

Current Affairs Question Bank: September 2018

Ques 1

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Which of the following states is the first state to get the approval for Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation during Emergency Situations) Bill, 2016?

- a. Punjab
- b. Odisha
- c. Karnataka
- d. Haryana
- e. Madhya Pradesh

Ans: Karnataka

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Ques 2

Union Finance Ministry has constituted nine-member Competition Law Review Committee to ensure that legislation is in tune with changing business environment. The committee was constituted in pursuance of Government's objective of ensuring that legislation is in sync with needs of strong economic fundamentals.

Who among the following is the head of the committee?

- a. Injeti Srinivas
- b. Narayan Shastri
- c. Deepak Dhani

- d. Manoj Girdhari
- e. Pradeep Jaiswal

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Ques 3

AICTE will establish country's first AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy in _____. Moreover, three more ATAL academies will come at Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala), Guwahati (Assam) and Baroda (Gujarat) by next year.

What is the full form of AICTE and in which of the following states will the first ATAL academy be opened?

- a. All India Council for Technical Education, Punjab
- b. All India Council for Techniques and Education, Manipur
- c. All India Council for Technology & Education, Himachal Pradesh
- d. All India Commission for Technical Education, Madhya Pradesh
- e. All India Council for Technical Education, Rajasthan

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Ques 4

International Translation Day seeks to recognize contribution of unsung heroes behind international diplomacy who work as language professionals to facilitate dialogue and contribute to development and strengthens world peace and security.

It is observed on

- a. 2 September
- b. 30 September

- c. 28 September
- d. 6 September
- e. 10 September

The International Translation Day is observed by United Nations on 30 September 2018. The International Translation Day was instituted by United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in May 2017 by adopting resolution 71/288.

Ques 5

International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank and World Trade Organization have collectively launched a report in which all three international organisations have sought liberalisation of global service sector, asserting that barriers to these services trade currently is roughly as high as those to trade in goods about a half century ago.

What is the name of the report?

- a. Rejuvenating Trade and Incusing Growth
- b. A Roadmap to the Inclusive Trade and Vigorous Growth
- c. Road to Invigorating Trade and Inclusive Growth
- d. Reinvigorating Trade and Inclusive Growth
- e. None

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Ques 6

Madhya Pradesh Government has announced creation of new district. It will be 52nd district of the state and came into effect from October 1, 2018. The proposal to this effect was cleared by state Cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan.

What is the name of the district?

- a. Niwari

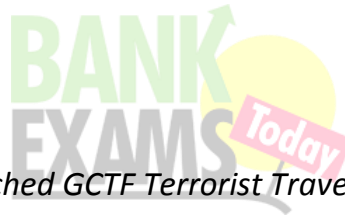
- b. Nilashi
- c. Niladri
- d. Niswari
- e. Nishari

Ques 7

GCTF Terrorist Travel Initiative under auspices of Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) has been signed between two nations. The initiative brings together stakeholders to share expertise on developing and implementing effective counterterrorism watchlisting and screening tools.

Which of the following two countries signed this initiative?

- a. USA and Prague
- b. USA and India
- c. USA and Morocco
- d. USA and Afghanistan
- e. None



United States and Morocco have launched GCTF Terrorist Travel Initiative under auspices of Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF). The new initiative will strengthen UNSC Resolution 2396 aiming to stop terrorist travel altogether. It will improve capabilities for detecting and interdicting terrorist travel through enhanced terrorist screening and information sharing.

Ques 8

India has signed two loan agreement with _____ International Cooperation Agency for construction of Mumbai-Ahmedabad High Speed Rail Project and Kolkata East West Metro Project.

Fill the blank with the correct option?

- a. Canada
- b. USA
- c. Russia
- d. China
- e. Japan

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Ques 9

NITI Aayog has signed Statement of Intent (SoI) with Oracle to pilot real drug supply-chain using blockchain distributed ledger and Internet of Things (IoT) software to fight growing problem of counterfeit drugs in India.

Which of the following options will partner in this initiative?

- a. Strides Pharma Sciences and Apollo Hospitals
- b. Sun Pharma and Maxx Hospital
- c. Piramil Pharma and AIMMS Hospital
- d. Medipol Pharma and Lilawati Hospital
- e. Bioxix Pharma and P.D Hinduja Hospital

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Ques 10

Government has constituted eight-member search committee to recommend names for posts of Lokpal chairperson and members. The selection process of Lokpal is underway as per guidelines of laid down in Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013.

