Roorke	The app will provide agrometeorological services to the farmers.
Ombudsperson app for smooth functioning of MNREGA scheme	Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Giriraj Singh	It will facilitate hassle free reporting, categorization of grievances and disposal of complaints by ombudsperson. I
Union MSME RuPay Credit Card	Union Bank of India in association with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)	For meeting business-related operational expenses of micro, small & medium enterprises (msmes)
(NEAT) 3.0 edtech platform	Education Ministry	A single platform to provide bestdeveloped ed-tech solutions, courses to students.
'Saa᳚thi' mobile app	Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)	For investor education & awareness sebi launched a mobile app "saa᳚thi" based on investor education in mumbai, maharashtra.
Digital Sansad App	Lok Sabha secretaria	That will make it easier for people to follow proceedings in the parliament,.
e-learning platform "Unnati"	Delhi Police	To help educate youths and impart skill training to school dropouts from the weaker sections of society
'Whistle Blower' portal	Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd (IREDA)	To raise concerns related to fraud, corruption, abuse of power among other things.
Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Mobile App	Ministry of Culture	It Is A Single Point Access To All Information, Activities And Events Related To The 75th Anniversary Celebrations Of India's Independence.
'PM-DAKSH' Portal and 'PM-DAKSH' Mobile App	Ministry for Social Justice and Empowerment	To make skill development schemes accessible to the target groups of scheduled castes, backward classes and safai karamcharis.

16.Defence News

January-2022

- ✍ **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** announced **24 bridge projects and 3 road projects** implemented and managed by the **Border Roads Organisation (BRO)** in **four states and two union territories**.
- ✍ **Russia** successfully **test-fired around 10 new Tsirkon (Zircon)** hypersonic cruise missiles from a frigate and other **two missiles from a submarine**. The Zircon missile would be capable of flying at **nine times** the speed of sound and have a range of **1,000 kilometres (620 miles)**.
- ✍ **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully test-fired an extended range sea-to sea variant of the **BrahMos supersonic cruise missile** from **INS Visakhapatnam**, a stealth guided missile destroyer of the Indian Navy.
- ✍ **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully flight tested the final deliverable configuration of the **Man Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile (MPATGM)** at a range in Southern India.
- ✍ **Philippines** has **become the first foreign country** to place an **order for the purchase of the BrahMos** Shore Based cruise Missile System for its navy. This agreement will give a big boost to India's defence manufacturing system.
- ✍ **The Indian Army** has signed its first contract with **Anadron Systems Pvt Ltd** under **Make-II** for **Maneuverable Expendable Aerial Target**, for Army Air Defence and Indian Air Force. The contract worth Rs 96 crore is the first contract with the private sector aimed at 'Atmanirbhar Defence'.
- ✍ **Swedish** defence company '**Saab**' had been selected by the Indian Armed Force through a competitive programme for the **supply of single-shot anti-armour weapon AT4**
- ✍ The government of India has merged the **Amar Jawan Jyoti flame** at India Gate with the flame at the newly constructed **National War Memorial** in the same complex. The ceremony was led by the *Integrated Defence Staff chief, Air Marshal Balabhadra Radha Krishna*
- ✍ **Indian Naval Ship (INS) Khukri**, the lead ship of Khukri class corvettes and an **indigenous surface-to-surface missile fitted vessel** of the Indian Navy which has been **decommissioned on 23rd December 2021**, **has been handed over to the Diu Administration on 26 January 2022**, 73rd Republic Day in a ceremonial event held at the INS Khukri Memorial, Diu.
- ✍ Russia has delivered all the contracted 70,000 AK-203 Kalashnikov assault rifles to Indian Armed Forces.

December-2021

- ✍ India successfully test-fired the air version of the **BrahMos** supersonic cruise missile from the integrated test range of **Chandipur**, off the coast of Odisha. The air version of the missile was test-fired from supersonic fighter aircraft **Sukhoi 30 MK-I**.
- ✍ India inked deal with Russia for procurement of **AK-203 assault rifles**
- ✍ DRDO successfully test fired **Pinaka ER, ADM & indigenous Fuze**.
- ✍ DRDO has successfully launched a long range **Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo (SMART)** System from **Abdul Kalam Island, off the Odisha coast**.
- ✍ **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully testfired its new generation **Agni Prime (Agni-P)** missile. The surface nuclear capable ballistic missile with a range of **1000 to 2000 km**.

- ✍ Indian Navy's 2nd indigenous stealth destroyer '**Mormugao**' sailed for **maiden sea trials**.
- ✍ IAF deployed first S-400 air defence system in Punjab sector. The S-400 air defence system was contracted for by **India from Russia** in a deal worth around Rs 35,000 crore and **five squadrons** would be provided to India for **tackling air threats** from up to 400 km.
- ✍ **DRDO** conducted flight tests of indigenously developed surface-to-surface missile '**Pralay**'. Pralay is a 150-500 km short-range, surface-to-surface missile with a payload capacity of **500-1,000 kg**.
- ✍ Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully conducted flight test of Indigenously developed **High-speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT) 'Abhyas'**.
- ✍ **INS Khukri (Pennant number 49)**, the first indigenously built Missile Corvette, was decommissioned after **32 years of service at Visakhapatnam**.
- ✍ Rajnath Singh laid foundation stone for Defence Technology & Test Centre and **BRAHMOS Manufacturing Centre of DRDO in Lucknow**.
- ✍ **Defence Research Development Organization** has selected **Paras Defence & Space Technologies Ltd** as one of the companies for handing over **technology of border surveillance systems**.

November-2021

- ✍ 7th Indian Navy frigate of P1135.6 class (Talwar Class Frigate), **INS Tushil** has been launched at Yantar Shipyard at Kaliningrad in Russia.
- ✍ **DRDO** signed Bilateral Innovation Agreement with **Israel for dual use technology**.
- ✍ **4th Scorpene submarine** of the **Project-75, Yard 11878** was delivered to the Indian Navy which will be commissioned as **INS (Indian Naval Ship) Vela**.
- ✍ **Russia** successfully tests fired Hypersonic Cruise Missile '**Zircon**' & Anti-Satellite Missile '**Nudol**'

October-2021

- ✍ **India and Australia** on 29th Sept inked the '**Terms of Reference (ToR)**' for the conduct of the navy to navy talks under the framework of the 'Joint Guidance for the India – Australia Navy to Navy Relationship' document.
- ✍ A team from 5th Battalion-4 (5/4) Gorkha Rifles (Frontier Force) representing the **Indian Army** won the **gold medal** at the prestigious Cambrian **Patrol Exercise which was held in the United Kingdom**.
- ✍ **The indigenously built Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) 'Sarthak'** was commissioned and dedicated to the by the Director General of Indian Coast Guard **K Natarajan** for significantly boosting the maritime safety and security of the nation.

September-2021

- ✍ **India** Conducted **Maritime Partnership Exercise** with Algerian Navy. off the Algerian coast, in the Mediterranean Sea.
- ✍ The next **Defence Expo** will be **hosted by Gujarat in 2022**. The Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the Department of Defence Production and the Gujarat Government in this regard. A

- ✍ **Indian Navy and Sudanese Navy** carried out a bilateral maritime exercise in the **Red Sea** off the Sudanese coast on September 10. **INS Tabar** and two Sudanese Navy ships **Almazz** and **Nimer** participated in this maiden exercise with the Indian Navy.
- ✍ Indian Army will **organize “Bijoya Sanskritik Mahotsav”** from 26 to 29 September in Kolkata. This Mahotsav will be observed to mark the **golden jubilee of the India-Pak war 1971**.
- ✍ The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has tested a new version of Akash Missile called **‘Akash Prime’** on September 27, 2021. It was launched from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) of Chandipur, Odisha.

AUGUST-2021

- ✍ Indigenously designed **INS Vikrant** had left port for **maiden sea trials**.
- ✍ For the first time, **India-China LAC guarding the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)** force has commissioned its first two women officers in combat. The two women officers, **Prakriti and Diksha** will be posted as company commanders in ITBP battalions.
- ✍ The 7th edition of the **International Army Games, 2021**, will be held from 22 August to 04 September 2021 in **Russia**.
- ✍ The **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** has successfully test-fired medium range subsonic cruise missile **Nirbhay** from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Chandipur, off Odisha coast. **Nirbhay is India’s first Indigenous Technology Cruise Missile (ITCM)**.
- ✍ **India has finalised a deal with Russia** to buy a sizeable number of **AK-103 series of assault rifles** for the Indian Army under the provisions of emergency procurement.
- ✍ Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh has dedicated to the nation, the **indigenously built Coast Guard Ship ‘Vigraha’** in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ✍ The **Maritime Partnership Exercise between the Indian Navy and Royal Bahrain Naval Force (RBNF)** is set to begin in the **Persian Gulf on 18th August**

July-2021

- ✍ **Indian Army** chief MM Naravane will inaugurate war memorial for Indian soldiers in Italy
- ✍ In recognition of **Vidya Balan's** phenomenal contribution to Indian cinema, the Indian Army has recently named one of its firing ranges after the actor. The **Vidya Balan Firing Range** is located in Gulmarg, Kashmir.
- ✍ **Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully flight-tested the New Generation **Akash Missile (Akash-NG)**, a surface to-air Missile from Integrated Test Range (ITR) off the coast of Odisha
- ✍ The **Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO)** on 21th July successfully flight tested indigenously developed low weight, fire and forget Man-Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile (**MPATGM**).

JUNE-2021

- ✍ Indian Navy's hydrographic survey ship, **Sandhayak** decommissioned after serving the nation for 40 years. The decommissioning ceremony of **INS Sandhayak** was held at naval dockyard Visakhapatnam.
- ✍ **Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB)** will set up the **country's first international maritime services** cluster at GIFT City.
- ✍ **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** has approved the budgetary **support of Rs 498.8 crore** for **IDEX-DIO** (Innovations for Defence Excellence – Defence Innovation Organisation) for the **next five years**
- ✍ The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully testfired the subsonic cruise missile 'Nirbhay' on June 24, 2021, from an Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Chandipur in Odisha's Balasore. Nirbhay is a long-range, all-weather, subsonic cruise missile. It has a **strike range of about 1500 km**.
- ✍ **India's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) named 'INS Vikrant'** (meaning courageous) will be commissioned in 2022 Said Defence Minister Rajnath Singh. INS Vikrant is also called as Indigenous Aircraft Carrier 1 (IAC-1).
- ✍ **The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** on 28th June successfully flight tested a new generation nuclear-capable ballistic missile Agni P from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam island off the coast of Odisha, Balasore. **Agni P** is a new generation advanced variant of the Agni class of missiles. It is a canisterised missile with a range capability between **1,000 and 2,000 kms**.

May-2021

- ✍ The first destroyer of the Indian Navy, **INS Rajput**, was **decommissioned on May 21**. It was commissioned on **04 May 1980**. After rendering **service for 41 years**, it will be decommissioned at the Naval Dockyard of Visakhapatnam.
- ✍ Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh, has launched '**Services e-Health Assistance & Tele-consultation (SeHAT)** OPD Portal. Portal has been launched **to provide telemedicine services in Armed Forces**, further **strengthening the commitment governments** towards e-governance and digital India.

April-2021

- ✍ Indian Army participated in Multinational Military Exercise namely **SHANTIR OGROSHENA - 2021** in Bangladesh.
- ✍ Indian Navy Ships **INS Satpura** and **INS Kiltan** alongwith **P8I Long Range Maritime Patrol Aircraft** are participating, for the first time in multilateral maritime exercise **La Pérouse**, being conducted in the **Eastern Indian Ocean Region** from 5th to 7th April 2021

17. Defence Exercise

Defence Exercise	Between
'Sea Dragon' 2022 exercise	The six nations that are participating in the exercise are the United States, Australia, Canada, India, Japan and South Korea.
PASSEX exercise	Indian Navy and Russian Navy at the port of Cochin , in the Arabian Sea.
Maritime Partnership Exercis	Indian Navy and Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF). A Maritime Partnership Exercise was held in the Bay of Bengal in a non-contact mode amid COVID-19.
'Neptune Strike '22	North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)members kick off 12-day maritime exercise titled as 'Neptune Strike '22' in the Mediterranean Sea
Paschim Lehar (XPL-22)	Western Naval Command of the Indian Navy
Joint naval drill CHIRU-2Q22	Iran, Russia, and China. conducted in the Gulf of Oman. The maritime drills conducted in the northern parts of the Indian Ocean aimed at deepening practical cooperation among the navies of the three countrie
PANEX-21	BIMSTEC countries (Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Thailand and India)
EKUVERIN	India and Maldives (conducted at Kadhdhoo Island, Maldives.)
CARAT exercise	Bangladesh, US [Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT)
Exercise "Desert Warrior"	India and France
Exercise SITMEX 21	India, Singapore, Thailand
32nd CORPAT exercise	India & Thailand (conducted from 12th to 14th November 2021 in Andaman Sea.)
Exercise 'Dosti'	India, Maldives & Sri Lanka
37th CORPAT exercise	India-Indonesia (held in the Indian Ocean region from 23-24 November 2021.)
International Exercise 'Blue Flag 2021'	A total of 84 Indian Air Force (IAF) personnel took part in the international multilateral combat exercise Blue Flag 2021, along with IAF's Mirage 2000 aircraft squadron at Israel's Ovda Airbase.
'AUSINDEX	India, Australia
'Mitra Shakti 21' Exercise	India, Sri Lanka
'JIMEX'	India, Japan
"Ajeya Warrior"	India, UK
Malabar	India, US, Japan and Australia
Yudh Abhyas 2021	India, US
Konkan Shakti 2021	India, UK

	SIMBEX-2021 India & Singapore
AUSINDEX	India & Australia
Peaceful Mission 2021	A Joint Counter Terrorism Exercise between Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) member states.
Surya Kiran-XV	Indo-Nepal Joint Military Training Exercise Surya Kiran was held from September 20, 2021, at Pithoragarh in Uttarakhand.
Samudra Shakti	India and Indonesia began a three-day mega naval wargame on 21st Sept in the Sunda Strait,
36th edition of CORPAT	India and Indonesia, held on 30 and 31 July 2021, in the Indian Ocean region.
'Zayed Talwar 2021'	The Indian Navy and UAE Navy conducted the bilateral naval exercise 'Zayed Talwar 2021' on August 07, 2021, off the coast of Abu Dhabi
AL-Mohed AL-Hindi 2021	India and Saudi Arabia , first-ever naval exercise between these two countries.
Malabar 2021	India, US, Japan and Australia conducted the annual Malabar naval exercises, from August 21, off the coast of Guam, in the Indo-Pacific.
Konkan 2021	India and UK The Indian Navy's Talwar-class frigate, INS Tabar, took part in exercises with the British Royal Navy.
"KAZINDS-21"	The 5th edition of Indo- Kazakhstan Joint Training Exercise, "KAZIND-21" will be held from August 30 to September 11, 2021, at Training Node, Aisha Bibi, Kazakhstan.
'Exercise Shield'	India, Sri Lanka & Maldives
Passage Exercise (PASSEX)	Indian Navy & UK's Royal Navy
Exercise INDRA 2021	India & Russia
CORPAT Exercise	India & Thailand
IN-EUNAVFOR naval exercise	India & EU
Passage Exercise	India & USA
'Khanjar'	India and Kyrgyzstan (inaugurated at Bishkek, the capital of the host Kyrgyzstan.)
"VARUNA"	India and France (conducted in the Arabian Sea)
Passage Exercise (PASSEX)	India and Indonesia
DEFENDER Europe 21	launched by North Atlantic Treaty Organisation in Albania
Sampriti	India & Bangladesh
Maitree Exercise	India & Thailand
Vajra Prahar	India & US
Nomadic Elephant	India & Mongolia
Shakti Exercise	India & France
Garuda Shakti	India & Indonesia

18.Sports News

- ✂ **U19 World Cup 2022:** India beat England in final to win 5th title, **India's Raj Angad Bawa** was announced Player of the Match of the ICC Under19 World Cup 2022
- ✂ India lifted **under-19 Asia cricket Cup** by **defeating Sri Lanka** by nine wickets in a rain-interrupted One-Day International **final in Dubai** through Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method.
- ✂ Pakistan all-rounder Mohammad Hafeez announced retirement from International Cricket
- ✂ Nodirbek Abdusattorov, from Uzbekistan, won the World Rapid Chess Championship 2021 by defeating Ian Nepomniachtchi (Russia) in a tiebreaker and dethroning Magnus Carlsen, the current World Number 1
- ✂ Tamil Nadu's **Fourteen-year-old Bharath Subramaniyam** became **India's 73rd chess Grandmaster**.
- ✂ Karnataka will host Khelo India Games in 2023. Khelo India Games for 2021 is scheduled to be held in February 2022 at Panchkula, Haryana
- ✂ The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has informed that Tata group has replaced Chinese mobile phone manufacturer Vivo as the title sponsor of the Indian Premier League (IPL) for the 2022 and 2023 seasons. T
- ✂ Goalkeeper **Savita** Punia will be the captain of Indian squad at the Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2022 to be held in **Muscat, Oman**.
- ✂ **Tasnim Mir** became the **first Indian** to grab **World no 1 in Under-19 (U-19) Girls Singles category** with 10,810 points in the latest **Badminton World Federation (BWF) Junior rankings**.
- ✂ India is all set to host AFC Women's football Asian Cup India 2022 from 20th January 2022 in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, and Pune.
- ✂ Indian cricketer Smriti Mandhana was named in 2021 ICC Women's T20I team of the year.
- ✂ India's first state-of-the-art, highperformance **para-badminton academy** with advanced equipment and facilities has been set up in **Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh**. The set-up will improve India's medal prospects at the **2024 Paralympics to be held in Paris**, France at Stade de France stadium
- ✂ **The Ladakh women's ice hockey team** has won the **9th National women's ice hockey championship** in 2022. T
- ✂ **Lucknow's IPL franchise**, which is owned by Sanjiv Goenka (RPSG Group), has been renamed **Lucknow Super Giants** ahead of the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2022 mega auction. Lucknow team roped-in KL Rahul as their captain
- ✂ Australian tennis star Ashleigh Barty won 2022 Australian Open women's singles title. She defeated Danielle Collins of US.
- ✂ **India defeated China** by 2-0 in the third-place play-off to win a **bronze medal from the Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2022 in Muscat, Oman**.
- ✂ Ace Indian shuttler, **PV Sindhu** has bagged the **women's singles title at the Syed Modi International Tournament in Lucknow**. Sindhu beat fellow Indian Malvika Bansod 21-13 21-16 to win her second Syed Modi title after 2017.

- ✍ Australian Open 2022: **Rafael Nadal & Ashleigh Barty** won the **Men's & Women's Singles** title The 2022 Australian Open was a Grand Slam tennis tournament that took place at Melbourne Park, Australia from 17 to 30 January 2022.
- ✍ **Russia** defeated Croatia to win **Davis Cup tennis tournament 2021** in Madrid
- ✍ India claimed **41 medals** (12 Gold, 15 Silver, 14 Bronze) at **4th Asian Youth Para Games** (AYPG), Asia's biggest event held at Riffa city, **Bahrain**.
- ✍ Norway's **Magnus Carlsen**, the defending Champion won his **5th World Chess Championship**.
- ✍ **India** won total of **six medals**, including **two gold and 4 silver** medals in the **Asian Rowing Championship** in **Thailand**.
- ✍ The **International Boxing Association** has changed its acronym **from AIBA to IBA**.
- ✍ **Shuttler Kidambi Srikanth** became the **first Indian man** to win a **silver medal** at **BWF World Championships**.
- ✍ **Indian Men's Hockey** team under the Captaincy of **Manpreet Singh** won a bronze medal in the **Men's Asian Champions Trophy Hockey tournament 2021 in Dhaka**, Bangladesh after defeating Pakistan.
- ✍ **Anahat Singh** became **1st Indian girl** to win **Junior US Open Squash tournament**.
- ✍ **India** will host **Women's Under-18** and **Under-19 SAFF** championships in 2022, as announced by All India Football Federation.
- ✍ Senior Indian off-spinner, **Harbhajan Singh** announced **retirement from all forms of cricket**.
- ✍ **Pankaj Advani** won **2021 National Billiards Title**.
- ✍ **Himachal Pradesh** created history by winning their first ever **Vijay Hazare Trophy** in a thrilling final against former champions Tamil Nadu in Jaipur.
- ✍ **Nitesh Kumar** won doubled **gold** at the **4th Para-Badminton National Championship**, which concluded in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- ✍ Denmark's **Viktor Axelsen** and China's **Taipei's Tai Tzu Ying** were named Male and Female **player of the year 2021** respectively by the **Badminton World Federation (BWF)**.
- ✍ **India** concluded the **Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships 2021** with **16 medals – 4 Gold, 7 Silver, and 5 Bronze**, held at **Tashkent, Uzbekistan**.

