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**Q.1 With which institute has the Association of Renewable Energy of States (AREAS) signed MoU to promote cooperation in renewable energy technologies in India?**

- a) National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE)
- b) Sardar Swaran Singh National Institute of Bio-Energy (SSS - NIBE)
- c) National Institute of Wind Energy (NIWE)
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Association of Renewable Energy of States (AREAS) entered into MoU with the three institutions namely: National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), National Institute of Wind Energy (NIWE), and Sardar Swaran Singh National Institute of Bio-Energy (SSS - NIBE).

**Q.2 What is the aim of 'Mission Vatsalya' which was launched by the government of Maharashtra?**

- a) Empower Women in rural and tribal areas
- b) Support girl child
- c) Grant healthy food to the pregnant women
- d) Support women who lost their husband due to COVID-19
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The mission aims to help women who lost their husbands due to COVID-19. Under this mission, several services and 18 benefits will be granted to the women who lost their husbands due to COVID-19.

**Q.3 Which institute will launch 'e-source', which is the platform to solve the problem of electronic wastes (e-waste)?**

- a) IIT Madras
- b) CSIR- Advanced Materials and Processes Research Institute (AMPRI)
- c) CSIR- Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (CEERI)
- d) IIT Bombay
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The IIT Madras is developing an online platform to which will solve the problem of electronic wastes (e-waste).

**Q.4 Which country hosted the 8th Meeting of Agriculture Experts of BIMSTEC Countries?**

- a) Sri Lanka
- b) India
- c) Myanmar
- d) Bangladesh

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e) None of these

**Answer (b):** India hosted 8th Meeting of Agriculture Experts of Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Countries in a virtual manner.

**Q.5 Which dairy industry topped Rabobank's Global Top 20 Dairy Companies list for 2021?**

- a) Nestle
- b) Yili
- c) Lactalis
- d) Dairy Farmers of America
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The list is topped by, Lactalis, which is based in France. It has an annual turnover of US \$23.0 billion.

**Q.6 Vasoo Paranjape, who passed away recently belonged to which profession?**

- a) Cricketer and coach
- b) Author
- c) Film Maker
- d) Economist
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** He was a Former Indian cricketer and coach.

**Q.7 Which institute developed 'Ubreathe Life', which is the living plant-based air purifier?**

- a) IIT Ropar
- b) IIT Kanpur
- c) Management Studies of Delhi University
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The researchers from the IIT Ropar, Kanpur, and the Faculty of Management Studies of Delhi University developed the living plant-based air purifier.

**Q.8 Name the app launched by Union Minister of Ayush, Sarbanand Sonowal to promote Yoga?**

- a) Y 4 Yoga
- b) Y Break
- c) Yoga N Work
- d) Do Yoga
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Union Minister of Ayush, Sarbanand Sonowal launched the 'Y-Break' mobile application (Yoga Break mobile app). The app consist of Asanas, Pranayam and Dhyana.

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**Q.9 With which bank has BharatPe entered into a partnership to enhance merchant acquiring business in India?**

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Punjab National Bank
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The BharatPe has entered into a partnership with India's private sector bank, Axis Bank. The partnership was made to advance the merchant acquiring business in India.

**Q.10 Who was appointed as an ambassador for Adidas 'Stay in Play' campaign?**

- a) PV Sindhu
- b) Mithali Raj
- c) Saina Nehwal
- d) Mirabai Chanu
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** She was appointed as an ambassador for Adidas 'Stay in Play' campaign.

**Q.11 Who among the following inaugurated the 'My Pad, My Right' Project?**

- a) Renuka Singh
- b) Anupriya Patel
- c) Smriti Irani
- d) Nirmala Sitharaman
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** It was inaugurated by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman at Killa village in Gomati district in Tripura. The project is an initiative of NABARD and NABFOUNDATION.

**Q.12 Who among the following to head the committee set up by RBI to suggest recommendations on New Umbrella Entity (NUE) licenses?**

- a) Kamal P Patnaik
- b) P. Vasudevan
- c) P. Shimrah
- d) A B Dutta
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will be setting up a 5 members committee to scrutinize applications and suggest recommendations on New Umbrella Entity (NUE) licenses. The committee will be headed by P. Vasudevan, RBI chief general manager.

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**Q.13 Who chaired the 40th meeting of the National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB)?**

- a) Ramchandra Prasad
- b) Sarbanada Sonowal
- c) Hardeep Singh Puri
- d) Narayan Rane
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The 40th meeting of the National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB) was held virtually and was chaired by the Union Minister of Housing & Urban Affairs and Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri. He is also the chairman of NCRPB.

**Q.14 What is the name of the Rural Enterprises Acceleration Programme launched to uplift the women associated with SHG by Lt Governor of J&K Manoj Sinha?**

- a) 'Saath'
- b) 'Sarathi'
- c) 'Swabhimani'
- d) 'Sakhi'
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Rural Enterprises Acceleration Programme named 'Saath' was launched for Self-Help Group women. It was launched by Lieutenant-Governor of Jammu & Kashmir, Manoj Sinha.

**Q.15 What is the name of the store management tool launched by PayNearby in association with the Retailers Association's Skill Council of India?**

- a) PayNearby NeoSahitya
- b) PayNearby NeoBhandar
- c) PayNearby NeoShop
- d) PayNearby NeoDukaan
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** India's leading branchless banking and digital payments network PayNearby launched 'PayNearby NeoDukaan'. The 'PayNearby NeoDukaan' was launched in association with the Retailers Association's Skill Council of India (RASCI).

**Q.16 Which financial entity extended a USD 100 million loan to Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) to conduct infra development activities in the continent?**

- a) New Development Bank
- b) Exim Bank
- c) Asian Development Bank
- d) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Exim Bank has extended a line of credit (LoC) support from the side of GOI to the Africa Finance Corporation (AFC), which is an infrastructure solutions provider in the African continent.

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**Q.17 Which bank opened a floating ATM on a Houseboat at Dal Lake in Srinagar, J&K?**

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Jammu & Kashmir Bank Limited
- c) State Bank of India
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The State Bank of India has opened a floating ATM on a Houseboat at Dal Lake in Srinagar, J&K. The floating ATM will prove helpful to the locals and tourists. It was inaugurated by SBI Chairman Dinesh Khare. Initially, in 2004, SBI had opened a similar ATM in Kerala.

**Q.18 The MoU was signed between the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying and the Ministry of Rural Development to make growth in the rural economy. And in this regard, the 'A-HELP' model was framed, What does 'P' signifies in A-HELP?**

- a) Promotion
- b) Product
- c) Production
- d) Primary
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The MoU was signed between the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) and the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD). The 'A-HELP' signifies Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production.

**Q.19 With which entity has EarlySalary entered into a partnership to develop momentum in impact categories of skill upgradation, education loans, and healthcare finance?**

- a) Muthoot Finance Ltd
- b) Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited
- c) Bajaj Finserv
- d) HDB Financial Services Ltd
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The consumer lending platform 'EarlySalary' has joined hands with HDB Financial Services Ltd (HDBFS). The HDBFS is an NBFC and subsidiary of HDFC Bank.