Who is the head of the committee?

- a. Ranjana Prakash Desai
- b. Rangrajan Mehvish Dua

- c. Ranjana Prakash Desai
- d. Sukriti Pranav Doshi
- e. None

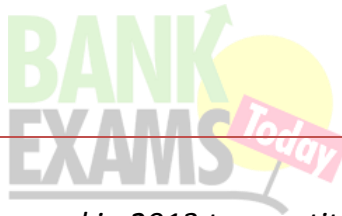
Ques 11

Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013 It was passed in 2013 to constitute statutory body to inquire into allegations of corruption against public functionaries. Under it, the appointments to Lokpal is made by high-level selection committee.

Which of the following cannot be the member of this selection committee?

- a. Leader of Opposition Party
- b. Chief Justice of India
- c. Prime Minister
- d. President
- e. Lok Sabha Speaker

Ques 12



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Which of the following were jointly awarded 2018 Champions of the Earth award, UN's highest environmental honour. They were chosen in Policy Leadership category of the award for their pioneering work in championing International Solar Alliance (ISA)?

- a. Donald Trump and Narendra Modi
- b. Justin Trudeau and Donald Trump
- c. Narendra Modi and Justin Trudeau
- d. Emmanuel Macron and Justin Trudeau
- e. Narendra Modi and Emmanuel Macron

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Leadership category of the award for their pioneering work in championing International Solar Alliance (ISA) and promoting new areas of levels of cooperation on environmental action. It also PM Modi's unprecedented pledge to eliminate all single-use plastic in India by 2022.

Ques 13

Union Railway Ministry has launched Rail Heritage Digitisation Project in collaboration with _____ and Culture Association. It is first-of-its-kind project that aims to showcase India's rail heritage to the national and international audience in an online story-telling platform.

Fill in the blank with the suitable option.

- a. Facebook
- b. PayTm
- c. Google
- d. Instagram
- e. a and b both

Union Railway Ministry has launched Rail Heritage Digitisation Project in collaboration with Google Arts and Culture Association. It can be accessed at "<https://artsandculture.google.com/project/indian-railways>". It is first-of-its-kind project that aims to showcase India's rail heritage to the national and international audience in an online story-telling platform. It is also largest cultural heritage digitisation project in India and possibly in entire Asia Pacific Region.

Ques 14

NITI Aayog and United Nations in India signed the Sustainable Development Framework. It is called The Government of India-United Nations Sustainable Development Framework (UNSDF). The agreement is a reflection of the commitment and efforts made by India towards attaining the Sustainable Development Goals.

What is the duration of this agreement?

- a. 2018-22
- b. 2019-22
- c. 2020-25

- d. 2019-23
- e. 2018-23

Ques 15

Union Government has enhanced its contribution in State Disaster Response fund (SDRF). Now, Central government will contribute _____ and all States will contribute _____ to the SDRF

- a. 60% and 40%
- b. 75% and 25%
- c. 80% and 20%
- d. 90% and 10%
- e. None

Union Government has enhanced its contribution in State Disaster Response fund (SDRF) from 75% to 90%. Now, Central government will contribute 90% and all States will contribute 10% to the SDRF. With this enhancement Central Government's additional contribution in SDRF will be Rs. 1690.35 crore for the year 2018-19 and Rs. 1774.67 crore for the financial year 2019-20.

Ques 16

The theme of this year's World Tourism Day is 'Tourism and the Digital Transformation'. It seeks to show importance of digitally advanced tourism sector for improving entrepreneurship, inclusion, local community empowerment and efficient resource management, amongst other important development objectives.

When is World Tourism Day observed?

- a. September 27
- b. September 29
- c. September 22
- d. September 23
- e. September 24

The World Tourism Day (WTD) is being observed every year on 27th September to raise awareness about importance of tourism. Observance of day aims to foster awareness among international community of importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value.

Ques 17

Which of the following nations is not a part of G4 nations?

- a. Brazil
- b. China
- c. Japan
- d. Germany
- e. India

The G4 nations comprising Brazil, Germany, India, and Japan are four countries which support each other's bids for permanent seats on the United Nations Security Council.

Ques 18

Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare launched online software for processing applications Agmark quality certification mark for agricultural products. Agmark is certification mark that assures conformity to set of standards approved by which of the following Government agency

- a. Marketing and Inspection Agency of India
- b. Agency of Marketing and Inspection
- c. Directorate of Marketing Product Inspection
- d. Agency of Marketing Product Inspection
- e. Directorate of Marketing and Inspection

Agmark is certification mark that assures conformity to set of standards approved by Government agency Directorate of Marketing and Inspection. It is legally enforced by Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act of 1937 (and ammended in 1986).

