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#### Q.1 Who among the following launched 'Defence India Startup Challenge-4' (DISC-4)?

- a) Manoj Mukund Naravane
- b) Bipin Rawat
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) Ajay Kumar
- e) None of these

#### Q.2 Who among the following announces Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) Prize?

- a) ICMR
- b) NITI Aayog
- c) IIT Lucknow
- d) CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research)
- e) None of these

#### Q.3 In which field Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) Prizes are given?

- a) Science
- b) Art
- c) Social Service
- d) History
- e) None of these

#### Q.4 Who signed SoI with Embassy of Netherland to support decarbonization and energy transition agenda?

- a) ONGC
- b) Power Grid Corporation
- c) Power Finance Corporation
- d) NITI Aayog
- e) None of these

#### Q.5 Which bank launched 'Ind Guru', E-learning platform?

- a) Indian Overseas Bank
- b) Indian Bank
- c) IndusInd Bank
- d) Jammu and Kashmir Bank
- e) None of these

#### Q.6 Who among the following launched 'Digital Suraksha Group Insurance'?

- a) Flipkart and Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
- b) Snapdeal and ICICI Bank
- c) Amazon and HDFC Ergo
- d) Myntra and IFFCO Tokio General Insurance
- e) None of these

#### Q.7 Who among the following to undertake Sanitation Literacy Campaign in Karnataka?

- a) Karnataka Bank
- b) IIT Dharwad
- c) NABARD
- d) SBI
- e) None of these

#### Q.8 When is International Day of Older Persons observed?

- a) 1st Oct
- b) 2nd Oct
- c) 3rd Oct
- d) 4th Oct
- e) None of these

#### Q.9 India attended the 6th Joint Consultative Commission (JCC) meet with which other country?

- a) Sri Lanka
- b) Bangladesh
- c) Japan
- d) Indonesia
- e) None of these

#### Q.10 Who among the following launched CSIR Technologies for Rural Development?

- a) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- b) Nirmala Sitharaman
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- e) None of these

#### Q.11 CSIR Technologies for Rural Development, is the joint initiative of which of the following organisation?

- a) IIT Delhi
- b) VIBHA (Vijnana Bharti)
- c) Unnat Bharat Abhiyan
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

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## Q.12 RBI has extended enhanced borrowing facility provided to the banks under MSF (Marginal Standing Facility) till\_\_\_\_\_?

- a) 31st March 2021
- b) 30th April 2021
- c) 31st January 2021
- d) 31st Dec 2020
- e) None of these

#### Q.13 Who among the following launched Ambedkar Social Innovation and Incubation Mission (ASIIM)?

- a) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- b) Thaawarchand Gehlot
- c) Nitin Gadkari
- d) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- e) None of these

Q.14 What does 'A' signifies in ASSIM mission, launched by Thaawarchand Gehlot to promote innovation and enterprise among SC students who are pursuing education in higher educational institutions?

- a) Aspiring
- b) Atal
- c) Advanced
- d) Ambedkar
- e) None of these

Q.15 Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, is appointed as the new emir of which gulf country?

- a) Saudi Arabia
- b) Bahrain
- c) Kuwait
- d) Oman
- e) None of these

Q.16 Who among the following launched 'Operation My Saheli' to improve the security of women passengers travelling through trains?

- a) Western Railways
- b) South Central Railways
- c) South East Central Railways
- d) South Eastern Railways
- e) None of these

#### Q.17 Which state recorded highest crime cases against Scheduled Castes (SCs) in 2019?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Rajasthan



- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Bihar
- e) None of these

Q.18 With whom Hindustan Unilever (HUL) has entered into MoU to offer Digital Payment Solutions and Financial Solutions to its retailers and distributors?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) Bandhan Bank
- d) SBI
- e) None of these

Q.19 'Tribal Entrepreneurship Development Programme' is the joint initiative of which organisation?

- a) Ministry of Tribal Affairs and NABARD
- b) Ministry of Tribal Affairs and ASSOCHAM
- c) Ministry of Tribal Affairs and FICCI
- d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs and SEBI
- e) None of these

## Q.20 The special refinance facility of Rs \_\_\_\_\_ for FY 2020-21 has been sanctioned by NABARD for WASH programme?

- a) Rs 700 crore
- b) Rs 400 crore
- c) Rs 600 crore
- d) Rs 800 crore
- e) None of these

#### Q.21 Which state launched 'Pathashree Abhijan' Scheme?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Haryana
- c) Kerala
- d) West Bengal
- e) None of these

#### Q.22 India conducts 'Bongosagar' Naval Exercise with which country?

- a) Bangladesh
- b) Indonesia
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Australia

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e) None of these

#### Q.23 Which state launched 'Kritagyata' web portal for online pension submission and tracking system?

- a) West Bengal
- b) Tripura
- c) Assam
- d) Manipur
- e) None of these

Q.24 What is the rank position of Department of Fertilisers in Data Governance Quality Index (DGQI), among 16 ministries and departments?

- a) 2<sup>nd</sup>
- b) 1<sup>st</sup>
- , 4<sup>th</sup>
- d) 3<sup>rd</sup>
- e) None of these

#### Q.25 Who among the following conducts Data Governance Quality Index (DGQI)?

- a) RBI
- b) Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO), NITI Aayog
- c) National Development Council
- d) SEBI
- e) None of these

## Q.26 Who chaired the committee which declared the operational integration of Ayush Grid with National Digital Health Mission (NDHM)?

- a) Shripad Yesso Naik
- b) Amitabh Kant
- c) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- d) Rajesh Kotech
- e) None of these

#### Q.27 Who among the following conducted Time Use in India 2019 Survey?

- a) IIT Kharagpur
- b) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- c) NITI Aayog
- d) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- e) None of these

#### Q.28 By which year ISRO to launch its first Venus mission'Shukrayaan-1'?

- a) 2023
- b) 2024
- c) 2025

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- d) 2026
- e) None of these

#### Q.29 In which month World Space Week observed?

- a) January
- b) May
- c) October
- d) December
- e) None of these

Q.30 Which state was conferred with Swachh Bharat Awards 2020 under the category of Gandagi se Mukt Campaign?

- a) Telangana
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Both (a) and (c)
- e) None of these

#### Q.31 India held bilateral meet with Bahrain to enhance cooperation in which sector?

- a) Defence and Aerospace
- b) Logistics
- c) Business and Finance
- d) Tourism
- e) None of these

#### Q.32 Who among the following inaugurated 'Vaishvik Bharatiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) Summit 2020'?

- a) President Ram Nath Kovind
- b) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- c) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- d) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- e) None of these

#### Q.33 Charanjit Attra, is appointed as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of which bank?

- a) IDBI Bank
- b) Union Bank of India
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Punjab National Bank
- e) None of these

#### Q.34 When is World Teacher's Day marked?

a) 10th Oct 2020



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- b) 9th Oct 2020
- c) 4th Oct 2020
- d) 5th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

Q.35 Which state/UT launched 'Yudh Pradushan Ke Virudh' campaign?

- a) Chandigarh
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Delhi
- d) Maharashtra
- e) None of these

#### Q.36 DRDO successfully flights tested SMART, what does T' signifies in SMART?

- a) Turbine
- b) Tank
- c) Torpedo
- d) Trishul
- e) None of these

## Q.37 Who among the following inaugurated 'RAISE 2020- Responsible AI for Social Empowerment 2020' virtually?

- a) President Ram Nath Kovind
- b) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- c) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- d) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- e) None of these

#### Q.38 Who among the following organized 'RAISE 2020- Responsible AI for Social Empowerment 2020'?

- a) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- b) NITI Aayog
- c) ASSOCHAM
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) None of these

#### Q.39 What was the theme for 'International Webinar on Textile Traditions'?

- a) Textile: Heart of Traditions
- b) Creating traditional textile for economy
- c) Creation of new avenues and traditions for weavers
- d) 'Weaving Relations: Textile Traditions'
- e) None of these

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## Q.40 Who among the following signed MoU to provide online platform for street food vendors under PM Svanidhi Scheme?

- a) Ministry of MSME and Swiggy
- b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and Swiggy
- c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and Zomato
- d) 'Ministry of MSME and Uber Eats
- e) None of these

## Q.41 Who among the following won 10-meter air rifle event at 5th International Online Shooting Championship?

- a) Entienne Germond
- b) Visnu Shivaraj Pandian
- c) Martin Strempfl
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of these

## Q.42 Charles M. Rice, Michael Houghton and Harvey J. Alter are awarded Noble Prize in Physiology or Medicine for the discovery of which of the following?

- a) Discovery of Hepatitis C Virus
- b) Discovery of mechanisms for autophagy
- c) Discovery of cells that constitute positioning system in brain
- d) Discovery of Helicobacter Pylori Bacterium
- e) None of these

#### Q.43 'Dalle Khursani', which has recently earned GI tag, belongs to which state?

- a) Kerala
- b) Jammu and Kashmir
- c) Sikkim
- d) Arunachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

## Q.44 Who among the following partnered with SatSure Analytics to improve crop insurance business operations and to develop satellite based crop monitoring?

- a) Universal Sompo General Insurance Company Limited
- b) Reliance General Insurance Company Limited
- c) TATA AIG
- d) New India Assurance
- e) None of these

## Q.45 Who among the following launched a debit card facility for the customers who avails Loans Against Securities (LAS) from the bank?

- a) HDFC Bank and MasterCard
- b) Axis Bank and MasterCard
- c) Yes Bank and Visa
- d) ICICI Bank and Visa
- e) None of these

#### Q.46 Where was the Quad Countries' Foreign Ministers Meet held?

- a) Tokyo, Japan
- b) New Delhi, India
- c) Canberra, Australia
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

#### Q.47 Who among the following launched 'My Ganga My Dolphin' Campaign?

- a) Forest Department
- b) National Mission for Clean Ganga
- c) Wildlife Institute of India
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.48 Dinesh Kumar Khara, is appointed as Chairman of which bank?