**Q.20 Who was appointed as MD of SVC Bank?**

- a) Desh Dipak Verma
- b) Ajit Venugopalan
- c) PK Rath
- d) Ashish Singhal
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** He was appointed as MD of SVC Bank. He has replaced Ajit Venugopalan.



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**Q.21 Who among the following addressed the 6th Eastern Economic Forum (EEF)?**

- a) Dharmendra Pradhan
- b) Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu
- c) PM Narendra Modi
- d) S Jaishankar
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the 6th Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) in a virtual manner.

**Q.22 Which country topped in Hurun India Future Unicorn List 2021 for having the highest number of unicorns in the world?**

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

**Answer (c):** The Hurun India Future Unicorn List 2021 was released by Hurun Research Institute. The list is topped by the USA.

**Q.23 In which state was Solung Festival celebrated?**

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Kerala
- d) Punjab
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** It is the festival of the Adi Tribe based in Arunachal Pradesh. It is a harvest festival that begins after the sowing of seeds and transplantation to get good crops on the farms. The festival is celebrated for 5 days, each day has different importance.

**Q.24 Which entity launched India's first interactive geospatial website named 'Pulse'?**

- a) PhonePe
- b) Airtel Payment Bank
- c) Paytm
- d) Freecharge
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** PhonePe has launched India's first interactive geospatial website. The name of the website is 'Pulse'.

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**Q.25 What amount of LoC was extended by Exim Bank to the Maldives to support development in sports infrastructure?**

- a) USD 30 million
- b) USD 20 million
- c) USD 50 million
- d) USD 40 million
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Exim Bank has extended line of credit (LOC) to the Maldives with an aim to support financially to develop sports infrastructure in the island nation. In this regard, Exim Bank has offered USD 40 million worth of line of credit (LOC).

**Q.26 Which country signed an MoU with Nepal to support a construction project in which the national heritage sites of Nepal will be redeveloped which were damaged in the 2015 earthquakes?**

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

**Answer (b):** India has signed an MoU with Nepal for the purpose of a construction project conducted in Nepal. The MoU was signed to reconstruct 14 cultural heritage projects and 103 health projects in Nepal.

**Q.27 Which university attained the top spot in Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2022?**

- a) University of Cambridge
- b) California Institute of Technology
- c) University of Oxford
- d) Harvard University
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2022 was released. The list was topped by the University of Oxford for the sixth consecutive year.

**Q.28 Who among the following represented India in the 11th India-UK Economic and Financial Dialogue?**

- a) Dr Virendra Kumar
- b) Piyush Goyal
- c) Nirmala Sitharaman
- d) S Jaishankar
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** Indian delegation was represented by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and the UK delegation was represented by UK Chancellor Rishi Sunak. Both the nations have signed USD 1.2 billion



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packages for the welfare of the public and make investments in green projects in order to boost renewable energy usage in India.

**Q.29 With which entity has National e-Governance Division (NeGD) signed MoU to set up Cyber Lab for the 'Online Capacity Building Programme on Cyber Law, Crime Investigation and Digital Forensics'?**

- a) National Law Institute University (NLIU), Bhopal
- b) National Law School of India University, Bangalore
- c) National Law University(NLU), Delhi
- d) Both (a) and (c)
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) has signed MoU with National Law University(NLU), Delhi, and National Law Institute University (NLIU), Bhopal.

**Q.30 Who was appointed as MD of Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)?**

- a) Ashok Kumar Tando
- b) Suman Sharma
- c) Vartika Shukla
- d) Jatindra Nath Swain
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** She was appointed as MD of Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI). She has replaced Jatindra Nath Swain.

**Q.31 Who among the following represented India at the 4th round of 'Indo-Danish Joint Commission Meeting (JCM)'?**

- a) Kiren Rijiju
- b) Anurag Singh Thakur
- c) Dharmendra Pradhan
- d) S Jaishankar
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The 4th round of 'Indo-Danish Joint Commission Meeting (JCM)' was held and the Indian delegation was led by External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar.

**Q.32 Which entity held the 16th Sustainability Summit 2021 which was addressed by Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar?**

- a) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry
- b) NASSCOM
- c) NABARD
- d) Confederation of Indian Industry
- e) None of these

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**Answer (d):** The 16th Sustainability Summit 2021 was addressed by Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar. The summit was held by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).

**Q.33 Which state to host the Defence Expo of 2022?**

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Gujarat
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Rajasthan
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** Gujarat will be hosting the Defence Expo of 2022. The announcement for the same was made by the Chief Minister of the state Vijay Rupani and the MoU was signed between the Department of Defence Production and the Gujarat Government in this regard. It will be held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat in March 2022.

**Q.34 Which edition of the SIMBEX-2021 bilateral maritime exercise took place on the southern fringes of the South China Sea?**

- a) 28<sup>th</sup>
- b) 17<sup>th</sup>
- c) 11th
- d) 23<sup>rd</sup>
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The 28th edition of the Bilateral Exercise between Singapore and India took place. The name of the annual bilateral maritime exercise is Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX).

**Q.35 Which country has India signed a Project Agreement (PA) to develop Air-Launched Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (ALUAV)?**

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

**Answer (d):** The Project Agreement (PA) between the Ministry of Defence of GOI and the US Department of Defence was signed. The PA was signed for the purpose of an Air-Launched Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (ALUAV).

**Q.36 With which entity has the ICAR-Indian Institute of Millet Research (ICAR-IIMR) signed MoU to enhance exports through quality production & processing, enhance value addition, and farmers' income?**

- a) NABARD
- b) Central Warehousing Corporation
- c) APEDA
- d) Food Corporation of India
- e) None of these

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**Answer (c):** The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) signed an MoU with the ICAR-Indian Institute of Millet Research (ICAR-IIMR).

**Q.37 Which state government held the first meeting of the 'Vatan Prem Yojana' governing body?**

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

**Answer (d):** The first meeting of the 'Vatan Prem Yojana' governing body was held under the chairmanship of Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani.

**Q.38 Which organisation won the Dun & Bradstreet Corporate Award 2021 under the category of Best Growth Performance Power?**

- a) National Thermal Power Corporation Limited
- b) Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
- c) Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Ltd
- d) National Hydro-Electric Power Corporation Pvt Ltd.
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** It has won the Dun & Bradstreet Corporate Award 2021 under the category of Best Growth Performance Power.

**Q.39 Which is the 1st country in Asia to launch Plastic Pact?**

- a) Singapore
- b) India
- c) Japan
- d) Indonesia
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** India has become the first country in Asia to launch a Plastics Pact. The plastic pact is a platform that aims to promote a circular system for plastics.

**Q.40 With which state American Chamber of Commerce in India (AMCHAM India) signed MoU to promote investment and boost ease of doing business ability?**

- a) Punjab
- b) West Bengal
- c) Karnataka
- d) Goa
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Government of Punjab has signed an MoU with the American Chamber of Commerce in India (AMCHAM India). The MoU was signed during the 29th annual general meeting of AMCHAM India.

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**Q.41 Which entity approved a loan of USD 150 million to Tamil Nadu for developing sustainable housing projects in an urban poor area of the state?**

- a) Asian Development Bank
- b) World Bank
- c) New Development Bank
- d) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a loan of USD 150 million to Tamil Nadu. The loan was approved for developing sustainable housing projects in urban poor areas of the state.