November-2021

- ✍ **Rashid Khan** became **youngest bowler** to take 400 T20 wickets.
- ✍ **Australia** won their maiden **T20 World Cup title** as they **defeated New Zealand** in the final by 8 wickets. **Mitchell Marsh** was named as **the player of the match**.
- ✍ **Lewis Hamilton** won **Brazilian (Sao Paulo) Formula One Grand Prix 2021**.
- ✍ **Mahela Jayawardena (Sri Lanka)**, **Shaun Pollock (SA)**, and **Janette Brittin (England)** were inducted into the hall of fame.
- ✍ **2025 Asian Youth Para Games** will be hosted by **Tashkent, Uzbekistan**.

✍ The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the **14 host countries of the ICC men's white-ball events from 2024-2031.**

- 2024 ICC Men's T20 World Cup **USA & West Indies**
- 2025 ICC Men's Champions Trophy **Pakistan**
- 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup **India & Sri Lanka**
- 2027 ICC Men's 50 over World Cup **South Africa, Zimbabwe & Namibia**
- 2028 ICC Men's T20 World Cup **Australia & New Zealand**
- 2029 ICC Men's Champions Trophy **India**
- 2030 ICC Men's T20 World Cup **England, Ireland & Scotland**
- 2031 ICC Men's 50 over World Cup **India & Bangladesh**

✍ The Union Minister of Law and Justice, **Kiren Rijiju** has inaugurated the **first Sports Arbitration Centre of India at Ahmedabad in Gujarat.**

✍ Wrestler **Anshu Malik** became **first Indian Woman** to win **World Championships Silver**

✍ **Divya Deshmukh** became India's **21st Woman Grand Master (WGM)** after achieving her 2nd International Master (IM) at First Saturday Grand Master (GM) in Budapest, Hungary on 14th Oct.

✍ Indian Football Team won SAFF Championship 2021 Against Nepal

✍ Chennai Super Kings set to become India's first sports unicorn

✍ China and Indonesia won Uber Cup and and Thomas Cup Respectively

✍ Australia's fast bowler **James Pattinson** retired from international cricket

✍ **Ahmedabad and Lucknow** are the **two new teams** that will be part of the **Indian Premier League (IPL)** from 2022. Hence taking the total number of teams in the competition to ten.

SEPTEMBER-2021

✍ **North Korea** was formally **suspended from the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics** by the IOC on 10th Sept as punishment for refusing to send a team to the Tokyo Games citing the COVID19 pandemic

✍ Sri Lanka pace veteran Lasith Malinga, who terrorised the world's best batsmen with his toe-crushing yorkers delivered from a low and sling-arm action, on 14th Sept announced his retirement from all forms of cricket.

✍ **Pankaj Advani** won **Asian Snooker Championship** for second successive time.

✍ US defeated **Europe Won Ryder Cup golf tournament** held in Wisconsin (US).

✍ India's **Avani Lekhara** clinched her **second medal** at the ongoing Tokyo Paralympics by winning the **bronze in women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions (SH1) event on 3rd Sept.**

✍ India's **Praveen Kumar** clinched the **silver medal in the men's high jump T64** event of the Paralympics,

✍ India's ace archer **Harvinder Singh** has won **bronze medal** in men's individual recurve open at Paralympics Games in Tokyo.

✍ India's **Manish Narwal** and **Singhraj Adana** claimed two medals for India in men's P4 mixed 50m pistol SH1. **While Manish Narwal won the gold medal, Singhraj Adana claimed the silver medal.**

- ✍ **India's Pramod Bhagat** defeated Daniel Bethell of Great Britain in the final of the men's singles badminton (SL3 class) event at the ongoing Tokyo Paralympic to **win the gold medal on 4th Sept.**
- ✍ **India's Krishna Nagar** won the country's **2nd gold medal in badminton at Tokyo Paralympics.**
- ✍ **India's Manoj Sarkar** on 4th Sept won the **bronze medal in** the men's singles (SL3) **badminton event** to better India's medal tally at the ongoing Tokyo Paralympics in Japan.
- ✍ **The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** is getting back into launch activity fully at Sriharikota spaceport with the planned orbiting of geo imaging satellite GISAT-1 onboard GSLV-F10 rocket on August 12.
- ✍ **Tokyo Paralympics 2020: Avani Lekhara won Gold Medal in** women's 10m AR Standing SH1 Final
- ✍ India men's **hockey team** defeated **Germany** to win the **bronze medal** at the Tokyo Olympics on 5th August. This is India's first Olympic medal in hockey since they won the gold medal in the **1980** Olympics in Moscow. Indian men's hockey team at Olympics: Gold: 1928, 1932, 1936, 1948, 1952, 1956, 1964, 1980 Silver: 1960 Bronze: 1968, 1972, 2020
- ✍ Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award has been renamed as **Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award.**
- ✍ **Neeraj Chopra** won India's first **Olympic gold medal** in athletics. The 23-year-old registered a best attempt of 87.58m. It was India's first gold medal at the ongoing Tokyo Olympics and also the country's second individual gold medal in its Olympic history after Abhinav Bindra's heroics in Beijing 2008.
- ✍ **Bajrang Punia** clinched bronze medal in men's 65 kg wrestling at Tokyo Olympics
- ✍ The **Odisha government** will sponsor the **Indian Hockey teams for 10 more years**, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik announced on 17th August. The state government started sponsoring the national hockey teams in 2018.
- ✍ **Mariyappan Thangavelu**, 2016 Rio Paralympic Games gold medalist will be replaced by Asian Games gold medalist Tekchand as the new **flag bearer of India at the opening ceremony.**
- ✍ High jumper **Nishad Kumar** has won **silver medal in Paralympics 2020.**
- ✍ Raksha Mantri, Rajnath Singh visited the Army Sports Institute (ASI), Pune and named the Army Sports Institute stadium as "**Neeraj Chopra Stadium**".

INDIA in Olympic 2020 (Tokyo)

- Neeraj Chopra-Javelin throw (GOLD)
- Saikhom Mirabai Chanu- Weightlifter (49Kg, Silver)
- Ravi Kumar Dahiya- Wrestler (57 kg category, Silver)
- PV Sindhu-Badminton (Bronze)
- Lovlina Borgohain-Boxer (Women's welterweight, Bronze)
- Men's Hockey (Bronze)
- Bajrang Punia- Wrestle, (65-kg Weight category, Bronze)

32nd Summer Olympic Games

- Host city-Tokyo, Japan • Motto-United by Emotion
- Olympic 2024 (Next): Paris, France
- Flag Bearer Opening Ceremony: Manpreet Singh & Mary Kom
- Flag Bearer Closing Ceremony: Bajrang Punia

2020 Summer Olympics medal table

Rank	Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	United States	39	41	33	113
2	China	38	32	18	88
3	Japan*	27	14	17	58
48	India	1	2	4	7

US Open 2021

Category	Winner	Runner Up
Men's Singles	Daniil Medvedev (Russia)	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
Women's Singles	Emma Raducanu (Great Britain)	Leylah Fernandez (Canada)

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Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Matteo Berrettini
Women's Singles	Ashleigh Barty (Australia)	Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic)

French Open 2021

Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Stefanos Tsitsipas (Greece)
Women's Singles	Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic)	Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (Russia)

Winter Olympics Games 2022 in Beijing concludes

- ✍ The 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing, China, was held from 4 to 20 February 2022. The Games featured a record 109 events across 15 disciplines in 7 sports.

The top country in Winter Olympics 2022 in Beijing:

- ✍ **Norway** has topped the medal table for the second successive Winter Olympics, winning a total of 37 medals, including 16 golds. This is a new record for the most amount of gold medals won at a single Winter Olympics. •

✍ **Germany** finished second with 27 medals overall, while the host nation China finished third with 15 medals

✍ **India at the 2022 Winter Olympics:**

✍ The Indian team at the game was represented by one **male alpine skier, Arif Khan**.

✍ He was the country's flagbearer during the opening ceremony, meanwhile, a volunteer was the flagbearer during the closing ceremony. **India could not win any medal at the games.**

19.Important MoU

MoU	Between
MoU for construction of motorable Bridge over the Mahakali River in Dharchula under Indian grant assistance	India and Nepal
MoU on tourism cooperation	India and Australia
MoU to hand over wheat to Afghanistan	India and UN's World Food Programme
Roadmap on Blue Economy and Ocean Governance	India and France
Bilateral Swap Arrangement of up to \$75 billion	Japan and India
Agreement for joint research & development on green fuels	India & Denmark
MoU with scope for cooperation in health research, Science and Technology Ministr	India and France
To launch pilot project on 'pre-arrival customs data exchange' to help in faster Export-Import (EXIM) clearances,	India and Maldives
for collaboration in the mining and steel sectors, with special focus on coking coal	India and Russia
agreement for exchange of white shipping information and to boost maritime security cooperation in reflection of growing cooperation between the two sides.	India and Oman
MoU on disaster management, resilience and mitigation on a priority basis	India & Bangladesh

20.Science

- ✍ Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** has inaugurated **Kalpna Chawla Centre for Research in Space Science and Technology (KCCRSST)** at **Chandigarh University**.
- ✍ **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** successfully conducted the qualification test of Cryogenic Engine for **Gaganyaan**. **India's 1st human space mission 'Gaganyaan'** will be launched in 2023. With this launch, India will become the 4th nation in the world to launch a Human Spaceflight Mission after the USA, Russia and China.
- ✍ According to Facebook parent company **Meta**, its new "**artificial intelligence supercomputer**" will be the fastest across the world, by the middle of year 2022. Meta introduced the AI Research Super Cluster (RSC) on January 24, 2022. It is believed to be among fastest AI supercomputers running today.
- ✍ **BPCL** collaborated with **BARC** for **Green Hydrogen production**.
- ✍ China launches "**Shijian-6 05**" satellites for Space Exploration.
- ✍ **NASA** launched world's largest telescope "**James Webb Space Telescope**". It will be the largest telescope ever placed in space and 100 times more powerful than **Hubble**, with a total mass of 6200 kg.
- ✍ **Russia** has launched its first in the series Project 22220 versatile **nuclear-powered icebreaker** known as '**Sibir**', which will support the growiSSng fleet of icebreakers to keep the **Northern Sea Route open** for year-round shipping through the **Arctic and enable a wider presence of India in the arctic region**.
- ✍ India's 1st manned ocean mission "**Samudrayan**" launched at Chennai. With this, India joins the elite club of nations such as USA, Russia, Japan, France and China to have such underwater vehicles for carrying out subsea activities
- ✍ China launched world's 1st **Earth Science Satellite** named "**Guangmu**".
- ✍ **Australia and Canada** will send **Rover on Moon to search water in 2024**.
- ✍ Jitendra Singh launched **India's 1st Virtual Science Lab for children under CSIR Jigyasa programme**.
- ✍ **Skyroot Aerospace**, a space technology startup based in Hyderabad, has successfully test-fired **Dhawan-1**, India's first privately developed fully cryogenic rocket engine.
- ✍ China has launched 1st Solar Exploration Satellite, The satellite was named as '**Xihe**'.
- ✍ The US space agency **NASA** has launched a first-of-its-kind mission called '**Lucy Mission**' to study Jupiter's Trojan asteroids.
- ✍ **South Korea** has launched its first homegrown rocket, stepping up the country's ambitions in space The Korean Satellite Launch Vehicle II (**known as Nuri**) took off from Goheung, about 500km south of Seoul.
- ✍ France launched Military Communications Satellite "**Syracuse 4A**"
- ✍ NITI Aayog launched **Geospatial Energy Map of India with ISRO**.
- ✍ **Apple's co-creator Steve Wozniak** has launched a new space start-up called **Privateer Space**, bringing potential competition to a field dominated by billionaires **Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos and Richard Branson**.
- ✍ The ISRO-NASA Joint Mission **NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar)** satellite, which aims to measure changes in the **earth's surface globally** using advanced radar images, is scheduled to be launched in early 2023. NISAR is one of the important cooperation projects between ISRO and NASA
- ✍ The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** 's **GSLV-F10** rocket that blasted off from Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, some 100 km from Chennai on August 12, 2021 morning failed to launch earth observation satellite **EOS-3** into the intended orbit.

- ✍ European Space Agency (ESA) will launch **world's first wooden satellite** called **WISA Woodsat** in Earth's orbit by the end 2021, with a Rocket Lab Electron rocket.
- ✍ Microsoft officially launched its new Windows operating system '**Windows 11**'. It is being called as the "**next generation**" of Windows.

21. Operations launched by India:

Operation Sukoon	Launched by the Indian Navy to evacuate Indian and other nationals during 2006 Lebanon war
Operation Safe	Homecoming Launched in 2011 to bring Indian nationals from Libya
Operation Raahat	Launched in 2015 to evacuate Indian citizens and foreign nationals from Yemen
Operation Sankat Mochan	Launched in 2016 for evacuation of Indian citizens from South Sudan
Vande Bharat Mission	Massive evacuation program launched in May 2020 in wake of Covid-19 pandemic
Operation Devi Shakti	Launched in 2021 for evacuation of Indian nationals, embassy staff and eligible Afghans
Operation Ganga	The government of India has launched an evacuation mission to evacuate Indian nationals from Ukraine due to the Russia-Ukraine tension in 2022.

22. Obituary

Person	About
Pandit Birju Maharaj	Legendary Kathak dancer
Prof M K Prasad	Noted environmentalist & 'Save Silent Valley' campaigner
Bipin Rawat	Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)
Shane Warne	Australian cricket passed away at 52
Hemananda Biswal	Odisha's 1st tribal Chief Minister passed away
Bappi Lahiri	Legendary Singer-composer passed away
Surajit Sengupta	Former Indian footballer passed away
Praveen Kumar Sobti	Mahabharat's actor who played Bheem passed away
Rahul Bajaj	Former Chairman of Bajaj Group & Industrialist passed away
Rupinder Singh Suri	Senior advocate & Additional Solicitor General passed away
Lata Mangeshkar	India's nightingale passed away.

23.Ramsar Sites in India 2022

The term was coined when the **International Treaty for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Wetlands** was signed at a city in Iran called Ramsar in 1971.

Latest Updates about Indian Ramsar Sites

1. **Khijadia Wildlife Sanctuary in Gujarat** and **Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary in Uttar Pradesh** were announced as Ramsar sites (Wetlands of International Importance) on the occasion of **World Wetland day 2022** (2nd January 2022) held at Sultanpur National Park, a Ramsar site in Haryana.
2. **Haiderpur Wetland** in Uttar Pradesh has been added as the 47th Ramsar Site in December 2021. It is a human-made wetland formed in 1984 and is located within the boundaries of Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. Four new sites have been added to the list of Ramsar Sites in India in August 2021. These are:
 - Sultanpur National Park – Gurugram, Haryana
 - Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary – Jhajjar, Haryana
 - Thol Lake Wildlife Sanctuary – Near Ahmedabad, Gujarat
 - Wadhvana Wetland – Vadodara, Gujarat
4. **In 2020, the following sites were added to the Ramsar Sites of India List:**
 - December 2020 – The Tso Kar Wetland Complex was added to the list of Ramsar sites in India. This includes the high-altitude wetland complex of two connected lakes, Startsapuk Tso and Tso Kar, in Ladakh.
 - November 2020 – Maharashtra – Lonar Lake
 - November 2020 – Agra (Uttar Pradesh) – Sur Sarovar also called, Keetham Lake
 - November 2020 – Uttarakhand – Asan Barrage
 - July 2020 – Bihar – Kanwar Lake or Kabal Taal
 - February 2020 – Kolkata – Sunderban Reserve Forest (Sunderban Wetlands)
5. **2nd February 2021** marked the **50th anniversary of the Ramsar Convention**, the day which is also celebrated as **World Wetlands Day**. India on this occasion established the Centre for Wetland Conservation & Management which is the first in the country. **It is set up under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), at the National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM) in Chennai**

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24. Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

- Social media giant **Meta** has partnered with industry body the **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)** to support five lakh women-led small businesses across India.
- **The Government of India** has joined hands with the **Government of Israel** to create **150 'Villages of Excellence'** in 12 States of the country, to help farmers to adopt the latest technology in the farm sector.
- **Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog, and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)** have announced a new partnership under the **Sustainable Access to Markets and Resources for Innovative Delivery of Healthcare (SAMRIDH)** initiative.
- **India and France** have inked a roadmap to **enhance their bilateral exchanges** on the blue economy and ocean governance.
- **United Nations' World Food Programme (WFP)** in India, has partnered with **The Akshaya Patra Foundation (TAPF)**, to enhance the effectiveness of the **Pradhan Mantri – Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN) scheme** (earlier known as National Programme for Mid-Day Meal in Schools).
- Small businesses-focused online lending platform **Indifi Technologies** has collaborated with **Google Pay** to provide instant loans to **eligible medium, small and micro enterprises (MSMEs)** merchants through the Google Pay platform.
- **India and European Union (EU)** have agreed to **step up their Clean Energy and Climate Partnership**. They jointly agreed on a detailed work program until 2023 to implement the 2016 India-EU Clean Energy and Climate Partnership.
- **NITI Aayog** has signed a Statement of Intent with the **United Nations World Food Program (WFP)**. The partnership focuses on mainstreaming **millets** and **supporting India in taking lead globally in knowledge exchange using the opportunity of 2023 as an International Year of Millets**. The government of India observed 2018 as a year of millets.
- **The Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC)** has partnered with **Truecaller** India to provide passengers with greater trust in communication. This partnership aims to reduce fraud in the railways.
- **MakeMyTrip** partnered with the **Ministry of Civil Aviation** to promote regional air connectivity through the UDAN scheme.
- **India** announced a **\$200-million line of credit for Kyrgyzstan** and signed an agreement to carry out small but high impact projects for community development in the Central Asian state.
- **Satellite narrowband Internet of Things (NB-IoT) solution Skylo** launched **'Fish Catch Report'** for the fishermen community to help initiate the selling process even before they dock boats on the shore.
- **The Ministry of Defence, the Government of India and US Department of Defence** have signed a Project Agreement (PA) for **Air-Launched Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (ALUAV)**. This agreement is signed under the Joint Working Group Air Systems in the Defence Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI).
- **Niti Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission** in collaboration with **ISRO and CBSE** has launched 'Space Challenge' for school students across India.
- **India** has emphasized the implementation of the recently-signed **memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Bangladesh over disaster management**.

- **UNICEF India** and **Facebook** have launched a oneyear joint initiative on ending violence against children with a special focus on online safety
- **Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS)** signed an agreement for cooperation in remote sensing satellite data sharing, according to the **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)**

25.MCQ

SET-1

Q1.In which state MSME Technology Center will be set up in Sindhudurg?

- A.Karnataka B.Maharashtra
C.Tamil Nadu D.Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Q2.Which airport in India is set to get the status of power positive airport of India in March 2022?

- A.Goa International Airport
B.Cochin International Airport
C.Kempegowda International Airport
D.Surat International Airport

Answer: Option B

Q3.Zmiinyi Island (Snake Island), which was seen in the news, is located in which Sea/Ocean?