- a) IDBI Bank
- b) Union Bank of India
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Punjab National Bank
- e) None of these

#### Q.49 Who is appointed as Brand Ambassador of Hudle?

- a) Ajinkya Rahane
- b) Virat Kohli
- c) Rohit Sharma
- d) Hardik Pandya
- e) None of these

#### Q.50 Which country to send 'Asteroid Mining Robot' into space by November 2020?

- a) Russia
- b) USA
- c) China
- d) India

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e) None of these

#### Q.51 Which state has launched the 'Digital Seva Setu Programme' for rural areas?

- a) Telangana
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Gujarat
- e) None of these

Q.52 Who among the following signed MoU with Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) with an aim to create academic material accessible for hearing impaired children?

- a) NCERT
- b) UGC
- c) CBSE
- d) The Hindu
- e) None of these

Q.53 With whom Indian Farmers Fertilisers Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) has signed MoU to promote and broadcast latest agricultural innovation and technology?

- a) NDTV
- b) India Post
- c) Prasar Bharti
- d) Indian Express
- e) None of these

Q.54 Who among the following headed the initiative of commissioning India's largest HPC-AI Supercomputer named as 'PARAM Siddhi –AI'?

- a) Rajesh Khullar
- b) Abhishek Das
- c) Subhash Kamath
- d) Hemant Darbari
- e) None of these

Q.55 'MSME Prerana' programme is launched by which of the following bank in coordination with Poornatha & Co?

- a) Indian Bank
- b) United Bank of India
- c) UCO Bank
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) None of these



#### Q.56 When is Indian Air Force Day marked?

- a) 10th Oct 2020
- b) 9th Oct 2020
- c) 7th Oct 2020
- d) 8th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

#### Q.57 Who among the following is awarded Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2020?

- a) Reinhard Genzel
- b) Jennifer A Doudna
- c) Emmanuelle Charpentier
- d) Both (b) and (c)
- e) None of these

Q.58 What is the name of the awareness campaign launched by PM Modi for COVID-19 Appropriate Behavior especially during the upcoming festive seasons and winter season?

- a) 'Jan Arogya Campaign'
- b) 'Jan Andolan Campaign'
- c) Go Corona Campaign
- d) Corona Se Ladho Campaign
- e) None of these



Q.59 Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has launched an Application Programming Interface (API) integration between PM SVANidhi portal and \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) PMJDY portal
- b) finmin.nic.in portal
- c) e-Sanad portal
- d) SBI Banks's eMudra portal
- e) None of these

Q.60 Who among the following is appointed as MD and CEO of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)?

- a) Nilesh Shah
- a) Abhishek Das
- b) J Venkatramu
- c) Hemant Darbari
- d) None of these

#### Q.61 Bishr Al-Khasawneh, is appointed as Prime Minister of which country?

- a) Jordan
- b) Lebanon
- c) Syria

- d) Kuwait
- e) None of these

Q.62 As per RBI's 3rd Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy Statement for 2020-21, reverse repo rate under LAF is at %?

- a) 4.35%
- b) 3.35%
- c) 3.75%
- d) 4.75%
- e) None of these

#### Q.63 As per World Bank, India's GDP to contact by \_\_\_\_% in FY 2021?

- a) 7.6%
- b) 8.6%
- c) 9.6%
- d) 10.6%
- e) None of these

#### Q.64 When is World Post Day marked?

- a) 10th Oct 2020
- b) 9th Oct 2020
- c) 7th Oct 2020
- d) 8th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

#### Q.65 Who among the following launched 'India PV Edge 2020'?

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)
- c) Invest India
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.66 Which country test-fired Tsirkon Hypersonic Cruise Missile?

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



## Q.67 Which of the following organisation released a report titled as 'Poverty and Shared Prosperity 2020: Reversal of Fortune?

- a) Asian Development Bank
- b) World Trade Organisations
- c) World Bank
- d) International Monetary Fund
- e) None of these

#### Q.68 Who among the following inaugurated 'Gyan Circle Ventures'?

- a) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- b) Nitin Gadkari
- c) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- d) Piyush Goyal
- e) None of these

## Q.69 Which union minister is given an additional charge of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution?

- a) Piyush Goyal
- b) Smriti Irani
- c) D V Sadananda Gowda
- d) Narendra Singh Tomar
- e) None of these

Q.70 Who is appointed as Brand Ambassador of Transform, which India's first homegrown badminton brand?

- a) Jwala Gutta
- b) Ashwini Ponnappa
- c) Chetan Anand
- d) B Sai Praneeth
- e) None of these

Q.71 With which finance institute, NABARD has signed MoU for the purpose of extending credit support for NABARD projects?

- a) Indian Bank
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) Karnataka Bank
- d) SBI
- e) None of these

#### Q.72 When is National Postal Day marked?

a) 10th Oct 2020





- b) 9th Oct 2020
- c) 17th Oct 2020
- d) 18th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

#### Q.73 Where was 'Sagar Kavach', a Coastal Security Exercise, conducted?

- a) Coastal area of Kerala
- b) Coastal area of Karnataka
- c) Coastal area of Lakshadweep
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.74 Which state launched 'Mukhya Mantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana'?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Haryana
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

#### Q.75 In which month National Postal Week 2020 is observed?

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

#### Q.76 When is World Migratory Day marked?

- a) 10th Oct 2020
- b) 9th Oct 2020
- c) 17th Oct 2020
- d) 18th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

#### Q.77 What was the theme for World Migratory Day 2020?

- a) Let the Birds fly across world
- b) 'Birds: Beauty of Nature
- c) 'Birds Connect Our World'
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of these



#### Q.78 Who among the following topped the Forbes India Rich List 2020?

- a) Gautam Adani
- b) Shiv Nadar
- c) Ratan Tata
- d) Mukesh Ambani
- e) None of these

## Q.79 Who among the following launched the physical distribution of property card programme under SVAMITVA Scheme?

- a) Narendra Singh Tomar
- b) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- c) Thaawar Chand Gehlot
- d) Nitin Gadkari
- e) None of these

#### Q.80 What does 'I' signifies in full form of SVAMITVA Scheme?

- a) Institute
- b) Information
- c) Improvised
- d) Immediate
- e) None of these

#### Q.81 Which state passed Tree Plantation Policy?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Delhi
- c) Goa
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

Q.82 With which tech organisation, Department of Science (DST) has entered into a partnership to promote its Vigyan Jyoti and Vigyan Prasar initiatives?

- a) Microsoft
- b) Intel
- c) IBM
- d) Accenture
- e) None of these

Q.83 The Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and Botanical Survey of India (BSI) released which edition of reports titled as 'Animal Discoveries 2019' and 'Plant Discoveries 2019'?

- a) 5<sup>th</sup>
- , b) 13<sup>th</sup>



- c) 17th
- d) 9th
- e) None of these

Q.84 Who among the following won Men's Single French open title 2020?

- a) Novak Djokovic
- b) Rafael Nadal
- c) Roger Federer
- d) D Galan
- e) None of these

Q.85 Aavo Murto, a 16 year old was given the opportunity to assume the post of Prime Minister of which country for one day on account of UN International Girl Child Day?

- a) Estonia
- b) Iceland
- c) Denmark
- d) Finland
- e) None of these

#### Q.86 What is the rank position of India in CRI Index 2020?

- a) 155<sup>th</sup>
- b) 117<sup>th</sup>
- c) 99<sup>th</sup>
- d) 129<sup>th</sup>
- e) None of these

#### Q.87 Which country topped in CRI Index 2020?

- a) Germany
- b) Norway
- c) Denmark
- d) Japan
- e) None of these

Q.88 RBI has announced to move NGTA with an aim to manage country's foreign exchange and gold reserves, what does 'N' signifies in full form of NGTA?

- a) New
- b) Network
- c) National
- d) Next
- e) None of these





#### Q.89 Which is the first state in India to make its public education completely digital?

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

Q.90 Which organisation to support financially to GOI to improve water supply and sanitation (WSS) services in secondary towns of Rajasthan?

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

Q.91 Which of the following beach/beaches has received recognition of 'Blue Flag' by Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE)?

- a) Shivrajpur (Gujarat)
- b) Kappad (Kerala)
- c) Rushikonda (Andhra Pradesh)
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

Q.92 When is International Day for Disaster Reduction marked?

- a) 13th Oct
- b) 17th Feb
- c) 12th Dec
- d) 16th April
- e) None of these

Q.93 Who among the following is awarded Noble Prize in Economic Sciences 2020?

- a) Reinhard Genzel
- b) Paul R. Milgrom
- c) Robert B Wilson
- d) Both (b) and (c)
- e) None of these

#### Q.94 Which tech giant organized 'all.ai 2020 Virtual Summit'?

- a) TCS
- b) Intel India
- c) Infosys

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- d) Wipro
- e) None of these

## Q.95 Who among the following partnered with to Intel launch applied AI (Artificial Intelligence) Research (INAI) Center in Hyderabad?

- a) IIIT-Hyderabad
- b) Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)
- c) Both (a) and (b)
- d) Atal innovation Mission
- e) None of these

#### Q.96 Who among the following conducts Suraksha Kavach Exercise?

- a) Maharashtra Police and Indian Army
- b) Indian Navy
- c) Delhi Police and Indian Army
- d) Railway Protection Force
- e) None of these

#### Q.97 In partnership with whom Axis Bank launched 'Axis ACE Credit Card'?

- a) MasterCard
- b) Google Pay
- c) Visa
- d) Both (b) and (c)
- e) None of these

#### Q.98 Who among the following launched 'Tech for Tribals' initiative?

- a) TRIFED
- b) IIT-Kanpur
- c) Chhattisgarh MFP Federation
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.99 IMF has projected India's GDP to contract \_\_\_\_% in FY 2020-21?