**Q.42 Who was appointed as Chairman-cum-Managing Director of United India Insurance Company Limited?**

- a) Cyrus Poncha
- b) Harsha Bhupendra Bangari
- c) S.L.Tripathy
- d) Girish Radhakrishnan
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** He was appointed as Chairman-cum-Managing Director of United India Insurance Company Limited. Currently, he is serving as the General Manager and Director at The New India Assurance Company Limited.

**Q.43 When is International Literacy Day observed?**

- a) 8th Sep
- b) 9th Sep
- c) 10th Sep
- d) 11th Sep
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** International Literacy Day is observed on 8th September.

**Q.44 What is the theme for Shikshak Parv which is being celebrated from 5th to 17th Sep 2021?**

- a) 'Education to all means observance of equality and consistency in education'
- b) 'Quality in Education leads to development of economy'
- c) 'Quality and Sustainable Schools: Learnings from Schools in India'
- d) 'Developing Schools for betterment in Education and Economy'
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Shikshak Parv is being celebrated from 5th to 17th Sep 2021 by Education Ministry under the theme of 'Quality and Sustainable Schools: Learnings from Schools in India'.

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**Q.45 Which bank signed MoU with National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) to grant credit support to the MSME sector?**

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) HDFC Bank
- c) Karnataka Bank
- d) Axis Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** India's largest private sector bank, HDFC Bank has signed MoU with National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC).

**Q.46 Which bank launched 'WisePOSGo' which is a POS device in partnership with Mswipe Technologies Pvt Ltd?**

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Yes Bank
- c) UCO Bank
- d) Karnataka Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Karnataka Bank launched the POS device (Point of Sales swiping machine) which is a Phone + PoS machine.

**Q.47 With which housing finance entity has India Post Payments Bank joined hands to sell home loan products?**

- a) LIC Housing Finance
- b) PNB Housing Finance
- c) GIC Housing Finance
- d) Dewan Housing Finance Corporation
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has joined hands with LIC Housing Finance. They joined hands to sell housing finance products to the former's 4.5 crore customers.

**Q.48 Who was appointed as President of the India chapter of the International Road Federation (IRF)?**

- a) Nirlep Singh Rai
- b) Harsha Bhupendra Bangari
- c) S.L.Tripathy
- d) Satish Parekh
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** He was appointed as President of the India chapter of the International Road Federation (IRF). He has replaced Subhmay Gangopadhyay.

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**Q.49 Which state to set up India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve?**

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

**Answer (c):** Tamil Nadu government announced to set up India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve in the Palk Bay on the southeast coast. The Dugong is also called a sea cow and is an endangered marine mammal.

**Q.50 Which entity signed MoU with NICM Western Sydney University, Australia to support and appoint an Academic Chair in Ayurveda?**

- a) Institute of Medical Sciences Banaras Hindu University
- b) All India Institute of Ayurveda
- c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

**Answer (b):** The All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) signed MoU with NICM Western Sydney University, Australia. The AIIA comes under the Ministry of Ayush.

**Q.51 In partnership with which entity has Fiserv launched 'nFiNi'?**

- a) National Payments Corporation of India
- b) Reserve Bank of India
- c) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- d) Central Depository Services Ltd
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) partnered with Fiserv to launch 'nFiNi'. The 'nFiNi' is a set of services to issue RuPay credit cards by fintech and banks.

**Q.52 With the partnership with which bank has Lendingkart announced to grant overdraft (OD) facilities to 1 lakh MSME customers via its platform?**

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

**Answer (c):** The SBM Bank India partnered with Lendingkart which is a fintech start-up. They have partnered to grant overdraft (OD) facilities to 1 lakh MSME customers via the platform of Lendingkart.

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**Q.53 Who was appointed as President of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal?**

- a) Nirlep Singh Rai
- b) Girish Radhakrishnan
- c) G.S. Pannu
- d) Satyajit Tripathy
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** He was appointed as President of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT). Currently, he was serving as the Vice-President at (ITAT).

**Q.54 Which is the 1st country to adopt bitcoin as a national currency?**

- a) Nicaragua
- b) Ecuador
- c) Costa Rica
- d) El Salvador
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** It has become 1st country to adopt bitcoin as a national currency. The resolution for the approval was passed and the bill was approved by President Nayib Bukele.

**Q.55 Which financial organisation sanctioned a loan of USD 112 million to develop water infrastructure projects in Jharkhand?**

- a) Asian Development Bank
- b) World Bank
- c) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- d) New Development Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The GOI and Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed the loan agreement for Jharkhand. The loan agreement was signed to develop water supply infrastructure in Jharkhand.

**Q.56 Which institute won overall rank in NIRF India Rankings 2021?**

- a) IIT Kanpur
- b) IIT Bombay
- c) IIT Madras
- d) IIT Roorkee
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The NIRF India Rankings 2021 was released by Union Minister of Education, Dharmendra Pradhan via video conference. The list is topped by the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras in the overall domain and engineering domain.



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**Q.57** The 'Centre of Excellence on Offshore Wind' was launched by India and \_\_\_\_?

- a) France
- b) Denmark
- c) UAE
- d) Argentina
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The 'Centre of Excellence on Offshore Wind' was launched by India and Denmark. It is part of the green strategic partnership between both nations.

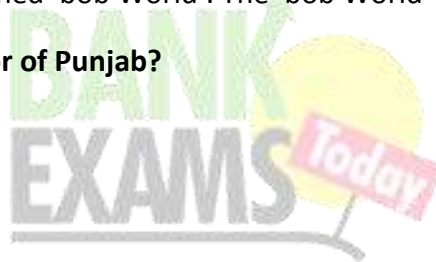
**Q.58** What is the name of the digital platform launched by Bank of Baroda in which various banking services are offered on a single platform?

- a) 'bob Global'
- b) 'bob Globe'
- c) 'bob World'
- d) 'bob Digital'
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Bank of Baroda launched 'bob World'. The 'bob World' is the digital banking platform.

**Q.59** Who was appointed as Governor of Punjab?

- a) Prof. Jagdish Mukhi
- b) Baby Rani Maurya
- c) R.N.Ravi
- d) Banwarilal Purohit
- e) None of these



**Answer (d):** He was appointed as Governor of Punjab. Initially, he was serving as the Governor of Tamil Nadu.

**Q.60** Which institute won the 2021 Africa Food Prize for improving food security in sub-Saharan Africa?

- a) Food Corporation of India
- b) ICAR-Central Plantation Crops Research Institute
- c) International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics
- d) ICAR- Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** It has won the 2021 Africa Food Prize for improving food security in sub-Saharan Africa.

**Q.61** With which company has OneWeb signed MoU to distribute satellite services in India and the US?

- a) Viasat Inc
- b) EarthLink
- c) Hughes Network System
- d) Lumen Technologies

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e) None of these

**Answer (c):** OneWeb which is backed by Bharti Group has signed MoU with Hughes Network System which is a United States company.

**Q.62 Which entity offered loan to improve rural connectivity and rural economy in Maharashtra?**

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

**Answer (a):** The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India (GOI) signed loan agreement to enhance rural connectivity and rural economy in the state of Maharashtra.