- A.Pacific Ocean B.Black Sea
C.Mediterranean Sea D.Atlantic Ocean

Answer: Option B

Q4.Who has become the highest run-scorer in T20 cricket?

- A.Virat Kohli B.Suresh Raina
C.Kane Williamson D.Rohit Sharma

Answer: Option D

Q5.Operation Ganga is a special evacuation mission launched by the Government of India to bring back Indian nationals from which country?

- A.Russia B.Afghanistan
C.Belarus D.Ukraine

Answer: Option D

Q6.The Dredging Museum named Nikarshan Sadan has been inaugurated in which city of India?

- A.Chennai B.Vishakhapatnam
C.Kochi D.Panaji

Answer: Option B

Q7.Sadia Tariq was in news for winning a gold medal for India in which event?

- A.Boxing B.Fencing
C.Wushu D.Weightlifting

Answer: Option C

Q8.India has launched which operation to bring back its nationals from Ukraine?

- A.Operation Bharat B.Operation Yamuna
C.Operation Saraswati D.Operation Ganga

Answer: Option D

Q9.Who is the winner of the 2022 Mexican Open tennis tournament?

- A.Novak Djokovic B.Stefanos Tsitsipas
C.Daniil Medvedev D.Rafael Nadal

Answer: Option D

Q10.The Bhasha Sangam mobile app has been released by the Ministry of Education in how many scheduled Indian languages?

- A.19 B.21
C.22 D.23

Answer: Option C

Q11.In which year was the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) was launched?

- A.2006 B.2012
C.2010 D.2008

Answer: Option D

Q11.Dr Jitendra Singh launched the International Monsoons Project Office (IMPO) at the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM). Where is this IMPO/IITM located?

- A.Pune B.Mumbai
C.Chennai D.Ahmedabad

Answer: Option A

Q12.Ministry of Women and Child Development will launch the 'Back to School' Campaign in partnership with which organization?

A.UNICEF
C.NITI Aayog
Answer: Option A

Q13.India's first ambulance for street animals has been launched in which city?

A.Jaipur
C.Bengaluru
B.Chandigarh
D.Chennai

Answer: Option D

Q14.The Indian Navy conducted 'Operational Demonstration' at which city?

A.Pune
C.Visakhapatnam
B.Kochi
D.Ernakulam

Answer: Option C

Q15.Which country has topped Knight Frank's The Wealth Report 2022 list for the most number of billionaires' population globally?

A.United States
C.Australia
B.Russia
D.China

Answer: Option A

Q16.Professor Deepak Dhar has become which Indian to be awarded the Boltzmann Medal?

A.Third
C.Second
B.First
D.Fourth

Answer: Option B

Q17.The WHO has declared March 03 as World Hearing Day. What is the theme of World Hearing Day in 2022?

A.Hearing Care for All
B.Check your hearing
C.Hearing for Life. Don't let hearing loss limit you
D.To hear for life, listen with care

Answer: Option D

Q18.Which country topped in the 2022 International Intellectual property Index?

A.Sweden
C.United States
B.Germany
D.United Kingdom

Answer: Option C

Q19.China claimed a domestic record for launching 22 satellites into space by using which rocket?

A.Long March 3C rocket
B.Long March 8 rocket
C.Long March 2E rocket
D.Long March 4A rocket

Answer: Option B

Q20.Exercise DHARMA GUARDIAN 2022 is a military training exercise of India with which country?

A.USA
C.Sri Lanka
B.Japan
D.Nepal

Answer: Option B

Q21.What is the revised compensation to the kind of hit-and-run victims in case of death?

A.2 Lakhs
C.50,000
B.75000
D.1 Lakhs

Answer: Option A

Q23.Who will be the first woman to lead SEBI in 2022?

A.reetha Reddy
C.Sikha Sharma
B.Chanda Kochhar
D.Madhabi Puri Buch

Answer: Option D

Q24.Millennium Challenge Corporation is an initiative of which country?

A.Sri Lanka
C.Russia
B.Nepal
D.Iran

Answer: Option B

Q25.What is the rank of India in the sustainable Development Report 2021 list?

A.122nd
C.124th
B.120th
D.121st

Answer: Option B

Q26.Which country has topped in the Sustainable Development Index 2021 List?

A.Sweden
C.Belgium
B.Denmark
D.Finland

Answer: Option D

Q27.Which of the following ministry and Google have announced to train 100 Indian startups under the Appscale Academy program?

A.Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
B.Ministry of Education
C.Ministry of Women & Child Development
D.Ministry of Tribals

Answer: Option A

Q28.The ministry of Women & Child Development has launched 'Stree Manoraksha Project' in collaboration with which organisation to improve

the mental health of the women population across the country?

- A.ARVI Trust B.Neptune Foundation.
C.Isha Foundation D.NIMHANS

Answer: Option D

Q29.In which sports, Shri Nivetha, Esha Singh and Ruchita Vinerkar win a gold medal?

- A.Weightlifting B.Shooting
C.Boxing D.Hockey

Answer: Option B

Q30.Which country has the most nuclear weapons in the world?

- A.United States B.Russia
C.France D.China

Answer: Option B

Q31,"Vida" is a new brand name launched by which company for its upcoming electric vehicles?

- A.Bajaj Auto B.Hero MotoCorp
C.Suzuki D.Tvs Motor

Answer: Option B

Q32.Aman Lekhi has resigned from which position of India?

- A.Additional Solicitor General
B.Additional Solicitor General of India
C.Election Commissioner
D.Deputy Comptrollers and Auditors General of India

Answer: Option A

Q33.The 2022 ICC Women's Cricket World Cup is being held in which country?

- A.Bangladesh B.India
C.Australia D.New Zealand

Answer: Option D

Q34.The DefExpo 2022 has been postponed till further orders. The event was scheduled to take place in which city?

- A.Gandhinagar B.Ranchi
C.Bengaluru D.Lucknow

Answer: Option A

Q35.India's largest EV charging station for 4 wheelers, with 121 charging points, has been launched in which city?

- A.Chennai B.Pune
C.Gurugram D.New Delhi

Answer: Option C

Q36.Who among the following led Rajasthan Royals to win the inaugural IPL title?

- A.David Warner B.Rahul Dravid
C.Shane Warne D.Ross Taylor

Answer: Option C

Q37.SAMRIDH is an initiative of the Government of India to improve the health infrastructure. The initiative is supported by IIT Delhi and which organization?

- A.BRICS B.World Bank
C.WHO D.USAID

Answer: Option D

Q38.Former Chief of the Indian Army, General S F Rodrigues has passed away. He had also served as the Governor of which state?

- A.Rajasthan B.Haryana
C.Punjab D.Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option C

Q39.What is the name of India's automatic train collision protection system?

- A.Suraksha B.Dhaal
C.Kavach D.Raksha

Answer: Option C

Q40.Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and who has signed an MoU towards green energy goals?

- A.Bank of Baroda
B.Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited
C.Coal India
D.SEBI

Answer: Option B

Q41.Which is the headquarters of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)?

- A.Geneva B.New York
C.Moscow D.Vienna

Answer: Option D

Q42.Who among these is an Arjuna award winner in this sport, who has part of an Asian Games bronze medal-winning side?

- A.Kiran George B.Robert George
C.George Gervin D.Jimmy George

Answer: Option D

Q43.The 19th edition of the India-US Military Cooperation Group meeting has been held in which city?

- A.Maharashtra B.Jaipur
C.Agra D.Pune

Answer: Option C

Q44.Which of these is a name is given to the border security force's increased surveillance along the Pakistan border in Rajasthan?

- A.Sard Hawa B.Good Samaritan
C.Randori Behak D.Devi Shakti

Answer: Option A

Q45.Which Union Ministry implements the MGNREGS?

- A.Ministry of Law and Justice
B.Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
C.Ministry of Rural Development
D.Ministry of Labour and Employment

Answer: Option C

Q46.Which country has been added to the Grey List of 'Financial Action Task Force'?

- A.Russia B.UAE
C.Belarus D.Ukraine

Answer: Option B

Q47.Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal?

- A.Justice D N Patel B.Justice K Chandru
C.Justice Sadasivam D.Justice Ranjan Gogoi

Answer: Option A

Q48.Who has become India's second-highest wicket-taker in Test cricket?

- A.Jasprit Bumrah B.Mohammed Shami
C.R Ashwin D.Ishant Sharma

Answer: Option C

Q49.Vidya Balan has been appointed as the brand ambassador of which insurance company?

- A.HDFC Life Insurance
B.Tata AIA Life Insurance
C.Max Life Insurance
D.Bharti AXA Life Insurance

Answer: Option D

Q50.The OCEANS 2022 Conference and Exposition was held in which city?

- A.Kolkata B.Chennai
C.Kochi D.Mumbai

Answer: Option B

SET-2

Q1.Which nation has threatened to detach itself from the International Space Station?

- A.South Korea B.China
C.Russia D.China

Answer: Option C

Q2.Which country has tested reconnaissance satellite systems?

- A.Ukraine B.Russia
C.North Korea D.UAE

Answer: Option C

Q3.India won seven medals at the 2022 ISSF World Cup 2022 in Cairo, Egypt. These included how many gold medals?

- A.5 B.4
C.6 D.8

Answer: Option B

Q4.Which is the venue of the India Global Forum (IGF) event in 2022?

- A.Bengaluru B.Varanasi
C.Chennai D.Gandhi Nagar

Answer: Option A

Q5.SAMARTH is a Special Entrepreneurship Promotion Drive for Women launched by which ministry?

- A.Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
B.Ministry of Women and Child Development
C.Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
D.Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Answer: Option D

Q6.The India-Sri Lanka bilateral maritime exercise SLINEX 2022 will be held in which place?

- A.Visakhapatnam B.Kochi
C.Chennai D.Kolkata

Answer: Option A

Q7.Which Indian Navy ship is representing the country in the SLINEX 2022?

- A.INS Karmuk B.INS Khukri
C.INS Kirch D.INS Khanjar

Answer: Option C

Q8.What is the name of the new payments service launched by RBI?

- A.157Pay B.120Pay
C.123Pay D.234Pay

Answer: Option C

Q9.How many women were awarded Nari Shakti Puraskar 2021?

- A.50 B.45
C.14 D.15

Answer: Option C

Q10.Which ministry has launched the Donation-e-Pension campaign under the PM-SYM scheme?

- A.Ministry of Science B.Ministry of Labor
C.Ministry of Tribals D.Ministry of Education

Answer: Option B

Q11.Which initiative has been launched by RBI for a 24x7 Helpline for Digital Payments?

- A.DigiSaathi B.DigiRath
C.DigiRakhsak D.DigiSaath

Answer: Option A

Q12.Who has been appointed as the Commandant of Air Force Academy?

- A.Vijay Tiwari B.B Chandra Sekhar
C.Vikram Chaudhary D.Ayush Katheria

Answer: Option B

Q13.The two-day Study in India meeting has been inaugurated in which country?

- A.Bhutan B.Tunisia
C.China D.Bangladesh

Answer: Option D

Q14.The PAN-India programme 'Jharokha' has been launched by the inaugural celebration of the programme has been held in which city?

- A.Bhopal B.Lucknow
C.Noida D.Gurugram

Answer: Option A

Q15.Which country has launched a military satellite named "Noor-2"?

- A.India B.Iran
C.Iraq D.China

Answer: Option B

Q16.What is the theme of the Janaushadhi Diwas 2022?

- A.Jan Aushadhi-Jan Upyogi
B.Ayushman Bharat, Swastha Samaj
C.Seva Bhi - Rozgar bhi
D.Achi Dawa, Sasti Dawa

Answer: Option A

Q17.The WHO GCTM(Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (WHO GCTM) will be established at which place?

- A.Gurugram B.Mumbai
C.Jamnagar D.Delhi

Answer: Option C

Q18.With the help of the Ministry of Education and which Q18.organization has launched the "Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav" campaign?

- A.UNESCO B.SEBI
C.UNICEF D.world bank

Answer: Option C

Q19.Who has been selected for the International Women of Courage (IWOC) Award for 2022.

- A.Vikram Tripathi B.Rizwana Hasan
C.Mohd Imtiyaz D.Salman Khurshid

Answer: Option B

Q20.Which country has announced to host the virtual meeting of G7 Agriculture Ministers?

- A.Australia B.Germany
C.Italy D.France

Answer: Option B

Q21.Who has become the 23rd Woman Grandmaster of India?

- A.Mary Ann Gomes
B.Priyanka Nutakki
C.Padmini Rout
D.Subbaraman Vijayalakshmi

Answer: Option B

Q22.Which state has approved the proposal to replace paper ballot papers with electronic voting machines?

- A.Maharashtra B.Gujarat
C.Kerala D.Assam

Answer: Option D

Q23. Who has been nominated to represent India in the Climate Force Antarctica Expedition?

- A. Arunima Sharma B. Ratna Raina
C. Kiran Mishra D. Aarushi Verma

Answer: Option D

Q24. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a nearly 9.5 feet tall statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in which city?

- A. Delhi B. Kolkata
C. Mumbai D. Pune

Answer: Option D

Q25. Who has been appointed as the new President of the FATF?

- A. Marcus Watson B. T. Raja Kumar
C. Marcus Pleyer D. Raja Rai

Answer: Option B

Q26. India has approved a Digital Work Plan 2022 with which intergovernmental organisation?

- A. OPEC B. G20
C. SAARC D. ASEAN

Answer: Option D

Q27. Who is the author of the book 'Fearless Governance'?

- A. Raghuram Rajan B. Subramanian Swamy
C. Bimal Jalan D. Dr Kiran Bedi

Answer: Option D

Q28. Economic Survey 2021-2022 has projected how much growth in India's GDP in FY23?

- A. 8 - 8.5 percent B. 10.5 percent
C. 9.2 percent D. 7 - 7.5 percent

Answer: Option A

Q29. Who has won the record-breaking 21st Grand Slam title?

- A. Novak Djokovic B. Rafael Nadal
C. Daniil Medvedev D. Roger Federer

Answer: Option B

Q30. India's Unnati Hooda represented the country in which game to win gold?

- A. Badminton B. Tennis
C. Athletics D. Hockey

Answer: Option A

Q31. Who has become the first Australian woman to win Australian Open in 44 years?

- A. Maddison Inglis B. Daria Saville
C. Samantha Stosur D. Ashleigh Barty

Answer: Option D

Q32. Who will undertake the initiative named #SheMeansBusiness programme, in partnership with FICCI?

- A. Amazon B. Microsoft
C. Apple D. Meta

Answer: Option D

Q33. Who has become the second Indian to win the World Games Athlete of the Year 2021 award?

- A. Manpreet Singh B. Neeraj Chopra
C. PR Sreejesh D. PV Sindhu

Answer: Option C

Q34. How many sites in India are listed in UNESCO's Tentative List of Heritage Sites?

- A. 46 B. 50
C. 52 D. 61

Answer: Option A

Q35. Union Ministry of Culture has nominated the 'Sacred Ensembles of Hoysala' or UNESCO's World Heritage List for 2022-2023. The Hoysala temples are located in which state of the country?

- A. Karnataka B. Kerala
C. Tamil Nadu D. Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Q36. Tata Sky has rebranded itself. What is the new brand name of the entity?

- A. Tata Trend B. Tata Play
C. Tata World D. Tata Pro

Answer: Option B

Q37. The United States announced which country as its major non-NATO ally?

- A. Qatar B. Israel
C. UAE D. Japan

Answer: Option A

Q38. Vayam Rakshamah" or "We Protect" is the theme of which armed force of India?

- A. Indo-Tibetan Border Police
B. Indian Coast Guard
C. Border Security Force
D. Assam Sentinels

Answer: Option B

Q39. Who is the only Indian sportsperson to have won Laureus World Sports Award?

- A. Virat Kohli B. MS Dhoni
C. Rahul Dravid D. Sachin Tendulkar

Answer: Option D

Q40. Which player has won the Tata Steel Chess Tournament 2022 in the Masters section?

- A. Fabiano Caruana B. Magnus Carlsen
C. Hikaru Nakamura D. Garry Kasparov

Answer: Option B

Q41. How many Indian athletes are participating in the Winter Olympics 2022 in Beijing?

- A. 100 B. 77
C. 10 D. 1

Answer: Option D

Q42. Who has become the third Indian to score a century in the ICC U19 World Cup?

- A. Raj Bawa B. Shaik Rasheed
C. Yash Dhull D. Siddarth Yadav

Answer: Option C

Q43. The Geological Survey of India (GSI) has approved to set up the first-ever geological park in the country in which city?

- A. Amravati B. Dehradun
C. Jabalpur D. Gorakhpur

Answer: Option C

Q44. Which state/ UT is likely to host the IPL 2022?

- A. Maharashtra B. Uttar Pradesh
C. Gujarat D. New Delhi

Answer: Option A

Q45. The Spituk Gustor Festival is an annual festival celebrated in which state/Union Territory of India?

- A. West Bengal B. Ladakh
C. Sikkim D. Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Answer: Option B

Q46. The second highest Indian flag in the country has been hoisted in which state?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh B. Sikkim
C. Uttar Pradesh D. Ladakh

Answer: Option A

Q47. Param Pravega supercomputer has been commissioned by IISc. It is one of the most powerful supercomputers in India. What is the processing speed of Param Pravega?

- A. 3.3 petaflop B. 3.8 petaflop
C. 4.1 petaflop D. 2.6 petaflop

Answer: Option A

Q48. India has offered a one-year training programme to 80 cadets from which nation?

- A. Russia B. South Korea
C. Bangladesh D. Afghanistan

Answer: Option D

Q49. Which country was the largest trading partner of India in 2021?

- A. Japan B. China
C. United States D. South Korea

Answer: Option C

Q50. The Aravalli Biodiversity Park has been declared as India's first "other effective area-based conservation measures" (OECM) site. In which city is the site located?

- A. Guwahati B. Chandigarh
C. Pune D. Gurugram

Answer: Option D

SET-3

Q1. With the integration of Chhattisgarh, the 'One Nation One Ration Card' plan is operational in how many states/UT?

- A. 20 B. 15
C. 35 D. 25

Answer: Option C

Q2. The traditional Torgya Festival is celebrated annually by which state of India marks the beginning of the new year?

- A. Sikkim B. Arunachal Pradesh
C. West Bengal D. Chhattisgarh

Answer: Option B

Q3. In February 2022, two new sites from India has been added to the Ramsar list. Name the two newly added sites?

- A. Khijadiya Wildlife sanctuary
B. Bakhira Wildlife sanctuary
C. Udaypur Wildlife Sanctuary
D. Both A & B

Answer: Option D

Q4. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India?

- A. Ravi Mittal B. Sudhaker Shukla
C. Mukulita Vijayawargiya D. Navrang Saini

Answer: Option A

Q5. The 2022 Winter Olympics is being held in Beijing. What is the official slogan of the event?

- A. Passion. Connected
B. United by Emotion
C. Faster, Higher, Stronger
D. Together for a Shared Future

Answer: Option D

Q6. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC) in 2022?

- A. V.S. Krishna B. M Jagadesh Kumar
C. Hridaynath Kunzru D. Satish Chandra

Answer: Option B

Q7. 'CAR T-cell therapy' which was seen in the news is used to treat which disease?

- A. Sickle Cell Anaemia B. Tuberculosis
C. Diphtheria D. Cancer

Answer: Option D

Q8. Who has been sworn in as the Controller General of Accounts in place of Dipak Dash?

- A. Anil Yadav B. Sonali Singh
C. Dinesh Kumar Gupta D. Ashok Kumar Pal

Answer: Option B

Q9. Who is the author of the biography on Neeraj Chopra titled 'Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra'?

- A. Manorama Jafa B. Navdeep Singh Gill
C. B. N. Goswamy D. Jagreet Kaur

Answer: Option B

Q10. Which cricket player has been selected for the ICC Spirit of Cricket Award 2021?

