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Q.1 Which among the following is not a part of the Eight Core industries?

- a) Coal
- b) Fertilizers
- c) Chemicals
- d) Steel
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Combines Index of Eight Core industries increased by 5.8% as compared to the Index of Feb 2021. Eight Core industries include - Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Cement, and Electricity.

Q.2 Who organized the national conclave on the Production of Bees Wax?

- a) National Dairy Development Board
- b) National Bee Board
- c) NAFED
- d) Both 1 & 2
- e) None of these

Answer (d): National Dairy Development Board and National Bee Board collectively organized a National Conclave on 'Production of Bees Wax.

Q.3 Who won the Best Marching Contingent Trophy for the 2022 Republic Day Parade?

- a) Indian Army
- b) Indian Navy
- c) Indian Air Force
- d) Both 1 & 2
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Chief of Naval Staff presented Best Marching Contingent Trophy for Republic Day Parade- 2022 to personnel of the Naval Contingent.

Q.4 Who has been selected as the first guest professor at TN Seshan chair?

- a) Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri
- b) Prof. Sudhir Krishnaswamy
- c) Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe
- d) Prof. Ashutosh Kumar
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Professor Ashutosh Kumar has been appointed as the first guest professor at T.N Seshan Chair at India International Institute of Democracy and Election Management (IIIDEM), New Delhi to make his contribution to research activities in the fields of Electoral Studies and Election Management.

Q.5 What is the Exercise between Indian and French navies called?

- a) Varuna
- b) KONKAN
- c) Samudra Shakti
- d) Malabar
- e) None of these

Answer (a): 20th Edition of Bilateral Naval Exercise between Indian and French navies -VARUNA 2022 conducted in the Arabian Sea.

Q.6 Which PSU commercialized the Vindhyan Basin recently?

- a) HPCL
- b) Oil India Ltd.
- c) IOCL
- d) ONGC
- e) None of these

Answer (d): ONGC to commercialize Vindhyan Basin in Madhya Pradesh for gas production, making it ONGC's 8th basin and 9th producing basin in India.

Q.7 Which Fintech company recently started the "buy now pay later" service on the IRCTC portal?

- a) PhonePe
- b) Paytm
- c) Google pay
- d) Amazon Pay later
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Paytm starts a "buy now pay later" service for IRCTC customers to book train tickets online.

Q.8 Which force recently in the month of march launched Operation Upalabdh?

- a) CRPF
- b) CISF
- c) RPF
- d) BSF
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Railway Police Force conducted Pan India month-long operation against touts named 'Operation Upalabdh' in the month of March.

Q.9 Where is the headquarters of the International Telecommunication Union?

- a) Geneva
- b) London
- c) Berne
- d) Vienna
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Indian official has been appointed as vice-chairperson in the Council Standing Committee on Administration and Management of (ITU) giving India a leadership position. ITU's Council meeting was held in Geneva.

Q.10 What was the gross GST collection in the month of March 2022?

- a) INR 140147 crore
- b) INR 141147 crore
- c) INR 142147 crore
- d) INR 142095 crore
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Gross GST collection in month of March 2022 is 1,42,095 crore. This is the highest ever GST collection to date. The Previous record was INR 1,40,986 crore in January 2022.

Q.11 Which is the host state for the Khelo India University Games 2021?

- a) Odissa
- b) Telangana
- c) Karnataka
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Karnataka is the host state for the Khelo India University Games 2021. This will be the second edition of KIUG.

Q.12 Recently Torrent Power got the power distribution operation for which UT?

- a) Dadar and Nagar Haveli
- b) Puducherry
- c) Daman & Diu
- d) Both 1 & 3
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Torrent Power takes over power distribution operation for the Union Territories of Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.

Q.13 Who is the Director-General of the Geological Survey of India?

- a) Dr. S Raju
- b) Dr. M Rajneesh
- c) Dr. V Raju
- d) Dr. V Subramaniam
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Dr. S Raju took over as Director-General of the Geological Survey of India.

Q.14 1st IndiaSkills Junior Championship was launched by?

- a) CBSE
- b) National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)
- c) SWAYAM
- d) Both 1 & 2
- e) None of these

Answer (d): It was an initiative of the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) launched in partnership with CBSE.

This is India's skill competition for school students.

Q.15 Digital Platform Temple 360 was launched by which Union Minister?

- a) Meenakshi Lekhi
- b) Anurag Thakur
- c) Amit Shah
- d) Smriti Irani
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Minister of Minister of State for Culture & External Affairs, Meenakshi Lekhi launched the website 'Temple 360'.

It was launched at an event organized by the Ministry of Culture in New Delhi under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

Q.16 Which country recently launched the Rupay Payment card?

- a) Pakistan
- b) Sri Lanka
- c) Maldives
- d) Nepal
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Rupay Payment card has been launched in Nepal.

Q.17 FIFA World Cup 2022 is going to be held in?

- a) UAE
- b) Qatar
- c) Bahrain
- d) Abu Dhabi
- e) None of these

Answer (b): FIFA World Cup 2022 released its official Soundtrack – Hayya Hayya (Better Together) by the artists Trinidad Cardona, Davido, and Aisha.

Q.18 Indigenously produced Reference Materials required for Anti-Dope analysis have been developed by which body?

- a) National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL)
- b) (NIPER)-Guwahati
- c) CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM), Jammu
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

Answer (d): It has been produced by NDTL in association with the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER)-Guwahati and the CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM), Jammu.

Q.19 What is the Motto of the Army Medical Corps?

- a) Sarve Santu Niramaya
- b) Sarvatra Sarvottam Suraksha
- c) Service with a Smile
- d) PeaceKeeper to the Nation
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The motto of the Army Medical Corps - is “Sarve Santu Niramaya” which means “Let all be free from disease and disability”.

Q.20 Who is the new brand ambassador of Pharmeasay?

- a) Shah Rukh Khan
- b) Aamir Khan
- c) Salman Khan
- d) Akshay Kumar
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Aamir Khan is the new brand ambassador of “Pharmeasay”.

Q.21 Which North Eastern State will be connected to international destinations under International Air Connectivity Scheme (IACS)?

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
- b) Tripura
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Mizoram
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The scheme has been launched with the objective of connecting certain states of the country with international destinations. North-eastern states of Assam, Manipur, and Tripura will be connected with Bangkok, Dhaka, Kathmandu, Yangon, Hanoi, Mandalay, Kunming & Chittagong.

Q.22 What has been the annual merchandise exports of India in FY 22?

- a) 417.81 billion dollar
- b) 427.81 billion dollar
- c) 437.81 billion dollar
- d) 447.81 billion dollar
- e) None of these

Answer (a): India has achieved an all-time high annual merchandise export in FY 22 of \$ 417.81 billion.

This is 43% more than the merchandise export in FY 21.

Q.23 Which organization has launched the Puneet Sagar Abhiyaan?

- a) Indian Army
- b) NCC
- c) Indian Navy
- d) Indian Air force
- e) None of these

Answer (b): National Cadet Corps (NCC) has started a nationwide campaign 'Puneet Sagar Abhiyan'.

This will coincide with National Maritime Day.

Q.24 Material Acceleration Platforms (MAPS) program has been launched by?

- a) Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
- b) Department of Information Technology
- c) Department of Science and Technology
- d) Department of Food and Public Distribution
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh launched Mission Integrated Bio-refineries to accelerate Clean Energy solutions through Public-Private Alliances.

It will be a Public-private partnership mode initiative to produce clean energy.

Q.25 Who launched the Broadcast Seva Portal recently to improve the Ease of Doing Business for broadcasters?

- a) PM Narendra Modi
- b) Anurag Thakur
- c) Dr. Jitendra Singh
- d) Ashwini Vaishnav
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Union Minister Anurag Thakur launched Broadcast Seva Portal in New Delhi.

This portal will bring Transparency, accountability, and Responsiveness to the broadcasting ecosystem and hence improve "Ease of doing business".

Q.26 SBI has signed MoU with which Forces to offer special benefits to serving and retired personnel and family pensioners?

- a) Assam Rifles
- b) Central Reserve Police Forces
- c) Central Industrial Security Forces
- d) Border Security Forces
- e) None of these

Answer (d): State Bank of India has signed MoU with Border Security Forces to offer special benefits to serving and retired BSF personnel and family pensioners via Central Armed Police Salary Package (CAPSP) Scheme.

Q.27 Chief Minister-gi Hakshelgi Tengbang (CMHT) is a free hospitalization scheme of Which state government?

- a) Manipur
- b) Tripura
- c) Mizoram
- d) Meghalaya
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The state government of Manipur has decided to increase free hospitalization benefits under Chief Minister-gi Hakshelgi Tengbang's (CMHT) scheme to 5 lakh from 2 lakh earlier.

Q.28 Who is the Delimitation Commission head of J&K?

- a) Retired CJI Ranjan Gogoi
- b) Retired CJI Jagdish Singh Khehar
- c) Retired Judge of SC Madan Lokur
- d) Retired Judge of SC Ranjana Prakash
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Delimitation Commission headed by retired Supreme Court Judge Ranjana Prakash Desi arrived in Srinagar to meet the stakeholders.

Q.29 Viktor Orban is the Prime Minister of which country?

- a) Netherlands
- b) Austria
- c) Hungary
- d) Romania
- e) None of these

Answer (c): He recently won the Parliamentary elections in Hungary.

Q.30 A camp named 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivir' was recently inaugurated by which ministry?

- a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- b) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- c) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (DCA)
- d) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Recently curtain raiser of 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivir' was conducted by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

It is a camp for the distribution of aids and assistive devices to Divyangjan and Senior Citizens.

Q.31 India has pledged to phase out single-use Plastic by which year?