**Q.63 Who among the following chaired the 13th BRICS Summit?**

- a) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- b) President Ram Nath Kovind
- c) S Jaishankar
- d) Anurag Thakur
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The 13th BRICS Summit was chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The summit was held in a virtual manner and the dignitaries participated via video conference in the summit.

**Q.64 Who among the following represented India in the Ministerial meeting of the U.S.-India Strategic Clean Energy Partnership (SCEP)?**

- a) Mansukh Mandaviya
- b) Piyush Goyal
- c) Dharmendra Pradhan
- d) Hardeep Singh Puri
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** India was represented by Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri and the US was represented by U.S. Secretary of Energy, Jennifer Granholm.

**Q.65 Which country hosted the 'Zapad 2021' Multi Nation Military Exercise?**

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

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**Answer (b):** It is the name of Russia's Multi Nation Military Exercise and was held at Nizhniy, Russia. India also participated in the military exercise with 200 personnel from Naga Regiment.

**Q.66 Which institute signed MoU with Indian Air Force to collaborate in the academic and research sector of the aerospace technology domain?**

- a) IIT Kanpur
- b) IIT Madras
- c) IIT Bombay
- d) IIT Roorkee
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The IIT Kanpur has signed MoU with Indian Air Force (IAF). The MoU was signed for collaboration in the academic and research sector, particularly in the aerospace technology domain.

**Q.67 Which entity organised the 5th World Conference of Speakers of Parliament (5WCSP) 2021?**

- a) Inter-Parliamentary Union
- b) Austrian Parliament
- c) United Nations
- d) All of the above
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The 5WCSP is the world's largest function of the highest level of parliamentary representation. It was held under the theme of 'Parliamentary leadership for more effective multilateralism.'

**Q.68 Who was appointed as Brand Ambassador of Piramal Realty?**

- a) Virendra Sehwag
- b) Sachin Tendulkar
- c) MS Dhoni
- d) Rahul Dravid
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** He was appointed as Brand Ambassador of Piramal Realty.

**Q.69 Who among the following represented India in India-Australia 2+2 Dialogue?**

- a) Rajnath Singh
- b) S Jaishankar
- c) Dharmendra Pradhan
- d) Both (a) and (b)
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** India was represented by Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar.

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**Q.70 India's largest open-air fernery was inaugurated in Ranikhet of \_\_\_\_?**

- a) Bihar
- b) Punjab
- c) Uttarakhand
- d) Assam
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** India's largest open-air fernery was inaugurated in Ranikhet of Uttarakhand. It will conserve fern species and will also create awareness about their ecological importance and promote further research.

**Q.71 Which state launched 'Millet Mission' in Sep 2021?**

- a) West Bengal
- b) Chhattisgarh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Punjab
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, Bhupesh Baghel launched the 'Millet Mission'. The 'Millet Mission' aims to offer proper price rates to farmers for minor cereal crops.

**Q.72 Which bank partnered with SWIFT (Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications) to offer the latest data by online tracking for cross-border payments?**

- a) DBS Bank
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) Axis Bank
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The DBS Bank has entered into a partnership with SWIFT (Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications) Global Payment Innovations.

**Q.73 Who was appointed as vice president and managing director for Adobe India?**

- a) Sameer Sharma
- b) Vijay Goel
- c) Prativa Mohapatra
- d) Pawan Kumar Goenka
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** She was appointed as vice president and managing director for Adobe India.

**Q.74 AMTRON has appointed \_\_\_\_ as its business partner to deploy and manage digital infrastructure?**

- a) BSNL
- b) Vodafone Idea Limited

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- c) iBus
- d) CMS Network Solutions
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The undertaking of the Assam Government named Assam Electronics Development Corporation Limited (AMTRON) has partnered with ibus Networks and Infrastructure Private Limited (iBUS).

**Q.75 When is National Hindi Diwas marked?**

- a) 13th Sep
- b) 14th Sep
- c) 15th Sep
- d) 16th Sep
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** National Hindi Diwas is marked on 14th September.

**Q.76 Which is the first state to make use of drones for Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLoS) to deliver the medicines and other products under the 'Medicine from the Sky' project?**

- a) West Bengal
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Telangana
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Union Minister for Civil Aviation, Jyotiraditya Scindia has launched the 'Medicine from the Sky' project in Telangana.

**Q.77 India and the \_\_\_\_ launched 'Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue (CAFMD)'**

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

**Answer (c):** The 'Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue (CAFMD)' was launched by India and the USA. The CAFMD will help to enhance India-US bilateral cooperation in the domains of climate and environment.

**Q.78 Which entity partnered with Delhi Metro Rail Corporation to develop the country's first FASTag based metro parking facility?**

- a) Paytm Payments Bank Ltd
- b) Fino Payments Bank Limited
- c) Airtel Payments Bank Limited
- d) Jio Payments Bank Limited

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e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Paytm Payments Bank Ltd (PPBL) partnered with Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC). They have partnered to develop the country's first FASTag based metro parking facility.

**Q.79 The 'Project iRASTE' is a collaboration initiative of which of the following entities?**

- a) Intel India
- b) IIIT-H and CSIR-CRRI
- c) Mahindra & Mahindra
- d) NMC (Nagpur Municipal Corporation)
- e) All of the above

**Answer (e):** The project is a collaborative initiative of Intel India, IIIT-H (International Institute of Information Technology-Hyderabad), CSIR-CRRI (Central Road Research Institute), Mahindra & Mahindra, and NMC (Nagpur Municipal Corporation).

**Q.80 With which organisation has Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel India (AMNS India) signed MoU to offer critical steel products to MSMEs in the steel sector?**

- a) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- b) Ircon International
- c) National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC)
- d) NITI Aayog
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel India (AMNS India) has signed MoU with National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC). The MoU was signed to offer critical steel products to MSMEs in the steel sector.

**Q.81 Brendan Taylor, who announced his retirement from an international form of cricket, played for which country?**

- a) Zimbabwe
- b) Australia
- c) New Zealand
- d) Ireland
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** He announced his retirement from an international form of cricket.

**Q.82 Which institute launched 'Project Udaan'?**

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

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**Answer (c):** The IIT Bombay has launched 'Project Udaan'. The 'Project Udaan' is a language translator which will make it easy for the students to understand educational content in their own language.

**Q.83 What is the purpose of 'Project Udaan', launched by IIT Bombay?**

- a) Developing technical solutions for Indian Navy
- b) Technical Software short duration course for school students in rural areas
- c) Imparting AI Education
- d) Language Translation to convert Technical content to Hindi or other languages
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The IIT Bombay has launched 'Project Udaan'. The 'Project Udaan' is a language translator which will make it easy for the students to understand educational content in their own language.

**Q.84 Which entity in partnership with US-based Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) and RMI India launched the 'Shoonya Campaign'?**

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- c) ISRO
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The NITI Aayog in partnership with US-based Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) and RMI India launched the 'Shoonya Campaign'.