Ques 19

Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved National Digital Communications Policy-2018 (NDCP 2018). . It replaces existing National Telecom Policy-2012 to cater to the modern needs of the digital communications sector of India.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect regarding National Digital Communications Policy-2018 (NDCP 2018)?

- (i) Enhancing the contribution of the Digital Communications sector to 9% of India's GDP from ~ 6% in 2017;
- (ii) Creating five million additional jobs in the Digital Communications sector
- (iii) Provide universal broadband connectivity at 60 Mbps to every citizen
- (iv) Achieve all objective till 2023

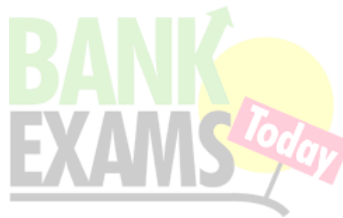
a. All are incorrect

b. None is incorrect

c. Only (i) is incorrect

d. Only (ii) is incorrect

e. Both (ii) and (iii) are incorrect.



The key objectives of the policy are:

- Creating four million additional jobs in the Digital Communications sector;
- Enhancing the contribution of the Digital Communications sector to 8% of India's GDP from ~ 6% in 2017;
- These objectives are to be achieved by 2022.
- Provide universal broadband connectivity at 50 Mbps to every citizen;

Ques 20

Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley launched portal www.psbloansin59minutes.com to enable micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to get in-principle approval of loans without need for branch visit.

What is the time period for the approval of loan what is the maximum amount to be given as loan?

a. Two Days and 50 Lakh

- b. One day and 5 lakh
- c. Two hours and 25 lakh
- d. One hour and 1 crore
- e. None

Ques 21

Union Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences and Environment Dr. Harsh Vardhan inaugurated air pollution control device WAYU for traffic junctions at ITO intersection. The device aims at tackling toxicity in air by sucking in particulate matter and release fresh air.

What is the full form of WAYU?

- a. Wind Accretion and Purifying Unit
- b. Wind Air conditioning and Purifying Unit
- c. Wind Augmentation Purifying Unit
- d. Wind Assimilation Purifying Unit
- e. None

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Ques 22

The Living Index rankings under AMRUT (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation) has been launched. Odisha and Madhya Pradesh were at place two and three respectively.

Which of the following states topped the index?

- a. Karnataka
- b. Punjab
- c. Haryana
- d. Maharashtra
- e. None

Ques 23

Nepal become first country in the world to achieve its target of World Wildlife Foundation's (WWF) 'Tx2' programme which aims to double number of which of the following animals in the world all over the world by 2022?

- a. Dodo
- b. Lion
- c. Black Panther
- d. Cheetah
- e. Tiger

It was launched by World Wildlife Foundation (WWF) at the 2010 St Petersburg Tiger Summit held in Russia. Under it, 13 tiger range countries had agreed to double the world tiger population by 2022, which is the year of tiger in Chinese calendar. These 13 countries are Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Russia, Thailand and Vietnam.

Ques 24

India's first Coal-gasification based fertilizer plant with pet coke blending will come up in which of the following states?

- a. Odisha
- b. Madhya Pradesh
- c. Karnataka
- d. Maharashtra
- e. Telangana

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched commencement of work for India's first Coal-gasification based fertilizer plant with pet coke blending will come up in Talcher, Odisha. The coal gasification based fertilizer plant is being developed by Talcher Fertilizers Limited (TFL).

Ques 25

Neela kurinji (Strobilanthus kunthianus) plants flower only once in 12 years. It is complained that these rare and ecologically unique flowers are being packaged and sold on the commercial basis.

To tackle this issue which of the following states has launched a scheme?

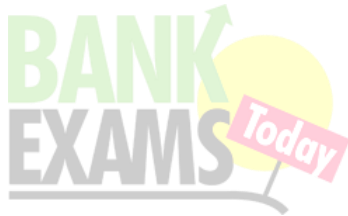
- a. Arunachal Pradesh
- b. Madhya Pradesh
- c. Uttar Pradesh
- d. Tamil Nadu
- e. Odisha

Tamil Nadu government has announced Scheme for protection of exotic Neela kurinji (*Strobilanthus kunthianus*) plants that flower only once in 12 years.