- a) 10.3%
- b) 7.3%
- c) 8.3%
- d) 11.3%
- e) None of these

#### Q.100 IMF has projected World Economy to contract \_\_\_\_% in FY 2020-21?

a) 5.3%





- b) 4.4%
- c) 6.2%
- d) 3.9%
- e) None of these

#### Q.101 When is International Standards Day marked?

- a) 14th Oct
- b) 17th Feb
- c) 12th Dec
- d) 16th April
- e) None of these

#### Q.102 Which state partnered with India Post to enrol 11,000 farmers in PM-KISAN Sanman Nidhi Scheme?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Goa
- c) Punjab
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

#### Q.103 Which state launched Mobile water Testing Lab?

- a) Haryana
- b) Goa
- c) Punjab
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

#### Q.104 Who among the following has launched Impact Based Cyclone Based Warning System?

- a) Indian Navy
- b) World Meteorological Organization
- c) India Meteorological Departments
- d) DRDO
- e) None of these

## Q.105 Who among the following signed MoU in the 5th meet of India-Mexico High-Level Group on Trade, Investment and Cooperation?

- a) India's FICCI and Mexico's COMCE
- b) India's ESC and Mexico's CANIETI
- c) India's NITI Aayog and Mexico's COMCE
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) None of these

#### Q.106 RBI has raised bank's aggregate exposure limit for small business from Rs 5 crore to Rs \_\_\_\_?

- a) Rs 7.5 Crore
- b) Rs 7 Crore
- c) Rs 6.5 Crore
- d) Rs 8 Crore
- e) None of these

#### Q.107 With whom Signzy has partnered to roll out Signzy's video based KYC solution?

- a) Visa
- b) MasterCard
- c) Capital one
- d) Microsoft
- e) None of these

#### Q.108 In partnership with whom, STARS project to strengthen education system is launched?

- a) UNESCO
- b) UNICEF
- c) World Bank
- d) ADB
- e) None of these

#### Q.109 India and World Bank launched STARS Project, what does 'R' stands in it?

- a) Revolution
- b) Rewards
- c) Remark
- d) Results
- e) None of these

#### Q.110 Shobha Naidu, who passed away recently belonged to which profession?

- a) Economist
- b) Dancer
- c) Author
- d) Politician
- e) None of these

## Q.111 Which bank offered Rs 2933 crore Line of Credit (LoC) to the Maldives for the Greater Male Connectivity Project?

- a) AllB
- b) New Development Bank
- c) NABARD
- d) Exim Bank



e) None of these

#### Q.112 Which state has announced to setup World's biggest Zinc Smelter Project?

- a) Assam
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Gujarat
- e) None of these

## Q.113 Who among the following is appointed as Interim President of International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)?

- a) Costantina Dita
- b) Dr. Michael Irani
- c) Sooronbai Jeenbekov
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

#### Q.114 With which insurance company, PhonePe has partnered to launch car and bike insurance products?

- a) Bharti AXA General Insurance
- b) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company
- c) HDFC Ergo General Insurance
- d) TATA AIG Insurance
- e) None of these

#### Q.115 Who among the following launched 'KAPILA' Kalam Program?

- a) Prakash Javadekar
- b) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- e) None of these

#### Q.116 To mark the importance of what 'KAPILA' Kalam Program is launched?

- a) Intellectual Property
- b) Science and Technology
- c) Defence and Space Technology
- d) Environment Protection
- e) None of these

#### Q.117 Who among the following organized webinar and expo for India' Kazakhstan Defence Cooperation?

- a) Indian Navy
- b) Indian Army

- c) Department of Defence Production
- d) DRDO
- e) None of these

#### Q.118 When is International Day of Eradication of Poverty observed?

- a) 17th Dec
- b) 17th March
- c) 17th Oct
- d) 17th April
- e) None of these

#### Q.119 Which institute signs MoU with C-DAC to establish 650TF Supercomputing facility?

- a) IIT Guwahati
- b) IIT Lucknow
- c) IIT Bombay
- d) IIT Roorkee
- e) None of these

#### Q.120 With whom EarlySalary has partnered to launch 'Salary Card'?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) National Payments Corporation of India
- c) HDFC Bank
- d) Ministry of Finance
- e) None of these

#### Q.121 Who among the following will head the committee which will frame the Professional Engineers Bill?

- a) Gurdeep Singh
- b) Rajiv Gauba
- c) M S Ananth
- d) Tushar Mehta
- e) None of these

#### Q.122 Where will be the office for the National Authority of Ship Recycling setup?

- a) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- b) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- c) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- d) Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- e) None of these

#### Q.123 From when IRDAI has made mandatory to all insurance companies to offer 'Saral Jeevan Bima'?

a) 1st April 2021

- b) 1st Dec 2020
- c) 1st Jan 2021
- d) 26th Jan 2021
- e) None of these

#### Q.124 Who among the following launched 'HealthyLife Programme'?

- a) Kotak Mahindra Bank and Medlife
- b) HDFC Bank and Apollo Hospitals
- c) Yes Bank and Apollo Hospitals
- d) ICICI Bank and GSK
- e) None of these

#### Q.125 What is the theme for World Food Day 2020?

- a) 'Grow, Nourish , Sustain Together'
- b) Eat Nutritious Food
- c) No one should be hungry
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

#### Q.126 Which state launched 'Sujal Mission'?

- a) Assam
- b) Nagaland
- c) Odisha
- d) Arunachal Pradesh
- e) None of these

#### Q.127 Who among the following will organize Gov Tech Thon 2020?

- a) National Informatics Centre (NIC)
- b) Oracle Corporation
- c) IEEE Computer Society
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.128 Jacinda Ardern, is re-elected as Prime Minister of which country?

- a) New Zealand
- b) Australia
- c) Philippines
- d) Fiji
- e) None of these



#### Q.129 Who among the following is appointed as Chairman of India Bank's Association (IBA)?

- a) Rajinish Kumar
- b) Rajkiran Rai G
- c) Sooronbai Jeenbekov
- d) Dinesh Kumar Khara
- e) None of these

## Q.130 Leather Sector Skill Council (LSSC) has launched SCALE India Android phone application, what does 'A' signifies in SCALE?

- a) Advanced
- b) Aatmanirbhar
- c) Assessment
- d) Assign
- e) None of these

#### Q.131 For upgradation of which sector the SCALE India Android phone application is launched?

- a) Leather
- b) Dairy products
- c) Education
- d) Fertilizers
- e) None of these

Q.132 Who among the following inaugurated 14th session of India-International Food and Agri Week virtually?

- a) Prakash Javadekar
- b) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Narendra Singh Tomar
- e) None of these

Q.133 Who among the following hosted 7th meeting of Ministers of Justice of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)?

- a) Tajikistan
- b) India
- c) Russia
- d) Kazakhstan
- e) None of these

#### Q.134 P S Narayanaswamy, who passed away recently belonged to which profession?

- a) Theatre Artist
- b) Environmentalist

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- c) Historian
- d) Carnatic Vocalist
- e) None of these

Q.135 Umar Gul, has announced his retirement from which sports?

- a) Cricket
- b) Tennis
- c) Golf
- d) Athlete
- e) None of these

#### Q.136 What is the rank of India in Global Hunger Index 2020?

- a) 75<sup>th</sup>
- b) 94<sup>th</sup>
- c) 86<sup>th</sup>
- d) 71st
- e) None of these

## Q.137 With whom TATA Motors partnered to launch two schemes namely Gradual Step Up Scheme and TML Flexi Drive Scheme to finance its vehicles?

- a) IFFCO Tokio General Insurance
- b) TATA AIG
- c) HDFC Bank
- d) Bajaj Allianz
- e) None of these

#### Q.138 India conducts SLINEX 2020 Naval exercise with which other country?

- a) France
- b) USA
- c) Singapore
- d) Sri Lanka
- e) None of these

#### Q.139 Which state/UT launched 'My Town My Pride' Programme?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Delhi
- c) Jammu and Kashmir
- d) Uttarakhand
- e) None of these

## Q.140 Who among the following launched 'Safe City Project', a women safety campaign in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh?

- a) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- b) Smriti Irani
- c) Yogi Adityanath
- d) Anandiben Patel
- e) None of these

#### Q.141 Which is the first country to include facial recognition technology in its National Identity Database?

- a) Singapore
- b) Malaysia
- c) Sydney
- d) Thailand
- e) None of these

#### Q.142 With whom CRPF partnered to strengthen its Research and Development capabilities?

- a) JATC (Joint Advanced Technology Centre)
- b) IIT Delhi
- c) DRDO
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

#### Q.143 Who among the following launched 'Invest 4G', a unit linked individual life insurance saving plan?

- a) IFFCO Tokio General Insurance
- b) Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance Company
- c) Reliance Nippon Life Insurance
- d) TATA AIA Life Insurance
- e) None of these

#### Q.144 Who among the following launched Ayushman Sahakar Scheme?

- a) Narendra Singh Tomar
- b) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- c) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- d) Nirmala Sitharaman
- e) None of these

#### Q.145 Which organisation has created Ayushman Sahakar Scheme?

- a) NABARD
- b) SIDBI
- c) National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC)
- d) SEBI

e) None of these

#### Q.146 Which country was awarded ISA Solar Awards 2020 under Visvesvaraya Award category?

- a) Japan
- b) Netherland
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) None of these

#### Q.147 What is the rank position of India in Asia Power Index 2020?

- a) 5<sup>th</sup>
- b) 4<sup>th</sup>
- c) 6<sup>th</sup>
- d)  $8^{th}$
- e) None of these

#### Q.148 Which country topped in Asia Power Index 2020?

- a) China
- b) Japan
- c) United States
- d) Russia
- e) None of these

#### Q.149 When is World Statistics Day marked?

- a) 24th Oct 2020
- b) 27th Oct 2020
- c) 20th Oct 2020
- d) 15th Oct 2020
- e) None of these

Q.150 What is the name of the missile which is an upgraded version of HeliNa, and was test-fired from ITR off Odisha coast recently?