**Q.85 Who among the following represented India in the 18th ASEAN-India Economic Ministers Consultations, held in Sep 2021?**

- a) Pankaj Choudhary
- b) Anupriya Patel
- c) Prof. S. P. Singh Baghel
- d) Darshana Vikram Jardosh
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The 18th ASEAN-India Economic Ministers Consultations was held in a virtual manner. India was represented by Anupriya Patel, Minister of State for Commerce and Industry.

**Q.86 Which ministry signed 5 MoUs with the private companies like CISCO, ITC Limited, Ninjacart, Jio Platforms Limited, and NCDEX e-markets Limited (NeML)?**

- a) Ministry of Finance
- b) Ministry of Steel
- c) Ministry of External Affairs
- d) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
- e) None of these



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**Answer (d):** The Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare signed five MoUs with the private companies. The MoUs were signed with: CISCO, ITC Limited, Ninjacart, Jio Platforms Limited, and NCDEX e-markets Limited (NeML).

**Q.87 As per UNCTAD, India's economy to grow at \_\_\_ in 2021?**

- a) 7.5%
- b) 7%
- c) 7.4%
- d) 7.2%
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) has projected that India's economy to grow at 7.2% in 2021.

**Q.88 To which country has India granted the Indian Navy's Dornier Aircraft on lease as a part of Vision SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region) and enhance maritime security of the Indian Ocean Region?**

- a) Malaysia
- b) Seychelles
- c) Mauritius
- d) Singapore
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** India has granted Indian Navy's Dornier Aircraft on lease to Mauritius as a part of Vision SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region). This will help to enhance the maritime security of the Indian Ocean Region.

**Q.89 With which state has SIDBI signed an agreement of Rs 350 crore to support startups?**

- a) Assam
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Government of Assam signed an agreement with the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). In this regard, the SIDBI and Assam Government signed a commitment letter of Rs 350 crore.

**Q.90 In partnership with which entity has NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission launched 'ATL Space Challenge'?**

- a) CBSE
- b) SIDBI
- c) ISRO
- d) Both (a) and (c)
- e) None of these

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**Answer (d):** The NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) has collaborated with ISRO and CBSE to launch the 'ATL Space Challenge'. This is in line with the center's decision to open the space sector for private participation.

**Q.91 What is the purpose of 'Uttar Pradesh Matra Bhumi Yojana'?**

- a) To grant pension to the army officer of the state
- b) To provide tractors to the economically weak farmers
- c) To allow participation of common man in development work in the state
- d) To grant financial support to the daily wage workers
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The scheme allows the direct participation of the common man in the development work of the state. The scheme will strengthen the participatory rural economy and infrastructure.

**Q.92 The Union Cabinet approved Rs \_\_\_\_ PLI scheme for auto and drone industries?**

- a) Rs. 28,058 crore
- b) Rs. 22,058 crore
- c) Rs. 26,058 crore
- d) Rs. 21,058 crore
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Union Cabinet approved the production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for auto, auto-components, and drone industries.

The cabinet announced to provide Rs. 26,058 crore incentives to the industries for the period of 5 years.

**Q.93 Which state/UT launched 'One Gram Panchayat-One DIGI-Pay Sakhi' Mission which aims to promote door-to-door digital banking and financial services in remote areas?**

- a) Jammu and Kashmir
- b) Ladakh
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Nagaland
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** It was launched by Lieutenant Governor of J&K, Manoj Sinha. The mission aims to promote door-to-door digital banking and financial services in remote areas of UT.

**Q.94 With which telecom operator has Celltick collaborated to launch India's first cell broadcast-based public warning system (PWS) in Andhra Pradesh?**

- a) Bharti Airtel
- b) Jio
- c) Vodafone Idea Limited
- d) BSNL
- e) None of these

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**Answer (c):** The Vodafone Idea Limited (VIL) has collaborated with Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (APSDMA) and Celltick to launch India's first cell broadcast-based public warning system (PWS).

**Q.95 What is the name of the trilateral security partnership made by the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia for the Indo-Pacific region?**

- a) 'USUKA'
- b) 'AUKUS'
- c) 'AUSUK'
- d) 'UKAUS'
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The United States, United Kingdom, and Australia have announced the new partnership and the name of the new partnership is 'AUKUS'.

**Q.96 Who was appointed as the brand ambassador for Fossil, which is an American watches and accessories firm?**

- a) Kriti Sanon
- b) KL Rahul
- c) Rohit Sharma
- d) Alia Bhatt
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** She was appointed as Indian Brand Ambassador of FOSSIL, which is an American watches and accessories firm.

**Q.97 What is the purpose of 'Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana'?**

- a) To grant entry-level training to the youths by Railway Training Institutes
- b) To conduct recruitment drives in Indian Railways
- c) To give Advanced technical training sessions to the Railway's ALP employees
- d) Both a and b
- e) None of the above

**Answer (a):** The Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana comes under the aegis of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana.

Under the Yojana, the entry-level training will be given to the youths by Railway Training Institutes.

**Q.98 Who represented India at SCO Summit which was held in Sep 2021?**

- a) PM Narendra Modi
- b) Rajnath Singh
- c) Nirmala Sitharaman
- d) Mansukh Mandaviya
- e) None of these

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**Answer (a):** Prime Minister Narendra Modi represented the Indian delegation at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit via video conference.

**Q.99 When is World Bamboo Day marked?**

- a) 17th Sep
- b) 18th Sep
- c) 17th Nov
- d) 18th Nov
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** World Bamboo Day is marked on 29th September.

**Q.100 The union cabinet has raised the FDI from \_\_\_% to 100% in the telecom sector, in case of the automatic route?**

- a) 39%
- b) 69%
- c) 59%
- d) 49%
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Union Cabinet allowed 100% foreign direct investment (FDI) in the telecom sector via the automatic route. 49% of FDI was allowed through the automatic route, so now the Union cabinet has raised the FDI from 49% to 100% in the telecom sector.

**Q.101 Which organisation released the 'Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India' report?**

- a) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- c) NITI Aayog
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The report titled 'Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India' was released by NITI Aayog. It was released by NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman Dr. Rajiv Kumar, CEO Shri Amitabh Kant, and Special Secretary Dr. K. Rajeswara Rao.

**Q.102 Who was appointed as the CMD of National Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (NSIC)?**

- a) Vijay Goel
- b) Pawan Kumar Goenka
- c) Alka Nangia Arora
- d) Prativa Mohapatra
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** She was appointed as CMD of National Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (NSIC).

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**Q.103** With which organisation has Ayush ministry's Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM&H) signed MoU to enhance the export potential of the ASU&H (Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, and Homoeopathy) drugs?

- a) American Herbal Pharmacopoeia
- b) Vital Plan Inc.
- c) Golden Biotechnology Corp
- d) Gaia Herbs
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Union Ministry of Ayush has signed an MoU with American Herbal Pharmacopoeia. The MoU was signed to enhance the export potential of the ASU&H (Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, and Homoeopathy) drugs.

**Q.104** Who is the author of the Book titled 'Translating Myself and Others'?

- a) Salman Rushdie
- b) Arundhati Roy
- c) Jhumpa Lahiri
- d) Vikram Seth
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The author of the Book titled 'Translating Myself and Others' is Jhumpa Lahiri.

**Q.105** With which entity has Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited partnered to set up Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning (AI-ML) Centre?