Ques 26

National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) and in partnered with which of the following stock exchanges has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on creating dual listing route for masala bonds and foreign currency bonds of Indian issuers.

- a. New York Stock Exchange
- b. London Stock Exchange
- c. Hong Kong Stock Exchange
- d. SIX Swiss Exchange
- e. Australian Securities Exchange



National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) and London Stock Exchange (LSE) have signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on creating dual listing route for masala bonds and foreign currency bonds of Indian issuers. Through approval of single listing document, issuer can obtain dual listing on LSE's International Securities Market and NSE's GIFT City.

Ques 27

The inaugural General Assembly of International Solar Alliance (ISA) was held in

- a. New York
- b. New Delhi
- c. Yorkshire
- d. Ottawa
- e. None

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Ques 28

State-owned India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) and has recently entered into strategic partnership to provide life insurance solutions. It will allow IPPB customers across segments to access wide array of life insurance products and services especially at doorstep.

With which of the following companies has IPPB joined hands?

- a. Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Co Ltd
- b. Life Insurance Corporation of India
- c. Bharti AXA Life Insurance
- d. Kotak Life Insurance
- e. Shriram Life Insurance

State-owned India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) and private life insurer Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Co Ltd (BALIC) have entered into strategic partnership to provide life insurance solutions. It will allow IPPB customers across segments to access wide array of life insurance products and services especially at doorstep. BALIC is the first life insurer to partner with IPPB. This partnership will allow BALIC to leverage IPPB's last mile reach for building awareness about life insurance.

Ques 29

Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) has recently exchanged MoUs with Tata Trusts and _____ to provide technological platform for nationwide prevention, control, screening and management program of Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs).

- a. Asus
- b. Dell
- c. Microsoft
- d. Google
- e. None

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Ques 30

Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojna was launched keeping in mind change in employment pattern. The current scenario of employment in India has been transformed from long employment to fixed short

term engagement in the form of contract and temping. It aims to financially support those who lost their jobs or rendered jobless for whatsoever reasons due to changing employment pattern.

Its beneficiaries will be insured persons covered under Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 for period of

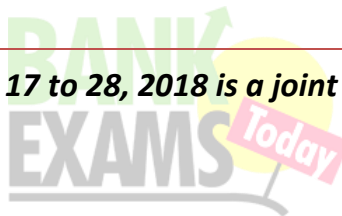
- a. one year continuously.
- b. two years continuously.
- c. three years continuously.
- d. four years continuously.
- e. five years continuously.

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Ques 31

Aviandra 18 was held in Lipetsk from 17 to 28, 2018 is a joint military exercise between

- a. India and Sri Lanka
- b. India and Bhutan
- c. India and China
- d. India and Japan
- e. India and Russia



India and Russia joint air exercise Aviandra 18 was held in Lipetsk, Russia from September 17 to 28, 2018. The second session of Aviandra 18 will be conducted in Jodhpur, Rajasthan (India) from December 10 Dec to 22, 2018

Ques 32.

Which of the following is a web based solution for effectively monitoring of TB patients under Revised National Tuberculosis Programme (RNTCP) which was launched by Health Ministry Government with intention of creating a tuberculosis free nation?

- a. TRIPTI
- b. MUKTI
- c. AKSHYA

- d. NIKSHAY
- e. None

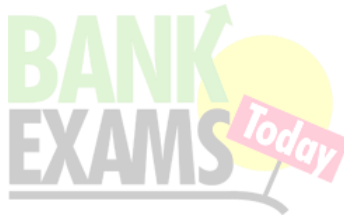
NIKSHAY is web based solution for effectively monitoring of TB patients under Revised National Tuberculosis Programme (RNTCP). NIKSHAY word is combination of two Hindi words NI and KSHAY meaning eradication of tuberculosis

Ques 33

Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has launched a portal to facilitate individuals and private companies in seeking security clearance for setting up businesses in certain sensitive sectors. The portal aims to bring greater transparency in according security clearances to business proposals relating to sensitive sectors and geographical locations.

What is the name of the portal?

- a. e-Nayak
- b. e-Sahayak
- c. e-Sahaj
- d. e-Helper
- e. e-Affairs



Ques 34

Union government (Agriculture and Environment ministries) along with UN body Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has launched agriculture project that seeks to bring transformative change in farm sector through conservation of biodiversity and forest landscapes. It will be implemented in five states.

Which of the following is not one of those five states?