- A. Henry Nicholls B. Daryl Mitchell
C. James Neesham D. Martin Guptill

Answer: Option B

Q11. Rahul Bhatia has been appointed as the Managing Director of which airline carrier?

- A. Air India B. Go Air
C. Vistara D. IndiGo

Answer: Option D

Q12. Which base year is used to calculate the Gross Domestic Product on constant prices?

- A. 2014-15 B. 2010-11
C. 2011-12 D. 2008-09

Answer: Option C

Q13. Which country is to ban 'India Out' protest in their country?

- A. Sri Lanka B. Maldives
C. Bangladesh D. Nepal

Answer: Option B

Q14. Which country openly declared that Taiwan is a part of China?

- A. Pakistan B. Russia
C. Turkey D. Iran

Answer: Option B

Q15. Which will be the first train station to be constructed on the bullet train route?

- A. Anand B. Surat
C. Ahmedabad D. Amreli

Answer: Option B

Q16. India is to convert how many villages into 'Village of Excellence' in partnership with Israel?

- A. 200 B. 150
C. 165 D. 148

Answer: Option B

Q17. Which sport has not been included in the 2028 Olympics at Los Angeles by the International Olympic Committee?

- A. Modern pentathlon B. Skateboarding
C. Sport Climbing D. Surfing

Answer: Option A

Q18. Which is the host country of the African Union Summit 2022?

- A. Mali B. Zimbabwe
C. Ethiopia D. South Africa

Answer: Option C

Q19. Which nation has won the Africa Cup of Nations 2022 football tournament?

- A. Senegal B. China

C.Egypt

D.South Korea

Answer: Option A

Q20.Which Indian Institute of Science in India has commissioned the fastest supercomputer named "Param Praveg" in India?

A.Pune

B.Bengaluru

C.Delhi

D.Gujarat

Answer: Option B

Q21. Which state has launched an open-air classroom program named "Paray Shikshalaya" for classes 1 to 7?

A.West Bengal

B.Goa

C.Tamil Nadu

D.Kerala

Answer: Option A

Q22.Suranga Lakmal has announced his retirement from international cricket in March 2022. He plays international matches for which country?

A.South Africa

B.Sri Lanka

C.Zimbabwe

D.West Indies

Answer: Option B

Q23.Who has been appointed as the new Director of the NCERT?

A.Denesh Prasad Saklani

B.Rajesh Prasad Saklani

C.Rahul Prasad Saklani

D.Dinesh Prasad Saklani

Answer: Option D

Q24.Which state has implemented the "One Nation One Ration Card" scheme?

A.Gujarat government

B.Government of Maharashtra

C.Government of Chhattisgarh

D.Government of Kerala

Answer: Option C

Q25.Which nation flagged off direct shipping services to Europe?

A.Nepal

B.India

C.Bangladesh

D.Sri Lanka

Answer: Option C

Q26.India has become the first country to administer a DNA vaccine against COVID-19. Which company has produced this plasmid DNA vaccine?

A.Serum Institute of India

B.Ranbaxy Laboratories

C.Zydus Cadila

D.Bharat Biotech

Answer: Option C

Q27.Who is the winner of the AFC Women's Asian Cup India 2022?

A.South Korea

B.India

C.Japan

D.China PR

Answer: Option D

Q28.Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of MediBuddy?

A.Akshay Kumar

B.Virat Kohli

C.Amitabh Bachchan

D.John Abraham

Answer: Option C

Q29.Which is the first Union Territory to be integrated with the National Single Window System (NSWS)?

A.Ladakh

B.Delhi

C.Jammu & Kashmir

D.Chandigarh

Answer: Option C

Q30.Kanchoth festival' is celebrated in which Indian state/UT?

A.Jammu and Kashmir

B.West Bengal

C.Bihar

D.Assam

Answer: Option A

Q31.What was the total corpus under the PM CARES Funds in 2020-21?

A.Rs 10,880.17 crore

B.Rs 10,990.17 crore

C.Rs 10,980.17 crore

D.Rs 10,890.17 crore

Answer: Option B

Q32.Who has been appointed as the new director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre?

A.A. S. Kiran Kumar

B.S Somanath

C.Koppillil Radhakrishnan

D.Dr S Unnikrishnan Nair

Answer: Option D

Q33.Which state/UT has topped the India Press Freedom Report 2021 released by the Rights and Risks Analysis Group (RRAG)?

A.Jammu and Kashmir

B.Uttar Pradesh

C.Tripura

D.Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Q34.What amount has been allocated to 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)' till 2026?

- A.Rs 4,200 crore B.Rs 4,600 crore
C.Rs 4,300 crore D.Rs 4,500 crore

Answer: Option B

Q35.Which High court has constituted a three-judge bench to hear petitions questioning a ban on the use of hijabs in colleges?

- A.Uttar Pradesh B.Andhra Pradesh
C.Maharashtra D.Karnataka

Answer: Option D

Q36.Jens Stoltenberg is the head of which of the following organization?

- A.NATO B.WTO
C.WEF D.ASEAN

Answer: Option A

Q37.White Cheeked Macaque, a new mammal species in the country, has been discovered in which state?

- A.Sikkim B.Uttarakhand
C.Assam D.Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: Option D

Q38.What is the new name of the Ahmedabad IPL team?

- A.Ahmedabad Giants B.Gujarat Lions
C.Ahmedabad Titans D.Gujarat Titans

Answer: Option D

Q39.India's first commercial-scale biomass-based hydrogen plant will come up in which state?

- A.Gujarat B.Uttar Pradesh
C.Madhya Pradesh D.Rajasthan

Answer: Option C

Q40.Which was the most congested city in India in 2021?

- A.Mumbai B.Bengaluru
C.New Delhi D.Chennai

Answer: Option A

Q41.Which country has banned the import of drones?

- A.Bangladesh B.India
C.Pakistan D.Nepal

Answer: Option B

Q42.Who has been appointed as the Secretary in the Department of Financial Services in the Ministry of Finance?

- A.Anurag Jain B.Tarun Bajaj
C.Debashish Panda D.Sanjay Malhotra

Answer: Option D

Q43.Which state's High Court has asked students not to wear 'religious things' till the disposal of the Hijab matter?

- A.Tamil Nadu B.Telangana
C.Karnataka D.Kerala

Answer: Option C

Q44.The National Centre of Excellence in Carbon Capture and Utilisation has been established at which institution?

- A.DRDO B.ISRO
C.IIT- Bombay D.IISc- Bengaluru

Answer: Option C

Q45.Which film has received maximum nominations at the 94th Academy Awards?

- A.Belfast B.The Power Of The Dog
C.West Side Story D.Dune

Answer: Option B

Q46.Who is the author of the book "Atal Bihari Vajpayee"?

- A.Swati Chaturvedi B.Sagarika Ghose
C.Rajdeep Sardesai D.Karan Thapar

Answer: Option B

Q47.India's first bullet train station is being constructed in which city of the country?

- A.Ahmedabad B.Pune
C.Surat D.Mumbai

Answer: Option C

Q48.What is the rank of India in the EIU's 2021 Democracy Index?

- A.39 B.54
C.46 D.95

Answer: Option C

Q49.What is the length of the 'Rail-cum-Road-Bridge', which was inaugurated over River Ganga by Union Minister Nitin Gadkari in Bihar's Munger?

A.12.5 km B.14.5 km
C.15.5 km D.10.5 km
Answer: Option B

Q50.What is the official Gross domestic product deflator projection for 2022-23?
A.4.5- 5 % B.3- 3.5 %
C.1.5- 2 % D.10 %
Answer: Option B

Set-4

Q1.Which tunnel in India has been recognised as the 'World's Longest Highway Tunnel above 10,000 Feet' by the World Book of Records?
A.Zoji-la Tunnel
B.Banihal Qazigund Road Tunnel
C.Atal Tunnel
D.Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee Road Tunnel
Answer: Option C

Q2.Which country hosted the One Ocean Summit, organized in February 2022 in collaboration with World Bank and UN?
A.Germany B.Sweden
C.Israel D.France
Answer: Option D

Q3.Name the scheme launched by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment for the welfare of the Transgender community and the beggars?
A.WINNER B.PROUD
C.SMILE D.VALUE
Answer: Option C

Q4.Which programme has been launched by NABARD to promote natural farming?
A.URJA B.PRAAN
C.AYUSH D.JIVA
Answer: Option D

Q5.Belarus and which country has started joint military exercises with Ukraine near the Belarusian border?
A.Russia B.Turkey
C.Poland D.Minsk
Answer: Option A

Q6.Which company has started India's first project of mixing Hydrogen into a Natural Gas System?
A.Oil and Natural Gas Corporation
B.National Thermal Power Corporation
C.Gas Authority of India Limited
D.Power Grid Corporation
Answer: Option C

Q7.The central government has set a target to replace diesel with renewable energy in the agriculture sector by which year?
A.2025 B.2024
C.2022 D.2023
Answer: Option B

Q8.Japan's parliament adopted a resolution on which country's "serious human rights situation"?
A.Syria B.China
C.Afghanistan D.Venezuela
Answer: Option B

Q9.Who has started the "Jiva Program" to promote natural farming?
A.Canara Bank
B.world bank
C.State Bank Of India
D.National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
Answer: Option D

Q10.The Government of India is committed to becoming a net-zero carbon emitter by which year?
A.2030 B.2050
C.2070 D.2060
Answer: Option C

Q11.The ISRO has successfully launched the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle PSLV-C52. Who is the chief of ISRO?
A.K Sivan B.S Somnath
C.A S Kiran Kumar D.Shailesh Nayak
Answer: Option B

Q12.Which of the following central jail started its own radio channel?
A.Central Jail of Indore B.Jaipur Central Jail
C.Central Jail of Bhopal D.Kanpur Central Jail
Answer: Option A

Q13. NASA's Parker Solar Probe took pictures of the surface of which planet from space?

- A. Venus B. Tues
C. Mercury D. Saturn

Answer: Option A

Q14. Which country is hosting the World Sustainable Development Summit 2022?

- A. France B. India
C. UK D. Russia

Answer: Option B

Q15. Who has won the ICC men's Player of the Month award for January 2022?

- A. Marnus Labuschagne B. Ebadot Hossain
C. Keegan Petersen D. Dewald Brevis

Answer: Option C

Q16. The ISRO successfully launched which earth observation satellite, in its first launch of the year 2022?

- A. EOS-4 B. EOS-2
C. EOS-3 D. EOS-5

Answer: Option A

Q17. Who has been appointed as the new CEO and MD of Air India?

- A. Ece Erken B. Bilal Erdogan
C. Temel Kotil D. Ilker Ayci

Answer: Option D

Q18. India signed an agreement with the UN World Food Program for the distribution of wheat to which country?

- A. Sri Lanka B. Maldives
C. Syria D. Afghanistan

Answer: Option D

Q19. Which country is hosting Badminton Asia Team Championships 2022?

- A. Japan B. Indonesia
C. India D. Malaysia

Answer: Option D

Q20. Vedanta has tied with which company to form a joint venture for manufacturing semiconductors in India?

- A. Acer B. Pegatron
C. Foxconn D. Asus

Answer: Option C

Q21. Which year was the world's first chickenpox vaccine rolled out?

- A. 1986 B. 1975
C. 1981 D. 1969

Answer: Option A

Q22. The 'Quit Tobacco App' has been launched by which organization to support people in quitting the use of tobacco in all forms?

- A. NPCI
B. World Health Organization
C. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI
D. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Answer: Option B

Q23. Who will be the head of the Apex Committee on the G20 Secretariat, formed to oversee the preparations for the G20 India Summit 2023?

- A. G20 Sherpa
B. Home Minister
C. External Affairs Minister
D. Prime Minister

Answer: Option D

Q24. Which country will host the G20 Summit in 2022?

- A. South Korea B. Indonesia
C. Italy D. Japan

Answer: Option B

Q25. Which state government conferred their highest civilian award upon Ratan Tata?

- A. Assam B. Meghalaya
C. Telangana D. Maharashtra

Answer: Option A

Q26. 'Cope South 22' is a joint airlift exercise between which countries?

- A. India and Nepal
B. United States and Japan
C. Bangladesh and the United States
D. Japan and Bangladesh

Answer: Option C

Q27. Sahitya Akademi Award-winning poet Channaveera Kanavi has passed away. He was a prominent writer and poet in which language?

- A. Marathi B. Malayalam
C. Kannada D. Bengali

Answer: Option C

Q28. Which is the venue of the 'DefExpo 2022' Defence Exhibition?

- A. Chennai B. Gandhinagar
C. Goa D. Varanasi

Answer: Option B

Q29. Which Union Ministry/Institution organized Global Summit on 'Reimagining Museums in India'?

- A. NITI Aayog B. Ministry of Tourism
C. Ministry of Culture D. UNESCO

Answer: Option C

Q30. Which team has won the 2021 FIFA Club World Cup Championship?

- A. Palmeiras B. Chelsea
C. Liverpool D. Manchester City

Answer: Option B

Q31. What is the theme of G20 in 2022?

- A. "Recover Together, Recover Stronger"
B. 'Building consensus for fair and sustainable development'
C. 'Realizing Opportunities of the 21st Century For All'
D. People, Planet, Prosperity

Answer: Option A

Q32. The FAITH 2035 vision document has recently been released for which sector?

- A. Banking B. Infrastructure
C. Tourism D. Agriculture

Answer: Option C

Q33. Which African country has declared a Polio outbreak?

- A. Nigeria
B. South Africa
C. The Democratic Republic of Congo
D. Malawi

Answer: Option D

Q34. Who has been appointed as India's first national maritime security coordinator?

- A. Karambir Singh B. Ravneet Singh
C. Sunil Lanba D. G. Ashok Kumar

Answer: Option D

Q35. Where was the 6th African Union - European Union Summit held?

- A. Cairo B. Brussels
C. Rome D. Johannesburg

Answer: Option B

Q36. PM Modi will inaugurate 'Gobar-Dhan (Bio-CNG) Plant in which city?

- A. Indore B. Mumbai
C. Surat D. Nashik

Answer: Option A

Q37. Which of the following nation won the right to host the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Session 2023?

- A. China B. Pakistan
C. Japan D. India

Answer: Option D

Q38. Which will be the first country to adopt India's UPI platform?

- A. Myanmar B. Bhutan
C. Nepal D. Bangladesh

Answer: Option C

Q39. Who has become the first player from India to score a triple century in the debut match of first-class cricket?

- A. Sakibul Gani B. Bishan Singh
C. Syed Abid Ali D. Farokh Engin

Answer: Option A

Q40. The Smart Card Arms License and Shastra App has been launched by which the police department of which state/UT?

- A. Tamil Nadu B. Uttar Pradesh
C. Delhi D. Maharashtra

Answer: Option C

Q41. The Hurun India Wealth Report 2021 states that the number of dollar-millionaire households increased by what percent in India in 2021, compared to 2020?

- A. 21% B. 15%
C. 11% D. 17%

Answer: Option C

Q42. Who has been appointed as India's full-time Test Captain?

- A. Jasprit Bumrah B. KL Rahul
C. Rohit Sharma D. Ajinkya Rahane

Answer: Option C

Q43.The Indian Air Force is participating in exercise Eastern Bridge-VI in 2022 with which country at Air Force Station Jodhpur?

- A.Sri Lanka B.Oman
C.France D.Bangladesh

Answer: Option B

Q44.The International Space Station will cease its functioning by which year?

- A.2027 B.2025
C.2026 D.2031

Answer: Option D

Q45.India's first Biosafety level-3 containment mobile laboratory has been inaugurated in which city?

- A.Ujjain B.Surat
C.Nashik D.Kolkata

Answer: Option C

Q46.'Khajuraho Dance Festival' is a famous event organized in which Indian state?

- A.Bihar B.Madhya Pradesh
C.Gujarat D.Maharashtra

Answer: Option B

Q47.In which Indian state is the 'Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope' located?

- A.Sikkim B.Gujarat
C.Uttarakhand D.Maharashtra

Answer: Option D

Q48.Which country bagged the maximum number of medals at the 2022 Winter Olympic Games?

- A.South Korea B.China
C.Germany D.Norway

Answer: Option D

Q49.Who has been honoured with the Outstanding Contribution To Film Industry award at the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2022?

- A.Mumtaz B.Asha Parekh
C.Waheeda Rehman D.Hema Malini

Answer: Option B

Q50.Government has launched Purple Revolution in Jammu & Kashmir. It is associated with the cultivation of which crop?

- A.Cedarwood B.Rose
C.Almond D.Lavender

Answer: Option D

SET-5

Q1.Which institution is to provide USD 304 million loan to Assam to enhance Inter-state Power Transmission Project?

- (a) ADB (b) World Bank
(c) AIIB (d) New Development Bank

Answer: Option C [AIIB]

Q2.'A historic painting created over 17000 years ago by Aboriginal artists has been identified' in which country?

- (a) China (b) Australia
(c) India (d) Greece

Answer: Option B [Australia]

Q3.'Alpine Plant species', which are critically endangered have been discovered in which state?

- (a) Assam (b) Sikkim
(c) Arunachal Pradesh (d) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: Option C [Arunachal Pradesh]

Q4.The Union Cabinet approved a proposal to impose President's Rule in which state/UT?

- (a) Meghalaya (b) Manipur
(c) Puducherry (d) Andaman and Nicobar Islands

Answer: Option C [Puducherry]

Q5.Which organisation publishes the "State of School Feeding Worldwide" Report?

- (a) WHO (b) UNICEF
(c) IMF (d) UN – WFP

Answer: Option D [UN – WFP]

Q6.Which Union Ministry has launched the City Innovation Exchange (CiX) platform?

- (a) Ministry of Home Affairs
(b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
(c) Ministry of Electronics and IT
(d) Ministry of Education

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs]

Q7.As per the recent forecast by the Moody's investor service, what would be GDP growth rate of India in 2021-22?

- (a) 7.5 per cent (b) 9.5 per cent
(c) 13.5 per cent (d) 15 per cent

Answer: Option C [13.5 per cent]

Q8. Which organisation regulates a Nidhi company in its operational matters and deployment of funds?

- (a) Reserve Bank of India
(b) Ministry of Finance
(c) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
(d) Securities Exchange Board of India

Answer: Option C [Ministry of Corporate Affairs]

Q9. Which state approved a law to give life imprisonment to food adulterators?

- (a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu
(c) Karnataka (d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option D [Madhya Pradesh]

Q10. Amazonia 1 satellite, which was making news recently, belongs to which country?

- (a) Brazil (b) Sri Lanka
(c) China (d) USA

Answer: Option A [Brazil]

Q11. What is the theme of World Wildlife Day 2021?

- (a) Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet
(b) For people, For planet, For ecosystem
(c) Forests – Pillars for people and planet
(d) None of the above

Answer: Option A [Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet]

Q12. PRASAD Scheme, which is in news recently, was launched under which Union ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Tourism
(b) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
(c) Ministry of Finance
(d) Ministry of Home Affairs

Answer: Option A [Ministry of Tourism]

Q13. Iranaitivu is an island situated in which country?

- (a) Saudi Arabia (b) USA
(c) UK (d) Sri Lanka

Answer: Option D [Sri Lanka]

Q14. National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) has set up Science Centre in Udaipur, located in which state?

- (a) Assam (b) Arunachal Pradesh
(c) Tripura (d) Jharkhand

Answer: Option C [Tripura]

Q15. Epigraph algorithm was developed in which country?

- (a) China (b) UK
(c) France (d) USA

Answer: Option D [USA]

Q16. Which Indian company joined the World Economic Forum (WEF) initiative of Racial Justice in Business?

- (a) Infosys (b) Wipro
(c) HCL (d) Zomato

Answer: Option B [Wipro]

Q17. Which state is to conduct its first survey of the social and educational conditions of people from backward classes?

- (a) Haryana (b) Odisha
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Maharashtra

Answer: Option (b) Odisha

Q18. How many Indian institutions were ranked in the top 100 of the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2021?