- a) 2022
- b) 2023
- c) 2024
- d) 2025
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The event also shared various initiatives taken by MOEFCC and Central Pollution Control Board for effective plastic waste management in the country.

To tackle the problem of plastic waste India has pledged to phase out Single-Use Plastics (SUPs) by 2022.

Q.32 Which ministry is in charge of the International Day of Yoga in India?

- a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- b) Ministry of Ayush
- c) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- d) Prime Minister's Office
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Ministry of Ayush is organizing Yoga Mahotsav at Red Fort, New Delhi on 7th April 2022, which is World Health Day.

Q.33 DST-IISER Thiruvananthapuram Integrated Clean Energy Material Acceleration Platform is responsible for working on which problem under Mission Innovation?

- a) Solid-state battery research
- b) Development of commercial biomass and wastewater to hydrogen through the discovery of novel catalysts
- c) Design materials for energy harvesting by employing quantum and classical mechanics
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

Answer (a): This center would leverage the expertise of a consortium of 14 R&D institutes set up at IISER Thiruvananthapuram for solid-state battery research.

Q.34 Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust is located in the state?

- a) Kerala
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Goa
- d) Gujarat
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) handled 5.68 Million TEU (Twenty feet equivalent unit) in FY 22 as against 4.68 Million TEU in FY21. It's an increase of 21.55% and the highest performance for any financial year.

Q.35 Recently a Tulip breed was named 'Maitri' in presence of President Ram Nath Kovind by which country symbolizes friendship with India?

- a) Spain
- b) Italy
- c) Netherlands
- d) Belgium
- e) None of these

Answer (c): President of India, Shri Ramnath Kovind reached Amsterdam, Netherlands to attend the naming ceremony of the Tulip breed. The Tulip breed has been named 'Maitri' to symbolize the special friendship between India and Netherlands.

Q.36 Which central armed Police Force recently conducted the National Conference 'Women in uniform – an agent of change'?

- a) RPF
- b) CISF
- c) SRPF

- d) SSB
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Railway Protection Force (RPF) organized a National Conference on “Women in uniform – an agent of Change” to brainstorm on issues pertaining to its Mahila Personnel. RPF has the strength of 9% Mahila Personnel which is the highest amongst all Central Armed Police forces.

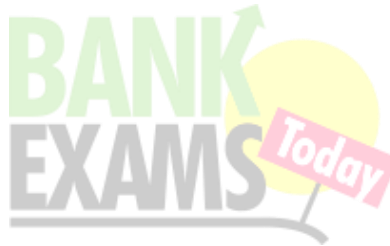
Q.37 After the merger of HDFC Ltd with HDFC Bank, HDFC bank will become ___ largest lender in terms of market capitalization.

- a) 4th
- b) 5th
- c) 6th
- d) 7th
- e) None of these

Answer (c): After the merger, HDFC Bank became the 6th largest lender globally in terms of market capitalization.

Q.38 As per the Asian Development Bank, what will be the growth rate of India’s GDP for FY24?

- a) 7.5%
- b) 7.6%
- c) 8.0%
- d) 7.8%
- e) None of these



Answer (c): Asian Development Bank in Asian Development Outlook 2022 has projected India's GDP to grow at 7.5% in FY23 and 8% in FY24.

Q.39 Which regulatory body launched a program named ‘Manthan’ to promote innovation?

- a) SEBI
- b) RBI
- c) IRDAI
- d) NABARD
- e) None of these

Answer (a): SEBI launched ‘Manthan’ – SEBI Ideathon in Mumbai: To promote innovation in the securities market.

Q.40 The export of Wheat has seen a growth of ___ percent in FY 22 from the previous year.

- a) 253%
- b) 263%
- c) 273%
- d) 283%

e) None of these

Answer (c): Wheat has recorded an unprecedented growth of more than 273%, jumping nearly four-fold from USD 568 million in 2020-21 to USD 2119 million in 2021-22.

Q.41 BIS certification was made compulsory for toy manufacturers?

- a) 1 January 2021
- b) 1 march 2021
- c) 1 June 202
- d) 1 October 2021
- e) None of these

Answer (a): BIS certification is compulsory for toy manufacturers from 01 January 2021.

It is mandatory for Toys to conform to Indian Standards for Safety of Toys and bear the Standard Mark (ISI Mark).

Q.42 Conference on National Calender of India will be conducted at?

- a) Indore
- b) Bhopal
- c) Ujjain
- d) Jabalpur
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Ujjain and Dongla are placed on the Tropic of Cancer.

The conference is being organized by the Ministry of Culture, Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Earth Science and many other scientific organizations together.

Q.43 DRDO organized a Bilateral Workshop on Quantum Technologies in partnership with a research organization of which country?

- a) United Kingdom
- b) Russia
- c) Israel
- d) USA
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Two-day Indo-Israel Bilateral workshop on Quantum Technologies was organized by DRDO. The workshop was organized by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and DRDO-Industry-Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA-CoE), IIT Delhi.

Q.44 Pilot project of 'One Health India' is being launched in which state by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying?

- a) Uttarakhand

- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying launched the 'One Health' pilot project in Uttarakhand.

The program is aimed to improve livestock health, human health, wildlife health, and environmental health through technology and finance.

Q.45 Which Indian institute came in the top 100 institutes in the subject of 'Petroleum'?

- a) IIT Bombay
- b) IIT Delhi
- c) IIT Kharagpur
- d) IIT Madras
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Two new entrants were seen in the list, namely, Saveetha Institute of Medical & Technical Sciences and IIT (ISM), Dhanbad.

Best ranked Public Institute of Eminence is IIT Madras.

Q.46 IBBI recently amended the Voluntary liquidation regulations and reduced the timeline for distribution of proceeds of liquidation from 6 months to 6 months too?

- a) 60 days
- b) 30 days
- c) 15 days
- d) 45 days
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The period of distribution of proceeds of liquidation has been reduced from 6 months to 30 days.

Q.47 Bhima Bhoi is a 19th century Saint poet from which state?

- a) West Bengal
- b) Chhattisgarh
- c) Gujarat
- d) Odisha
- e) None of these

Answer (d): He was also known as Santha Kabi. He was a proponent of Mahima Dharma and played a stellar role in rekindling the cultural and literary consciousness in the state. He fought for the rights of the marginalized through his poems.

Q.48 Where will the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association India Region Conference be conducted this year?

- a) Delhi
- b) Ahmedabad
- c) Guwahati
- d) Bhopal
- e) None of these

Answer (c): The state will be conducting the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, CPA mid-year executive committee meeting, and CPA India Region Conference in Guwahati.

Q.49 GVFL Ltd., a venture finance company that recently signed an MoU with IFSCA is based in which city?

- a) Mumbai
- b) Surat
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) Delhi
- e) None of these

Answer (c): It's an independent and autonomous Board managed Venture finance company based in Ahmedabad whose main purpose is to support the venture capital ecosystem in different sectors including FinTech. It is promoted by the Government of Gujarat and the World Bank.

Q.50 Sprint01: BankTech – a Hackathon competition was recently hosted by which body?

- a) RBI
- b) IFSCA
- c) SBI Bank
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) None of these

Answer (b): IFSCA recently announced the winners of Hackathon 'Sprint01' BankTech' under I-Sprint'21. Aim of the event - To support the world-class FinTech Hub at GIFT IFSC.

Q.51 Recently Union Jal Shakti Minister Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat chaired a regional conference to review progress under JJM and SBM. Where was it conducted?

- a) Jaipur
- b) Ahmedabad
- c) Mumbai
- d) Gurgaon
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Union Jal Shakti Minister Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat chaired the Regional Conference.

It is being conducted in Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Q.52 In the Monetary Policy announced in the month of April, what is the revised projection of GDP growth rate for FY23 for India?

- a) 7.8%
- b) 7.6%
- c) 7.4%
- d) 7.2%
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The projected GDP growth rate has been reduced to 7.2% for FY 23 from 7.8%.

Q.53 What is the current repo rate as announced by MPC in April 2022?

- a) 3.75%
- b) 4%
- c) 4.5%
- d) 4.25%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): They unanimously voted to keep the repo rate unchanged at 4% and the reverse repo rate at 3.35%.

Q.54 The Monetary Policy Committee has announced that excess liquidity of ___ will be managed beginning this year.

- a) INR 5 lakh crore
- b) INR 7.5 lakh crore
- c) INR 8.5 lakh crore
- d) INR 6.5 lakh crore
- e) None of these

Answer (c): RBI will manage excess liquidity of INR8.5lakh crore from the system from the beginning of this year.

Q.55 Mignon du Preez, who recently announced retirement from Test and ODI cricket, belongs to which country?

- a) England
- b) South Africa
- c) Zimbabwe
- d) New Zealand
- e) None of these

Answer (b): South African cricket player Mignon du Preez has announced retirement from Test and one-day international cricket.

Q.56 Which body will be releasing State Energy and Climate Index- Round 1 ranking recently?

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) The Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)
- c) Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)
- d) Ministry of New & Renewable Energy
- e) None of these

Answer (a): NITI Aayog will release State Energy and Climate Index- Round 1 ranking on Monday.

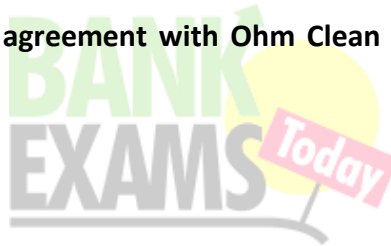
Q.57 Waterways Conclave 2022 will be conducted in?

- a) Guwahati
- b) Dibrugarh
- c) Shillong
- d) Itanagar
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Ministry of Ports, shipping and Waterways and Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) is organizing Waterways Conclave 2022. It will be conducted in Dibrugarh, Assam from 11-12th April.