- a. Madhya Pradesh
- b. Mizoram
- c. Uttrakhand
- d. Rajasthan
- e. Punjab

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sector through conservation of biodiversity and forest landscapes. It will be implemented in five states viz. Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand.

Ques 35.

Atomic Energy Commission is the governing body of the DAE which is under the direct charge of Prime Minister. It was established in 1948 to look after atomic energy activities in the country.

Who among the following has recently been appointed the Chairman of AEC?

- a. Kirthankant Purohit
- b. Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas
- c. Kamal Narayan Shastri
- d. Kushendra Pratap
- e. None

Appointment Committee of the Cabinet has appointed renowned scientist Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas as chairman of Atomic Energy Commission and secretary of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE). He will have tenure till he attains the age of 64 years, i.e. till May 2021.

Ques 36

World Ozone Day is observed on

- a. September 16
- b. September 17
- c. September 18
- d. September 19
- e. September 20

Ques 37

Union Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC) on eve of World Ozone Day (16th September) released draft India Cooling Action Plan (ICAP). It makes India first country in world to develop such document.

According to the goals suggest in ICAP, cooling demand across sectors will be decreased by 20% to 25 % by the year

- a. 2032-33
- b. 2033-34
- c. 2030-31
- d. 2037-38
- e. 2035-36

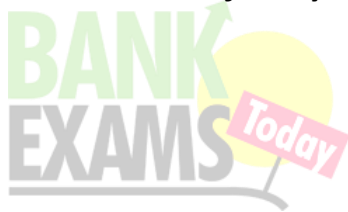
Goals suggested in ICAP are

- Reduce refrigerant demand by 25% to 30% by year 2037-38
- Reduce cooling demand across sectors by 20% to 25 % by year 2037-38
- Reduce cooling energy requirements by 25% to 40% by year 2037-38
- Train and certify 100,000 servicing sector technicians by 2022-23, in synergy with Skill India Mission.

Ques 38.

Which of the following country has rolled out world's first hydrogen-powered passenger train?

- a. Austria
- b. France
- c. Germany
- d. Japan
- e. China



Germany has rolled out world's first hydrogen-powered passenger train. These locomotives named iLint trains emit zero emissions, making them eco-friendly. This train technology offers greener and quieter alternative to diesel on non-electrified railway lines. These hydrogen trains are manufactured by French TGV-maker Alstom and are commercially running on 100km route

Ques 39.

After merger of Bank of Baroda, Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank, combined entity after consolidation will create India's third largest bank. .

Post this merger, number of PSU banks will come down to

- a. 18
- b. 20
- c. 17

- d. 15
- e. 19

Union Finance Ministry announced proposal for amalgamation of three public sector banks- Bank of Baroda, Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank. The combined entity after consolidation will create India's third largest bank. Post this merger, number of PSU banks will come down to 19 from 21, accounting for more than two-thirds of banking assets in the country.

Ques 40

7th UN World Tourism Organization Global Summit on Urban Tourism was held in

- a. Vienna, Austria
- b. Canberra, Australia
- c. Seoul, South Korea**
- d. Brussels, Belgium
- e. Santiago. Chile

7th UNWTO Global Summit on Urban Tourism was held in Seoul, capital of South Korea from 16 to 19 September, 2018. The theme of the summit was 'A 2030 Vision for Urban Tourism'. The summit was co-organized by World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and Seoul Metropolitan Government

Ques 41

Mt Everest Friendship Exercise-2018 (Sagarmatha Friendship-2018) is conducted between

- a. Sri Lanka and China
 - b. Nepal and Bhutan
 - c. Nepal and India
 - d. China and Nepal
 - e. China and Bangladesh
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- d. China and Nepal

Ques 42.

EyeROV TUNA is a

- a. Drone
- b Submrine

- c. Missile
- d. Military tank
- e. none

The first commercial remotely operated vehicle (ROV)/ underwater drone, Eyerovtuna, was developed by EyeROV Technologies, a company incubating at Maker Village which is the largest hardware incubator in the country.

Ques 43.

Which of the following airport was awarded Airports Council International Airport Service Quality World no.1 airport award in the 5-15 Million Passengers Per Annum (MPPA) category?

- a. Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
- b. Cochin International Airport
- c. Hyderabad International Airport
- d. Goa International Airport
- e. Jaipur International Airport

Hyderabad International Airport was awarded Airports Council International Airport Service Quality World no.1 airport award in the 5-15 Million Passengers Per Annum (MPPA) category. This is for the second consecutive year Hyderabad airport has won this award. It was adjudged World no 1 Airport in this category earlier in 2016.