- a) IIT Bombay
- b) Indian Institute of Science (IISc)
- c) IIT Kanpur
- d) Atal Innovation Mission of NITI Aayog
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited (KMBL) partnered with the Indian Institute of Science (IISc). The partnership was made to set up a state-of-the-art Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning (AI-ML) Centre at the IISc Bangalore.

**Q.106** Riva Ganguly Das, Secretary (East) represented India at the Third Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) of India with which nation?

- a) Norway
- b) Colombia
- c) Costa Rica
- d) El Salvador
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Third Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) between India and El Salvador were held recently in San Salvador.

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**Q.107 Which ministry launched 'Ek Pahal Drive'?**

- a) Ministry of Panchayati Ra
- b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- d) Ministry of Law and Justice
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The 'Ek Pahal Drive' was launched by the Ministry of Law and Justice. It is the Pan-India Special Campaign that aims to grant Justice Delivery at the doorstep.

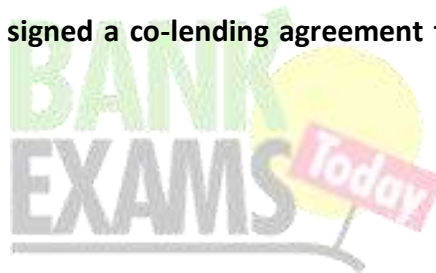
**Q.108 Who was elected as the President of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI)?**

- a) Vijay Goel
- b) Pawan Kumar Goenka
- c) Raninder Singh
- d) Parminder Singh Dhindsa
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** He was re-elected as the President of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI).

**Q.109 With which bank has IIFL HFL signed a co-lending agreement to distribute affordable housing loans and MSME loans?**

- a) Canara Bank
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) Punjab National Bank
- d) Union Bank of India
- e) None of these



**Answer (c):** The IIFL Home Finance Limited (IIFL HFL) has signed a co-lending agreement with Punjab National Bank (PNB). The co-lending agreement aims to enhance the distribution of affordable housing loans and MSME loans.

**Q.110 The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has banned \_\_\_ till 2022, as it failed to send a team to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.?**

- a) North Korea
- b) Algeria
- c) Poland
- d) Bahrain
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has banned North Korea till 2022. It means that the country's athletes will not be able to play in the 2022 Beijing Winter Games. The ban was imposed because North Korea failed to send a team to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

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**Q.111 Which country topped in Global Innovation Index 2021 in the high-income group?**

- a) Sweden
- b) USA
- c) Switzerland
- d) Vietnam
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The 1st rank was marked by Switzerland with a score of 65.5 in the high-income group category.

**Q.112 With which entity has Byju partnered to grant free access to tech-driven learning programs like Byju's Career-Plus program and volunteer initiative?**

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) TCS
- c) Infosys
- d) CBSE
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** India's major ed-tech startup, Byju's has partnered with India's think tank NITI Aayog. They have partnered to grant free access to tech-driven learning programs for students in 112 aspirational districts of India.

**Q.113 Who represented India at the G-33 Virtual Informal Ministerial Meeting?**

- a) Piyush Goyal
- b) Narendra Singh Tomar
- c) Giriraj Singh
- d) Nitin Gadkari
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** India was represented by Piyush Goyal, Minister of Textiles, Minister of Commerce and Industry, and Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

**Q.114 India held 'Surya Kiran' military exercise with which country?**

- a) Indonesia
- b) Sri Lanka
- c) France
- d) Nepal
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The 15th India-Nepal Joint Military Training Exercise named 'Surya Kiran' began on 20th Sep 2021.

**Q.115 In which state was the 15th India-Nepal Joint Military Training Exercise named 'Surya Kiran' held?**

- a) Sikkim
- b) Uttarakhand



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- c) Rajasthan
- d) Odisha
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The 15th India-Nepal Joint Military Training Exercise named 'Surya Kiran' began on 20th Sep 2021. It is being held in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.

**Q.116 Which bank partnered with Paytm to launch co-branded credit cards which will be launched in October 2021?**

- a) HDFC Bank
- b) State Bank of India
- c) Punjab National Bank
- d) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** India's major private sector bank, HDFC Bank has entered into a partnership with Paytm. They have partnered to launch co-branded credit cards on the Visa platform for business holders, millennials, and merchants.

**Q.117 'Cooper Mahseer' i.e. 'Katley' is the state fish of which state?**

- a) West Bengal
- b) Manipur
- c) Sikkim
- d) Goa
- e) None of these



**Answer (c):** The Sikkim Government announced 'Cooper Mahseer' i.e. 'Katley' as its state fish. The scientific name of 'Katley' is *Neolissochilus hexagonolepis*.

**Q.118 Which state was the winner in FSSAI's 3rd State Food Safety Index in the larger state section?**

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

**Answer (a):** Gujarat state was the winner in FSSAI's 3rd State Food Safety Index in the larger state section.

**Q.119 With which entity has TRIFED signed MoU to promote and sale natural Van Dhan products?**

- a) Big Bazaar
- b) Myntra
- c) D Mart
- d) Big Basket
- e) None of these

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**Answer (d):** The TRIFED signed 2 MoUs, one with Big Basket and the other with PurtyAgrotech of Jharkhand. The MoU is part of GOI's transformational programs for tribal livelihoods.

**Q.120 Where was the 3rd 'Samudra Shakti' exercise between India and Indonesia held?**

- a) Surabaya, Indonesia
- b) Sunda Strait, Indonesia
- c) Bay of Bengal
- d) Both A and B
- e) None of the above

**Answer (b):** The 3rd 'Samudra Shakti' exercise was held at Sunda Strait, Indonesia.

**Q.121 Which bank partnered with PayPoint to deliver banking services in unbanked areas via Business Correspondent (BC) Model?**

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Canara Bank
- c) Punjab National Bank
- d) Union Bank of India
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** PayPoint India has partnered with the Bank of Baroda (BoB). They have partnered to provide banking services in India via Business Correspondent (BC) Model.

**Q.122 Justin Trudeau, was appointed as the PM of which country?**

- a) Brazil
- b) Canada
- c) Australia
- d) Mexico
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** He won the Prime Minister election of Canada for the third term and will serve as PM of Canada.

**Q.123 The Kovalam Beach in \_\_\_ has received 'Blue Flag' certification?**

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Puducherry
- c) Kerala
- d) Goa
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Kovalam Beach in Tamil Nadu and Eden Beach in Puducherry have received 'Blue Flag' certification. With this, the total number of such beaches in India has reached 10 that have received the Blue flag certification.

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**Q.124 Who was appointed as the MD and CEO of the merged entity formed by merging Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited (ZEEL) and Sony Pictures Networks India (SPNI)?**

- a) Manish Chokhani
- b) Ashok Kurien
- c) Punit Goenka
- d) N.P. Singh
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The MD and CEO of the merged entity will be Punit Goenka. He is the CEO of Zee Entertainment. The SPNI has the authority to nominate majority directors on the board of the merged entity.

**Q.125 As per OECD, is India's GDP to be at \_\_\_% for FY22?**

- a) 9.7%
- b) 10.7%
- c) 8.5%
- d) 7.5%
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has forecasted India's growth to be at 9.7% for the current fiscal year of FY22.