- (a) 5 (b) 8
(c) 12 (d) 19

Answer: Option C [12]

Q19. Recently, veterinarians performed a rare operation on a 'Moray eel' in which Indian state?

- (a) Kerala (b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Tamil Nadu (d) Punjab

Answer: Option A [Kerala]

Q20. The CSIR Floriculture Mission was given approval for implementation across how many states/UTs of India?

- (a) 6 (b) 12
(c) 18 (d) 21

Answer: Option D [21]

Q21. Which organization recently named India as the 'biggest overperformer' with regards to frontier technologies?

- (a) UNCTAD (b) WCO
(c) ITO (d) IMF

Answer: Option A [UNCTAD]

Q22. What is the theme of the International Women's Day 2021?

- (a) Educate Organise and Agitate
(b) Gender Equality: March against Patriarchy
(c) Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world.
(d) Impact of Covid-19 on women

Answer: Option C [Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world.]

Q23. "Overall Business Confidence Index" has been released by which organisation?

- (a) CII (b) SBI
(c) ICICI (d) FICCI

Answer: Option D [FICCI]

Q24. Who is the only woman wrestler to have qualified for the Tokyo Olympics, as of March 2021?

- (a) Vinesh Phogat (b) Sakshi Malik
(c) Babita Kumari (d) Gita Phogat

Correct Answer A

Q25. The Indian Army has leased four Heron unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) from which country?

- (a) USA (b) Israel
(c) France (d) Japan

Answer: Option B [Israel]

Q26. As per the recent amendment in the Telecom License norms, which is the designated authority for up-gradation of networks?

- (a) DoT Secretary
(b) National Cyber Security Coordinator (NCSC)
(c) Telecom Minister
(d) Prime Minister

Correct Answer B [NCSC]

Q27. In which Indian state the Arjuna Sahayak irrigation project is being implemented?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh
(b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Haryana
(d) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: Option B [Uttar Pradesh]

Q28. India recently participated in the first historic virtual summit of which association in March 2021?

- (a) BRICS (b) QUAD
(c) BIMSTEC (d) G-20

Answer: Option B [QUAD]

Q29. Which body has submitted its recommendations to the Government of India for privatization of 12 public sector undertakings?

- (a) Planning Commission (b) NITI Aayog
(c) DPIIT (d) Reserve Bank of India

Answer: Option B [NITI Aayog]

Q30. The surge in India's retail inflation to a three-month high of 5.03 per cent in February, is attributed to rise in which prices?

- (a) Food (b) Fuel
(c) Fertiliser (d) Gold

Answer: Option B [Fuel]

Q31. The Union Agriculture Minister launched new features of National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) platform amid the lockdown. When was e-NAM launched in India?

- (a) 2000 (b) 2005
(c) 2016 (d) 2019

Answer: Option C [2016]

Q32. In which state / UT is the Chenab bridge of Indian Railways being constructed?

- (a) Uttarakhand (b) Himachal Pradesh
(c) Jammu and Kashmir (d) Assam

Answer: Option C [Jammu and Kashmir]

Q33. Guru Chemancheri, who died recently at the age of 105 is associated with which art form?

- (a) Kuchipudi (b) Bharatanatyam
(c) Kathak (d) Kathakali

Answer: Option D [Kathakali]

Q34. Who has been appointed as the Director General of National Security Guard?

- (a) Swapan Dasgupta (b) M. A. Ganapathy
(c) P.K. Sinha (d) A P Maheshwari

Answer: Option B [M. A. Ganapathy]

Q35. Which institution released the 'World Energy Transitions Outlook' report?

- (a) IEA (b) IMF
(c) IRENA (d) World Bank

Answer: Option C [IRENA]

Q36. Which European country is the latest to join the International Solar Alliance, as of March 2021?

- (a) Germany (b) Italy
(c) France (d) Sweden

Answer: Option B [Italy]

Q37. As per the recent UN Trade and Development Report 2020 update, what is the projected growth rate of India in 2021?

- (a) 3 per cent (b) 4 per cent
(c) 5 per cent (d) 6 per cent

Answer: Option C [5 per cent]

Q38. Which country has recently passed a legislation to legalise 'Euthanasia'?

- (a) Germany (b) Norway
(c) Spain (d) Italy

Answer: Option C [Spain]

Q39. Which coach factory has successfully rolled out the prototype of LHB AC three-tier economy class coach?

- (a) ICF Preamble
(b) Coach factory Mumbai
(c) Coach factory Hyderabad
(d) Coach factory Kapurthala

Answer: Option D [Coach factory Kapurthala]

Q40. Threadit is a standalone website created by which tech major?

- (a) Intel (b) Microsoft
(c) Apple (d) Google

Answer: Option D [Google]

Q41. Which organisation has extended its support for India's H2Ooooh! – Waterwise Program?

- (a) World Bank (b) UNESCO
(c) UNICEF (d) OECD

Answer: Option B [UNESCO]

Q42. Which state has recently launched 'Dial 112' ERSS and State Emergency Response Centre?

- (a) Karnataka (b) Tamil Nadu
(c) Odisha (d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option C [Odisha]

Q43. As per the National Accounts Statistics (NAS) 2021, the private final consumption expenditure of which sector had the steepest rise?

- (a) Education (b) Restaurants
(c) Health (d) Alcoholic Beverages

Answer: Option C [Health]

Q44. "Pabbi-Antiterror-2021", a joint anti-terrorism exercise is to be held by which organisation?

- (a) SCO (b) BRICS
(c) BIMSTEC (d) ASEAN

Answer: Option (a) SCO

Q45. PPSU Muzara movement was a farmers' movement that happened in which Indian state?

- (a) Gujarat (b) Rajasthan
(c) Punjab (d) West Bengal

Answer: Option C [Punjab]

Q46. When is the World Down Syndrome Day observed every year?

- (a) March 1 (b) March 10
(c) March 15 (d) March 21

Answer: Option D [March 21]

Q47. The Jal Shakti Ministry has partnered with the UN for implementation of the Jal Jeevan mission in which state?

- (a) Telangana (b) Karnataka
(c) Maharashtra (d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option D [Uttar Pradesh]

Q48. Which global rating agency releases report titled 'Global Economic Outlook' GEO?

- (a) Fitch Ratings (b) CRISIL
(c) Standard & Poor (d) Ind-RA

Answer: Option A [Fitch Ratings]

Q49. What is "Manyamkonda Jatara", that is seen in the news recently?

- (a) Ancient Harappan Site
(b) Buddhist Vihara
(c) Interstate Religious Festival
(d) Pre-Independence movement

Answer: Option C [Interstate Religious Festival]

Q50. Which Ministry has set up an interdisciplinary team of experts for exploring Yoga as a productivity enhancing tool?

- (a) Ministry of Health (b) Ministry of Women
(c) Ministry of AYUSH (d) Ministry of Defence

Answer: Option C [Ministry of AYUSH]

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Q1. Who is the Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA) of India, whose term has been extended?

- (a) B P Kanungo (b) K Vijay Raghavan
(c) N S Viswanathan (d) R Gandhi

Answer: Option B [K Vijay Raghavan]

Q2. Where is the Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST) located?

- (a) Gujarat (b) Kerala
(c) Odisha (d) Maharashtra

Answer: Option B [Kerala]

Q3.As per USA, India has been added to the list of countries affected by which disease?

- (a) Tuberculosis (b) AIDS
(c) African swine fever (d) Ebola

Answer: Option C [African swine fever]

Q4.SEBI modified the requirement to formulate dividend distribution policy by top 500 listed companies to how many companies?

- (a) Top 100 (b) Top 250
(c) Top 1000 (d) Top 2000

Answer: Option C [Top 1000]

Q5.Who has been appointed as the CEO of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).?

- (a) Rajeev Kumar (b) Rajeev Sinha
(c) Sanjay Agarwal (d) Saurabh Garg

Answer: Option D [Saurabh Garg]

Q6.Beverly Cleary, who recently passed away, was a famous?

- (a) Dancer (b) Author
(c) Scientist (d) Fashion Designer

Answer: Option B [Author]

Q7.What is the new milestone reached by the Jal Jeevan Mission scheme across the country, as on March 31, 2021?

- (a) 1 Crore (b) 2 Crore
(c) 4 Crore (d) 5 Crore

Answer: Option C [4 Crore]

Q8.Which Ministry has mandated companies to disclose trade payables in their financial statements?

- (a) Ministry of Finance
(b) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
(c) Ministry of External Affairs
(d) Ministry of MSME

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Corporate Affairs]

Q9.The 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award is conferred on which Indian personality?

- (a) Ilaya Raja (b) Rajinikanth
(c) Kamal Hassan (d) Nawazuddin Siddique

Answer: Option B [Rajinikanth]

Q10.In which year was the system of E Way Bills was introduced in India?

- (a) 2000 (b) 2010
(c) 2015 (d) 2018

Answer: Option D [2018]

Q11.The Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement (CECPA) between India and which country has come into force from 1st April, 2021?

- (a) Japan (b) USA
(c) Mauritius (d) Sri Lanka

Answer: Option C [Mauritius]

QQ12.The Mahendragiri hill ecosystem is situated in which state?

- (a) Maharashtra (b) Odisha
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Assam

Answer: Option B [Odisha]

Q13.Which country has created a world record for Fastest Road construction?

- (a) China (b) Japan
(c) India (d) UAE

Answer: Option C [India]

Q14.In which state is the India's largest floating solar power plant is proposed to be set up?

- (a) Maharashtra (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Telangana (d) Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option C [Telangana]

Q15.As per the data by National Savings Institute, which state has made highest contribution to government's small savings schemes?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) West Bengal (d) Haryana

Answer: Option C [West Bengal]

Q16.How many Indian billionaires are placed in the Forbes Rich list for 2021?

- (a) 25 (b) 100
(c) 140 (d) 200

Answer: Option C [140]

Q17.PLI scheme for White Goods has been approved recently. What are the goods covered under the tag?

- (a) Pharmaceutical Ingredients
(b) Air Conditioners and LED Lights
(c) Telecom Devices
(d) Petroleum Products

Answer: Option B [Air Conditioners and LED Lights]

Q18. AYUSH Ministry signed MoU with which Ministry to develop a regulatory mechanism for the use of Ayurveda in veterinary sector?

- (a) Ministry of Agriculture
- (b) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- (c) Ministry of Rural Development
- (d) Ministry of Panchayati Raj

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying]

Q19. "Copyright (Amendment) Rules, 2021", which was seen in the news recently, has been notified by which Union Ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Finance
- (b) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- (c) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (d) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Commerce and Industry]

Q20. In which state, the Assembly Committee has revealed that three out of every 1,000 pregnant women test positive for HIV?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Bihar
- (c) Meghalaya
- (d) Mizoram

Answer: Option C [Meghalaya]

Q21. The Khelo India Centre of Excellence in Rowing has been inaugurated in which state/UT?

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Jammu and Kashmir
- (c) Uttarakhand
- (d) Karnataka

Answer: Option B [Jammu and Kashmir]

Q22. By what percentage, the net indirect tax collection in 2020-21 has grown over the previous year?

- (a) 1%
- (b) 10%
- (c) 12.3%
- (d) 15%

Answer: Option C [12.3%]

Q23. The month of April is dedicated for awareness generation of which disease?

- (a) Diabetes
- (b) Anemia
- (c) Parkinson's
- (d) Cancer

Answer: Option C [Parkinson's]

Q24. Which country has mandated banks, insurers and investment managers operating in the country

to report the impacts of climate change on their business?

- (a) India
- (b) New Zealand
- (c) Australia
- (d) Switzerland

Answer: Option B [New Zealand]

Q25. Which country is to launch "Rashid" unmanned rover to the Moon by next year?

- (a) Pakistan
- (b) Israel
- (c) UAE
- (d) Bangladesh

Answer: Option C [UAE]

Q26. Which Union Ministry has launched the EatSmart Cities Challenge and Transport 4 All Challenge?

- (a) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- (c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- (d) Ministry of Women and Child Development

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs]

Q27. What is the new maximum age of entry proposed for NPS (National Pension System) by PFRDA?

- (a) 45 years
- (b) 55 years
- (c) 60 years
- (d) 70 years

Answer: Option D [70 years]

Q28. To which agency, the Supreme Court delegated the investigation related to the 1994 ISRO espionage case?

- (a) CBI
- (b) NIA
- (c) DRDO
- (d) High Court of Kerala

Answer: Option A [CBI]

Q29. What does "M" in MANAS App stand for?

- (a) Mobile
- (b) Machine
- (c) Medicine
- (d) Mental

Answer: Option D [Mental]

Q30. Online Grievance Management Portal of which commission has been launched on 14th April 2021?

- (a) NCBC
- (b) NCSC
- (c) NHRC
- (d) NSFDC

Answer: Option B [NCSC]

Q31. What is the new maximum age of entry proposed for NPS (National Pension System) by PFRDA?

- (a) 45 years (b) 55 years
(c) 60 years (d) 70 years

Answer: Option D [70 years]

Q32. Which country has drafted 'Ecocide' bill to punish acts of environmental damage?

- (a) Germany (b) France
(c) New Zealand (d) Brazil

Answer: Option B [France]

Q33. Which Ministry hosted the 40th Scientific Expedition to Antarctica (ISEA)?

- (a) Ministry of Shipping
(b) Ministry of Earth Sciences
(c) Ministry of External Affairs
(d) Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Earth Sciences]

Q34. Vera Gedroits, who featured in Google Doodle recently, is the first female military surgeon of which country?

- (a) Germany (b) Russia
(c) Italy (d) France

Answer: Option B [Russia]

Q35. Who is Mr. Díaz-Canel, who has been in the news recently?

- (a) President of Cuba (b) Head of European Union
(c) President of IMF (d) Chief of World Bank

Answer: Option A [President of Cuba]

Q36. Which state / UT has recently formed an Oxygen audit committee?

- (a) Kerala (b) Maharashtra
(c) Goa (d) Delhi

Answer: Option D [Delhi]

Q37. Maulana Wahiduddin Khan, who passed away recently, was an Islamic scholar from which country?

- (a) Pakistan (b) Bangladesh
(c) India (d) UAE

Answer: Option C [India]

Q38. Which country has passed a bill to combat the rise in hate crimes against Asian Americans and Pacific nationals?

- (a) India (b) China
(c) USA (d) Jamaica

Answer: Option C [USA]

Q39. 'Mt Annapurna', which was making news recently, is located in which country?

- (a) India (b) Nepal
(c) Bangladesh (d) China

Answer: Option B [Nepal]

Q40. Miguel de Cervantes was a famous personality associated with which language?

- (a) French (b) Spanish
(c) Portuguese (d) Greek

Answer: Option B [Spanish]

Q41. Yasukuni shrine, which was seen in the news recently, is located in which country?

- (a) South Korea (b) Japan
(c) China (d) Singapore

Answer: Option B [Japan]

Q42. What is the name given to small models of human organs that contain multiple cell types that behave similarly to the human body?

- (a) Body models (b) Tissue Chips
(c) Cell Models (d) Tissue Genes

Answer: Option B [Tissue Chips]

Q43. Which type of institutions have been allowed to start functioning in Gujarat's GIFT City?

- (a) Payment Banks (b) NBFCs
(c) AIFIs (d) Neo Banks

Answer: Option B [NBFCs]

Q44. Which country has recently joined the Leadership Group for Industry Transition "LeadIT"?

- (a) USA (b) China
(c) Russia (d) Japan

Answer: Option A [USA]

Q45. Which country has named its first Mars rover as 'Zhurong'?

- (a) South Korea (b) Taiwan
(c) China (d) Japan

Answer: Option C [China]

Q46. "Anzac Day" is observed on which date of every year?

- (a) April 1 (b) April 15
(c) April 25 (d) April 30

Answer: Option C [April 25]

Q47. What is the name of community service centre, which is a web-based interface for data related to India's first solar space mission?

- (a) Surya Kiran Support Cell (b) Aditya-L1 Support Cell
(c) Sun Network (d) Big Data Centre

Answer: Option B [Aditya-L1 Support Cell]

Q48. 'Varuna' is a multilateral Defence Exercise between India and

- (a) Japan (b) Sri Lanka
(c) France (d) Australia

Answer: Option C [France]

Q49. 'Global Strategy on Occupational Safety and Health' is associated with which organisation?

- (a) WTO (b) ILO
(c) IMF (d) WCO

Answer: Option B [ILO]

Q50. What is the common name given to the medicines that are widely used to relieve pain and reduce inflammation?

- (a) Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
(b) ACE inhibitors
(c) Angiotensin receptor blockers
(d) Corticosteroid drugs

Answer: Option A [Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs]

SET-7

1. Which institute has demonstrated the conversion of Nitrogen Generator into Oxygen Generator?

- (a) IISc Bangalore (b) IIT Bombay
(c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Guwahati

Answer: Option B [IIT Bombay]

2. Michael Collins, whose name was in news recently, was associated with which field?

- (a) Basketball (b) Space Science
(c) Journalism (d) Politics

Answer: Option B [Space Science]

3. When was the National Commission for Women set up as statutory body in India?

- (a) 1978 (b) 1985
(c) 1992 (d) 2001

Answer: Option C [1992]

4. Which Indian bureaucrat has been conferred with the "Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star" honour of 2021?

- (a) N K Singh (b) Nripendra Mishra
(c) Atanu Chakraborty (d) K Vijayaraghavan

Answer: Option B [Nripendra Mishra]

5. Which space agency's Mass mission is to explore 'Aerial scouting' for better exploration of Mars?

- (a) China (b) UAE
(c) USA (d) Russia

Answer: Option C [USA]

6. Rushikulya river, which was making news recently, is located in which state?

- (a) Karnataka (b) Odisha
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Bihar

Answer: Option B [Odisha]

7. Which country has proposed a sale of P-8I maritime patrol aircraft to India?

- (a) Italy (b) Russia
(c) USA (d) France

Answer: Option C [USA]

8. Mark Selby is the World Champion for fourth time, in which sport?

- (a) Weight Lifting (b) Snooker
(c) Swimming (d) Fencing

Answer: Option B [Snooker]

9. NASA's Parker Solar Probe detected a natural radio signal in the atmosphere of which planet?

- (a) Mars (b) Venus
(c) Earth (d) Jupiter

Answer: Option B [Venus]

10. Which organization has produced the "The Global Report on Food Crises 2020"?

- (a) UNESCO (b) ILO
(c) GNAFC (d) IMF

Answer: Option C [GNAFC]

11. Section 142 of the Social Security Code, 2020 is associated with which document?

- (a) PAN Card
(b) MGNREGA Identity Card
(c) Aadhar Card
(d) NFSA Beneficiary Card

Answer: Option C [Aadhar Card]

12. Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC) Act, is associated with which Indian state?

- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Maharashtra
(c) Karnataka (d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option B [Maharashtra]

13. What is the World Health Organisation (WHO) slogan for this year's World Hand Hygiene Day?

- (a) Seconds save lives – clean your hands
(b) Hygiene Hands Healthy Life
(c) Hygiene for All
(d) Earth Hygiene

Answer: Option A [Seconds save lives – clean your hands]

14. What is a 'TaxiBot', which was seen in the news recently?

- (a) Air Taxi
(b) Water Taxi
(c) Aircraft movement Equipment
(d) Health-care Robot

Answer: Option C [Aircraft movement Equipment]

15. An endemic trap-jaw ant species named 'Strumigenys ayersthey', has been found in which country?

- (a) Ecuador (b) China
(c) Italy (d) France

Answer: Option A [Ecuador]

16. What is 'Glyphosate', which was recently banned by Telangana Government?

- (a) Herbicide (b) Fertiliser
(c) Pesticide (d) Fungicide

Answer: Option A [Herbicide]

17. China indefinitely suspended all activities under the Strategic Economic Dialogue with which country?

- (a) India (b) Australia
(c) North Korea (d) Russia

Answer: Option B [Australia]

18. "Thane Creek Flamingo Sanctuary" is located in which state?