Ques 44

Rajasthan's first lion safari was inaugurated at

- a. Ranthambore National Park
- b. Nahargarh Biological Park
- c. Sariska Tiger Reserve
- d. Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary
- e. Keoladeo National Park

Rajasthan's first lion safari was inaugurated at Nahargarh Biological Park. The park is located on Delhi-Jaipur National Highway in the Aravalli foothills, nearly 12 kilometers from state capital Jaipur (known as Pink City). It will be open for visitors from October 2018.

Ques 45

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has shortlisted five IT firms for implementation of CIMS for seamless data collection and validations. These five IT firms are Infosys, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Capgemini Technology Services India, IBM India and Larsen & Toubro Infotech.

What does CIMS stand for?

- a. Central Information Management System
- b. Centralised Information Management System
- c. Central Information and Management System
- d. Centralised Information and Management System
- e. Centre for Information Management System

d. Centralised Information and Management System

Ques 46

The Union Government bestows National Sports Awards every year to recognize and reward excellence in sports in India. These awards include Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award, Dronacharya Award, Arjuna Award, Dhyan Chand Award, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy and Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar.

Which of the following two players won the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratan Award 2018?

- a. Virat Kohil and Kidambi Srikanth
- b. Mithali Raj and Virat Kohil
- c. S. Mirabai Chanu and Virat Kohli
- d. Hima Das and Virat Kohli
- e. None

S. Mirabai Chanu (Weightlifting) and Virat Kohli (Cricket)

Ques 47

The capital markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has allowed India's top two stock exchanges BSE Ltd and National Stock Exchange of India Ltd (NSE) to launch a specific derivatives trading from 1 October, 2018.

According to this, India's leading bourse Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) became the first stock exchange in the country to launch

- a. Equity Derivative Contracts
- b. Commodity Derivative Contracts
- c. Agri Derivative Contracts
- d. None of the above

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Ques 48

India and United States joint military exercise Yudh Abhyas 2018 was the fourteenth edition of exercise in Yudh Abhyas series which was started in 2004 under US Army Pacific Partnership Program. This will be fourth time exercise will be conducted at Chaubattia in Uttarakhand.

Yudh Abhyas 2018 was held in which of the following states of India?

- a. Chattisgarh
- b. Odisha
- c. Rajasthan
- d. Uttrakhand
- e. None

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Ques 49

Union Cabinet recently approved new umbrella scheme PM-AASHA which aims at giving boots to the schemes for a specific sector.

Which sector does this scheme belong to?

- a. Women Entrepreneurs
- b. Medium and Small Scale Enterprises
- c. Start-ups
- d. Girl-child Education
- e. Agriculture

“Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan is launched to give to major boost to pro-farmer initiatives of Government. The Scheme is aimed at ensuring remunerative prices to e farmers for their produce as announced in Union Budget for 2018.

Ques 50

Swadesh Darshan scheme was launched by Union Tourism Ministry with an objective to develop theme-based tourist circuits in the country. These tourist circuits will be developed on principles of high tourist value, competitiveness and sustainability in an integrated manner.

How many tourist circuits will be developed under this scheme?

- a. 09
- b. 10
- c. 12
- d. 13
- e. 15

Under this scheme, 13 thematic circuits have been identified for development. They are Buddhist Circuit, North-East India Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit, Ramayana Circuit and Heritage Circuit.

Ques 51

Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved 100% electrification broad gauge routes of Indian Railways (IR). The 100% electrification will reduce use of imported fossil fuels thereby improve energy security

By which year, does this target to be achieved?

- a. 2019-20
- b. 2022-23
- c. 2021-22
- d. 2020-21
- e. 2022-23

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Ques 52

Dairy Processing & Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF) was approved by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) in September 2017 with aim to boost dairy sector. It is managed by NDDB and will be implemented from 2017-18 to 2028-29. Milk unions, multi-state milk cooperatives, state dairy federations, milk producer companies and NDDB subsidiaries can avail loan under this scheme after meeting eligibility criteria.

Under this scheme, eligible milk organisations will be provided financial assistance in the form of a loan at _____ interest for building an efficient milk procurement system

- a. 6.5%
- b. 6 %
- c. 6.25%
- d. 6.75%
- e. 6.95%

*Under this scheme, eligible milk organisations will be provided financial assistance in the form of a loan at **6.5% interest** for building an efficient milk procurement system and other dairy processing infrastructure. This loan will be reimbursed over period of 10 years. It also has provision of interest subsidy on loans.*

Ques 53

Union Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) and Telecommunications Consultants India Ltd (TCIL) have signed agreement for implementation of e-VidyaBharati and e-AarogyaBharati (e-VBAB) Network Project in which of the following nations?