**Q.126 Which organisation developed an EV charger named 'AC001'?**

- a) TATA Motors
- b) DRDO
- c) Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI)
- d) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI) has developed Electric Vehicle (EV) charger. The name of the EV charger is 'AC001'.

**Q.127 In Sep 2021, which state announced to setup 'Electronic Park'?**

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Gujarat
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Haryana
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Uttar Pradesh government announced to set up of 'Electronic Park' along the Yamuna Expressway near Noida.

**Q.128 As per ADB, India's GDP to be at \_\_\_% for FY22?**

- a) 11%

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- b) 10.5%
- c) 9.5%
- d) 10%
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has projected that India's GDP to be at 10% for FY 2021-22 (FY22).

**Q.129 When is the International Day of Sign Languages marked?**

- a) 23rd Aug 2021
- b) 23rd Dec 2021
- c) 23rd Oct 2021
- d) 23rd Sep 2021
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** International Day of Sign Languages is marked on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021.

**Q.130 The GoI has set up India Debt Resolution Company Ltd (IDRCL). It will work in coordination with which entity?**

- a) National Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd
- b) Reserve Bank of India
- c) Association of Mutual Funds
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The IDRCL will work in coordination with National Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd (NARCL). It will work to eradicate bad loans.

**Q.131 Who was appointed as Brand Ambassador of Howzat Fantasy Sports Platform?**

- a) MS Dhoni
- b) Suresh Raina
- c) Jasprit Bumrah
- d) Hardik Pandya
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** He was appointed as Brand Ambassador of Howzat Fantasy Sports Platform.

**Q.132 Which bank partnered with OneCard to launch a mobile-first credit card?**

- a) SBI
- b) Federal Bank
- c) Axis Bank
- d) Karnataka Bank
- e) None of these

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**Answer (b):** The Federal Bank has partnered with OneCard, which is a fintech company.

**Q.133 With which entity has the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying signed MoU to improve India's livestock sector?**

- a) WHO
- b) Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- c) NABARD
- d) UNDP India
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) has signed an MoU with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

**Q.134 Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) announced to observe \_\_\_ as the National Pension System Diwas (NPS Diwas)?**

- a) 1st Oct 2021
- b) 14th Nov 2021
- c) 31st Oct 2021
- d) 25th Sep 2021
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) announced to observe 1st Oct 2021 as the National Pension System Diwas (NPS Diwas).

**Q.135 The Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL), a subsidiary of Coal India Limited (CIL) partnered with which organisation to set up a solar power project of 50 megawatts in Madhya Pradesh?**

- a) Power Grid Corporation of India
- b) NTPC Limited
- c) Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd
- d) ReNew Power
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL) has partnered with NTPC Limited. They have partnered to set up a solar power project of 50 megawatts in Madhya Pradesh.

**Q.136 With which entity has International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) signed MoU to strengthen food, nutrition security, and livelihoods in India?**

- a) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
- b) Food and Agriculture Organization
- c) United Nations World Food Programme
- d) Food Corporation of India
- e) None of these

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**Answer (c):** The International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) signed MoU with United Nations World Food Programme (WFP).

**Q.137 Who among the following laid the foundation stone for the projects at New Mangalore Port in Karnataka?**

- a) Nitin Gadkari
- b) Basavaraj Bommai
- c) Mansukh Laxmanbhai Mandaviya
- d) Sarbananda Sonowal
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Union Minister for Ports, Shipping, and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone of three projects at New Mangalore Port in Karnataka.

**Q.138 With which company has Ministry of Defence signed a contract to procure 56 C-295 military transport aircraft?**

- a) Airbus Defence and Space
- b) Boeing
- c) SpaceX
- d) Virgin Galactic
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Ministry of Defence, GOI signed a contract with Airbus Defence and Space of Spain to procure 56 C-295 military transport aircraft.

**Q.139 Which bank launched the '#UseBefikar' Campaign with Mastercard?**

- a) Karnataka Bank
- b) Bandhan Bank
- c) RBL Bank
- d) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** It was launched by RBL Bank and Mastercard. The campaign grants shopping offers and rewards to the payment cardholders of RBL's Mastercard. It aims to promote the message of secure and safe card payment transactions among users.

**Q.140 The \_\_\_ has completed its agreement with Fahi Dhiriulhun Corporation India (FDC) of Maldives to construct Social Housing Units in Hulhumale phase II?**

- a) Asian Development Bank
- b) New Development Bank
- c) EXIM Bank
- d) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- e) None of these

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**Answer (c):** The EXIM Bank has completed its agreement with Fahi Dhiriulhun Corporation India (FDC) which is based in Maldives. The agreement was for the purpose to grant buyers credit worth \$228 million to construct Social Housing Units in Hulhumale phase II.

**Q.141 The USAID and DFC announced to sponsor a credit guarantee program titled 'India Covid Response Program for Agriculture Transition' which is worth \_\_\_?**

- a) \$50 million
- b) \$45 million
- c) \$60 million
- d) \$55 million
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) together announced to sponsor a credit guarantee program for India. The credit guarantee program is worth \$55 million.

**Q.142 PM Modi participated in the first in-person meeting of Quad which includes India, Australia, the United States, and \_\_\_?**

- a) Japan
- b) Russia
- c) France
- d) Germany
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Quad) of India, Australia, the United States, and Japan Leaders meeting was held.

**Q.143 In Sep 2021, which institute set up the 'Centre of Excellence (CoE) on Quantum Technologies'?**

- a) IIT Madras
- b) IIT Roorkee
- c) IIT Delhi
- d) IIT Gandhinagar
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The IIT Delhi has set up the 'Centre of Excellence (CoE) on Quantum Technologies'. The CoE will allow me to conduct research work in the Quantum Technologies sector.

**Q.144 When is World Environmental Health Day marked?**

- a) 26th Sep
- b) 27th Sep
- c) 25th Sep
- d) 24th Sep
- e) None of these



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**Answer (a):** World Environmental Health Day is marked on 26 th September.

**Q.145 Who among the following from India addressed the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) held in New York?**

- a) PM Narendra Modi
- b) Subrahmanyam Jaishankar
- c) Anurag Thakur
- d) T. S. Tirumurti
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi addressed the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) held in New York.

**Q.146 With which bank has HPCL partnered to provide FASTag facilities to purchase fuel and lubricants at HPCL retail outlets?**

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

**Answer (c):** The Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) has partnered with ICICI Bank. The partnership will allow the customers to use their ICICI Bank FASTag to purchase fuel and lubricants at HPCL retail outlets.

**Q.147 Who among the following launched 'Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission'?**

- a) Mansukh L. Mandaviya
- b) PM Narendra Modi
- c) Ashwini Vaishnaw
- d) Piyush Goyal
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The 'Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission' was launched by PM Narendra Modi via video conference. The mission is also known as the National Digital Health Mission (NDHM).

**Q.148 With which country has India's ISRO signed implementing arrangement agreement for the joint development of a small satellite?**

- a) Japan
- b) Bhutan
- c) Germany
- d) Nepal
- e) None of these

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**Answer (b):** An implementing arrangement agreement was signed between India and Bhutan for the joint development of a small satellite.