- (a) Odisha (b) Gujarat
(c) Maharashtra (d) Karnataka

Answer: Option C [Maharashtra]

19. Which multilateral institution has launched an Asia Pacific Tax Hub, for better tax coordination among its members?

- (a) AIIB (b) ADB
(c) World Bank (d) IMF

Answer: Option B [ADB]

20. What is the name of the document issued by bank as a proof of payments received from abroad?

- (a) FIRA (b) FCNR
(c) Vostro (d) Nostro

Answer: Option A [FIRA]

21. Which space probe has detected humming sound in interstellar space?

- (a) Voyager 1 (b) InSight
(c) Ingenuity (d) Reconnaissance Orbiter

Answer: Option A [Voyager 1]

22. Which vaccine candidate has been recommended for Phase 2 and 3 trials in India for those aged from 2 to 18?

- (a) Covishield (b) Covaxin
(c) CoWin (d) Sputnik

Answer: Option B [Covaxin]

23. Shavuot, which was making news recently, is a festival celebrated by which category of religious people?

- (a) Jews (b) Muslims
(c) Christians (d) Buddhists

Answer: Option A [Jews]

24. "Woman Sitting Near a Window" is a famous painting of which artist?

- (a) Pablo Picasso (b) Leonardo da Vinci
(c) Vincent van Gogh (d) Salvador Dalí

Answer: Option A [Pablo Picasso]

25. Which multilateral bank has committed a record USD 3.92 billion loans for projects in India, in 2020?

- (a) AIIB (b) ADB
(c) IMF (d) NDB

Answer: Option B [ADB]

26. In order to curtail the price rise in pulses, which of the following steps has been recently initiated by the Government of India?

- (a) Decrease local production of pulses
- (b) Impose stock holding limits on pulses
- (c) Permit free import of pulses
- (d) Incentivize pulse export

Answer: Option C [Permit free import of pulses]

27. What is the "New Big 5 project" which is in news recently?

- (a) Metro Rail Project
- (b) Wildlife Photography Project
- (c) Vaccination Project
- (d) Satellite Project

Answer: Option B [Wildlife Photography Project]

28. Who is the first India descent player to win the Mixed Martial Artist (MMA) world championship?

- (a) Arjan Bhullar
- (b) Giant Zanjeer
- (c) Guru Raaj
- (d) Dilsher Shanky

Answer: Option A [Arjan Bhullar]

29. National public broadcaster, Prasar Bharati, is a body?

- (a) Regulatory
- (b) Statutory
- (c) Quasi-Judicial
- (d) Constitutional

Answer: Option B [Statutory]

30. Government raises subsidy on DAP fertiliser by 140%. What does DAP stand for?

- (a) Diammonium Phosphate
- (b) Dialuminium Phosphate
- (c) Dichloride Pottasium
- (d) Dihydroxyacetone phosphate

Answer: Option A [Diammonium Phosphate]

31. With reference to biology, CD4 count is related to the diagnosis of which disease?

- (a) Covid
- (b) AIDS
- (c) Tuberculosis
- (d) Typhoid

Answer: Option B [AIDS]

32. When is the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOTB) observed?

- (a) May 12
- (b) May 14
- (c) May 17
- (d) May 19

Answer: Option C [May 17]

33. SPOT, which was making news recently, is a technology developed for which purpose?

- (a) Auto- Parking

- (b) Testing Coronavirus
- (c) Checking Nutrition values
- (d) Robotic Navigation

Answer: Option B [Testing Coronavirus]

34. Which basketball legend has been inducted posthumously into the Basketball Hall of Fame?

- (a) Wilt Chamberlain
- (b) Tom Heinsohn
- (c) Kobe Bryant
- (d) John Havlicek

Answer: Option C [Kobe Bryant]

35. Ministry, on the recommendation of the Ministry, released Rs 8,923.8 crore to 25 states for providing grant to rural local bodies.

- (a) Panchayati Raj, Finance
- (b) Finance, Panchayati Raj
- (c) Home Affairs, Rural Development
- (d) Finance, Rural Development

Answer: Option B [Finance, Panchayati Raj]

36. "Thromboembolic events" which is often seen in news recently has been associated with what?

- (a) COVID Vaccination
- (b) Energy conservation
- (c) Global Warming
- (d) Space Science

Answer: Option A [COVID Vaccination]

37. INDRP Attribution tribunal, which was making news recently, is associated with which field?

- (a) Environmental issues
- (b) Domain Name issues
- (c) Cybersecurity issues
- (d) Property title issues

Answer: Option B [Domain Name issues]

38. As of May 2021, how many countries are members of the Open Skies Treaty?

- (a) 4
- (b) 14
- (c) 24
- (d) 34

Answer: Option D [34]

39. What is the quantum of surplus that the RBI transferred to the Central Government for the period ended March 31?

- (a) Rs 13122 crore
- (b) Rs 32122 crore
- (c) Rs 46122 crore
- (d) Rs 99,122 crore

Answer: Option D [Rs 99,122 crore]

40. When is the World Metrology Day observed every year?

- (a) May 10
- (b) May 20
- (c) May 30
- (d) June 1

Answer: Option B [May 20]

41. Which Ministry has launched the NMMS app and Area officer monitoring App?

- (a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- (b) Ministry of Rural Development
- (c) Ministry of Finance
- (d) Ministry of Skill Development

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Rural Development]

42. Jane Goodall, who is seen in the news recently, is the awardee of which famous prize?

- (a) Templeton prize
- (b) Abel Prize
- (c) Commonwealth Order of merit
- (d) Ramon Magsaysay Award

Answer: Option A [Templeton prize]

43. Which among the following is not a G7 member?

- (a) Britain
- (b) Canada
- (c) Italy
- (d) India

Answer: Option D [India]

44. Which institution can sanction the amalgamation of District Central Co-operative Banks (DCCBs) with State Cooperative Banks (StCBs)?

- (a) RBI
- (b) NABARD
- (c) Finance Ministry
- (d) State Government

Answer: Option A [RBI]

45. African violets, an endangered Africa-native flowering plant, has been recorded for the first time in which Indian state?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Goa
- (c) Mizoram
- (d) Sikkim

Answer: Option C [Mizoram]

46. PharmEasy – the online pharmacy, is set to acquire which company, which would make it the largest online pharmacy of India?

- (a) Medplus
- (b) Apollo Pharmacy
- (c) Medlife
- (d) Medicare

Answer: Option C [Medlife]

47. Which ministry has formulated a policy paper on “Circular Economy in Electronics and Electrical Sector”?

- (a) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- (b) Ministry of Electronics and IT
- (c) Ministry of Science and Technology
- (d) Ministry of Finance

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Electronics and IT]

48. Which Indian economist has been conferred with Spain’s top Princess of Asturias Award?

- (a) Amartya Sen
- (b) Urjit Patel
- (c) Manmohan Singh
- (d) Montek Singh Ahluwalia

Answer: Option A [Amartya Sen]

49. Tigray, which was making news recently, is a city located in which country?

- (a) Ethiopia
- (b) UAE
- (c) Israel
- (d) Zimbabwe

Answer: Option A [Ethiopia]

50. Who chairs the Goods and services tax (GST) council meeting?

- (a) Prime Minister
- (b) Finance Minister
- (c) Finance Secretary
- (d) NITI Aayog CEO

Answer: Option B [Finance Minister]

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Q1. Which state/UT launched the Chief Minister’s Sishu Sewa Scheme?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Assam
- (c) Bihar
- (d) Chhattisgarh

Answer: Option B [Assam]

Q2. “Sea snout” which is in the news, has been reported to accumulate in the coast of which country?

- (a) China
- (b) Turkey
- (c) Canada
- (d) Spain

Answer: Option B [Turkey]

Q3. Which state has recently launched a solar-based electrification programme for its rural households?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Assam
- (d) Goa

Answer: Option D [Goa]

Q4. Pooja Rani Bohra is associated with which sport?

- (a) Table Tennis
- (b) Boxing
- (c) Athletics
- (d) Archery

Answer: Option B [Boxing]

Q5. Which institution implements the "Horticulture Cluster Development Programme"?

- (a) Food and Agricultural Organisation
- (b) National Horticulture Board
- (c) NABARD
- (d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries

Answer: Option B [National Horticulture Board]

Q6. As per the NRC Annual index of the 10 most neglected displacement crises, which country has the highest number of crises?

- (a) Venezuela
- (b) Democratic Republic of the Congo
- (c) Burundi
- (d) Ethiopia

Answer: Option B [Democratic Republic of the Congo]

Q7. 'Red Tourism', which was seen in the news, is associated with which country?

- (a) Indonesia
- (b) India
- (c) China
- (d) Sri Lanka

Answer: Option C [China]

Q8. When is the Global Day of Parents observed by the UN?

- (a) June 1
- (b) June 2
- (c) June 10
- (d) June 15

Answer: Option A [June 1]

9. Isaac Herzog, has been elected as the 11th president of which country?

- (a) Iran
- (b) Saudi Arabia
- (c) Austria
- (d) Israel

Answer: Option D [Israel]

Q10. What is the name of the programme, in which the Government distributes kits of higher yielding varieties of seeds to farmers?

- (a) Seed Minikit programme
- (b) HYV Seeds programme
- (c) Seeds Distribution programme
- (d) Seeds to Farmers programme

Answer: Option A [Seed Minikit programme]

Q11. Which meat supplying company has recently fallen trap to ransomware attacks?

- (a) McDonald
- (b) KFC
- (c) JBS
- (d) Cooper Farms

Answer: Option C [JBS]

Q12. Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, which was seen in the news, is located in which country?

- (a) USA
- (b) Norway
- (c) Brazil
- (d) Russia

Answer: Option A [USA]

13. Who is the head of the Expert group set up by the Government on Fixation of Minimum wages?

- (a) Ajit Mishra
- (b) Aditya Bhattacharjee
- (c) Sugata Bag
- (d) Pami Dua

Answer: Option A [Ajit Mishra]

Q14. The African Union has suspended the membership of which country, after a military coup in that nation?

- (a) South Africa
- (b) Mali
- (c) Somalia
- (d) Zimbabwe

Answer: Option B [Mali]

Q15. Pran Vayu Devta Pension Scheme is an initiative of which state/UT?

- (a) Sikkim
- (b) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) Haryana
- (d) Kerala

Answer: Option C [Haryana]

Q16. Square Inc belongs to the owner of which social media major?

- (a) Facebook
- (b) WhatsApp
- (c) Twitter
- (d) Tinder

Answer: Option C [Twitter]

Q17. Database named "I-Familia" has been launched by which organization?

- (a) IMF
- (b) World Bank
- (c) Interpol
- (d) CBI

Answer: Option C [Interpol]

Q18. 'Safe food today for a healthy tomorrow' is the theme of which day observed on June 7?

- (a) World Food Security Day
- (b) World Food Safety Day
- (c) World Food Day
- (d) World Nutrition Day

Answer: Option B [World Food Safety Day]

Q19. Which Union Ministry is set to release e-Content for Specially-abled Children?

- (a) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- (b) Ministry of Education
- (c) Ministry of Law and Justice
- (d) Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Education]

Q20. With reference to the law enforcement, what is 'ANOM', that was seen in the news recently?

- (a) Messaging App
- (b) Military Equipment
- (c) Medical Equipment
- (d) Super Computer

Answer: Option A [Messaging App]

Q21. A. cooperensis has been identified recently, as the biggest dinosaur of which country/ region?

- (a) Russia
- (b) Australia
- (c) Africa
- (d) Antarctica

Answer: Option B [Australia]

Q22. Which Indian footballer has surpassed Lionel Messi in international goals?

- (a) Gurpreet Singh Sandhu
- (b) Sunil Chhetri
- (c) Mohammad Yasir
- (d) Amrinder Singh

Answer: Option B [Sunil Chhetri]

Q23. Indian Navy has undertaken 31st edition of Coordinated Patrols or CORPAT with which country?

- (a) Indonesia
- (b) Thailand
- (c) Bangladesh
- (d) Sri Lanka

Answer: Option B [Thailand]

Q24. Ganymede, the biggest moon in the solar system, is the satellite of which planet?

- (a) Saturn
- (b) Jupiter
- (c) Mercury
- (d) Venus

Answer: Option B [Jupiter]

Q25. The Sardar Sarovar Dam is a terminal Dam built on which river?

- (a) Sutlej
- (b) Narmada
- (c) Beas
- (d) Chenab

Answer: Option B [Narmada]

Q26. Mahesh Kumar Jain has been recently re-appointed as

- (a) RBI Deputy Governor
- (b) SEBI Chairman
- (c) NABARD Chairman
- (d) SBI Chairman

Answer: Option A [RBI Deputy Governor]

Q27. Which country holds the Presidency of G7 in 2021?

- (a) USA
- (b) UK
- (c) Germany
- (d) France

Answer: Option B [UK]

Q28. Which country has approved two Covid-19 vaccines for emergency use in people aged 3 to 17?

- (a) Israel
- (b) UAE
- (c) China
- (d) Australia

Answer: Option C [China]

Q29. The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is a member body.

- (a) 10
- (b) 15
- (c) 20
- (d) 30

Answer: Option B [15]

Q30. Margherita Hack, who featured in the Google Doodle recently, is associated with which field?

- (a) Sports
- (b) Astronomy
- (c) Business
- (d) Politics

Answer: Option B [Astronomy]

Q31. Which Union Ministry is set to launch 'Jaan Hai To Jahaan Hai' Covid vaccination awareness campaign?

- (a) Health Ministry
- (b) Rural Development Ministry
- (c) Minority Affairs Ministry
- (d) Social Justice Ministry

Answer: Option C [Minority Affairs Ministry]

Q32. M-Yoga application, launched by India recently, was developed in association with which organisation?

- (a) UN
- (b) WHO
- (c) CDC
- (d) John Hopkins University

Answer: Option B [WHO]

Q33. As per the proposed Amendments to Consumer Protection (E-commerce) Rules, an e-commerce entity should be registered with which body?

- (a) SEBI
- (b) RBI
- (c) DPIIT
- (d) UIDAI

Q34. In which Indian state the field trials of the world's first genetically modified (GM) rubber has commenced?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Assam

Answer: Option D [Assam]

Q35. Which institution has launched a 'Centre for research on start-ups and risk financing' (CREST)?

- (a) IIT Madras (b) IIM Ahmedabad
(c) IIT Guwahati (d) IISc Bengaluru
Answer: Option A [IIT Madras]

Q36. Which organization has released the "Suicide Worldwide 2019" report?

- (a) WHO (b) IMF
(c) ICJ (d) BMGF

Answer: Option A [WHO]

Q37. Mukhyamantri COVID-19 Pariwar Aarthik Sahayata Yojana is implemented by which state /UT?

- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Karnataka
(c) Delhi (d) Assam

Answer: Option C [Delhi]

Q38. When is the United Nations Public Service Day observed every year?

- (a) June 20 (b) June 21
(c) June 23 (d) June 30

Answer: Option C [June 23]

Q39. Which country holds the G20 Presidency in 2021?

- (a) Russia (b) Italy
(c) Germany (d) France

Answer: Option B [Italy]

Q40. Which institutions launched the 'Digital Skill Champions Program' in India?

- (a) Niti Aayog- WhatsApp (b) NSDC- WhatsApp
(c) Niti Aayog- Google (d) NSDC- Google

Answer: Option B [NSDC- WhatsApp]

Q41. Which policy is being prepared by the Government of India, to make green energy cheaper?

- (a) Renewable Energy Policy
(b) Non-Conventional Policy
(c) Green Tariff Policy
(d) Energy Policy

Answer: Option C [Green Tariff Policy]

Q42. Which country is home to the world's largest variety of butterflies, as per a recent study?

- (a) Colombia (b) Fiji
(c) Papua New Guinea (d) New Zealand

Answer: Option A [Colombia]

Q43. Which institution has launched a 'Centre for research on start-ups and risk financing' (CREST)?

- (a) IIT Madras (b) IIM Ahmedabad
(c) IIT Guwahati (d) IISc Bengaluru

Answer: Option A [IIT Madras]

Q44. Who is the composer of the official theme song of the Indian Olympic Team of Tokyo 2020?

- (a) A R Rahman (b) Mohit Chauhan
(c) Vishal Dadlani (d) Shankar Mahadevan

Answer: Option B [Mohit Chauhan]

Q45. As per the UN data, what is the estimated number of widows across the world, as of 2021?

- (a) 25 million (b) 258 million
(c) 56 million (d) 568 million

Answer: Option B [258 million]

Q46. Which Indian institution releases periodical data on Household financial savings?

- (a) Niti Aayog (b) RBI
(c) SEBI (d) BSE

Answer: Option B [RBI]

Q47. Which state is implementing 'SALT' programme for education, which was recently sanctioned by the World Bank?

- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Odisha
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Jharkhand

Answer: Option C [Andhra Pradesh]

Q48. Giant muntjac, a critically endangered animal, has been spotted in Virachey National Park, of which country?

- (a) Thailand (b) Laos
(c) Cambodia (d) China

Answer: Option C [Cambodia]

Q49. Which state Government approved the Student Credit Card scheme has been approved?

- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) West Bengal
(c) Goa (d) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: Option B [West Bengal]

Q50. What is the theme of the 'International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking' 2021?

- (a) Leaving None Behind
(b) Share Facts on Drugs, Save Lives
(c) Rehabilitation of Drug Users
(d) Sustainable Drug Prevention

Answer: Option B [Share Facts on Drugs, Save Lives]

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Q1.What is the rank of India in the Global Cybersecurity Index 2020?

- (a) 35 (b) 25
(c) 16 (d) 10

Answer: Option D [10]

Q2.When was the GST system of taxation implemented in India?

- (a) June 1 2019 (b) July 1 2018
(c) July 1 2017 (d) August 15 2018

Answer: Option C [July 1 2017]

Q3.The Rampal Power Station, that was making up news recently, was located in which country?

- (a) Bangladesh (b) Pakistan
(c) Nepal (d) Kenya

Answer: Option A [Bangladesh]

Q4.Which country topped the Sustainable Development Report 2021?

- (a) US (b) UK
(c) China (d) Finland

Answer: Option D [Finland]

Q5.Which of the following survey ships of India recently completed the survey data of the MV X-Press Pearl acid leak and fire accident?

- (a) INS Darshak (b) INS Sarvekshak
(c) INS Nirdeshak (d) INS Sandhayak

Answer: Option B [INS Sarvekshak]

Q6.What was the theme of International Day of Cooperatives celebrated on July 3, 2021?

- (a) Cooperatives for a Better World
(b) Cooperatives for Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow
(c) Cooperatives for Every Community
(d) Rebuild better together

Answer: Option D [Rebuild better together]

Q7.Which is the largest milk producing country in the world?

- (a) India (b) United States
(c) China (d) Denmark

Answer: Option A [India]

Q8.Virachey National Park, that was recently making news, is located in which country?

- (a) Thailand (b) Malaysia
(c) Cambodia (d) Singapore

Answer: Option C [Cambodia]

Q9.What does F stand for in PMFME, which recently completed one year?

- (a) Food (b) Finance
(c) Fund (d) Formalisation

Answer: Option D [Formalisation]

Q10.The Central Government imposed stock limits on wholesalers, retailers, millers and importers of which commodity, to control price rise?

- (a) Rice (b) Pulses
(c) Vegetables (d) Sugar Cane

Answer: Option B [Pulses]

Q11.Stan Swamy, the tribal rights activist, who passed away recently, was booked under which act?

- (a) Unlawful Activities Prevention Act
(b) Prevention of Terrorism Act
(c) Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act
(d) None of the above

Answer: Option A [Unlawful Activities Prevention Act]

Q12.Which institution released the report titled "The Hunger Virus Multiplies"?

- (a) World Bank (b) UNICEF
(c) Oxfam (d) Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Answer: Option C [Oxfam]

Q13.Nation State Law, which was seen in the news recently, is associated with which country?