- a. Sri Lanka
- b. Africa
- c. Rwanda
- d. Bhutan
- e. Namibia

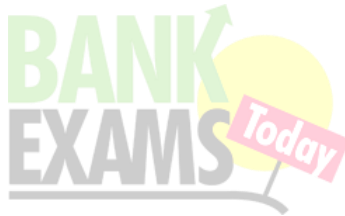
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Ques 54

Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Trombay has recommissioned India's oldest nuclear research reactor, which was shut down permanently in 2009 for repair.

What is the name of this nuclear reactor?

- a. Sugandh
- b. Kiran
- c. Subhash
- d. Suhani
- e. Apsara



Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Trombay has recommissioned India's oldest nuclear research reactor named 'Apsara', which was shut down permanently in 2009 for repair. The refurbished version of this reactor has been named as 'Apsara-upgraded' (Apsara-U) and also has double capacity compared to its earlier version.

Ques 55

MILEX-18 is a multi-national military exercise held in Pune which involves the member nations of

- a. SAARC
- b. BIMSTEC
- c. UNISDR
- d. NSG
- e. None

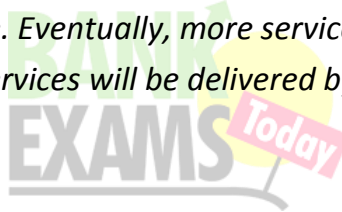
The first field training military exercise MILEX-18, as part of the Bay of Bengal initiative for multi-sectoral technical and economic cooperation (BIMSTEC) commenced at Foreign Training Node at Aundh in Pune, Maharashtra.

Ques 56

Aam Aadmi Party-led Delhi Government has launched scheme for doorstep delivery of 40 essential government services. These essential government services will be delivered by mobile sahayaks with fee of

- a. Rs. 200
- b. Rs. 30
- c. Rs. 100
- d. Rs. 40
- e. Rs 50.

Under this scheme, Delhi government will provide 40 services such as caste certificate, driving licence at doorstep of people in the first phase. Eventually, more services will be added to the list in later phases. These essential government services will be delivered by mobile sahayaks with fee of Rs 50.



Ques 57

Which of the following states has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) to set up ethanol plant at village Bohali village to motivate farmers in its 50 km radius area to manage crop residue and prevent straw burning and help to fulfill increasing demand of ethanol and also bio-fuels for consumers of petroleum product?

- a. Punjab
- b. Rajasthan
- c. Haryana
- d. Madhya Pradesh
- e. Odisha

Haryana Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) to set up ethanol plant at village Bohali village in Panipat district with an outlay of over Rs. 900 crore.

Ques 58

Regional Conference on Good Governance (held in September 2018) with Focus on Aspirational Districts was organized by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DAR&PG), Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension was held in which of the following states?

- a. Punjab
- b. Rajasthan
- c. Haryana
- d. Madhya Pradesh
- e. Odisha

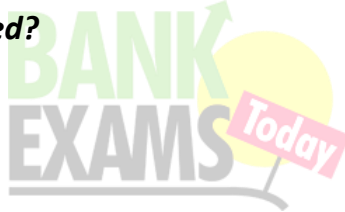
Regional Conference on Good Governance with Focus on Aspirational Districts was held in Bhopal, capital of Madhya Pradesh.

Ques 59

Recently a Snow leopard was spotted at height of about 4,000 metres in Lippa-Asra wildlife sanctuary?

Where is this wildlife sanctuary located?

- a. Uttrakhand
- b. Himachal Pradesh
- c. Assam
- d. Jammu and Kashmir
- e. Kerala



Ques 60

Who of the following is appointed as Sports Ambassador of Assam?

- a. Hima Das
- b. Tintu Luka
- c. Sudha Singh
- d. PU Chitra
- e. Seema Punia

India's ace sprinter Hima Das was appointed as Sports Ambassador of Assam to inspire budding players of northeastern state to aim big and young generation to take up sports seriously.

Ques 61

Which which of the following nations has India signed agreement to collaborate for ISRO's first human space mission Gaganyaan to be launched in 2022?