Q.58 Which PSU has entered into an agreement with Ohm Clean Tech Private Limited to develop a 9-M Hydrogen Fuel Cell-powered e-Bus?

- a) IOCL
- b) OIL
- c) ONGC
- d) HPCL
- e) None of these



Answer (b): OIL signed an incubation agreement with Ohm Clean Tech Private Limited to promote Hydrogen Fuel based products.

Ohm Clean Tech Private Limited is a start-up that will be mentored by IIT Guwahati.

Q.59 Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Comics (AVGC) Promotion Task Force will be headed by the Secretary of which Ministry/Department?

- a) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- b) Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education;
- c) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- d) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has constituted an Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, and Comics (AVGC) Promotion Task Force.

This was announced in the Budget speech by Finance Minister.

Q.60 National Health Authority (NHA) organized 'Ayushman Sangam' to discuss the progress and implementation of AB PM-JAY in the Southern States in which city?

- a) Mahabalipuram
- b) Chennai
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Coorg
- e) None of these

Answer (a): National Health Authority(NHA) organized 'Ayushman Sangam' which is a Southern Regional Review Meeting to discuss the progress and implementation of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) and Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) in the Southern States and UTs.

Q.61 What was the theme of the 2-day Scientific Convention on World Homeopathy Day?

- a) People's choice for good health
- b) People's choice for well-being
- c) People's choice for wellness
- d) People's choice for cure
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Ministry of Aayush is organizing a 2-day Scientific Convention on World Homeopathy Day. Theme of the convention - 'Homoeopathy: People's Choice for Wellness'.

Q.62 Who amongst the following was not awarded the Sangeet Natak Akademi Fellowship 2018?

- a) Zakir Hussain
- b) Jatin Goswami
- c) Jyoti Bhatt
- d) Dr. Sonal Mansing
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Lalit Kala Akademi awarded Fellowship to 3 artists Himmat Shah, Jyoti Bhatt, and Shyam Sharma.

Q.63 What was the tax-GDP ratio for the year FY 22?

- a) 9.7%
- b) 11.7%
- c) 12.7%
- d) 13.7%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Tax revenue collection in FY22 exceeded the budget estimate by almost INR 5 lakh crore.

Tax-GDP ratio was the highest at 11.7%.

Q.64 Which state has launched an App-1064 to end corruption?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Uttarakhand
- d) Gujarat
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Uttarakhand CM has launched an App - Corruption-Free Uttarakhand App-1064', to make Uttarakhand corruption free and ensure transparency in governance.

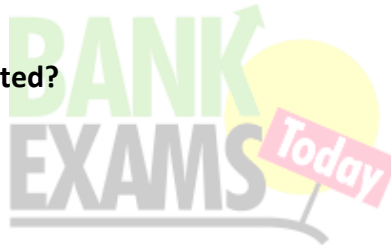
Q.65 Atal Innovation Mission has been extended by the union government to what date?

- a) March 2023
- b) January 2023
- c) October 2023
- d) June 2023
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Atal Innovation's mission has been extended till March 2023 at an additional expenditure of more than INR 2000 crore.

Q.66 Where is Pakke Tiger reserve located?

- a) Assam
- b) Mizoram
- c) West Bengal
- d) Arunachal Pradesh
- e) None of these



Answer (d): Recently 20th Meeting of NTCA was held in Arunachal Pradesh. It was held in Pakke tiger reserve in Arunachal Pradesh.

Q.67 Pinaka Mk-I Rocket system was recently flight tested by?

- a) DRDO
- b) Indian Army
- c) Both 1 & 2
- d) Indian Air force
- e) None of these

Answer (c): DRDO and Indian Army recently successfully flight-tested EPRS and ADM rocket systems. The rocket system was flight tested at Pokhran Firing Ranges.

Q.68 Where was the WSF World Double championship 2022 conducted?

- a) London

- b) Birmingham
- c) Manchester
- d) Glasglow
- e) None of these

Answer (d): India won its 2 Gold medals at WSF World Double Championship. It was held in Glasglow, Scotland.

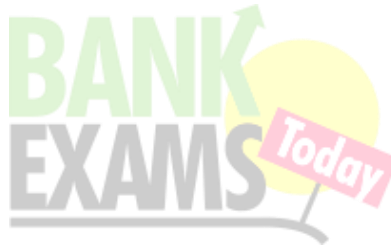
Q.69 Who will chair the working group to review the role and eligibility of a sponsor of a mutual fund?

- a) Manoj Vaish
- b) A Balasubramaniam
- c) Alok Mundra
- d) J. Ranganayakulu
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Chairman for a working group to review the Role and Eligibility of a Sponsor of a Mutual Fund – A Balasubramaniam (MD & CEO of Aditya Birla Sun Life and chairman of AMFI).

Q.70 Which country recently allowed the entry of baby corn and Indian Banana?

- a) USA
- b) UK
- c) Canada
- d) Japan
- e) None of these



Answer (c): Canada has allowed entry of Indian banana & baby corn into its market.

Q.71 Recently, National Conference on Mediation and Information technology was conducted by which High court?

- a) High court of Delhi
- b) High Court of Bombay
- c) High Court of Madras
- d) High Court of Gujarat
- e) None of these

Answer (d): President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the National Conference on Mediation and Information technology at Kevadia, Gujarat which was organized by the High Court of Gujarat.

Q.72 SpaceX, which has spearheaded the STARLINK Project meant to provide internet services using satellites, has recently launched the first commercial mission to the International Space Center. Name the Mission.

- a) Ax-1
- b) Falcon -9

- c) Hayabusa-2
- d) Howitzer
- e) None of these

Answer (a): SpaceX has successfully launched its Axiom-1(Ax-1) which will take astronauts to the International Space Station (ISS). SpaceX has achieved the unique feat of launching a 1st all-private mission in collaboration with Axiom Space and NASA.

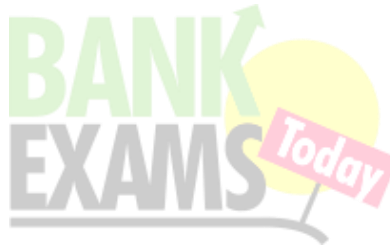
Q.73 Which organization releases Financial Inclusion Index?

- a) SEBI
- b) World Bank
- c) RBI
- d) IMF
- e) None of these

Answer (c): As per RBI's Financial Inclusion Index 2021, financial inclusion is at a tune of 53.9 percent as of March 2021. This augments the scope for better financial penetration of UPI-based ATM Withdrawal.

Q.74 What is the name of Pakistan's Parliament?

- a) National Congress
- b) Rashtriya Panchayat
- c) National Assembly
- d) Knesset
- e) None of these



Answer (c): He heads the Pakistan Muslim League (N) as the opposition leader in the National Assembly of Pakistan.

Q.75 Recently AAI has launched AVSAR Scheme at 17 major airports in India. What does this scheme cater to?

- a) A 7-week training module for engineering graduates at Airports
- b) A Scheme to promote Organic products at Airport Complexes
- c) An in-house scheme to nurture young school talent to absorb the talent across aeronautical stream
- d) A Scheme for the Promotion of Art and crafts through Airports as a venue
- e) None of these

Answer (d): AAI has launched the AVSAR Scheme to promote the local art and craft by offering SHGs the Airport as a venue.

Q.76 Which state is famous for the Madhavpur Ghed Fair organized annually in the memory of Lord Krishna and her consort Rukmini?

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Gujarat

- c) Madhyapradesh
- d) Uttarpradesh (Mathura Region)
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Hon. President of India Shri Ramnath Kovind inaugurated the Madhavpur Ghed Fair, at Porbandar Gujarat. The Madhavpur Ghed Fair is a century-old fair organized in the memory of Lord Krishna and her consort Rukmini.

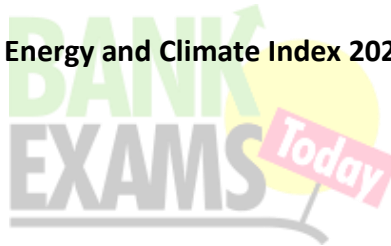
Q.77 With which of the following countries does India have a 2+2 dialogue?

- a) USA, Japan, Australia, China
- b) USA, Japan, Russia, China
- c) USA, Japan, Australia, Russia
- d) USA, Japan, Australia, Nepal
- e) None of these

Answer (c): On 11th April 2022, a 2+2 Summit took place between India and the United States of America. It is a mechanism of having the defense and external affairs ministers of both the nationalities, meet along with the premiers of the two nations. India has developed similar mechanisms with Australia, Russia, and Japan as well.

Q.78 Which state has topped the State Energy and Climate Index 2022, released by NITI Aayog?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Kerala
- c) Tamilnadu
- d) Karnataka
- e) None of these



Answer (a): Gujarat topped the SECI Index with a score of 50.1, followed by Kerala and Punjab, the bottom three include Jharkhand, Madhyapradesh, and Chhattisgarh.

Q.79 Which two countries undertake the AUSINDEX Exercise?

- a) India and Australia
- b) India and Austria
- c) USA and Australia
- d) India, USA and Australia
- e) None of these

Answer (a): India and Australia are committed to safeguarding the Indian Ocean Region for better maritime trade and rules-based maritime order.

Q.80 Which committee recommended the introduction of the Standing Deposit Facility?

- a) Vijay Kelkar Committee
- b) L. K Jha Committee

- c) Urjit Patel Committee
- d) Bimal Jalan Committee
- e) None of these

Answer (c): The idea of the Standing Deposit Facility was given by the Urjit Patel Committee in 2014.