- a) Shaurya Missile
- b) Prithvi II
- c) SANT Missile
- d) RUDRAM
- e) None of these

Q.151 Asian Development Bank and GOI signed loan agreement of \$177 million for which of the following purpose?

a) To build houses for poor in Maharashtra



- b) To disburse loan amount Maharashtra state farmers
- c) Improve online education facility in Maharashtra
- d) Improvement of highways and district roads in Maharashtra
- e) None of these

Q.152 Who among the following launched First of its kind, a Frontier Technologies Cloud Innovation Center (CIC) in India?

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) Amazon Web Services
- c) IIT Kharagpur
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) None of these

#### Q.153 What is the rank of India in 44th OECD International Migration Outlook 2020?

- a) First
- b) Second
- c) Third
- d) Fourth
- e) None of these

#### Q.154 Which country topped in 44th OECD International Migration Outlook 2020?

- a) India
- b) China
- c) Romania
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

#### Q.155 Which state celebrates Kati Bihu or Kangali Bihu festival in mid-October?

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
- b) Assam
- c) Nagaland
- d) Sikkim
- e) None of these

#### Q.156 India's first-ever multi-modal logistic park will be set up in which state?

- a) West Bengal
- b) Assam
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Maharashtra
- e) None of these



#### Q.157 BSE and GlobalLinker signed MoU with which state government to support their MSMEs?

- a) Goa
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Kerala
- d) Telangana
- e) None of these

Q.158 Which state topped in the list of Indian Tourism Statistics 2020 report for attracting highest domestic visitors in 2019?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) None of these

Q.159 Which state topped in the list of Indian Tourism Statistics 2020 report for attracting highest foreign visitors in 2019?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Kerala
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) None of these

Q.160 Who among the following launched CUReD website?

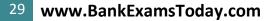
- a) PM Narendra Modi
- b) Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- c) Shekhar C. Mande
- d) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- e) None of these

Q.161 Who among the following organised 18th meet of Prosecutors General of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)?

- a) Afghanistan
- b) India
- c) Uzbekistan
- d) Iran
- e) None of these

Q.162 Who among the following is appointed to head the Market Data Advisory Committee (MDAC) which is setup by SEBI to achieve data culture through Data Democratization?

a) Madhabi Puri Buch





- b) Vishal V Sharma
- c) P Umesh
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

Q.163 When is National Police Commemoration Day observed?

- a) 21st Sep 2020
- b) 21st Oct 2020
- c) 21st Nov 2020
- d) 21st Dec 2020
- e) None of these

Q.164 Who is the author of book titled as 'Portraits of Power: Half a Century of Being at Ringside'?

- a) N K Singh
- b) R C Bargava
- c) Urjit Patel
- d) P Umesh
- e) None of the above

Q.165 Who among the following teamed up with SpaceX with an aim to provide uninterrupted Azure service to its customers?

- a) IBM
- b) Apple
- c) Microsoft
- d) Google
- e) None of these

Q.166 Which institute developed 'COVIRAP' Coronavirus test kit?

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

Q.167 Which bank partnered with IIT Madras Incubation Cell (IITMIC) to launch 'IND SpringBoard', which is the credit facility to fund startups?

- a) Indian Bank
- b) IndusInd Bank
- c) ICICI Bank
- d) IDFC First Bank
- e) None of these



#### Q.168 USAID has announced \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support Indian COVID-19 initiatives?

- a) \$6 million
- b) \$5 million
- c) \$4 million
- d) \$7 million
- e) None of these

#### Q.169 Who among the following is appointed as brand ambassador for LG Signature?

- a) Cristiano Ronaldo
- b) Lewis Hamilton
- c) Novak Djokovic
- d) Virat Kohli
- e) None of these

#### Q.170 Which state topped the Anemia Mukt Bharat Index 2020?

- a) Sikkim
- b) Punjab
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Haryana
- e) None of these

#### Q.171 Which state launched 'Smart Black Board' Scheme?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Punjab
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) None of these

#### Q.172 Who among the following addressed World Bank-IMF Annual Meeting 2020?

- a) Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- b) Prakash Javadekar
- c) Nirmala Sitharaman
- d) Ramesh Pokhriyala
- e) None of these

#### Q.173 To serve which of the following purpose, YSR Bima Scheme is launched by Andhra Pradesh?

- a) Insurance cover to the beneficiary in case of death or accident of their family members
- b) Finance Assistance to purchase agricultural equipments
- c) Finance Assistance to purchase audio visual equipments for e-learning
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above



## Q.174 Who among the following from India addressed first-ever ministerial meeting of G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group?

- a) Nirmala Sitharaman
- b) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Jitendra Singh
- e) None of these

#### Q.175 Who among the following partnered with Atlantis expand Digital First Program in India?

- a) MasterCard
- b) Visa
- c) American Express
- d) Capital one
- e) None of these

#### Q.176 Who among the following is appointed as brand ambassador for Vega?

- a) Rohit Sharma
- b) Yuvraj Singh
- c) Salman Khan
- d) Varun Dhawan
- e) None of these



Q.177 Who among the following is appointed to head the committee which will evaluate reforms in urban planning education system?

- a) Apurva Chandra
- b) Sushil Kumar Singhal
- c) Rajiv Kumar
- d) Amitabh Kant
- e) None of these

#### Q.178 Which state launched Integrated Model Agricultural Village Scheme?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Punjab
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Haryana
- e) None of these

#### Q.179 K J Mohammed Babu, who passed away recently belonged to which profession?

- a) Professor
- b) Singer
- c) Sports

- d) Economist
- e) None of these

#### Q.180 When is World Polio Day marked?

- a) 24th Sep
- b) 26th Dec
- c) 24th Oct
- d) 26th Oct
- e) None of these

#### Q.181 Who among the following has developed 'Life in Miniature' Project?

- a) Sir J J School of Arts, Mumbai
- b) National Museum, New Delhi, Ministry of Culture
- c) Google Arts and Culture
- d) Both (b) and (c)
- e) Both (a) and (c)

#### Q.182 Who among the following has developed novel Industry 4.0 technology?

- a) Wipro and IIT Delhi
- b) Infosys and IIT Kanpur
- c) TCS and IIT Kharagpur
- d) IBM and IIT Bombay
- e) None of these

## Q.183 Who among the following organised 'CII Agro and Food Tech: India International Food and Agri Week'?

- a) Confederation of Indian Industry
- b) Ministry of food processing industries
- c) Ministry of fisheries, animal husbandry and dairying
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

Q.184 RBI has revised regulatory framework for HFCs under which minimum Net Owned Funds (NOF) size for HFCs is fixed to Rs \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) Rs 30 crore
- b) Rs 35 crore
- c) Rs 25 crore
- d) Rs 20 crore
- e) None of these



#### Q.185 Which district of Himachal Pradesh bagged top position in implementing Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)?

- a) Chamba
- b) Mandi
- c) Hamirpur
- d) Solan
- e) None of these

#### Q.186 In which state 'Kisan Suryoday Yojana' is launched?

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

## Q.187 Who among the following commissioned FFGS (Flash Flood Guidance Service) in South Asian Countries?

- a) India Meteorological Department
- b) International Maritime Organisation
- c) Indian Navy
- d) World Meteorological Organisation
- e) None of these

#### Q.188 Who among the following to offer financial support to develop Sand Dune Park in Goa?

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

#### Q.189 Who among the following won Portuguese Grand Prix 2020?

- a) Lewis Hamilton
- b) Sebastian Vettel
- c) Max Verstappen
- d) Valtteri Botas
- e) None of these

Q.190 Who among the following will be organizing 'India Australia Circular Economy Hackathon (I-ACE)' in association with Australia's Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)?

- a) FICCI
- b) University Grants Commission

- c) Ministry of Earth Sciences
- d) Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)
- e) None of these

#### Q.191 Which bank partnered with NPCI to launch a rewards programme?

- a) Oriental Bank of Commerce
- b) SVC Co-operative Bank
- c) Saraswat Bank
- d) Cosmos Bank
- e) None of these

#### Q.192 Wavel Ramkalawan, is appointed as President of which country?

- a) Seychelles
- b) Madagascar
- c) Bolivia
- d) Guinea
- e) None of these

## Q.193 Who among the following to head the committee formed to commemorate 400th birth anniversary of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur?

- a) Om Birla
- b) Former PM Manmohan Singh
- c) Prahlad Singh Patel
- d) PM Narendra Modi
- e) None of these

## Q.194 India to sign BECA Agreement (Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement for Geo-Spatial Cooperation) with which country?

- a) United States
- b) Russia
- c) Japan
- d) Australia
- e) None of these

Q.195 Which country launched 'No Mask, No Service' policy?

- a) Spain
- b) Australia
- c) India
- d) Bangladesh
- e) None of these



### Q.196 Who among the following topped in Forbes 'World's Best Employers 2020'?

- a) IBM
- b) Samsung Electronics
- c) Microsoft
- d) Apple
- e) None of these

Q.197 Ministry of Tribal Affairs in partnership with Art of Living developed two Centers of Excellence in which states of India?

- a) Bihar and Uttar Pradesh
- b) Maharashtra and Jharkhand
- c) Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan
- d) Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra
- e) None of these

Q.198 RBI has asked lending institutions including NBFCs, to implement waiver of interest on interest for loans of up to Rs \_\_\_\_\_ for 6 months moratorium period beginning from 1st March 2020?

- a) Rs 2 crore
- b) Rs 1.5 crore
- c) Rs 2.5 crore
- d) Rs 3 crore
- e) None of these

Q.199 IIT Kanpur and Archeological Survey of India (ASI) signed MoU with which country's institutes to work collaboratively to protect historical monuments?

- a) Germany
- b) Portugal
- c) Italy
- d) Finland
- e) None of these

Q.200 With whom India Post signed an agreement for the purpose of electronic exchange of customs data related to postal shipments?

- a) Australia Post
- b) Canada Post
- c) US Postal Service
- d) Japan Post
- e) None of these

Q.201 Which of the following institute developed Low-Cost technology anti-ageing compound?

a) IIT Patna



- b) CSIR-CCMB
- c) CSIR-CDRI
- d) IIT Guwahati
- e) None of these

Q.202 Tanmay Srivastava, announced his retirement from which sports?