- a. France
- b. USA
- c. Japan
- d. Russia
- e. None

Ques 62

International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018 was held in Kathmandu, capital of Nepal from September 3 to 5, 2018. The summit was inaugurated by Vice President of Nepal Nanda Bahadur Pun. The theme of 3-day summit was

- a. Equality brings Economic Empowerment
- b. Equality with Economic Empowerment
- c. Equality begins with Economic Empowerment
- d. Equality paths way for Economic Empowerment
- e. None



Ques 63

Coffee Board of India is an autonomous body, functioning under the Ministry of

- a. Environment and Forests
- b. Science and Technology
- c. Chemicals and Fertilizers.
- d. Agriculture and Rural Development
- e. Commerce and Industry

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Ques 64

What is India's rank in the production of Coffee?

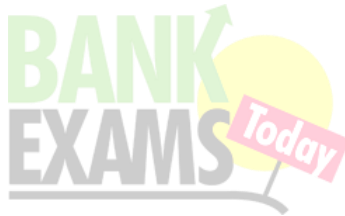
- a. 5th
- b. 6th
- c. 3rd
- d. 2nd
- e. 1st

India is 6th largest coffee producer in the world with 4% share after Brazil, Vietnam, Colombia, Indonesia and Ethiopia.

Ques 65

Who among the following is the winner of Most Valuable Player (MVP) Trophy Award in 2018 Jakarta and Palembang Asian Games?

- a. Lin Dan
- b. Kosuke Hagino
- c. Rikako Ikee
- d. Park Tae-hwan
- e. Koji Ito



Ques 66

Union Ministry of Women and Child Development recently had inaugurated widows' home at Vrindavan in Mathura, Uttar Pradesh which is special home for 1000 widows set under Swadhar Greh scheme and is the largest ever facility of its kind created by government organization.

What is the name of windows' home?

- a. Krishna Kutir
- b. Krishna Awaas
- c. Krishna Ashram
- d. Krishna Vicharan
- e. None

Union Ministry of Women and Child Development recently had inaugurated widows' home 'Krishna Kutir' at Vrindavan in Mathura, Uttar Pradesh. Krishna Kutir is special home for 1000 widows set under Swadhar Greh scheme and is the largest ever facility of its kind created by government organization

Ques 67

The 4th BIMSTEC Summit concluded in Kathmandu with signing and adoption of Kathmandu Declaration by all the seven members (India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar and Thailand).

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- a. Ram Nath Kovind
- b. Abdul Hamid
- c. Tshering Tobgay
- d. Win Myint
- e. Maithripala Sirisena

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Ques 68

Who among the following is named for prestigious Dr B.C. Roy National Award for year 2018 as Eminent Medical Person of the Year?

- a. Dr. LK Chaturvedi
- b. Dr. SL Tripath
- c. DR. RD Sharma
- d. Dr. SK Tiwari
- e. Dr. BK Mishra

Dr Basant Kumar Misra, head, Department of Surgery, Neurosurgery & Gamma Knife Radiosurgery at P D Hinduja Hospital will be awarded with the Dr B C Roy National Award in the most prestigious category of 'Eminent Medical Person' of the year, the highest award in the field of medicine in India. Dr. Misra will receive the award from the President of India Ram Nath Kovind.

Ques 69

Which of the following will provide US \$150 million loan for establishing the first multi-skills park in central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh?

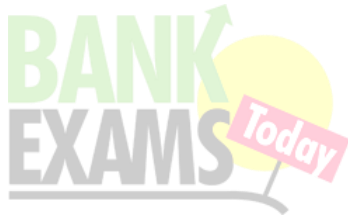
- a. World Bank
- b. Bank of Japan (BoJ)
- c. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- d. Both a and b
- e. None of the above

Multilateral lender Asian Development Bank (ADB) will provide US \$150 million loan for establishing first multi-skills park in central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh. This new flagship GSP campus will be established in state capital Bhopal from where about 20,000 people are expected to be benefited.

Ques 70

Union Finance Ministry has raised the pecuniary limit for filing loan recovery application in Debt Recovery Tribunals (DRT) by banks and financial institutions. What is the updated pecuniary limit?

- a. 15 lakh
- b. 10 lakh
- c. 20 lakh
- d. 25 lakh
- e. None



Financial services secretary Rajiv Kumar said the government has taken a series of steps to declutter debt recovery tribunals (DRTs) which will ease recovery of loans. Last week, the government decided to double pecuniary limit to Rs 20 lakh for filing applications with DRT, following the amendment to rules of Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993.