It was later introduced via Finance Bill 2018. Like reverse repo, SDF has also pegged 25 basis points below the Repo rate.

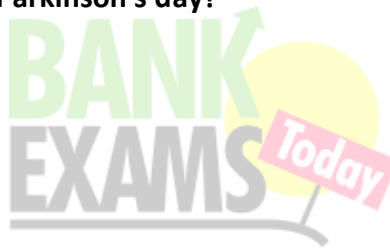
Q.81 Which country has awarded legal rights to wild animals?

- a) India
- b) USA
- c) Ecuador
- d) Eritrea
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Ecuador Supreme Court awards legal rights to Wild Animals. Delivering the judgment, the Top Court said that wild animals have the right not to be hunted, kept captive, trafficked, marketed, or exchanged.

Q.82 What is the theme for this year's Parkinson's day?

- a) Invest in mental health
- b) Integrated healthcare
- c) Cognitive disorder as us
- d) Beyond health
- e) None of these



Answer (b): World Parkinson's day is celebrated on the 11th of April every year. The theme for this year is Integrated Healthcare. Parkinson's is a mental disorder that takes a heavy toll on the cognitive and physical skill sets of an Individual. Dr. James Parkinson was the person to diagnose this disease.

Q.83 Who has authored the book, Laal Salam?

- a) Kanhaiya Kumar
- b) Sitaram Yechury
- c) Ram Madhav
- d) Smriti Irani
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Smriti Irani has authored a book titled Lal Salam, a tribute to the CRPF Personnels slain in the Dantewada ambush.

Q.84 Who has authored the book Pride, Prejudice and punditry?

- a) Dr. Romila Thapar
- b) Ramchandra Guha

- c) Dr. Shashi Tharoor
- d) Arundhati Roy
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Shashi Tharoor has authored the book Pride, Prejudice and Punditry.

Q.85 Which player has won the maximum number of grand slams in the male category?

- a) Roger Federer
- b) Novak Djokovic
- c) Rafel Nadal
- d) Mahesh Bhupati
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Rafel Nadal has become the player to have won the maximum number of grand slams. He has won 21 grand slams, surpassing Roger Federer and Novak Djokovic who have won 20 each.

Q.86 What is the target of the National Monetization Pipeline (NMP) launched in August 2021?

- a) 96,000 Cr
- b) 88,000 Cr
- c) 6,00,000 Cr
- d) 6,20,000 Cr
- e) None of these



Answer (b): The ambitious National Monetization Pipeline (NMP) mooted in August 2021, has a target of raising 6 Lakh crore rupees over 4 years from 2022-to 2025. Its focus sectors are Roads, Railways, Power, Coal, Mining, among others.

Q.87 Kangra Tea which received GI Tag from the Indian government in 2005 has become global now. Recently which International Organization has accorded it, GI Tag?

- a) WTO
- b) USTR
- c) WCO
- d) European Commission
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The European Commission has accorded GI Tag status to the Kangra Tea, grown in the Kangra region of Himachal Pradesh. Kangra Tea is a tea variety famous across Asia, and particularly Europe.

Q.88 What is the target of RBI vis-a-vis retail inflation?

- a) 2 - 4 %
- b) 2 - 6 %
- c) 4 - 6 %
- d) 2 - 5 %

e) None of these

Answer (b): The Retail Inflation i.e Consumer Price Index (Combined) has breached the 2 -6 % limit and now stands at 6.95 %. CPI (c) is used to calculate retail inflation. The data released by NSO shows above 6 % inflation for 3 consecutive months.

Q.89 Which Organization has manufactured HELINA?

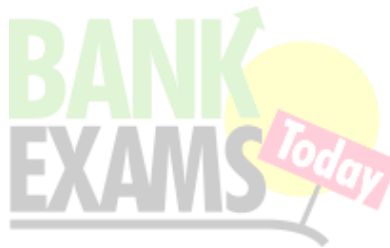
- a) ISRO
- b) CSIR
- c) ANTRIX
- d) DRDO
- e) None of these

Answer (d): HELINA (also called Dhruvastra) is an anti-tank-guided missile manufactured by the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO).

It uses IIR (Infrared Imaging Seeker) Technology the interception the target. It uses Fire and forgets technology.

Q.90 What is the currency of Malaysia?

- a) Rubal
- b) Dinar
- c) Ringgit
- d) Malaysian Dollar
- e) None of these



Answer (d): The currency of Malaysia is Malaysian Dollar. India International Bank Malaysia was incorporated in August 2011 with Andhra Bank as the Promoter holding a 25 % stake.

Q.91 What is the projected global trade growth rate as per WTO for FY 2022 and 2023?

- a) 3 % and 4.7 % respectively
- b) 3 % and 4.3 % respectively
- c) 3 % and 3.4 % respectively
- d) 3 % and 4.0 % respectively
- e) None of these

Answer (c): It has further projected the growth rate for FY 2023 to be 3.4 %.

Taking cognisance of the prevailing disruption caused by the Ukraine Crisis and lockdown in the Chinese manufacturing market, the World Trade Organization has projected that global trade to come down to a 3 % growth.

Q.92 Who won double gold at the Squash world doubles championship 2022?

- a) Dipika Pallikal

- b) Sania Mirza
- c) Emma raducanu
- d) Gita Phogat
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Dipika Pallikal Karthik wins double gold at Squash World Doubles championship 2022.

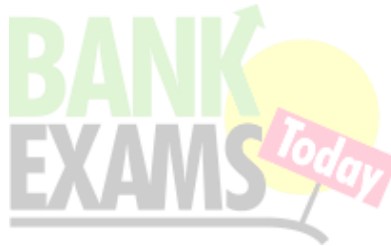
Q.93 Which made-in-India aircraft has made its maiden flight between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh under UDAN Scheme?

- a) Chetak
- b) Varun
- c) Dornier
- d) Silverline
- e) None of these

Answer (c): The government of India has inaugurated the Aircraft service from Assam to Arunachal Pradesh using made-in-India Dornier 228 Aircraft.

Q.94 With which institute has the Indian Air Force signed an MoU for research in defense manufacturing?

- a) IIT Kanpur
- b) IIST Thiruvananthapuram
- c) IISC Bangalore
- d) IIT Madras
- e) None of these



Answer (d): Indian Air Force has signed an MoU with IIT-Madras for self-reliance in defense manufacturing and research.

Q.95 Which multilateral institution has offered 2 bn USD credit for infrastructure development in Nagaland?

- a) World Bank
- b) AIIB
- c) ADB
- d) New Development Bank
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Nagaland govt has signed a 2 billion USD project for urban infrastructure development with ADB.

Q.96 Where will the Pradhanmantri sangrahalaya be opened?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Kolkata
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) Porbandar
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Pradhan Mantri Sangrahalaya has been opened in New Delhi. It will be inaugurated on 14th April.

Q.97 Indian Army is about to procure 150 CALM System-based loiter. Which country has manufactured the CALM System?

- a) Israel
- b) Russia
- c) USA
- d) China
- e) None of these

Answer (a): It will augment the offensive capability of the mechanized forces. The CALM System is manufactured by Israel and was used extensively in the Armenia - Azerbaijan conflict.

Q.98 What is the revised growth rate for India for FY 2023 by the World Bank?

- a) 8.7 %
- b) 8 %
- c) 7.1 %
- d) 6.6 %
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Amid the Ukraine crisis, and high fuel and food prices, the World Bank has slashed India's growth rate from 8.7 to 8%.

For FY 24, The World Bank has projected India's growth to be 7.1%.

Q.99 What is the corpus for revamped Rashtriya gram Swaraj Abhiyan?

- a) 5911 cr
- b) 5900 cr
- c) 311 cr
- d) 6109 cr
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan has been revamped and has been assigned a corpus of 5911 cr rupees. This scheme is under the Ministry of Panchayati Raj. It is a centrally sponsored scheme.

Q.100 What is the permissible limit of investment through FDI in LIC IPO, as brought out by DPIIT by amending FEMA (Foreign Exchange Management Act)?

- a) 15%
- b) 25%
- c) 21%
- d) 20%
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Ahead of the mega-IPO of the largest insurer in the country, FEMA rules have been amended to allow 20% FDI in LIC through IPO. DPIIT (Dept for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) has relaxed the FEMA rules to allow 20% investment through FDI.

Q.101 Recently, CPPIB, the Canada pension plan investment board, has joined hands with a major Indian infra firm for infra projects in India with a joint capital of 5300 cr. Name the partner Indian firm?

- a) Supertech Group
- b) DLF
- c) TRIL
- d) Amrapali Group
- e) None of these

Answer (c): CPPIB and TRIL have formed a Joint Venture with a capital of 5300 crore rupees to invest in infra projects across India. The focus will be on commercial and office spaces across metro cities.

Q.102 Who has been elected as the chairperson of the National Commission for Minorities?

- a) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi
- b) Shehnawaz Hussain
- c) S. Iqbal Singh
- d) Zafar Iqbal
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Shri. S. Iqbal Singh has been appointed as the Chairman of the National Commission for Minorities (NCM).

Q.103 Who has become the 2nd batsman after Virat Kohli to score 10000 runs in T-20 cricket?

- a) Rohit Sharma
- b) Suresh Raina
- c) Chris Gayle
- d) Ravindra Jadeja
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Rohit Sharma becomes the 2nd batsman after Virat Kohli to score 10000 runs in T-20 Cricket.

Q.104 Which country will host the Commonwealth Games in 2026?

- a) India
- b) Japan
- c) USA
- d) Australia
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Australia will host the Commonwealth Games in 2026.

Q.105 With which securities organisation has SEBI signed an MoU for stock market investment through FPI?