**Q.149 What was the theme for World Tourism Day, which was marked on 27th Sep 2021?**

- a) Tourism for Economic Growth
- b) Tourism for Inclusive Growth
- c) Develop culture through tourism
- d) Respect and protect tourists
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The theme for World Tourism Day, which was marked on 27th Sep 2021 was Tourism for Inclusive Growth.

**Q.150 Which organisation was awarded as 'Overall Most Outstanding Company in India' as the poll conducted by Asiamoney?**

- a) TATA Group
- b) HDFC Bank
- c) Infosys Ltd
- d) Reliance Jio
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** As per the poll conducted by Asiamoney, which is the reputed publication, HDFC Bank was voted as 'Overall Most Outstanding Company in India'.

**Q.151 Who was appointed as chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) for the period of 2021-2022?**

- a) Pratap G. Pawar
- b) Narasimhan Ram
- c) Samir Jain
- d) Debabrata Mukherjee
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** He was unanimously elected as chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) for the period of 2021-2022. He is the chief marketing officer of United Breweries.

**Q.152 As per the RBI's new rules for Securitisation of Standard Assets, the minimum ticket size for issuance of securitisation notes will be \_\_\_?**

- a) Rs 1 crore
- b) Rs 1.5 crore
- c) Rs 50 lakhs
- d) Rs 75 lakhs
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has framed new rules for the Securitisation of Standard Assets.

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The minimum ticket size for the issuance of securitisation notes will be Rs 1 crore.

**Q.153 Which organisation delivers Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for science and technology?**

- a) Drugs Controller General of India
- b) Atal Innovation Mission
- c) Council for Scientific and Industrial Research
- d) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** During the 80th Foundation day of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for science and technology 2021 was announced.

**Q.154 Who among the following addressed the first-ever National Cooperative Conference (Sehkarita Sammelan)?**

- a) PM Narendra Modi
- b) Amit Shah
- c) M. Venkaiah Naidu
- d) Nitin Gadkari
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah addressed the first-ever National Cooperative Conference (Sehkarita Sammelan).

**Q.155 In September 2021, the 'sweet cucumber' of \_\_\_ has received geographical identification (GI) tag as an agricultural product?**

- a) Nagaland
- b) Kerala
- c) Punjab
- d) Tamil Nadu
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The 'sweet cucumber' of Nagaland has received geographical identification (GI) tag as an agricultural product.

**Q.156 With which country India signed an agreement to exchange white shipping information and enhance maritime security cooperation?**

- a) Jordan
- b) Indonesia
- c) Qatar
- d) Oman
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** India and Oman have entered into an agreement to exchange white shipping information and enhance maritime security cooperation.

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**Q.157** RBI has set the limit for WMA for October 2021 to March 2022 at \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) Rs. 40,000 crore
- b) Rs. 30,000 crore
- c) Rs. 50,000 crore
- d) Rs. 60,000 crore
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Reserve bank of India (RBI) has set the limit for Ways and Means Advances (WMA) for central government at Rs. 50,000 crore for the second half of the financial year 2021-22 i.e. October 2021 to March 2022.

**Q.158** What is the name of the credit card launched by IndusInd Bank in partnership with Vistara?

- a) 'IndusInd Bank-Vistara Credit Card'
- b) 'Club Vistara IndusInd Bank Explorer'
- c) 'IndusInd Bank-Club Vistara Travel Explore'
- d) 'Club Vistara IndusInd Bank Travel Credit Card'
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The IndusInd Bank collaborated with Vistara, which is the TATA SIA Airlines Limited. They collaborated to launch the 'Club Vistara IndusInd Bank Explorer' Credit Card.

**Q.159** Which country was elected as external auditor to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) from 2022 to 2027?

- a) India
- b) Germany
- c) UK
- d) Russia
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** India was elected to be the external auditor to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The IAEA works to promote peaceful usage of nuclear energy.

**Q.160** The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has extended the tenure of the Company Law Committee till \_\_\_\_?

- a) Jan 2022
- b) Dec 2022
- c) Sep 2022
- d) April 2022
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has announced that it has extended the tenure of the Company Law Committee by one year. The tenure is extended till 16th Sep 2022.

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**Q.161** What is the theme of World Heart Day which is observed on 29th Sep 2021?

- a) Heart: Powers your life
- b) Use Heart To Beat Cardiovascular Disease.
- c) Use Heart to Connect
- d) Take care of Heart, it matters a lot
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The theme of World Heart Day which is observed on 29th Sep 2021 is Use Heart to Connect.

**Q.162** RBI imposed the penalty of \_\_\_ on RBL Bank as it was non-compliant in opening five savings deposit accounts for a cooperative bank and composition of the board of directors?

- a) Rs 70 lakh
- b) Rs 1 crore
- c) Rs 2 crore
- d) Rs 50 lakh
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed Rs 2 crore penalty on RBL Bank. The penalty was imposed for not following provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.

**Q.163** Who was appointed as President of All India Management Association (AIMA)?

- a) Aveek Sarkar
- b) Vishwvir Ahuja.
- c) CK Ranganathan
- d) Harsh Pati Singhania
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** He was appointed as President of All India Management Association (AIMA) for a tenure of one year. He has replaced Harsh Pati Singhania. He is the CMD of CavinKare Pvt Ltd.

**Q.164** With which country India signed MoU to boost cooperation in the field of Health and Biomedical Sciences and with the International Centre for Excellence in Research (ICER)?

- a) Canada
- b) Australia
- c) United States
- d) Singapore
- e) None of these

**Answer (c):** India and the United States signed two MoUs at the concluding session of the 4th Indo-US Health Dialogue. The closing session was addressed by Union Health and Family Welfare Minister Mansukh Mandaviya.

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**Q.165 Which payment firm partnered with Ria Money Transfer to allow its users to receive funds from their relatives living abroad?**

- a) PayPal
- b) Airtel Payments Bank
- c) PhonePe
- d) Paytm Payments Bank
- e) None of these

**Answer (d):** The Paytm Payments Bank has partnered with Ria Money Transfer, which is a cross-border money transfer entity.

**Q.166 Who among the following inaugurated NIDHI 2.0 Scheme?**

- a) Om Birla
- b) Anandiben Patel
- c) Vice President Venkaiah Naidu
- d) Nitin Gadkari
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** The Lok Sabha (LS) Speaker, Om Birla inaugurated NIDHI 2.0 Scheme. The NIDHI signifies the National Integrated Database of Hospitality Industry.

**Q.167 The LS Speaker, Om Birla inaugurated NIDHI 2.0 Scheme. What does 'H' signifies in NIDHI?**

- a) Honour
- b) Hospitality
- c) Household
- d) Humanity
- e) None of these

**Answer (b):** The Lok Sabha (LS) Speaker, Om Birla inaugurated NIDHI 2.0 Scheme. The NIDHI signifies the National Integrated Database of Hospitality Industry.

**Q.168 When is World Maritime Day marked?**

- a) 30th Sep 2021
- b) 30th Nov 2021
- c) 30th Dec 2021
- d) 30th Oct 2021
- e) None of these

**Answer (a):** World Maritime Day is marked on 30th September.