- a) Kabaddi
- b) Cricket
- c) Hockey
- d) Tennis
- e) None of these

Q.203 Japan has set a target to achieve Zero Carbon Emissions by \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) 2030
- b) 2035
- c) 2040
- d) 2050
- e) None of these

Q.204 With which finance organisation, Catholic Syrian Bank Ltd has entered into a partnership to offer gold loans in untapped locations of rural areas?

- a) Muthoot Finance
- b) Indiabulls
- c) IIFL Finance Ltd
- d) Motilal Oswal Financial Services
- e) None of these

Q.205 Who among the following represented India in 6th BRICS Parliamentary Forum which was held virtually?

- a) Om Birla
- b) Kanimozhi Karunanidhi
- c) Venkaiah Naidu
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) Both (a) and (c)

Q.206 Who among the following signed loan agreement of up to \$1 billion with the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) and other finance lenders to facilitate operation of Japan's automobile sector companies in India?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) IDFC First Bank
- c) ICICI Bank

- d) HDFC Bank
- e) None of these

# Q.207 Who among the following inaugurated DST-IIEST Solar PV Hub at Shibpur in Howrah district, West Bengal?

- a) Jagdeep Dhankhar
- b) Mamata Banerjee
- c) Raj Kumar Singh
- d) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- e) None of these

### Q.208 In which state DST-IIEST Solar PV Hub was inaugurated by Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank?

- a) Nagaland
- b) West Bengal
- c) Assam
- d) Uttar Pradesh
- e) None of these

### Q.209 Which is the first state in India to fix Minimum Support Price (MSP) for 16 Agricultural items?

- a) Kerala
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

### Q.210 Which state launched Sumangal Portal?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Odisha
- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Assam
- e) None of these

# Q.211 Who among the following launched 'National Program and Project Management Policy Framework (NPMPF)'?

- a) NITI Aayog and Quality Council of India (QCI)
- b) SIDBI and CII
- c) NITI Aayog and FICCI
- d) SIDBI and NABARD
- e) None of these



Q.212 Who among the following chaired the 19th meeting of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Ministers of Foreign Economy and Foreign Trade?

- a) Nitin Gadkari
- b) S Jaishankar
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Rajnath Singh
- e) None of these

Q.213 Who among the following entered into a partnership with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to provide digital skills training to underserved women?

- a) IBM
- b) Microsoft
- c) Amazon
- d) Google
- e) None of these

### Q.214 Who among the following is appointed as Chief Information Commissioner of India?

- a) Bimal Zulka
- b) Sunil Arora
- c) Uday Mahurkar
- d) Yashvardhan K Sinha
- e) None of these

### Q.215 Which bank topped in Asia's Safest Banks 2020 category as per a report by Global Finances?

- a) BNG Bank, Netherland
- b) KfW, Germany
- c) DBS Group
- d) United Overseas Bank, Singapore
- e) None of these

### Q.216 Which state launched the Young Advocate Welfare Fund?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

### Q.217 Reserve Bank of India has granted approval to Maple II B.V. to acquire 5-9.99% stakes in which bank?

- a) Bandhan Bank
- b) Bajaj Finserv Ltd
- c) RBL Bank



- d) Karur Vysya Bank
- e) None of these

# Q.218 Who among the following developed and launched 'Infrastructure Management System' (IMS) and 'Secure Application for the Internet' (SAI)?

- a) Competition Commission of India
- b) Indian Navy
- c) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- d) Indian Army
- e) None of these

# Q.219 Who among the following has signed a pact with the European Commission to enhance the scientific cooperation?

- a) Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)
- b) IIT Delhi
- c) ISRO
- d) CSIR
- e) None of these

### Q.220 Who among the following attended 8th India-Mexico Joint Commission Meeting?

- a) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- b) Dr S Jaishankar
- c) Manpreet Vohra
- d) Harsh Vardhan Sringla
- e) None of these

Q.221 Which is the first bank to go live as a 'Financial Information Provider' (FIP) under the new 'Account Aggregator Framework (AAF)' of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

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

Q.222 Daniel Menaker, who passed away recently belonged to which profession?

- a) Author
- b) Animator
- c) Film Making
- d) Economist
- e) None of these

Q.223 When is National Unity Day observed?

- a) 7th Jan
- b) 26th Nov
- c) 31st Oct
- d) 19th June
- e) None of these

## **ANSWERS:**

**Ans.1 (C)** Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh launched 'Defence India Startup Challenge-4' (DISC-4) at the iDEX event (iDEX event was launched in 2018 by Department of Defence Production).

**Ans.2 (D)** It is the science award given by CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) for outstanding work in research, applied or fundamental, in physics, biology, chemistry, environmental science, engineering, mathematics and medicine.

**Ans.3 (A)** It is the science award given by CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) for outstanding work in research, applied or fundamental, in physics, biology, chemistry, environmental science, engineering, mathematics and medicine.

Ans.4 (D) NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) Aayog and Embassy of Netherland, New Delhi has signed Statement of Intent (Sol).

**Ans.5 (B)** Indian Bank has launched 'Ind Guru', which is an E-learning platform for its employees. 'Ind Guru' is the technology based learning providing solution.

**Ans.6 (A)** Bajaj Allianz General Insurance in collaboration with E-commerce platform, Flipkart has launched a cyber insurance cover for online financial frauds.

**Ans.7 (C)** It will be undertaken by NABARD in Karnataka. The campaign will be conducted to promote 'WASH' (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene).

Ans.8 (A) International Day of Older Persons is observed on 1st October.

**Ans.9 (B)** India was represented by External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar. And Bangladesh was represented by Foreign Minister, A K Abdul Momen.

**Ans.10 (D)** Union Minister of Science and Technology, Earth Sciences and Health and Family Welfare launched CSIR Technologies for Rural Development.

**Ans.11 (D)** The CSIR Technologies for Rural Development is the joint initiative of CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research), IIT Delhi, UBA (Unnat Bharat Abhiyan) and VIBHA (Vijnana Bharti).

**Ans.12 (A)** RBI has also extended enhanced borrowing facility provided to the banks under MSF (Marginal Standing Facility) by 6 months i.e. till 31st March 2021. This borrowing limit for scheduled banks is increased from 2% to 3% of their NDTL (Net Demand Time Liabilities).

**Ans.13 (B)** The Ambedkar Social Innovation and Incubation Mission (ASIIM) was launched by Thaawarchand Gehlot, Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment.

**Ans.14 (D)** The Ambedkar Social Innovation and Incubation Mission (ASIIM) was launched by Thaawarchand Gehlot, Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment.

**Ans.15 (C)** He is the crown prince of Kuwait and is sworn in as new emir of Kuwait. He has replaced Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

**Ans.16 (D)** It is launched by South Eastern Railways to improve the security of women passengers travelling through trains. The project is currently introduced in Howrah-Yesvantpur Duronto Special, Howrah-Ahmedabad Special and Howrah-Mumbai Special Trains.

**Ans.17 (C)** Uttar Pradesh has recorded the highest number of crimes against SCs in 2019 with the number of 11,829 cases.

**Ans.18 (D)** State Bank of India (SBI) and Hindustan Unilever (HUL) has entered into MoU to offer Digital Payment Solutions and Financial Solutions to retailers and distributors of HUL. Initially, the services related to this MoU will be available to retailers and distributors of HUL in Mumbai and Bengaluru.

**Ans.19 (B)** The programme is the joint initiative of Ministry of Tribal Affairs and ASSOCHAM (Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India).

**Ans.20 (D)** The special refinance facility of Rs 800 crore for FY 2020-21 has been sanctioned by NABARD for WASH programme.

**Ans.21 (D)** Government of West Bengal launched 'Pathashree Abhijan' Scheme. Pathashree Abhijan' Scheme is the road repair scheme.

**Ans.22 (A)** It is the bilateral Navy exercise between Indian and Bangladesh Navy and its second edition commenced in Northern Bay of Bengal.

**Ans.23 (C)** It is the web portal launched by Assam Government to have online pension submission and tracking system. The portal will help the pensioners to dispose of their pension related claims.

**Ans.24 (A)** As per the analysis from the Data Governance Quality Index (DGQI), the Department of Fertilisers marked the 2nd position among 16 ministries and departments.

**Ans.25 (B)** The Data Governance Quality Index (DGQI) was conducted by Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO), NITI Aayog.

**Ans.26 (D)** A high level committee chaired by Vd. Rajesh Kotech, secretary of Ministry of AYUSH held a meeting and announced the operational integration of Ayush Grid with National Digital Health Mission (NDHM).

**Ans.27 (B)** A survey titled as 'Time Use Survey' was conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

**Ans.28 (C)** The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is set to launch its first Venus mission in 2025. The name of ISRO's first Venus Mission is 'Shukrayaan-1'.

Ans.29 (C) World Space Week is observed on October.

Ans.30 (D) Gandagi se Mukt Campaign: Telangana and Haryana (Best State), Moga, Punjab (Best District).

**Ans.31 (C)** India and Bahrain held the bilateral meet to enhance cooperation in financial and business sector. Both the dignitaries discussed various ways to enhance economic partnership between the two nations.

**Ans.32 (B)** Prime Minister Narendra Modi 'Vaishvik Bharatiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) Summit 2020'. VAIBHAV is the summit of overseas and resident of Indian Researchers and Academicians.

Ans.33 (C) He is appointed as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of State Bank of India.

Ans.34 (D) World Teacher's Day is marked on 5th Oct 2020.

Ans.35 (C) Chief Minister of Delhi launched 'Yudh Pradushan Ke Virudh' campaign. 'Yudh Pradushan Ke Virudh' is the mega anti-pollution campaign.

**Ans.36 (C)** Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully conducted flight test of Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo (SMART).