- a) Shanghai securities Board
- b) European Union
- c) Manitoba Securities Commission
- d) LIBOR
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Cabinet has approved the MoU signed between SEBI and Manitoba Securities Commission Canada. It will require both parties to register for FPI with each other.

Q.106 What is the growth rate of services export for FY 2021-22?

- a) 20 %
- b) 15 %
- c) 20.31 %
- d) 21.31 %
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Services exports touched \$250 bn for April - March 2021-22, with a growth of 21.31 % over the last fiscal.

Q.107 What is the theme for national fire safety day 2022?

- a) Stop Fire ,save life
- b) Extinguish the evil within
- c) Learn fire safety, increase productivity
- d) Learn fire safety, increase efficiency
- e) None of these

Answer (c): The theme for national fire safety day 2022 is Learn fire safety, increase productivity.

Q.108 Which country has tested an anti-missile defense system called Iron Beam?

- a) Russia
- b) Israel
- c) India
- d) USA
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Israel has successfully tested its Aerial Defense System called Iron Beam.

It is based on Laser (Light Active Detection and Ranging) technology. It is an improved version of the Iron Dome System.

Q.109 Which institute has developed India's 1st indigenously developed knee prosthetics "KADAM"?

- a) NISH

- b) ALIMCO
- c) ISRO
- d) IIT-Madras
- e) None of these

Answer (d): It is a revolutionary step towards prosthesis as it is very light, 5 times cheaper compared to the imported prosthetics, and has a flexion angle of 160 degrees. It makes it the user to move and make angular movements.

It uses chrome-based pins for flexion support. The lab at IIT -Madras, called TTK Centre for Rehabilitation Research and Device Development is supported by DRDO.

Q.110 Which institute hosted the first National Symposium on QuEST Program?

- a) IIT Madras
- b) IIIT Hyderabad
- c) IIST, Thiruvananthapuram
- d) IIT Delhi
- e) None of these

Answer (b): IIIT Hyderabad organized the first national symposium under the Quantum Enabled Science and Tech Program.

Q.111 Who was the first and only five-star officer of the Indian Air Force?

- a) Late Arjan Singh
- b) Sam Manekshaw
- c) Karambeer Singh
- d) Satish Dhawan
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Late Arjan Singh, joined the Royal Indian Airforce at an age of 19 years, becoming a Pilot. He fought in WW2 for British India. Later in the 1965 war, he led the Indian Air Force and made India victorious.

Q.112 What does Cloud Service refer to?

- a) Storage of data on a virtual network that has a physical Server
- b) A Security architecture supported by Quantum Computing
- c) In house Server localization
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the Above

Answer (a): The SCBs have sought the nod of the central bank to use cloud services for data storage.

Given the large volume of transactions, the Servers of the Scheduled Commercial Banks are not enough to host the transaction data. They are also vulnerable to a security breach as there is no standard encryption available to them on the storage.

Q.113 Who has been awarded the International Gandhi Award for Leprosy?

- a) Dr. Jairam Thakur
- b) Dr. Bhushan Kumar and Sahyog Kushtha Yagna Trust
- c) Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- d) Elon Musk
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Dr. Bhushan Kumar and Sahyog Kushtha Yagna Trust have been awarded the prestigious International Gandhi Award for Leprosy, by Hon. Vice President of India.

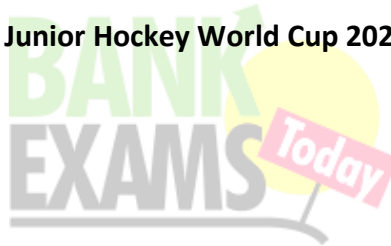
Q.114 Who has won the Reykjavik Open Chess Tournament?

- a) Carles Magson
- b) P Bhandari
- c) R Pragyanand
- d) Maria Ressa
- e) None of these

Answer (c): R Pragyanand wins the prestigious Reykjavik Open Chess Tournament 2022.

Q.115 Which country has lifted the FIH Junior Hockey World Cup 2022?

- a) India
- b) Australia
- c) Germany
- d) The Netherlands
- e) None of these



Answer (d): The Netherlands won the FIH Junior Hockey World Cup 2022, by defeating Germany.

Q.116 Which Indian city has been appointed as the Tree City of the World 2021?

- a) Mumbai
- b) Hyderabad
- c) Indore
- d) Chennai
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Mumbai has been nominated as the Tree City of the World 2021.

Q.117 When is Good Friday celebrated every year?

- a) 13 April
- b) 14 April
- c) 15 April
- d) 16 April

e) None of these

Answer (c): 15th April is celebrated as Good Friday, to pay tribute to the efforts of Jesus Christ.

Q.118 Under the new norms released for EPCG, What is the time window extended to meet Export Obligation?

- a) 3 months
- b) 6 months
- c) 9 months
- d) No extension given
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Export Obligation extended to 6 months from date of expiry of obligation, instead of earlier 90 days. Therefore, it gives more time to the exporter to trade and meet the obligation. In case of delay, it would attract a penalty of 10,000 rupees.

Q.119 What do you mean by Poison Pill Strategy?

- a) A mechanism to allow buying of additional shares to dilute the overall shareholding
- b) A money market strategy to contain the fluctuation in the price of G-Secs
- c) A mechanism to buy existing shares at discount
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

Answer (a): Instead of allowing the shareholder to buy the existing shares from the other shareholders, the Board of the company issues additional shares to that major shareholder.

Q.120 Which committee has recommended facilitating Vyapar Credit Cards to MSME entrepreneurs?

- a) Kelkar Committee
- b) Santhanam Committee
- c) L. K Jha Committee
- d) Standing Committee on Finance
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Amid the credit crunch being faced by the MSMEs, the Standing Committee on Finance led by Shri Jayant Sinha has recommended providing credit cards to the entrepreneurs of the MSME sector.

Q.121 Which Ministry has recently organised a National conference on the Localisation of SDGs?

- a) Ministry of Education
- b) Ministry of Finance
- c) Ministry of Rural Development
- d) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- e) None of these

Answer (d): A National Seminar has been organised by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj. The Seminar outlined that 3Fs are necessary for the attainment of SDGs, namely Fund, Function, and Functionaries.

Q.122 Which Scheme has been chosen for Prime Minister's Excellence in Public Administration Award 2020?

- a) PM - Garib Kalyan Yojana
- b) PM – KISAN
- c) Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana
- d) UDAN Scheme
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Civil Aviation Ministry's Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) Scheme has been selected for PM'S Award for Excellence in Public Administration for penetration of Air Traffic among the Middle class.

Q.123 Which day is celebrated as Civil Services Day?

- a) 21 April
- b) 18 April
- c) 16 March
- d) 23 March
- e) None of these

Answer (a): 21st April is celebrated as Civil Services Day.

Q.124 Which ministry has launched e-Sanjeevani?

- a) Ministry of AYUSH
- b) Ministry of Education
- c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- d) Both a and b
- e) None

Answer (c): The Health Minister inaugurated the e-Sanjeevani Tele Consultation facility at 1 Lakh Health and Wellness Centres.

Q.125 What is the outlay of the National Semiconductor Mission of Govt of India?

- a) 76,000 crore Rupees
- b) 1,05,000 crore Rupees
- c) 78,000 crore Rupees
- d) 80,000 crore Rupees
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The Govt has allocated 76,000 crore rupees to National Semiconductor Mission to create a conducive environment that would promote the chip manufacturing culture in the country.

Q.126 Which state is the largest producer of parboiled Rice?

- a) Tamilnadu
- b) Kerala
- c) Telangana
- d) Punjab
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Telangana saw a large-scale protest following the CCEA's decision to cut procurement of parboiled rice.

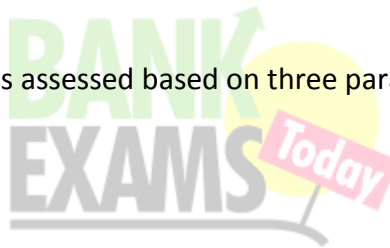
Parboiled Rice refers to the partly boiled rice at the stage before milling. This has been a traditional way followed in some states, particularly, the southern ones, to prepare rice suitable to be cooked.

Q.127 What are the parameters for calculating WPI?

- a) Primary Articles, Fuel & Power, Manufactured products
- b) Primary Articles, Secondary Articles, Fuel and Power
- c) Primary Articles, Secondary Articles, Manufactured products
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

Answer (a): The Wholesale Price Index is assessed based on three parameters .

1. Primary Articles
2. Fuel and Power
3. Manufactured Articles



Q.128 What is the decadal reduction in poverty in India, as per the recent World Bank report?

- a) 12.3%
- b) 12.2%
- c) 13.3%
- d) 13.2%
- e) None of these

Answer (a): World Bank data suggests that in the last decade India has been able to reduce the BPL number to 12.3%.

Rising population above the poverty line is a result of India's growing economy, literacy and employment numbers.

Q.129 Which bank has raised the first offshore USD-linked loan through IFSC?

- a) SBI
- b) HDFC
- c) YES Bank

- d) ICICI
- e) None of these

Answer (a): SBI, one of the promising DSIBs and the largest lender in the country, has raised 500 million USD in a bid to expand her business. State Bank of India has raised the first offshore USD-linked secured overnight financing rate-linked syndicate loan.

Q.130 What is the theme for World Heritage Day 2022?

- a) Heritage and Climate
- b) Heritage is the future
- c) Sustainable development and Heritage
- d) Prosperity and Heritage
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The theme for World Heritage Day 2022 is Heritage and Climate.

Q.131 Where will the Global Ayush Investment and Innovation Summit be held?