- (a) Israel (b) Syria
(c) Jordan (d) Egypt

Answer: Option A [Israel]

Q14.The RBI has asked the banks to phase out which benchmark rate, mandatorily by December 31?

- (a) LIBOR (b) MIFOR
(c) SOFR (d) SONIA

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Q15. Which species is to be insured by the National Insurance Company Ltd (NICL)?

- (a) Himalayan Yak (b) Great Indian Bustard
- (c) Kashmir stag (d) Nilgiri Tahr

Q16. Zaila Avant-garde, who was seen in the news recently, is the winner of which competition?

- (a) National Spelling Bee contest
- (b) FIDE.com Rapid Chess
- (c) National Gymnastics Tournament
- (d) Austrian Grand Prix

Answer: Option A [National Spelling Bee contest]

Q17. What is the duration of the 'Agriculture Infrastructure Fund' scheme?

- (a) 1 year (b) 10 years
- (c) 20 years (d) 25 years

Answer: Option B [10 years]

Q18. As per the WWF-UNEP report, 35% of the ranges of which Indian animal lie outside protected areas?

- (a) Elephant (b) Tiger
- (c) Lion (d) Leopard

Answer: Option B [Tiger]

Q19. The India Industrial Land Bank (IILB) is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- (b) Ministry of MSME
- (c) Ministry of External Affairs
- (d) Ministry of Electronics and IT

Answer: Option A [Ministry of Commerce and Industry]

Q20. Who is the founder of the space tourism company, Virgin Galactic?

- (a) Elon Musk (b) Richard Branson
- (c) Jeff Bezos (d) Mark Zuckerberg

Answer: Option B [Richard Branson]

Q21. Shyam Srinivasan has been re-appointed as the managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) of which bank?

- (a) Axis Bank (b) Federal Bank
- (c) ICICI Bank (d) Yes Bank

Answer: Option B [Federal Bank]

Q22. 'Rights and Choices are the Answer' is the theme of which international day, observed on July 11 every year?

- (a) World Population Day (b) World Earth Day
- (c) World Water Day (d) World Forest Day

Answer: Option A [World Population Day]

Q23. When is the National Fish Farmers Day celebrated in India?

- (a) July 6 (b) July 8
- (c) July 10 (d) July 12

Answer: Option C [July 10]

Q24. The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) issued framework to set up ITFS Platform. What does ITFS stand for?

- (a) Indian Trade Finance Services
- (b) International Trade Finance Services
- (c) Indian Trade Finance Secretariat
- (d) International Trade Finance Secretariat

Answer: Option B [International Trade Finance Services]

Q25. When is World Malala Day celebrated every year?

- (a) July 4 (b) July 8
- (c) July 12 (d) July 16

Answer: Option C [July 12]

Q26. As per a recent NASA study, 'Nuisance floods' will occur frequently in 2030, due to the wobble in the orbit of which satellite?

- (a) Moon (b) Titan
- (c) Phobos (d) Deimos

Answer: Option A [Moon]

Q27. Critical race theory, or CRT, which was making news sometimes, is associated with which country?

- (a) USA (b) UK
- (c) Russia (d) South Africa

Answer: Option A [USA]

Q28. As per the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World report, how many people went hungry in 2020?

- (a) 112 million (b) 222 million
- (c) 553 million (d) 811 million

Answer: Option D [811 million]

Q29. As per the RBI guidelines, what is the mandated method for replenishing cash in ATMs?

- (a) Open cash top-up
- (b) Loading cash on the spot

- (c) Use Lockable cassettes
(d) None of the above

Answer: Option C [Use Lockable cassettes]

Q30. "Vikas Engine" is associated with which organization?

- (a) Tata Motors (b) Indian Railways
(c) Air India (d) ISRO

Answer: Option D [ISRO]

Q31. Which country supplied the MH-60R multi-role helicopters to India?

- (a) France (b) USA
(c) Russia (d) Israel

Answer: Option B [USA]

Q32. Viswanathan Anand won against which former world champion in the Sparkassen Trophy chess tournament at Dortmund?

- (a) Magnus Carlsen (b) Vladimir Kramnik
(c) Garry Kasparov (d) Anatoly Karpov

Answer: Option B [Vladimir Kramnik]

Q33. Which Union Ministry has formulated a Draft National Strategy and Roadmap for Development of Rural Tourism in India?

- (a) Ministry of Rural Development
(b) Ministry of Tourism
(c) Ministry of Culture
(d) Ministry of Home Affairs

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Tourism]

Q34. Which city is to host the 2032 Olympic Games?

- (a) New Delhi (b) Brisbane
(c) Rio De Janeiro (d) Moscow

Answer: Option B [Brisbane]

Q35. Which PSU is set to build the first 'Green Hydrogen' plant at Mathura?

- (a) NTPC (b) IOCL
(c) BPCL (d) HPCL

Answer: Option B [IOCL]

Q36. "Nuclear football", which was making news recently, is associated with which country?

- (a) Russia (b) China
(c) USA (d) Australia

Answer: Option C [USA]

Q37. "Nauka" which is seen in news recently, is a Space Research Module launched by which country?

- (a) India (b) China
(c) Russia (d) USA

Answer: Option C [Russia]

Q38. Union Cabinet approved Rs 6,322 crore production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme for which product?

- (a) Medical Equipment (b) Specialty Steel
(c) Coking Coal (d) Automobile

Answer: Option B [Specialty Steel]

Q39. Which country played host for the G20 Energy and Environment ministers' meeting 2021?

- (a) India (b) Italy
(c) USA (d) France

Answer: Option B [Italy]

Q40. As per the recent Quality of Life (QoL) survey, what is the per cent of adults in India leading a poor quality of life?

- (a) 16.2 (b) 25.6
(c) 46.2 (d) 72.6

Answer: Option C [46.2]

Q41. Which Indian became the third Indian to win Tennis singles match at Olympic?

- (a) Somdev Devvarman (b) Sumit Nagal
(c) Yuki Bhambri (d) Rohan Bopanna

Answer: Option B [Sumit Nagal]

Q42. Which is the major component of India's foreign exchange reserves?

- (a) Gold (b) Foreign Currency assets
(c) SDR with IMF (d) Reserve Position with IMF

Answer: Option B [Foreign Currency assets]

Q43. Satish Kalsekar, who recently passed away, is a renowned poet in which language?

- (a) Hindi (b) Urdu
(c) Marathi (d) Gujarati

Answer: Option C [Marathi]

Q44. China recently banned which segment of institutions from making profits, raising capital or going public?

- (a) Health Care (b) Education
(c) Transport (d) Power Utilities

Answer: Option B [Education]

Q45. When is the 'International Day for the

Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem' observed annually?

- (a) July 23 (b) July 26
(c) July 29 (d) July 31

Answer: Option B [July 26]

Q46.What is India's first manned mission to space called as?

- (a) Mangalyan (b) Chandrayaan
(c) Gaganyaan (d) Gangayaan

Answer: Option C [Gaganyaan]

Q47.As per the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2021, what is the maximum default amount, to which pre-packed resolution is applicable?

- (a) Rs 1 lakh (b) Rs 10 lakh
(c) Rs 50 lakh (d) Rs 1 crore

Answer: Option D [Rs 1 crore]

Q48.Which institution is implementing the Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Drought (BOLD) project?

- (a) KVIC (b) NABARD
(c) SIDBI (d) Indian Army

Answer: Option A [KVIC]

Q49.Which two countries organised the 3rd Arctic Science Ministerial Meeting, 2021 ?

- (a) India and Japan (b) Japan and Iceland
(c) Japan and Russia (d) India and Sri Lanka

Answer: Option B [Japan and Iceland]

Q50.Which company has launched India's first numberless visa prepaid card for teenagers?

- (a) PhonePe (b) Paytm
(c) Freecharge (d) FamPay

Answer: Option D [FamPay]

SET-10

Q1.Who has been appointed as the new General Manager of South Western Railway (SWR)?

- (a) Rahul Jain (b) Sanjay Kumar Mohanty
(c) Sanjeev Mittal (d) Sanjeev Kishore

Answer: Option D [Sanjeev Kishore]

Q2.Who was known as the "Miracle Mom from Chandigarh"?

- (a) Man Kaur (b) Neerja Bhanot
(c) Harita Kaur Deol (d) Harnam kaur

Answer: Option A [Man Kaur]

Q3.Who has been elected as the leader of a Palestinian Islamist group 'Hamas' in August, 2021?

- (a) Mahmoud al- Mabhouh (b) Khaled Meshaal
(c) Ismail Haniyeh (d) Mahmoud Abbas

Answer: Option C [Ismail Haniyeh]

Q4.In which district of Uttar Pradesh, the foundation stone for Maa Vindhyavasini Corridor Project has been laid recently by Amit Shah, the Union Home Minister?

- (a) Gautam Buddha Nagar (b) Mirzapur
(c) Agra (d) Kanpur

Answer: Option B [Mirzapur]

Q5.Who is the first female swimmer to win seven medals in a single Olympic event?

- (a) Janet Evans (b) Katie Ledecky
(c) Emma McKeon (d) Inge de Bruijn

Answer: Option C [Emma McKeon]

Q6.Who composed the theme song of India for Tokyo Paralympics 2020?

- (a) Yogeshwar Dutt (b) Deepa Malik
(c) Sanjeev Singh (d) Varun Singh Bhati

Answer: Option C [Sanjeev Singh]

Q7.Who holds the world record in the women's 400-metre hurdles?

- (a) Femke Bol (b) Dalilah Muhammad
(c) Sydney McLaughlin (d) Allyson Felix

Answer: Option C [Sydney McLaughlin]

Q8.Which bank has been empanelled as an Agency bank to RBI in August, 2021?

- (a) HDFC Bank (b) IndusInd Bank
(c) ICICI Bank (d) Syndicate Bank

Answer: Option B [IndusInd Bank]

Q9.Who is the third Indian Boxer to win a bronze medal at the Olympics?

- (a) Vijender Singh (b) Simranjit Kaur
(c) Manish Kaushik (d) Lovlina Borgohain

Answer: Option D [Lovlina Borgohain]

Q10. Who is the first woman to retain 100m and 200m titles at the Olympics?

- (a) Gail Devers (b) Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce
(c) Gabby Thomas (d) Elaine Thompson

Answer: Option D [Elaine Thompson]

Q11. Which country has approved the sale of Harpoon Joint Common Test Sets to India?

- (a) Germany (b) Russia
(c) United States of America (d) Sri Lanka

Answer: Option C [United States of America]

Q12. Who is the third Indian Boxer to win a bronze medal at the Olympics?

- (a) Vijender Singh (b) Simranjit Kaur
(c) Manish Kaushik (d) Lovlina Borgohain

Answer: Option D [Lovlina Borgohain]

13. Samagra Shiksha Scheme covers the school education from which class to which class?

- (a) From preschool to Class 11
(b) From preschool to Class 10
(c) From preschool to Class 9
(d) From preschool to Class 12

Answer: Option D [From preschool to Class 12]

Q14. Which Indian ministry is implementing Support to Urban Street Vendors (SUSV) scheme?

- (a) Ministry of Rural Development
(b) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
(c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
(d) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare

Answer: Option C [Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs]

15. National Handloom Day is observed on which date?

- (a) 6th August (b) 8th August
(c) 5th August (d) 7th August

Answer: Option D [7th August]

Q16. Recently, the Taxation Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2021 was passed in Lok Sabha to remove the contentious retrospective tax provision in Income Tax Act. Who was finance minister when retrospective tax provision was included in 2012?

- (a) P. Chidambaram (b) Pranab Mukherjee
(c) Arun Jaitley (d) Jaswant Singh

Answer: Option B [Pranab Mukherjee]

Q17. Recently, which bank has been empanelled by RBI to act as an Agency Bank?

- (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank
(c) Canara Bank (d) Karnataka Bank

Answer: Option D [Karnataka Bank]

Q18. Recently, which organization has launched Swavalamban Challenge Fund to promote entrepreneurship?

- (a) SIDBI (b) NABARD
(c) SEBI (d) RBI

Answer: Option A [SIDBI]

Q19. Which organization has released a study which shows Covishield-Covaxin combination works better than 2 doses of same vaccine?

- (a) Indian Council of Medical Research
(b) Indian Medical Association
(c) Medical Council of India
(d) Academy of Family Physicians of India

Answer: Option A [Indian Council of Medical Research]

Q20. Disaster Management Authority of which state/UT has implemented Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) to effectively manage COVID-19?

- (a) Mumbai (b) Kolkata
(c) Delhi (d) Ahmedabad

Answer: Option C [Delhi]

Q21. What amount has been released by the PM as seed money for 7,500 SHG members under PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises scheme?

- (a) Rs 35 crore (b) Rs 45 crore
(c) Rs 15 crore (d) Rs 25 crore

Answer: Option D [Rs 25 crore]

QQ22. Which state/UT has launched Rashtriya Swasthaya Sevak Abhiyan by launching the Health Warrior Portal?

- (a) Himachal Pradesh (b) New Delhi
(c) Bihar (d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option D [Uttar Pradesh]

Q23. SAP India has partnered with which organization to launch of a joint skilling programme TechSaksham?

- (a) Facebook (b) Google
(c) Microsoft (d) Oracle

Answer: Option C [Microsoft]

Q24. Which date in August is celebrated as the International Left-Handers' Day?

- (a) 14 August (b) 13 August
(c) 12 August (d) 10 August

Answer: Option B [13 August]

Q25. Recently, Gerd Müller, former legendary footballer passed away. Which country did he represent in the football world cup?

- (a) East Germany (b) Hungary
(c) West Germany (d) Switzerland

Answer: Option C [West Germany]

Q26. Which bank has introduced a special deposit scheme to mark the celebratory occasion of 75 years of Independence?

- (a) Canara Bank (b) Punjab National Bank
(c) Bank of Baroda (d) State Bank of India

Answer: Option D [State Bank of India]

Q27. Which organization has developed an advanced Chaff technology to safeguard fighter aircraft's against hostile radar threats?

- (a) Indian Space Research Organisation
(b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
(c) Defence Research and Development Organisation
(d) Bharat Electronics

Answer: Option C [Defence Research and Development Organisation]

Q28. Which organization has unveiled a new drone platform and reference design with 5G and AI capabilities?

- (a) Nvidia (b) Qualcomm
(c) Apple (d) Google

Answer: Option B [Qualcomm]

Q29. Recently, with which country, Indian has participated in a bilateral Maritime partnership exercise in the Persian Gulf region?

- (a) Saudi Arabia (b) Qatar
(c) Bahrain (d) Kuwait

Answer: Option C [Bahrain]

Q30. With which organization, India has signed a USD 500 million loans agreement in order to expand metro rail network in Bengaluru?

- (a) Asian Development Bank (b) World Bank
(c) European Central Bank (d) New Development Bank

Answer: Option A [Asian Development Bank]

Q31. Which bank has launched 'Farmer Registration and Unified Beneficiary Information System' (FRUITS) portal?

- (a) Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank
(b) Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank
(c) Paschim Banga Gramin Bank
(d) Jharkhand Rajya Gramin Bank

Answer: Option A [Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank]

Q32. Which State/UT has launched the Karkhandar Scheme?

- (a) Ladakh (b) Jammu & Kashmir
(c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Sikkim

Answer: Option B [Jammu & Kashmir]

Q33. Which date in August is observed as World Humanitarian Day?

- (a) 19 August (b) 20 August
(c) 18 August (d) 17 August

Answer: Option A (a) 19 August

Q34. With the inauguration of the first solar electric vehicle charging station at the Karnal lake resort, which highway has become the first e-vehicle friendly highway in India?

- (a) Delhi-Jaipur Highway
(b) Delhi-Chandigarh Highway
(c) Delhi-Gurgaon Expressway
(d) Delhi-Mumbai Highway

Answer: Option B [Delhi-Chandigarh Highway]

Q35. Which date of August is celebrated as Akshay Urja Diwas?

- (a) 21 August (b) 19 August
(c) 22 August (d) 20 August

Answer: Option D [20 August]

Q36. Which organization has launched a new initiative called the Small Business Loans Initiative?

- (a) Facebook (b) Google
(c) State Bank of India (d) Bank of Baroda

Answer: Option A [Facebook]

Q37. Which organization has launched Urja, an AI enabled virtual assistant?

- (a) Hindustan Petroleum
- (b) NTPC Limited
- (c) Power Grid Corporation of India
- (d) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

Answer: Option D [Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited]

Q38. Which organization has partnered with Society for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (SINE)-IIT Bombay to launch Plugin Alliance, a first-of-its-kind industry-technology alliance?

- (a) Facebook
- (b) Microsoft
- (c) Intel
- (d) Google

Answer: Option C [Intel]

Q39. Which country is scheduled to host the second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC) in October 2022?

- (a) India
- (b) China
- (c) France
- (d) Canada

Answer: Option A [India]

Q40. Which state's seven indigenous food products have been launched by Union Minister of State for Food Processing Industries and Jal Shakti Prahlad Singh Patel?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Manipur
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option B [Manipur]

Q41. Which organization has designed a motorised wheelchair that can be used on roads as well as on uneven terrain?

- (a) DRDO
- (b) IIT Madras
- (c) ISRO
- (d) IIT Gandhinagar

Answer: Option B [IIT Madras]

Q42. In association with the Planning Department of which state has the Vice President of India launched Vaccinate India Programme?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Haryana
- (d) Karnataka

Answer: Option D [Karnataka]

Q43. Recently, with which country India has conducted naval exercise in the South China Sea?

- (a) Philippines
- (b) Malaysia
- (c) Thailand
- (d) Indonesia

Answer: Option A [Philippines]

Q44. Which organization has released a report titled 'Cloud Skills: Powering India's Digital DNA?'

- (a) NASSCOM
- (b) ASSOCHAM
- (c) Data Security Council of India
- (d) Internet and Mobile Association of India

Answer: Option A [NASSCOM]

Q45. What is the name of the force comprising of 32 female staff that has been constituted to combat Naxalism in the Sukma district?

- (a) Rani of Jhansi Regiment
- (b) The Winners
- (c) Durga Fighter
- (d) None of the above

Answer: Option C [Durga Fighter]

Q46. Which ministry has launched the SUJALAM campaign?

- (a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- (b) Ministry of Jal Shakti
- (c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- (d) Ministry of Rural Development

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Jal Shakti]

Q47. With which country's accountancy organization, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has partnered to strengthen cooperation in matters of accountancy profession?

- (a) Russia
- (b) Japan
- (c) Australia
- (d) France

Answer: Option A [Russia]

Q48. As of August 2021, what is the total number of bank accounts under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna (PMJDY)?

- (a) 32 crore
- (b) 43 crore
- (c) 56 crore
- (d) 67 crore

Answer: Option B [43 crore]

Q49. What is the name of the digital learning facility for civil servants, launched by Personnel Ministry?

- (a) Shramyogi
- (b) Atmanirbhar Yogi
- (c) Karmayogi
- (d) Bharat Bureaucrat

Answer: Option C [Karmayogi]

Q50. Which country has warned of increase in West Nile Virus (WNV) infections?

- (a) USA
- (b) Russia
- (c) China
- (d) UK

Answer: Option B [Russia]

SET-11

Q1. What is the GST Revenue collected in the month of August, as per the recent data from Finance Ministry?

- (a) Rs 88000 cr (b) Rs 98000 cr
(c) Rs 1,12,000 cr (d) Rs 1,34,000 cr

Answer: Option C [Rs 1,12,000 cr]

Q2. What is the approximate number of transactions done through UPI, in the month of August?

- (a) 0.11 billion (b) 1.55 billion
(c) 3.55 billion (d) 5.22 billion

Answer: Option C [3.55 billion]

Q3. Which Indian state/UT has launched a drone-based afforestation project, named 'Hara Bhara'?

- (a) Gujarat (b) Punjab
(c) Telangana (d) Rajasthan

Answer: Option C [Telangana]

Q4. Which country has introduced the concept of 'Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL)'?