**Ans.37 (B)** Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 'RAISE 2020- Responsible AI for Social Empowerment 2020' virtually.

**Ans.38 (D)** It is the mega virtual summit on Artificial Intelligence (AI) held from 5th oct to 9th Oct 2020. It is jointly organized by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and NITI Aayog.

**Ans.39 (B)** The first of its kind 'International Webinar on Textile Traditions' was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The webinar was conducted to commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

**Ans.40 (B)** The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs signed MoU with food aggregator Swiggy in order to provide online platform for street food vendors.

**Ans.41 (B)** He won 10-meter air rifle event at 5th International Online Shooting Championship. The second position in the same is marked by Etienne Germond from France.

**Ans.42 (A)** It is awarded to Harvey J. Alter (America), Charles M. Rice (America) and Michael Houghton (Britain). They all are awarded jointly for their discovery of the Hepatitis C Virus.

Ans.43 (C) It is the Red cherry pepper chilli of Sikkim and has received the Geographical Indication (GI), Tag.

**Ans.44 (B)** The Reliance General Insurance Company Limited (RGICL) has entered into partnership with SatSure Analytics, which is a Bengaluru based company. RGICL in coordination with SatSure Analytics will launch a crop insurance by investing technology and innovative solutions.

**Ans.45 (D)** ICICI Bank and Visa has partnered to launch a debit card facility for the customers who avail Loans Against Securities (LAS) from the bank.

**Ans.46 (A)** The Quad or Quadrilateral Countries' Foreign Ministers Meet was held on 6th Oct 2020 in Tokyo, Japan. The group of quad countries in this includes United States, Japan, India and Australia.

**Ans.47 (D)** The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and Forest Department launched a 'My Ganga My Dolphin' Campaign.

**Ans.48 (C)** He is appointed as Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI) for a tenure of 3 years. He has replaced Rajnish Kumar.

Ans.49 (A) He is appointed as Brand Ambassador of Hudle, which is a sports tech startup.

**Ans.50 (C)** It is the name of world's first mining robot which will be sent into space by An IEEE Spectrum Report, which is the China based company.

**Ans.51 (D)** Government of Gujarat has launched the 'Digital Seva Setu Programme' for rural areas. The programme aims to offer maximum utilization and benefit of technology for public welfare.

**Ans.52 (A)** The Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) has signed MoU with National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) with an aim to make educational materials accessible to hearing-impaired children.

**Ans.53 (C)** Indian Farmers Fertilisers Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) has signed MoU with Prasar Bharti. The MoU is signed to broadcast and promote the latest agricultural innovation and technology during a program organized in Prithi Bhavan, New Delhi.

**Ans.54 (B)** This initiative was headed by Abhishek Das, Scientist and Program Director (HPC-AI Infrastructure Development) at C-DAC. He has led this idea and designed architecture of India's largest HPC-AI infrastructure.

**Ans.55 (A)** Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, launched the programme named as 'MSME Prerana'. The programme is developed by Indian Bank and Poornatha & Co.

Ans.56 (D) Indian Air Force Day is marked on 8th October 2020.

**Ans.57 (D)** It is awarded to Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer A Doudna for their development of a method for genome editing.

**Ans.58 (B)** Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the 'Jan Andolan Campaign' for COVID-19 Appropriate Behavior. For the launching and promotion of this campaign, PM Modi made a tweet of #Unite2FightCorona.

**Ans.59 (D)** Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has launched an Application Programming Interface (API) integration between PM SVANidhi portal and SBI Banks' eMudra portal.

Ans.60 (C) He is appointed as MD and CEO of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB). He has replaced Suresh Sethi.

Ans.61 (A) He is appointed as Prime Minster of Jordan.

**Ans.62 (B)** The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) evaluated domestic and global macroeconomic and financial conditions and thus has kept the reportate under the Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) unchanged to 4%. The reverse reportate under LAF is also kept unchanged to 3.35%.

**Ans.63 (C)** World Bank has predicted that India's GDP to contract by 9.6% in financial year of 2021. Earlier in June 2020, World Bank predicted that the Indian economy will shrink by 3.2% in FY21.

**Ans.64 (B)** World Post Day is marked on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

**Ans.65 (D)** It is the Global Symposium launched to inform global Photovoltaics (PV) about the opportunities in India. It was launched to make India a global hub for solar PV manufacturing.

Ans.66 (C) It is successfully test-fired by Russia in the Arctic.

**Ans.67 (C)** World Bank Group has released a Biennial report titled 'Poverty and Shared Prosperity 2020: Reversal of Fortune. Around 88 million to 115 million will be pushed to extreme poverty due to this COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

**Ans.68 (C)** Union Education Minister, Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank inaugurated 'Gyan Circle Ventures' virtually. Aim of this incubation centre is to develop entrepreneurship skills in youths and guide them to become innovators.

**Ans.69 (A)** He is appointed as an additional charge of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution. He is appointed for this ministry because of the demise of Ram Vilas Paswan. Currently, Piyush Goyal is the Union Minister of Commerce and Industry and Railways.

**Ans.70 (C)** He is appointed as Brand Ambassador of Transform, which India's first homegrown badminton brand. Chetan Anand is an Indian Badminton player.

**Ans.71 (D)** The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has signed three MoUs with the State Bank of India (SBI). The MoU is signed to extend credit support for NABARD Projects.

Ans.72 (A) National Postal Day is marked on 10th October 2020.

**Ans.73 (D)** Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard (ICG) conducted the half-yearly Coastal Security Exercise, 'Sagar Kavach'. The exercise was conducted at coastal areas of Kerala, Karnataka and Lakshadweep.

**Ans.74 (B)** Government of Uttarakhand launched 'Mukhya Mantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana'. The Yojana was launched at Veer Chandra Singh Garhwali Auditorium, Dehradun Uttarakhand.

**Ans.75 (A)** The Department of Post, Ministry of Communication, GOI is observing National Postal Week from 9th Oct to 15th Oct 2020. Every Year National Postal Week is marked to create awareness about the role of postal services in the country.

Ans.76 (A) World Migratory Day is marked on 10th October 2020.

Ans.77 (C) The theme for World Migratory Day 2020 was 'Birds Connect Our World'.

**Ans.78 (D)** Mukesh Ambani, Chairman of Reliance industries Limited (RIL) has topped the Forbes India Rich List 2020. He is followed by Gautam Adani, Chairman of Adani Group at second position.

**Ans.79 (B)** Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched physical distribution of property card programme under SVAMITVA Scheme.

**Ans.80 (C)** SVAMITVA Scheme stands for Survey of Villages and Mapping with Improvised Technology in Village Areas (SVAMITVA).

**Ans.81 (B)** Government of Delhi has passed Tree Plantation Policy with an aim to preserve tress and focus on tree plantation. Delhi has become the first state to have a Tree Plantation Policy.

**Ans.82 (C)** DST and IBM, will collaberately work to promote Science and Tech. in academic education. The promotion will be conducted through short term courses, workshop, mentorships and content communication for students as well as for teachers.

**Ans.83 (B)** The Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and Botanical Survey of India (BSI) published reports titled '13th Animal Discoveries 2019' and '13th Plant Discoveries 2019' respectively.

Ans.84 (B) He won Men's Single French open title 2020.

**Ans.85 (D)** Aavo Murto, a 16 year old was given opportunity to assume the post of Prime Minister of Finland for one day on account of UN International Girl Child Day (11th Oct). The opportunity was the part of 'Girl Takeover' initiative.

**Ans.86 (D)** The Commitment to Reducing Inequality (CRI) Index 2020 is released by 'Oxfam International and Development Finance International. As per the released ranking in this report, India has been ranked at 129th position among 158 countries.

**Ans.87 (B)** The CRI ranking index is topped by Norway. The second and third position is marked by Denmark and Germany respectively. South Sudan has the lowest ranking at 158th position in CRI Index 2020.

**Ans.88 (D)** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced to move Next Generation Treasury Application (NGTA) with an aim to manage the country's foreign exchange and gold reserves. The application of NGTA will help to improve the functioning of RBI.

**Ans.89 (C)** Kerala has achieved this goal within 2 years. The goal is achieved at a cost of Rs 42.36 crores. Out of this amount, Rs 34.75 crores were contributed by KIIFB (Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board).

**Ans.90 (A)** The Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a loan agreement to improve various facilities total 14 secondary towns of Rajasthan. The loan agreement of \$300 million is signed between ADB and GOI.

**Ans.91 (D)** The name of 8 beached recognized with 'Blue Flag' are: Shivrajpur (Gujarat), Kasarkod (Karnataka), Pudubidri (Karnataka), Golden Beach (Odisha), Radhanagar (Andaman and Nicobar island), Ghoghla (Diu), Kappad (Kerala) and Rushikonda (Andhra Pradesh).

Ans.92 (A) International Day for Disaster Reduction is marked on 13th October.

**Ans.93 (D)** It is awarded to Paul R. Milgrom and Robert B Wilson for 'improvements to auction theory and inventions of new auction formats.

**Ans.94 (B)** Intel India partnered with Government of Telangana, IIIT-Hyderabad and Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) to launch applied AI (Artificial Intelligence) Research (INAI) Center in Hyderabad.

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**Ans.96 (A)** The Suraksha Kavach Exercise is the joint exercise of Maharashtra Police and Indian Army. The exercise was conducted in Lulla Nagar, Pune, Maharashtra.

**Ans.97 (D)** Axis Bank partnered with Google Pay and Visa to launch 'Axis ACE Credit Card'. The aim behind launching 'Axis ACE Credit Card' is to increase users participation in the digital world.

**Ans.98 (D)** The 'Tech for Tribals' initiative is launched by TRIFED (Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India), IIT-Kanpur and Chhattisgarh MFP Federation.

**Ans.99 (A)** The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has released a report titled as 'World Economic Outlook'. As per the report, the IMF has projected India's GDP to contract 10.3% in FY 2020-21.