- a) Jamnagar
- b) Gandhinagar
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) Delhi
- e) None of these

Answer (b): PM Jugganath will share the stage with PM Modi to inaugurate the WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine in Jamnagar. He will also attend the Global Ayush Investment and Innovation Summit in Gandhinagar.

Q.132 Which city is hosting the 40th Hunar Haat?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Ahmedabad
- d) Chennai
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Hunar Haat, an opportunity to showcase the art and craft from various corners of the nation, has been inaugurated in Mumbai.

Q.133 Where will the Army Commanders meeting be called?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Chennai
- c) Chandigarh
- d) Ambala
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The Army commanders conference is an institutional mechanism to address the concerns of the Armed forces, their requirements, and addresses their grievances. It will also assess the niche technologies acquired and those that are to be acquired, including S-400.

Q.134 What does CBDC Stand for?

- a) Central Bank Digital Currency
- b) Central Bank Digital Conference
- c) Central Board of Direct Tax Code
- d) Central Board of Data Centers
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The Central Bank also plans to launch the CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency) as announced in the Budget 2022 speech of the Honourable Finance Minister.

Q.135 What is the growth rate of IIP for Feb 2022?

- a) 1.5%
- b) 1.7%
- c) 4.5%
- d) 4.3%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): IIP has grown at 1.7% with a positive Philip of 0.2% over the last month. It is indicative of the fact that manufacturing is gathering pace.

Q.136 When is world Hemophilia day celebrated?

- a) 14 April
- b) 15 April
- c) 16 April
- d) 17 April
- e) None of these

Answer (d): World Hemophilia Day is celebrated on 17th April.

Q.137 Which ministry has launched an Integrated Command center for Smart Cities?

- a) Ministry of Labor and Employment
- b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- c) Ministry of Power
- d) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has committed that 100 Integrated Command Centres will be ready by 15th Aug 2022.

Q.138 What is the nodal agency for implementing the Prime Minister's Employment Guarantee Program?

- a) Ministry of Labor and Employment
- b) KVIC
- c) NMDC
- d) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- e) None of these

Answer (b): KVIC is the nodal agency for Prime Minister's Employment Generation Program. It has been able to set up 1,03,219 new units over one Financial Year. KVIC has invested over 12,000 crore rupees to establish these many units across the country.

Q.139 What is NATPOLREX - VIII?

- a) An Anti Spill Ship designed by Indian Navy
- b) A Polar Voyage of Indian Vessels
- c) 8th Study of Polar Vortex jointly by NASA and ISRO
- d) A National Level Pollution Response Exercise against Oil Spill
- e) None of these

Answer (d): A two-day National Level Pollution Response Exercise of the Indian Coast Guard has been inaugurated in Marmagao. The exercise is called NATPOLREX -VIII.

Q.140 How much has the World Bank Provided to Bangladesh for Economic Resilience and Recovery Project?

- a) 25 Bn USD
- b) 2.5 Bn USD
- c) 250 mn USD
- d) 200 mn USD
- e) None of these

Answer (c): The World Bank will provide Bangladesh 250 mn USD to build Economic Resilience to recover to pre-pandemic level growth.

The World Bank's IDA has provided Bangladesh with a 30-year long-term loan to help her recover from economic downturns. To spur growth to pre-pandemic levels, Bangladesh needs to invest in Energy, Infrastructure, and Emerging Technology.

Q.141 Which has become the first NBFC to enter the Factoring Business in India?

- a) 121 Finance
- b) HDB Financial Services
- c) Ergo Solutions
- d) AMex Capital
- e) None of these

Answer (a): 121 Finance has become India's 1st NBFC (Non-Banking Financial Company) Factor. It is a Jaipur-based NBFC. Before this amendment, only big corporations could become factors.

Q.142 Who will assume the post of Army chief from May 1, 2022?

- a) Lt General Manoj Pande
- b) Lt General Ashish Mathur
- c) Brig. General G. D Bakshi
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the Above

Answer (a): Lt General Manoj Pande is named the new Army Chief. He is the 1st one from the Engineers Corps to have this feat.

Q.143 Under which window has Sri Lanka approached the IMF to borrow 4 bn USD?

- a) Stand By Arrangement
- b) Emergency Natural Disaster Assistance (ENDA)
- c) Rapid Financial Instrument
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

Answer (c): Sri Lanka has approached the IMF facing a BoP Crisis under a window called Rapid Financing Instrument.

Sri Lanka is facing a Balance of Payment crisis. The situation is said to have been even worse because of the government's policy of phasing out fertilizer-based farming and completely shifting to organic.

Q.144 What is the new MCLR proposed by the State Bank of India?

- a) 7.0%
- b) 7.10%
- c) 6.0%
- d) 7.25%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Therefore SBI has resorted to a contractionary Monetary Policy by raising MCLR.

From 7% to 7.10%. It would amount to a raised interest rate, thus being able to contain inflation.

Q.145 What is the amount of tax imposed on cryptocurrency, as per budget 2022?

- a) 12.5%
- b) 13%
- c) 13.5%
- d) 30%
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The Government of India has levied a tax of 30 % upon cryptocurrency under the head digital transaction tax, in the budget 2022.

Registering India's stand, the FM sought a Global Crypto Regulation Framework. The nature of this framework is yet to be finalized.

Q.146 What is the IMF's projected GDP growth for India in FY 2023?

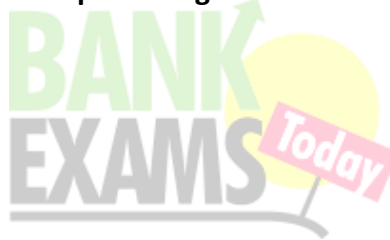
- a) 8%
- b) 8.2%
- c) 7.5%
- d) 7.8%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has reduced India's GDP forecast amid rising fuel prices to 8.2 % for the financial year 2023.

Banking on private consumption expenditure, the IMF, in its World Economic Outlook has reduced India's GDP growth by 0.8% from 9 to 8.2%.

Q.147 Under the new eased norms, what percentage of the course needs to be studied at the foreign campus?

- a) 30%
- b) 25%
- c) 20%
- d) 15%
- e) None of these



Answer (a): The University Grants Commission has eased the norms for Dual Degree Programs at Foreign universities, which are in collaboration with Indian universities. For such Dual degrees, at least 30 % of the course will have to be learned at the foreign university campus itself.

Q.148 Which Bank has won the Celent Model award 2022?

- a) SBI
- b) PNB
- c) HDFC
- d) IndusInd Bank
- e) None of these

Answer (d): IndusInd Bank wins Celent Model Bank Award 2022, for its Enterprise Payment Initiative Program.

Q.149 How much has the Government of India allocated for the PLI Scheme across 14 sectors, post-pandemic?

- a) 1.97 Lakh Crore Rupees

- b) 2.34 Lakh Crore Rupees
- c) 2.32 Lakh Crore Rupees
- d) 3.34 Lakh Crore Rupees
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Performance Linked Incentive (PLI), has been launched to offer cash incentives for 3-5 years on the incremental sale of domestically produced goods. The Scheme has a total outlay of 1.97 Lakh Crore Rupees. The Scheme caters to 14 sectors.

Q.150 Which bank is the latest entrant to the Top 50 Banks in the Asia Pacific as per S&P Global Market Rankings?

- a) SBI Bank
- b) HDFC Bank
- c) ICICI Bank
- d) IndusInd Bank
- e) None of these

Answer (c): ICICI Bank has made it to the Top 50 Banks in the Asia Pacific as per S&P Global Market Rankings. ICICI Bank, one of the four DSIBs, has garnered the 50th Spot in the S&P Global market Rankings, released on 21st April 2022.

Q.151 What is the role of Insolvency Professionals during the resolution process?

- a) To prepare a plan for bailing out a company by seeking investment from the Capital market
- b) To undertake resolution of stressed assets, under the auspices of IBC 2016
- c) To buy all shares of the stressed firm
- d) To make a proposal to EXIM Bank for resolution
- e) None of these

Answer (b): These amendments will further usher in the resolution process with improved accuracy and timely execution. IBBI is a body constituted under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code of India, 2016.

Q.152 Which Submarine has been recently launched as a part of the P75 Project of the Government of India?

- a) INS KALVARI
- b) INS VAGASHEER
- c) INS KHANDERI
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the Above

Answer (b): INS VAGASHEER is a scorpene class submarine indigenously made by Mazagon Dockyard in Goa. It is a part of the P75I Project of the Indian Navy. It has been launched for sea trials for 12-13 months.

Q.153 Which country has made it mandatory to have 40% women on company boards?

- a) India
- b) USA
- c) Belarus
- d) UK
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The United Kingdom has innovated to include at least 40 % of women on company Boards. Every Company must have at least one woman, as its Chief Operating Officer, Chief Executive Officer, or another parallel position.

Q.154 Who has been appointed as the new Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India?

- a) Ajay Sood
- b) S.M Krishna
- c) Dr. S Reddy
- d) Dr. Ajay Alok
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Ajay Sood has been appointed as the new Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India. He has to his credit 7 patents. He has worked as a scientist with the Indira Gandhi center for Nuclear Research, Kalpakkam.

Q.155 Who is the highest authority as per the new RBI rules, to be approached in case of receipt of unsolicited card?

- a) Finance Minister
- b) Revenue Secretary
- c) Serious Fraud Investigation Agency
- d) RBI Ombudsman
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Individuals can approach the RBI Ombudsman in case of receipt of unsolicited card. The Ombudsman would determine the compensation payable to the customer by the Card Issuer.

Q.156 What should be the net worth of a Bank to issue credit cards, as per the RBI rules?