- (a) China (b) Singapore
(c) Japan (d) South Korea

Answer: Option B [Singapore]

Q5. R9X Hellfire missile, also called as the 'Ninja' bomb, is associated with which country?

- (a) USA (b) China
(c) UAE (d) India

Answer: Option A [USA]

Q6. Which is the first major city in India, to release a Climate Action Plan?

- (a) Mumbai (b) New Delhi
(c) Kochi (d) Ahmadabad

Answer: Option A [Mumbai]

Q7. Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) is an annual meet held in which country?

- (a) Switzerland (b) Russia
(c) Japan (d) Singapore

Answer: Option B [Russia]

Q8. Which e-Commerce platform has announced the launch of 'Kisan' store?

- (a) Flipkart (b) Amazon
(c) JioMart (d) Big Basket

Answer: Option B [Amazon]

Q9. Who is the first Indian woman to win two medals in the Paralympics Games?

- (a) Avani Lekhara (b) Bhavina Patel
(c) Ekta Bhan (d) Kashish Lakra

Answer: Option A [Avani Lekhara]

Q10. Corbevax is a vaccine candidate of which pharma company?

- (a) Johnson and Johnson (b) Pfizer
(c) Biological E (d) Ranbaxy

Answer: Option C [Biological E]

Q11. Recently, who won the Formula One Dutch Grand Prix?

- (a) Lewis Hamilton (b) Charles Leclerc
(c) Max Verstappen (d) George Russell

Answer: Option C [Max Verstappen]

Q12. Who has been elected as the Chairman of the Assembly of Asian Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions (ASOSAI)?

- (a) Hou Kai (b) Mitsuhiko Kawado
(c) GC Murmu (d) Chen Chu

Answer: Option C [GC Murmu]

Q13. Indian government and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have signed a 300-million-dollar loan to expand rural connectivity in which state?

- (a) Assam (b) Maharashtra
(c) Odisha (d) Jharkhand

Answer: Option B [Maharashtra]

Q14. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and MD of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)?

- (a) Shashi Shanker (b) Shrikant Madhav Vaidya
(c) Arun Kumar Singh (d) Padmaja Chunduru

Answer: Option C [Arun Kumar Singh]

Q15. Which date in September is observed as International Day to Protect Education from Attack?

- (a) September 9 (b) September 10
(c) September 8 (d) September 11

Answer: Option A [September 9]

Q16. In which country, world's largest plant to capture CO2 from air has started functioning?

- (a) Canada (b) Japan
(c) Iceland (d) China

Answer: Option C [Iceland]

Q17. Who is heading the newly formed government panel for framing new law for drugs, cosmetics and medical devices?

- (a) Balram Bhargava (b) Randeep Guleria
(c) V G Somani (d) Gagandeep Kang

Answer: Option C [V G Somani]

Q18. Who has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of National Fertilizers Ltd?

- (a) Ajay Tyagi (b) Sriram Kalyanaraman
(c) Nirlep Singh Rai (d) Subhash Chandra Khuntia

Answer: Option C [Nirlep Singh Rai]

Q19. Recently, with which country India has held a Maritime Affairs Dialogue?

- (a) Australia (b) Great Britain
(c) Japan (d) France

Answer: Option C [Japan]

Q20. Which state has decided to commemorate the death anniversary of Subramania Bharathi as Mahakavi Day?

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

Answer: Option A [Tamil Nadu]

Q21. Who has won the US Open women's doubles title?

- (a) Coco Gauff and Caty McNally
(b) Samantha Stosur and Zhang Shuai
(c) Samantha Stosur and Emma Raducanu
(d) Peng Shuai and Wang Qiang

Answer: Option B [Samantha Stosur and Zhang Shuai]

Q22. National Dairy Development Board has partnered with which state to develop a joint venture company for the promotion of the dairy sector?

- (a) West Bengal (b) Sikkim
(c) Assam (d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option C [Assam]

Q23. Which organization has launched a report titled 'Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India'?

- (a) National Development Council
(b) NITI Aayog
(c) Ministry of Statistics and Programme

Implementation

(d) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

Answer: Option B [NITI Aayog]

Q24. With which organization, the Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority (GNIDA) has inked a pact to set up dry waste management facility?

- (a) United Nations Development Programme
(b) HDFC Bank
(c) Synergy Waste Management
(d) Both A and B

Answer: Option D [Both A and B]

Q25. Which organization has launched the Planetarium Innovation Challenge?

- (a) MyGov India (b) ISRO
(c) NITI Aayog (d) Birla Planetarium

Answer: Option A [MyGov India]

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26. Recently, which country has applied to join the Asia-Pacific Free Trade grouping?

- (a) India (b) Japan
(c) China (d) Singapore

Answer: Option C [China]

Q27. Where was Swachhata Pakhwada 2021 launched?

- (a) Mormugao Port Trust
(b) Cochin Port Trust
(c) Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust
(d) Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal

Answer: Option B [Cochin Port Trust]

Q28. Which bank has won the 'World's Best Bank 2021' title given by Euromoney in its Global Awards for Excellence 2021?

- (a) Citibank (b) DBS Bank
(c) Bank of China (d) State Bank of India

Answer: Option B [DBS Bank]

Q29. With which organization, NITI Aayog has partnered to provide free access to education to students in 112 Aspirational Districts in India?

- (a) Unacademy
(b) BYJU
(c) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
(d) IIT Kanpur

Answer: Option B [BYJU]

Q30. With which organization, TRIFED has signed a MoU for entrepreneurship development of tribals in pearl farming across the country?

- (a) Chandrani Pearls
- (b) Indian Pearl Company
- (c) Purty Agrotech
- (d) Cultured Pearl Association of America

Answer: Option C [Purty Agrotech]

Q31. In which state/UT, its first Software Technology Park of India has been inaugurated by Rajeev Chandrasekhar MoS for information & technology and skill development?

- (a) Meghalaya
- (b) Nagaland
- (c) Sikkim
- (d) Lakshadweep

Answer: Option B [Nagaland]

Q32. National Aerospace Laboratories has adopted which organization to design civil aircraft in the country?

- (a) Boeing
- (b) Space X
- (c) Dassault Systemes Solutions
- (d) Lockheed Martin

Answer: Option C [Dassault Systemes Solutions]

Q33. What is the official motto of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (WG) Beijing 2022 that was revealed recently?

- (a) Together for a Shared Future
- (b) Together We Stand for Peace
- (c) United by Emotion
- (d) Great Athletes. Great Performances.

Answer: Option A [Together for a Shared Future]

Q34. Which ministry is celebrating 'Vanijya Saptah' from 20 to 26 September?

- (a) Ministry of Finance
- (b) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- (c) Ministry of Commerce
- (d) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Answer: Option C [Ministry of Commerce]

Q35. Ruskin Bond, Vinod Kumar Shukla and six others were selected for which award/ fellowship recently?

- (a) Sahitya Akademi Fellowship
- (b) Jnanpith Award
- (c) Vyas Samman
- (d) Dr B C Roy Award

Answer: Option A [Sahitya Akademi Fellowship]

Q36. The National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi campaign 2021-22 was held in which place?

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Virtual Mode

Answer: Option D [Virtual Mode]

Q37. What is the motto of the 2022 Winter Olympics and Paralympics?

- (a) Growing Stronger
- (b) Together For a Shared Future
- (c) Sustainable Growth
- (d) Inclusive and Strong

Answer: Option B [Together For a Shared Future]

Q38. Which Indian state created history by burning over 2500 rhino horns in one of Asia's largest anti-poaching drives?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Sikkim
- (c) West Bengal
- (d) Mizoram

Answer: Option A [Assam]

Q39. CSIR-CMERI, which has developed solar DC cooking system, is located in which state?

- (a) West Bengal
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Karnataka

Answer: Option A [West Bengal]

Q40. Which organization has released the report titled "Climate Indicators and Sustainable Development: Demonstrating the Interconnections"?

- (a) UNFCCC
- (b) UNICEF
- (c) NITI Aayog
- (d) WMO

Answer: Option D [WMO]

Q41. The Report on Deposits with Banks, is periodically released by which organization?

- (a) DICGC
- (b) RBI
- (c) Ministry of Finance
- (d) IBA

Answer: Option B [RBI]

Q42. The 'International Week of Deaf People' is observed in which month every year?

- (a) August
- (b) September
- (c) October
- (d) November

Answer: Option B [September]

Q43. Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata recently signed a MoU with the Natural History Museum of which country?

- (a) France
- (b) UK
- (c) Australia
- (d) France

Answer: Option B [UK]

Q44. Which two countries launched the Joint Anti-Terrorist Exercise (JATE)-2021?

- (a) India and Japan (b) China and Pakistan
(c) China and Afghanistan (d) India and Sri Lanka

Answer: Option B [China and Pakistan]

Q45. Which entity operates "Digital Sky" Platform in India?

- (a) NITI Aayog
(b) Reserve Bank of India
(c) Directorate General of Civil Aviation
(d) Ministry of Information Technology

Answer: Option C [Directorate General of Civil Aviation]

46. Who is the head of the Group of ministers (GoM) set up to rationalise GST rates?

- (a) Basavaraj S Bommai (b) M K Stalin
(c) Pinarayi Vijayan (d) Chandrasekar Rao

Answer: Option A [Basavaraj S Bommai]

Q47. What is "Akash Prime", that is seen in the news recently?

- (a) New broadcasting station of AIR
(b) New broadband service by BSNL
(c) New version of Akash Missile
(d) Navigation satellite of ISRO

Answer: Option C [New version of Akash Missile]

Q48. Who is the author of the book "My Life in Full: Work, Family and our Future"?

- (a) Jeff Bezos (b) Andy Jassy
(c) Indra Nooyi (d) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

Answer: Option C [Indra Nooyi]

Q49. India unveiled a 'National Action Plan for Dog Mediated Rabies Elimination' (NAPRE), to eliminate rabies by which year?

- (a) 2025 (b) 2027
(c) 2030 (d) 2032

Answer: Option C [2030]

50. Sweet Revolution, NBHM scheme are associated with which product?

- (a) Sugarcane (b) Honey
(c) Fruits (d) Palm

Answer: Option B [Honey]

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Answer: Option B [Honey]

Q2. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$251 million loan for urban flood protection and management in which state?

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

Answer: Option C [Tamil Nadu]

Q3. What is the theme of the 'International Day of Older Persons' 2021?

- (a) Digital Equity for All Ages
(b) Respect and Love for Elders
(c) Empathy and Equity
(d) Fair Treatment to all Elders

Answer: Option A [Digital Equity for All Ages]

Q4. Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award is associated with which field?

- (a) Sports (b) Science
(c) Social Service (d) Literature

Answer: Option B [Science]

Q5. AMRUT 2.0 and SBM-U 2.0, which were launched recently, come under which Union Ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Agriculture
(b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
(c) Ministry of MSME
(d) Ministry of Home Affairs

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs]

Q6. Who is the head of the expert group on minimum wages and national-floor wages?

- (a) SP Mukherjee (b) JK Ghosh
(c) GP Samanta (d) Kshatrapati Shivaji

Answer: Option A [SP Mukherjee]

Q7. 'Clean India Programme' has been inaugurated from which state?

- (a) Bihar (b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Gujarat (d) West Bengal

Answer: Option B [Uttar Pradesh]

Q8. Which country has recently declared a state of emergency in the prison system?

- (a) India (b) USA
(c) Cuba (d) Ecuador

Answer: Option D [Ecuador]

Q9. Who has become the first Indian Woman cricketer to score a century in Australia?

- (a) Smriti Mandhana (b) Mithali Raj
(c) Shafali Verma (d) Punam Raut

Answer: Option A [Smriti Mandhana]

Q10. Edayur and Kuttiaattoor, which were in news recently, belongs to which state?

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

Answer: Option C [Kerala]

Q11. When is the Mental Health Awareness Campaign Week observed by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare?

- (a) October 1 to October 5, 2021
(b) October 2 to October 7, 2021
(c) October 10 to October 17, 2021
(d) October 5 to October 10, 2021

Answer: Option D [October 5 to October 10, 2021]

Q12. 'JIMEX', is the maritime exercise between India and which country?

- (a) Japan (b) Sri Lanka
(c) Jamaica (d) France

Answer: Option A [Japan]

Q13. Which state has passed a law to allow grant-in-aid colleges to affiliate with private universities?

- (a) Karnataka (b) Gujarat
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Kerala

Answer: Option B [Gujarat]

Q14. 'The State of Climate Services 2021: Water report' has been released by which organisation?

- (a) WMO (b) FAO
(c) NITI Aayog (d) NABARD

Answer: Option A [WMO]

15. 'Double Asteroid Redirection Test' is a Mission of which space agency?

- (a) NASA (b) ISRO
(c) ESA (d) JAXA

Answer: Option A [NASA]

Q16. PMBJP, which is seen in the news recently, stands for?

- (a) Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana
(b) Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Arogya Pariyojana
(c) Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jivan Arogya Pariyojana
(d) Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jal Jeevan Pariyojana

Answer: Option A [Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana]

Q17. When is the 'Indian Air Force Day' celebrated every year?

- (a) October 2 (b) October 4
(c) October 5 (d) October 8

Answer: Option D [October 8]

Q18. Vallilath Madhathil Madhavan Nair, who passed away recently, is associated with which profession?

- (a) Sports (b) Business
(c) Bureaucracy (d) Politics

Answer: Option C [Bureaucracy]

19. Which Indian state/UT has launched the 'State Capability Forum'?

- (a) Assam (b) Meghalaya
(c) Odisha (d) Telangana

Answer: Option B [Meghalaya]

20. 'Judima', which got G.I tag recently, is the home-made wine of which state?

- (a) Assam (b) Manipur
(c) Meghalaya (d) West Bengal

Answer: Option A [Assam]

21. With regard to the Indian Civil Services, 9th October is celebrated as?

- (a) Indian Police Services Day
(b) Indian Administrative Services Day
(c) Indian Foreign Services Day
(d) Indian Revenue Services Day

Answer: Option C [Indian Foreign Services Day]

22. Which organization, in association with the Oxford Poverty and Human Development releases the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index?

- (a) UNESCO (b) UNICEF
(c) UNDP (d) WHO

Answer: Option C [UNDP]

23. India agreed to provide a USD 200 million Line of Credit for development projects in which country?

- (a) Nepal (b) Tajikistan
(c) Kyrgyzstan (d) Indonesia

Answer: Option C [Kyrgyzstan].

24. Which global association recently made the largest 'Green bond' deal, held so far?

- (a) ASEAN (b) European Union
(c) G-20 (d) OPEC

Answer: Option B [European Union]

Q25. What is the Consumer price inflation in India in September, as per the data released by NSO?

- (a) 4.35 % (b) 4.8 %
(c) 5.4 % (d) 6.2 %

Answer: Option A [4.35 %]

Q26. Which institution has formed a Scientific Advisory Group for the Origins on Novel Pathogens (SAGO)?

- (a) UNICEF (b) World Health Organisation
(c) FAO (d) John Hopkins University

Answer: Option B [World Health Organisation]

Q27. Centrum-BharatPe consortium named 'Unity' was issued which category license by the Reserve Bank of India?

- (a) Private Bank (b) Small Finance Bank
(c) Payment Bank (d) Local Area Bank

Answer: Option B [Small Finance Bank]

28. What is the name of the consortium launched by the Department of Biotechnology, to monitor Bacterial and Viral infections?

- (a) Bharat Health (b) One Health
(c) Covid Warrior (d) Health Heroes

Answer: Option B [One Health]

29. Which state has recently scrapped the position of 'Police Naik'?

- (a) Karnataka (b) Maharashtra
(c) Kerala (d) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option B [Maharashtra]

30. Ex Yudh Abhyas is a joint military exercise between India and which country?

- (a) Japan (b) Sri Lanka
(c) USA (d) Great Britain

Answer: Option C [USA]

31. Who is the new Chairman and Managing Director of the National Research Development Corporation?

- (a) Amit Rastogi (b) Kasturi Rangan
(c) Mayilsamy Annadurai (d) K Sivan

Answer: Option A [Amit Rastogi]

32. When is the 'International Observe the Moon Night' observed every year?

- (a) October 16 (b) October 19
(c) October 21 (d) October 23

Answer: Option A [October 16]

33. Which institution launched a 'Geospatial energy map of India'?

- (a) NASA (b) DRDO
(c) NITI Aayog (d) NSIL

Answer: Option C [NITI Aayog]

34. Which Indian state/UT has launched 'Red Light On, Gaadi Off' campaign?

- (a) New Delhi (b) Maharashtra
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Rajasthan

Answer: Option A [New Delhi]

35. Which country has declared state of Emergency over Crime wave?

- (a) Afghanistan (b) Sudan
(c) Ecuador (d) Venezuela

Answer: Option C [Ecuador]

36. Which institution has launched the 'Token Reference On File (TROF) service' for Tokenization of Cards?

- (a) Reserve Bank of India
(b) National Payments Corporation of India
(c) NITI Aayog
(d) SEBI

Answer: Option B [National Payments Corporation of India]

37. Where is the Institute of Tropical Meteorology located?

- (a) Mumbai (b) Kolkata
(c) New Delhi (d) Pune

Answer: Option D [Pune]

38. Which Indian state conducts an annual State-level Sugarcane competition to award high-yields?

- (a) West Bengal (b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Bihar (d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option B [Uttar Pradesh]

39. Which institution released the 2021 Production Gap Report?

- (a) WEF (b) UNEP
(c) FAO (d) NITI Aayog

Answer: Option B [UNEP]

40. What is the rank of India, in the World Bank's ease of doing business report, under the construction permits category?

- (a) 27 (b) 49
(c) 72 (d) 124

Q41. Which Indian freedom fighter wrote poems under the pen name of Varasi and Hazarat?

- (a) Ashfaqullah Khan (b) Abul Kalam Azad
(c) Chandra Shekhar Azad (d) Bhagat Singh

Answer: Option A [Ashfaqullah Khan]

42. Which state has announced free education for students with verified family income less than Rs. 1.80 lakh per annum?

- (a) Gujarat (b) Bihar
(c) Haryana (d) Punjab

Answer: Option C [Haryana]

43. "Koozhangal", announced as India's official entry for 94th Academy Awards, is a movie made in which language?

- (a) Tamil (b) Telugu
(c) Malayalam (d) Kannada

Answer: Option A [Tamil]

44. Which global bloc has entered into an agreement cross-border data use and digital trade?

- (a) G-20 (b) G-7
(c) ASEAN (d) BRICS

Answer: Option B [G-7]

45. As per recent RBI rules, what is the maximum IPO funding per borrower, by NBFCs?

- (a) Rs 25 lakh (b) Rs 50 lakh
(c) Rs 1 Crore (d) Rs 5 Crore

Answer: Option C [Rs 1 Crore]

46. Which movie won the Best Feature Film award, at the National Film Awards ceremony?

- (a) Marakkar: Lion of the Arabian Sea
(b) Chhichhore
(c) Asuran
(d) Kesari

Answer: Option A [Marakkar: Lion of the Arabian Sea]

47. Which city plays host to the 16th G-20 Summit, scheduled in October 2021?

- (a) Paris (b) Rome
(c) Glasgow (d) Rio De Janeiro

Answer: Option B [Rome]

48. Which Union Ministry launched the Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship (MGNF)?

- (a) Ministry of Education
(b) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
(c) Ministry of Rural Development
(d) Ministry of Panchayati Raj

Answer: Option B [Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship]

49. As per the recent guidelines of Road Transport Ministry, what is the motorcycle speed for those riding with children aged up to four years?

- (a) 30 kmph (b) 40 kmph
(c) 50 kmph (d) 60 kmph

Answer: Option B [40 kmph]

50. Which regional association is to adopt the connectivity master plan worth USD 124 billion?

- (a) ASEAN (b) SAARC
(c) BIMSTEC (d) G-20

Answer: Option C [BIMSTEC]