**Ans.100 (B)** IMF projected India's GDP to contract by 4.5% due to the pandemic of COVID-19. Also as per the report, India's GDP to grow at 8.8% in FY 2021-22. Earlier prediction for GDP was 6% for FY 2021-22.

Ans.101 (A) International Standards Day is marked on 14th October 2020.

Ans.102 (B) Government of Goa partnered with India Post to enrol 11,000 farmers in PM-KISAN Sanman Nidhi Scheme.

**Ans.103 (A)** It is launched by Haryana. The state will be having a mobile water testing laboratory van which will be fully equipped with advanced water testing equipment which will assess water quality.

**Ans.104 (C)** The India Meteorological Departments (IMD) has launched the Impact Based Cyclone Based Warning System. The system will deliver specific warnings to reduces economic and property damage losses.

Ans.105 (D) India and Mexico signed two MoUs:

- 1. MoU between India's ESC (Electronic and Computer Software Export Promotion Council) and Mexico's CANIETI (Mexican Chamber of Electronics, Telecommunication, and Information Technologies)
- 2. MoU between FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry) and COMCE (Mexican Business Council of Foreign Trade, Investment and Technology).

**Ans.106 (A)** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced to increase the bank's maximum aggregate retail exposure limit to small businesses (turnover upto Rs 50 crore) to Rs 7.5 crore.

**Ans.107 (B)** MasterCard has entered into partnership with Signzy, a leading RegTech startup to roll out Signzy's video based KYC (Know Your Customer) Solution. Signzy's video based KYC solution will be based on AI and Machine Learning technologies.

**Ans.108 (C)** The total costing of the project is Rs 5718 crores and the project is the partnership between India and the World Bank. Hence for this project, World Bank is providing finance support of Rs 3700 crore.

**Ans.109 (D)** The union cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi has approved the implementation of STARS Project under the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The Significance of STARS Projects is Strengthening Teaching-Learning and Results for States.

Ans.110 (B) She was a Kuchipudi Dancer.

**Ans.111 (D)** EXIM Bank offered Rs 2933 crore Line of Credit (LoC) to the Maldives for the Greater Male Connectivity Project.

**Ans.112 (D)** Government of Gujarat has announced to setup World's biggest Zinc Smelter Project. For this purpose, the state government has signed MoU with Vedanta Group firm Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL).

**Ans.113 (B)** He is appointed as Interim President of International Weightlifting Federation (IWF). He is from Great Britain.

**Ans.114 (B)** PhonePe has partnered with Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company to launch car and bike insurance products on its platform. The 2 wheeler insurance starts from Rs 482 and car insurance starts from Rs 2,072.

Ans.115 (D) Union Education Minister virtually launched 'KAPILA' Kalam Program to mark the Intellectual Property (IP) Literacy and Awareness campaign.

**Ans.116 (A)** The 'KAPILA' Kalam Program signifies 'Kalam Program for Intellectual Property and Awareness Campaign'. Also, it is decided to mark 15th Oct to 23rd Oct 2020 as 'Intellectual Property Literacy Week'.

**Ans.117 (C)** A webinar and expo between India and Kazakhstan was held. The webinar was organized by Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence through FICCI.

Ans.118 (C) International Day of Eradication of Poverty is observed on 17th October.

**Ans.119 (A)** IIT Guwahati signs MoU with C-DAC (Centre for Development of Advanced Computing) to establish 650TF Supercomputing facility under NSM (National Supercomputing Mission).

**Ans.120 (B)** EarlySalary joined hands with NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) to launch 'Salary Card'. 'Salary Card' is the Zero-Touch Digital Card.

**Ans.121 (C)** He is appointed to head the committee which will frame the Professional Engineers Bill. The committee is formed by AICTE.

**Ans.122 (D)** Government of India has notified Directorate General (DG) of Shipping as National Authority for Recycling of Ships. In this regards, the office for the National Authority of Ship Recycling will be setup in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

**Ans.123 (C)** The guidelines for 'Saral Jeevan Bima' are released by IRDAI (Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India). IRDAI has made mandatory of offering this insurance policy by all life insurance companies from 1st Jan 2021.

**Ans.124 (B)** India's private sector bank, HDFC Bank in partnership with Apollo Hospitals has launched a 'HealthyLife Programme' for its customers. The 'HealthyLife Programme' is the holistic heathcare solution.

Ans.125 (A) The theme for World Food Day 2020 is 'Grow, Nourish , Sustain Together'.

**Ans.126 (C)** It is launched by Odisha Government. It is the drink from tap mission scheme. The amount sanctioned for this scheme is Rs 1300 crore and aims to provide piped water connection to urban areas of the state by March 2022.

**Ans.127 (D)** Gov Tech Thon 2020 will be jointly organized by GOI's National Informatics Centre (NIC), IEEE Computer Society and Oracle Corporation. Gov Tech Thon 2020 is a pan India 36 hours virtual hackathon.

Ans.128 (A) She is re-elected as Prime Minister of New Zealand for a second consecutive three-year term.

**Ans.129 (B)** He is appointed as Chairman of India Bank's Association (IBA). He has replaced Rajinish Kumar. Also, Rajkiran Rai G is currently serving as MD and CEO of Union Bank of India.

Ans.130 (C) SCALE India app signifies Skill Certification Assessment for Leather Employees (SCALE).

Ans.131 (A) The Leather Sector Skill Council (LSSC) has launched the SCALE India Android phone application.

**Ans.132 (D)** Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurated 14th session of India-International Food and Agri Week virtually. The India-International Food and Agri Week is observed from 16th Oct to 22nd Oct 2020.

**Ans.133 (B)** The meet was hosted by India and was addressed by Minister of Justice, Ravi Shankar Prasad. In the meet, he discussed about the initiatives adopted by India to provide affordable and easy access to justice.

Ans.134 (D) He was a renowned Carnatic Vocalist.

Ans.135 (A) He is a Pakistani cricket player and has announced his retirement from the sport.

**Ans.136 (B)** The Global Hunger Index of 2020 is released. India has marked the rank position of 94th among 107 countries in this index.

**Ans.137 (C)** TATA Motors announced a partnership with HDFC (Housing Development Finance Corporation) with an aim to finance its vehicles. Through this partnership, two schemes are launched namely: (a) Gradual Step Up Scheme (b) TML Flexi Drive Scheme.

**Ans.138 (D)** Indian Navy and Sri Lankan Navy jointly conducts annual joint exercise named as SLINEX 2020. The 8th SLINEX 2020 has begun from 19 Oct 2020 and will be held till 21st Oct 2020.

**Ans.139 (C)** Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir announced a programme called as 'My Town My Pride'. The programme commenced from 19th Oct 2020 in the UT of J&K.

**Ans.140 (D)** It is the women safety campaign which is launched by Anandiben Patel, Governor of Uttar Pradesh. The campaign is launched in Lucknow, UP.

**Ans.141 (A)** It has become the first country to include facial recognition technology in its National Identity Database. For this, a system is introduced with the name 'SingPass Face Verification'.

**Ans.142 (D)** The CRPF (Central Reserve Police Force) has entered into partnership with IIT Delhi, DRDO (Defence Research and Development Organisation) and JATC (Joint Advanced Technology Centre) to strengthen its Research and Development capabilities.

**Ans.143 (B)** Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce (OBC) Life Insurance Company has launched 'Invest 4G'. 'Invest 4G' is a unit-linked individual life insurance cum savings plan.

Ans.144 (A) Narendra Singh Tomar, Union Agriculture Minister has launched Ayushman Sahakar Scheme.

**Ans.145 (C)** This Ayushman Sahakar scheme is an unique way which will assist cooperatives to play a vital role in creating healthcare infrastructure in India. For this purpose, NCDC will extend term loans to cooperatives by Rs 10,000 crores.

**Ans.146 (D)** Winners in each category of ISA Solar Award 2020: (a) Visvesvaraya Award- Japan (Asia Pacific region) and Netherland (Europe and other regions) (b) Kalpana Chawla Awards- Dr Bhim Singh (IIT Delhi, India) and Dr. Aaesha Alnuaimi (UAE). (c) Diwakar Award- Arpan Institute (Haryana) and Arushi Society.

**Ans.147 (B)** Sydney based Lowy Institute has released Asia Power Index 2020. As per the index rankings, India has been ranked at 4th spot with a score of 39.7 out of 100.

**Ans.148 (C)** The index is topped by United States with a score of 81.6. The second and third position is marked by China (76.1 score) and Japan (41 score) respectively.

Ans.149 (C) World Statistics Day is marked on 20th Oct 2020.

**Ans.150 (C)** India successfully tests fired SANT Missile (Standoff Anti-Tank Missile) from Integrated Test Range (ITR) off Odisha coast. It was tested from a rooftop launcher of the ground-based platform.

**Ans.151 (D)** The loan agreement of \$177 million is signed between them. This loan amount will be used to upgrade 450km of highways and major district roads in Maharashtra.

**Ans.152 (D)** National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog in partnership with Amazon Web Services launched First of its kind, a Frontier Technologies Cloud Innovation Center (CIC).

**Ans.153 (B)** As per this report, India has marked the 2nd rank position in terms of migrants going to OECD countries and acquiring citizenship of those countries.

Ans.154 (B) China has marked the first rank in this ranking. The third position is marked by Romania.

**Ans.155 (B)** It is one of the three Bihu festivals of Assam. It is an agricultural festival which is celebrated in Mid-October when crops are at a growing stage and granaries of farmers are depleting.

**Ans.156 (B)** India's first-ever multi-modal logistic park will be set up in Jogighopa, in Bongaigaon district of Assam. The foundation stone for this was laid down by Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari.

**Ans.157 (D)** Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) has signed MoU with Industries and Commerce Department of Telangana Government and GlobalLinker. The three entities have signed MoU with an aim to support MSMEs in Telangana in order to raise equity funds.

**Ans.158 (B)** Uttar Pradesh has emerged as the top destination for attracting a large number of an Indian tourist in the state in 2019.