- a) 100 Crore
- b) 200 Crore
- c) 150 Crore
- d) 400 Crore
- e) None of these

Answer (a): RBI has come up with a new guideline under which an NBFC would be able to issue Credit Cards, with the prior approval of the Central Bank (RBI). Such NBFCs need to meet the criteria of having a net worth of not less than 100 crore Indian Rupees.

Q.157 Where is IFSCA situated?

- a) Gandhinagar
- b) Mumbai
- c) Jamnagar
- d) Chennai
- e) None of these

Answer (a): IFSCA is situated in Gandhinagar. International Financial Services Authority has issued comprehensive regulations for investment funds.

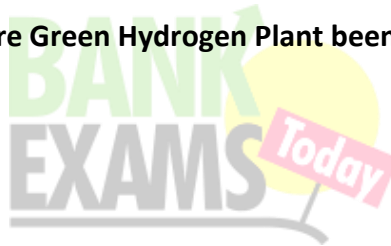
Q.158 Where is the FATF headquartered?

- a) Paris
- b) Washington D.C
- c) London
- d) Texas
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The FATF headquartered is in Paris.

Q.159 In which city, has India's first Pure Green Hydrogen Plant been established?

- a) Jorhat, Assam
- b) Barauni, Bihar
- c) Digboi, Assam
- d) Bombay High
- e) None of these



Answer (a): Oil India Limited has inaugurated India's First Green Hydrogen Plant in Assam's Jorhat.

Green Hydrogen refers to hydrogen released because of electrolysis of water.

Q.160 Which institution has launched a National Data Analytics Platform?

- a) ORF
- b) NMML
- c) NITI AAYOG
- d) PRATHAM Foundation
- e) None of these

Answer (c): NITI Aayog has launched a National Data Analytics Platform, to promote Data Driven Decision Making.

Q.161 Which country has recently signed INDO PACIFIC OCEAN INITIATIVE?

- a) UK
- b) Belarus

- c) Ukraine
- d) Lesotho
- e) None of these

Answer (a): India welcomed UK's move to join Indo pacific ocean initiative.

India -UK Roadmap 2030 has guided the call for FTA. It is expected to be finalized by 2023.

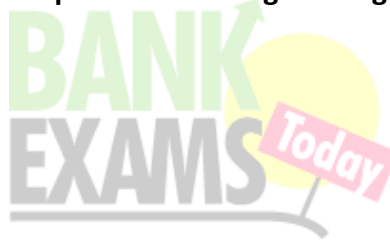
Q.162 What is the number of new firms registered as per MCA data?

- a) 1.55 lakh crore
- b) 1.67 lakh crore
- c) 1.33 lakh crore
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of these

Answer (b): MCA (Ministry of corporate affairs) has registered 1.67 lakh new companies, against 1.55 lakh firms opened during 2020-21. Grant of 1.97 lakh crore rupees and enhanced capital expenditure are said to have revived a positive growth among new ventures.

Q.163 With which organization has APEDA partnered to augment agro-export?

- a) CSIR
- b) ICAR
- c) APEDA
- d) MPEDA
- e) None of these



Answer (c): Agriculture Produce Export and Development Authority (APEDA), has signed memorandum of understanding with NRDC to boost export.

The areas of cooperation include climate resilient agriculture, zero natural budget farming, zero carbon emission agro products among others.

Q.164 Which auxiliary ship has been inducted into the Indian coast guard?

- a) Urja Pravah
- b) INS SINDHUVEER
- c) INS VAGASHEER
- d) INS ARIHANT
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Indian coast guard has inducted the Barge ship URJA PRAVAH.

Urja Pravah is a 36 m long ship that is capable of carrying aviation fuel, water and cargo ship fuel for emergency assistance.

Q.165 Buch, recently in news belongs to which region/country?

- a) Pakistan
- b) Bahrian
- c) Russia
- d) Ukraine
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The visit of the UN Secretary-General is said to bring truce amid this extreme situation of war. India has reiterated her commitment to stop any further loss of lives. The visit comes after reports of massive human slaughter in Buch.

Q.166 Who is likely to take over as NITI AAYOG vice-chairman?

- a) Anshu Malik
- b) Amitabh Kant
- c) Sunil Bery
- d) Vivek katju
- e) None of these

Answer (c): NITI AAYOG vice-chairman Shri Rajiv Kumar steps down. Sunil Bery is likely to take over. Mr. Very is a practicing economist with a track record of working for multilateral lending institutions.

Q.167 What is India's current ranking in terms of Forex Reserves globally?

- a) 4th
- b) 5th
- c) 6th
- d) 7th
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Forex Reserve refers to the buffer maintained to meet the import requirements of a country. It consists of Foreign Currencies (such as US Dollars), Gold, SDR, etc. India's forex position is 603.7 Billion USD, the 5th highest in the world.

Q.168 Which organization would host the 21st World Congress of Accountants?

- a) WTO
- b) WCO
- c) ICAI
- d) NFRA
- e) None of these

Answer (c): 21st World Congress of Accountants would be organized by ICAI in Mumbai in November 2022. Accountants of repute from across the world including CFAs would discuss the accounting standards.

Q.169 Which NBFC has been fined by the RBI due to KYC violation?

- a) Manappuram
- b) HDB Finance Pvt Ltd
- c) AU Small Finance Bank
- d) Bajaj Finance
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Manappuram Finance is an NBFC under the regulation of RBI, primarily involved in Gold Loan. It is headquartered in Thrissur, Kerala.

Manappuram is said to have violated KYC as well as PPI standards set by the Reserve Bank of India.

Q.170 Who heads the GST Council?

- a) Finance Secretary
- b) Principal Economic advisor
- c) RBI Governor
- d) Finance Minister
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The GST Council is headed by the Finance minister with the representation of the finance minister of each state/UT. Thus, the GST Council has sought the views of states/UTs seeking consent for revision of these rates.

Q.171 Which organization has introduced the Digital Services Act?

- a) British Parliament
- b) EU
- c) WTO
- d) UNO
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Under the Digital Services Act, digital companies (Like Google, Meta, Twitter, etc) can be fined up to 6 % of their global turnover for violating rules. In case of repeated breaches, these companies can be even banned in EU Countries.

Q.172. Who has been conferred the 1st Lata Mangeshkar Award 2022?

- a) Shri Narendra Mod
- b) Shri Rajnath Singh
- c) Nitish Kumar
- d) Nitin Gadkari
- e) None of these

Answer (a): PM Narendra Modi to be conferred 1st Lata Mangeshkar Award 2022.

Q.173 What is the tax imposed on virtual digital assets, during Budget 2022?

- a) 20%
- b) 30%
- c) 25%
- d) 15%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The Government of India, imposed a 30% tax on Virtual Digital Assets (to be understood in terms of cryptocurrency) in the Budget 2022. It sets the tone for a kind of formalization otherwise the government would have not taken the tax route.

Q.174 Which ministry has established the Trilateral Cooperation Development Fund to counter Chinese Debt Trap Diplomacy in the region?

- a) Ministry of Finance
- b) Ministry of Communications
- c) World Trade Organization
- d) Ministry of External Affairs
- e) None of these

Answer (d): In a diplomatic move to counter China's aggressive Debt Trap Diplomacy, the Ministry of External Affairs has established a Trilateral Cooperation Development Initiative. The initiative would impart infrastructure development through private sector participation supported by the Government.

Q.175 Which two countries have launched a Global Investment Partnership, recently?

- a) India and UK
- b) India and USA
- c) India and EU
- d) India and Germany
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Global Investment Partnership would mean attracting investment, catering to different areas including innovation, infrastructure development, capacity building, etc. The fund would leverage long-term capital investment.

Q.176 Under Which window has Srilanka approached the IMF for the assistance of 4 bn USD?

- a) Rapid Finance Investment
- b) Rapid Finance Initiative
- c) Rapid Finance Instrument
- d) Rapid Finance Window
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Srilanka is facing a severe economic crisis and has approached IMF for BoP Bailout under Rapid Finance Instrument (RFI). An amount of 4 Bn USD has been sought by Srilankan Government.

Q.177 Which two countries have recently launched a Trade Technology Council?

- a) India and EU
- b) India and US
- c) India and UK
- d) India and Australia
- e) None of these

Answer (a): India and the EU held a summit in New Delhi. EU President Her Excellency Ursula von der leyen was hosted by PM of India Shri Narendra Modi. The EU wants to have an FTA with India on the lines of one proposed with the UK.

Q.178 Who has been elected as the new President of France?

- a) John Kerry
- b) Lyod Austin
- c) Emanuel Macron
- d) Vladimyr Putin
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Emmanuel Macron is re-elected as the president of France.

Q.179 Who is the chief guest for Raisina Dialogue 2022?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Ursula von der leyen
- c) Gita Gopinath
- d) Kamala Harris
- e) None of these

Answer (b): European Commission President Ursula von der leyen, will be the chief guest of the three-day event which will see the participation of the world leaders who will discuss global order, energy, trade, and climate change among others.

Q.180 Which entrepreneur has bought Twitter recently for 44 bn USD?

- a) Jeff Bezos
- b) Elon Musk
- c) Ratan Tata
- d) Satya Nadella
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Twitter is a social media platform used by heads of states across the globe for tweets and public communication. It is therefore a very important platform, which Elon Musk believes should be the harbinger of free speech.

Q.181 Which state has passed the bill to grant the state government the power to appoint Vice Chancellors in the state?

- a) Tamilnadu
- b) Odisha
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Kerala
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The Tamilnadu Assembly has passed a bill that grants the state the authority to appoint Vice Chancellors in the state universities.

Q.182 Who is the head of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)?

- a) T.V Ravindran
- b) K.V Kamath
- c) T.V Narendran
- d) Both a and b
- e) None

Answer (c): Amid dipping FDI, the CII head T.V Narendran is of the view that there should be a symbiosis in the policies of the state and the central government.