**Ans.159 (A)** Tamil Nadu has topped in the list of attracting foreign visitors in the state in 2019. Nearly, 68 lakh foreigners visited Tamil Nadu in 2019.

**Ans.160 (B)** Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan launched website named as CUReD. CUReD signifies 'CSIR Ushered Repurposed Drugs'.

**Ans.161 (C)** The 18th meeting of Prosecutors General of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) was held virtually. The meet was organised by the General Prosecutor's Office of Uzbekistan from Tashkent.

**Ans.162 (A)** She is appointed to head the Market Data Advisory Committee (MDAC) which is setup by SEBI. The committee is setup to achieve data culture through Data Democratization.

Ans.163 (B) National Police Commemoration Day is observed on 21st October 2020.

Ans.164 (A) The author of book titled as 'Portraits of Power: Half a Century of Being at Ringside' is N K Singh.

**Ans.165 (C)** Microsoft has teamed up with satellite operator named SpaceX with an aim to provide uninterrupted Azure service to its customers. This partnership is made to target space customers.

**Ans.166 (A)** Researchers from IIT Kharagpur has developed a low-cost COVID-19 test kit named as 'COVIRAP'. The COVIRAP diagnostic machine is successfully validated by ICMR (Indian Council of Medical Research) because of efficient features.

**Ans.167 (A)** Indian Bank partnered with IIT Madras Incubation Cell (IITMIC) to launch 'IND SpringBoard', which is the credit facility to fund startups.

**Ans.168 (B)** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has announced to awards of \$5 million to Catalyst Management Service's COVID Action Collaborative (CAC) and to Wadhwani Institute for Artificial Intelligence.

**Ans.169 (B)** He is appointed as brand ambassador for LG Signature, which is the home solution brand of LG Electronics.

**Ans.170 (D)** The index is topped by Haryana among 29 states with a score of 46.7. Also, Haryana has achieved 93% of immunization in 2019-20 for the first time.

**Ans.171 (A)** It is launched by Tamil Nadu. Under this scheme, audiovisual teaching material will be given to government schools of the state.

**Ans.172 (A)** The annual meeting of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF) was held virtually. The meeting was addressed by the Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Dr Harsh Vardhan.

**Ans.173 (A)** Andhra Pradesh Government launched 'YSR Bima' Scheme. The scheme will offer insurance cover to the beneficiary in case of death or accident of their family members.

**Ans.174 (D)** The meeting was dressed by Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions. Saudi Arabia hosted the meeting and thus become the first country to host the G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group meeting.

**Ans.175 (A)** MasterCard has entered into a partnership with Atlantis with an aim to expand the Digital First Program in India. The partnership will soon be extended to counties like Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore.

Ans.176 (A) He is appointed as brand ambassador for Vega.

**Ans.177 (C)** He is appointed to head the committee which will evaluate reforms in urban planning education system. There will be 14 members in the committee and is formed by NITI Aayog. Rajiv Kumar is serving as Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog.

**Ans.178 (A)** Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change announced that Asan Conservation Reserve has become Uttarakhand's first Ramsar site by making it a 'Wetland of International Importance'.

Ans.179 (B) He was Playback singer and actor by profession.

Ans.180 (C) World Polio Day is marked on 24th Oct.

**Ans.181 (D)** 'Life in Miniature' Project is launched by Prahlad Singh Patel, Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent Charge). The project is launched by the National Museum, New Delhi, Ministry of Culture and Google Arts and Culture.

**Ans.182 (C)** IIT Kharagpur has partnered with TCS to develop novel Industry 4.0 technology. Industry 4.0 technology is developed to remotely control factory operations and to have real-time quality corrections in industries.

**Ans.183 (D)** It was organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in partnership with the ministry of fisheries, animal husbandry and dairying and ministry of food processing industries.

**Ans.184 (C)** HFC having CoR (Certificate of Registration) and having NOF less than Rs 25 crore will be required to achieve NOF of Rs 15 crore by 31st March 2022 and Rs 25 crore by 31st March 2023.

**Ans.185 (B)** Mandi district of Himachal Pradesh bagged top position in implementing Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). Mandi district has topped the position among 30 districts in India.

**Ans.186 (C)** Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched 'Kisan Suryoday Yojana', 'Girnar Ropeway' and 'Paediatric Heart Hospital in UN Mehta Heart Research Institute' in Gujarat state. The 'Kisan Suryoday Yojana' is launched to provide day time power supply for irrigation facility in Gujarat.

**Ans.187 (A)** India Meteorological Department (IMD) has commissioned FFGS (Flash Flood Guidance Service) in South Asian Countries. FFGS is commissioned in India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka.

**Ans.188 (B)** World Bank to offer financial assistance of Rs 3 crore to India's first sand dune parks and interpretation centres, which will be developed in Goa.

Ans.189 (A) He won Portuguese Grand Prix 2020. It was held at Algarve International Circuit, Portugal.

**Ans.190 (D)** The 'India Australia Circular Economy Hackathon (I-ACE)' will be organised by Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) in association with Australia's Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO).

**Ans.191 (B)** The Shamrao Vithal Co-operative Bank Ltd (SVC Bank) has entered into a partnership with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

Ans.192 (A) He is appointed as President of Seychelles.

Ans.193 (D) He is will be heading a high level 70 member committee to commemorate 400th birth anniversary of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur.

**Ans.194 (A)** The 3rd India-US 2+2 Dialogue is conducted on 27th Oct 2020. The dialogue is held to discuss global, bilateral and regional issues between India and the United States.

**Ans.195 (D)** It is launched by the Government of Bangladesh with an aim to reduce the spread of coronavirus in the country. Under this policy, no one will be allowed to enter the office premises without wearing a mask.

**Ans.196 (B)** The Indian PSUs list is topped by National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC). Overall rank for NTPC in the list is 261st from 750 multinational corporations. The overall list is topped by Samsung Electronics.

**Ans.197 (B)** Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) in partnership with Art of Living (AoL) developed two Centers of Excellence (CoE) for the welfare of the tribal community. Both the CoE was launched by Union Minister of Tribal Affairs, Arjun Munda.

**Ans.198 (A)** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has asked lending institutions including NBFCs, to implement waiver of interest on interest for loans of up to Rs 2 crore for 6 months moratorium period beginning from 1st March 2020.

**Ans.199 (C)** IIT Kanpur and Archeological Survey of India (ASI) has signed Mou with Italy's Ca' Foscari University of Venice and Soprintendenza Archeologia, Belle Arti E Paesaggio, Venice.

**Ans.200 (C)** An agreement is signed between India Post and US Postal Service. They have entered into an agreement for the purpose of electronic exchange of customs data related to postal shipments between India and the US.

**Ans.201 (D)** IIT Guwahati has developed a low-cost technology which helps to produce anti-ageing compounds. It is developed from agricultural products like tea, orange peels, onions, pulses, sea buckthorn, berries and parsley.

**Ans.202 (B)** He is Under-19 India's Cricket World Cup-winning team player and has announced his retirement from cricket.

**Ans.203 (D)** Japan has set a target to achieve zero emissions of greenhouse gases by 2050 through a fundamental shift in policy on coal use.

**Ans.204 (C)** Catholic Syrian Bank Ltd partnered with IIFL Finance Ltd to offer gold loans in untapped locations of rural areas. They have entered into a partnership to source and manage the retail gold loan assets.

**Ans.205 (D)** The forum was represented and addressed by Lok Sabha Speaker, Om Birla. Also from India, Chairman of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilisers, Kanimozhi Karunanidhi participated in the forum.

**Ans.206 (A)** The State Bank of India (SBI) has signed a loan agreement with the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) and other finance lenders.

**Ans.207 (D)** Union Education Minister, Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank inaugurated DST-IIEST Solar PV Hub. It is inaugurated at Shibpur in Howrah district, West Bengal.

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**Ans.209 (A)** It has become the first state in India to fix Minimum Support Price (MSP) for 16 Agricultural items with an aim to support farmers.

**Ans.210 (B)** Chief Minister of Odisha launched two web portals. The two web portals are: (a) Sumangal Portal (b)Integrated Odisha State Scholarship Portal.

**Ans.211 (A)** NITI Aayog in partnership with Quality Council of India (QCI) has launched the 'National Program and Project Management Policy Framework (NPMPF)'. The NPMPF is launched to transform the infrastructure sector of India.

**Ans.212 (C)** The meet was chaired by Union Minister for Commerce and Industries, Piyush Goyal. The meet was also attended by Minister of State for Commerce and Industry, Hardeep Singh Puri.

**Ans.213 (B)** Microsoft has entered into a partnership with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to provide digital skills training to underserved women. The digital skill training will be provided to 1 lakh underserved women in India for the next 10 months.

Ans.214 (D) He is appointed as Chief Information Commissioner of India.

**Ans.215 (C)** DBS Group, Singapore (Rank1), Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation, Singapore (Rank2) and United Overseas Bank, Singapore (Rank3).

**Ans.216 (A)** It is launched in Tamil Nadu. It aims to provide monthly financial assistance of Rs 3000 each for 2 years to the newly passed law college lawyers.

Ans.217 (C) Reserve Bank of India has granted approval to Maple II B.V. to acquire 5-9.99% stakes in RBL Bank.

**Ans.218 (D)** Indian Army has launched software named as 'Infrastructure Management System' (IMS) and secured messaging application platform called 'Secure Application for the Internet' (SAI).

**Ans.219 (A)** Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has signed a pact with European Commission virtually. They have signed a pact to enhance the scientific cooperation between them.

**Ans.220 (B)** India was represented by External Affairs Minister, Dr S Jaishankar and Mexico was represented by Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mexico, H.E. Marcelo Ebrard.

**Ans.221 (B)** IndusInd Bank has gone live as a 'Financial Information Provider' (FIP) under the new 'Account Aggregator Framework (AAF)' of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). Thus, IndusInd Bank has become the first bank to do so.

Ans.222 (A) He was an author and an editor by profession.

Ans.223 (C) National Unity Day is observed on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