Q.183 When was the 91st Constitutional Amendment Act, which limits CoM to 15%, moved?

- a) 2002
- b) 2003
- c) 2004
- d) 2005
- e) None of these

Answer (b): Goa has a strength of 40 MLAs, so technically only 6 members can become Ministers in the state Government as per the 91st Constitutional Amendment Act 2003. The Act introduced clause 1A in Article 164 that limited the council of ministers to 15% maximum.

Q.184 Where has Asia's biggest food Fair AAHAR been organized?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Patna
- c) Beijing
- d) Shanghai
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Asia's biggest Food and Hospitality fair "AAHAR" begins in New Delhi in Pragati Maidan.

Q.185 How much of the capital is LIC about to divest through IPO?

- a) 5%
- b) 3.5%
- c) 2.5%
- d) 4%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): As per the SEBI Rules, divestment below 5% of the total capital is not allowed, however after a request from the Government, the largest insurer has been exempted from this clause. LIC would divest 3.5% of her stake through an IPO which is slated to take place later this week.

Q.186 What is the total outlay of the National Semiconductor Mission?

- a) 76,000 Crore
- b) 56,000 Crore
- c) 66,000 Crore
- d) 40,000 Crore
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Pushing the National Semiconductor Mission which has an outlay of 76,000 crore Rupees, Hon. FM met the Executives of AMD, INTEL, etc., and assured them of a thriving ecosystem for Semiconductor manufacturing.

Q.187 Who had established Brahma Vidyalaya?

- a) E.V Ramasway Naicker
- b) Maithilisharan Gupta
- c) Sri Narayana Guru
- d) K. Kellapan
- e) None of these

Answer (c): Brahma Vidyalaya was established by Sri Narayana Guru, a social reformer who led the Vaikom Satyagraha. His movement was focused on the eradication of caste differences. He, therefore, led many temple entry movements in Kerala.

Q.188 Which state/UT has recently signed an MoU for Ropeways Development with the NHL?

- a) Manipur
- b) Arunachal Pradesh
- c) Jammu and Kashmir
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Himachal Pradesh Government has signed MoU for 7 Ropeway projects in the state. As announced in Budget 2022, a National Ropeways Development Program (Parvatmala) was rolled out.

Q.189 Where is the 12th ministerial meeting of WTO, scheduled to take place?

- a) Geneva
- b) London
- c) New Delhi
- d) Brussels
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The World Trade Organization will hold a ministerial meeting in Geneva on 12-15th June. The World Trade Organization succeeded the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT) and came into being on 1 January 2005.

Q.190 How much assistance has the World Bank pledged to Sri Lanka for meeting essential supplies?

- a) 40 bn USD
- b) 30 bn USD
- c) 20 bn USD
- d) 600 mn USD
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The World Bank would provide assistance of 600 mn USD to Sri Lanka for essential supplies.

Q.191 Which country has recently adopted Bitcoin as the legal currency?

- a) Slovakia
- b) Chad
- c) Guinea
- d) Central African Republic
- e) None of these

Answer (d): The central African Republic becomes the 2nd country after El-Salvador to adopt Bitcoin as the legal currency. The Central African Republic has an economy that is largely dependent upon tourism.

Q.192 Air India has recently sought a merger with an airline in India, which airline is being talked about?

- a) AirAsia India
- b) Indigo
- c) Vistara
- d) Both a and b
- e) None

Answer (a): Air India, bought by Tata Sons, has sought a CCI nod to merge with AirAsia India. Tata Sons owns an 83.67% share of AirAsia India. If the merger gets a yes, the combined domestic passenger share would reach upto 15.7%.

Q.193 What is the base year for the calculation of GST Compensation as per the 2017 Act?

- a) 2011-12
- b) 2014-15
- c) 2015-16
- d) 2016-17
- e) None of these

Answer (c): In order to compensate the states, the central government imposed various cesses on products that are generally sin goods. The Base year for calculation is 2015-16.

Q.194 Which industry, as per the BCG-RAI report, would touch the 2 Trillion USD mark by 2032?

- a) Tourism
- b) Healthcare
- c) Infrastructure
- d) Retail
- e) None of these

Answer (d): As per the report released by BCG-RAI, the Retail Industry will touch the 2 Trillion USD mark by the year 2032. As per the BCG-RAI Report titled "Racing towards the next wave of retail in India", the retail industry would see a 10 % plus growth year on year to reach the 2 Trillion USD mark by 2032.

Q.195 Which university has recently established Slavery Reparation Fund?

- a) Harvard University
- b) University of Illinois
- c) University of California Jawahar
- d) Lal Nehru University
- e) None of these

Answer (a): In order to rectify the historical injustice inflicted upon the slaves, particularly the black men, who were forced to serve the interest of the rich during the 17th and 18th centuries, Harvard University has come up with a 100 mn USD fund.

Q.196 Which district has achieved 100 % households under ABPJAY SEHAT Program?

- a) Samba
- b) Thrissur
- c) Patna
- d) Panji
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Samba became the first district in India to have 100% households under ABPJAY - SEHAT Yojna.

Q.197 Where is the 3-day SEMICON India Summit being held?

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Bengaluru
- c) Mysore
- d) Patna
- e) None of these

Answer (b): PM Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated SEMICON India Summit today, in Bengaluru. The Indian Government is keen to make India a global semiconductor manufacturing hub.

Q.198 What is the target of NMP for FY 2023?

- a) 1.26 Lakh Crores
- b) 1.62 Lakh Crores
- c) 1.36 Lakh Crores
- d) 1.63 Lakh Crores
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The Government of India has also notified Gas pipelines to be monetized.

Year	Target	Achieved
FY 2022	88,190 Cr	96,000 Cr
FY 2023	1.62 Lakh Cr	-----

Q.199 Which Airline has become the first to use GAGAN for Aircraft landing?

- a) Indigo
- b) Vistara
- c) Air Asia
- d) Air India
- e) None of these

Answer (a): Indigo Airlines becomes the first to use the indigenous satellite navigation system, called GAGAN. GAGAN (GPS Aided Geo Augmented Navigation), is a satellite-based augmentation system. It is meant to provide navigation inputs to the airplanes flying in India. It is managed by the Airport Authority of India.

Q.200 Which of the following countries has placed India on the IPR watchlist?

- a) Pakistan
- b) Germany
- c) Russia
- d) USA
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Intellectual Property Rights are related to the original rights of the manufacturer/Innovator upon their products/innovations. India's IPR ecosystem has not been up to the mark. Against USA's 2,50,000 Patents every year, India files only 22,000 Patents a year.

Q.201 To which state do Hattis (a tribal community) belong?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Mizoram
- c) Nagaland
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

Answer (d): Hattis, named after their profession of selling vegetables in the Haat (local market), have echoed their demand for inclusion in the ST list. They are a tribal group with a sizeable presence of 3 Lakh individuals in the Sirmour Region of Himachal Pradesh.

Q.202 Where will the QUAD Summit for the year 2022 be held?

- a) Tokyo
- b) New Delhi
- c) Canberra
- d) Washington D.C
- e) None of these

Answer (a): The QUAD Summit will be held on 24th May in Tokyo.

Q.203 What is the period for which 5G Spectrum is to be auctioned?

- a) 10 years
- b) 15 years
- c) 20 years
- d) 25 years
- e) None of these

Answer (c): 5G Spectrum to be auctioned for a period of 20 years at the base price recommended by TRAI. The spectrum for private networks won't be allocated directly to the industry.

Q.204 What is India's current Debt to GDP ratio as per the RBI?

- a) 66%
- b) 88%
- c) 60%
- d) 45%
- e) None of these

Answer (b): The debt to GDP ratio has risen to 88%, this fiscal. It should be brought down to 66 % in the next 5 years.

The Debt to GDP ratio does not necessarily mean that the health of an economy is poor. Most of the developed economies have a debt to GDP above 100 percent.

Q.205 What is the estimated revenue Loss due to COVID 19 during fiscal 2020-21?

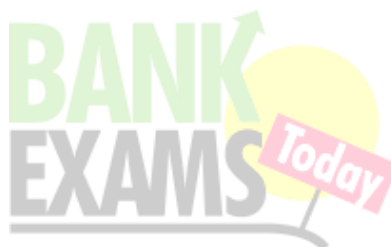
- a) 19.1 Lakh crore
- b) 17.1 Lakh crore
- c) 16.4 Lakh crore
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

Answer (a): The losses incurred have been shown in tabular form below.

Year	Revenue Loss
2020-21	19.1 Lakh crore
2021-22	17.1 Lakh crore
2022-23	16.4 Lakh crore

Q.206 What is the expected timeline for an FTA to be concluded with the EU?

- a) 2022
- b) 2023
- c) 2026
- d) 2027
- e) None of these



Answer (b): With the EU Chief, in India last week, the talks were on a progressive note and it is being expected that the FTA might be concluded by the end of 2023. The FTA would pave the way for duty-free trade with the 27 block organization.

Q.207 What does ONDC stand for?

- a) Over the Network Digital communication
- b) Over the Network Dialogue consortium
- c) One network for digital commerce
- d) Open Network for Digital commerce
- e) None of these

Answer (d): OPEN NETWORK FOR DIGITAL COMMERCE, has been rolled out in 5 cities across India.

In order to strengthen the e-commerce infrastructure in India, the government has come up with ONDC, which will enable the markets to have an integration giving them a large consumer base digitally.

Q.208 When is world veterinary day celebrated?

- a) 27 April

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- b) 28 April
- c) 29 April
- d) 30 April
- e) None of these

Answer (d): World Veterinary Day is celebrated on 30th April.

