

JUNE MONTH CA QUIZ

1. The last leg of intra-state e-way bill system implementation involves how many states?

- a) 10
- b) 5
- c) 8**
- d) 4

Explanation: The e-waybill system for intra-State movement of goods will be implemented for the final eight States. The new system would be implemented for intra-State transport in Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jammu & Kashmir, Mizoram, Odisha, Punjab, Tamil Nadu and in West Bengal. E-way bill operations are compulsory for inter-state movement of goods throughout the nation and intra-state movement.

2. What was the fiscal deficit target of the Indian Government for 2017-18?

- a) 4.0%
- b) 2.8%
- c) 3.0%
- d) 3.5%**

Explanation: Government has met its fiscal deficit target for 2017-18 at 3.53% of the Gross Domestic Product. Government in the Budget had revised the fiscal deficit target for 2017-18 to 3.5%

from the earlier estimate of 3.2%. For the current fiscal year, government estimates to trim the deficit to 3.3% of GDP. Fiscal deficit is the difference between total revenue & total expenditure of the government.

3. Which of the following PSU has emerged as India's most profitable state-owned company for the second consecutive year?

- a) BHEL
- b) NTPC
- c) IOC**
- d) HPCL

Explanation: Indian Oil Corporation has emerged as India's most profitable state-owned company for the second consecutive year. Indian Oil posted a record profit of Rs21,346 crore in 2017-18, followed by ONGC, whose profit stood at Rs 19,945 crore.

4. What is the state bird of Andhra Pradesh?

- a) Indian Roller
- b) Palapitta
- c) Rose ringed parakeet**
- d) All of the above

Explanation: Four years after the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh, the government of the residual state has announced its state symbols. The notable change is the state bird. The state bird of undivided Andhra Pradesh was Indian Roller (*coracias benghalensis*) or Palapitta. This has been changed to Rama Chiluka (*psittacula krameri*) or rose ringed parakeet.

5. Which of the following country bans Burqa in public spaces?

- a) Barbados
- b) Denmark**
- c) Iraq
- d) Russia

Explanation: The Danish(Denmark) Parliament has passed a law banning the Islamic full-face veil in public spaces, becoming the latest European country to do so. "Anyone who wears a garment that hides the face in public will be punished with a fine," says the law, which was passed by 75 votes to 30.

6. In which city The First biannual Indian Air Force Commanders' Conference was inaugurated by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharanlan?

- a) New Delhi**
- b) Bangalore
- c) Mumbai
- d) Chennai

Explanation: The First biannual Indian Air Force Commanders' Conference was inaugurated by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in New Delhi.

7. Pluto has been found to be covered with dunes made of _____ ice.

- a) Methane
- b) Propane**
- c) Butane

d) Hexane

Explanation: Pluto is covered with surprising dunes made of methane ice, which have formed relatively recently despite the frigid dwarf planet's very thin atmosphere, international researchers have said. Pluto's atmosphere has a surface pressure 100,000 times lower than Earth. The dunes were spotted with NASA's New Horizons spacecraft.

8. The Indian economy grew _____% in the January-March quarter of 2017-18.

- a) 5.9
- b) 8.3
- c) 7.1

d) 7.7

Explanation: The Indian economy grew 7.7% in the January-March quarter of 2017-18 on account of robust performance in manufacturing, construction and service sectors as well as good farm output according to the Central Statistics Office. However, the economic growth slowed to 6.7% in 2017-18 compared to 7.1% in 2016-17. The previous high GDP growth of 8.1% was recorded in April-June quarter of 2016-17.

9. What is the target of house constructions for the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) by 2022?

- a) 50 lakh
- b) 1.2 crore**
- c) 3 crore
- d) 2 crore

Explanation: The Centre has approved construction of 1.5 lakh houses for urban poor under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban). The approval was given in the 34th meeting of the Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee. Under the PMAY(U), the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry targets construction of 1.2 crore houses for urban poor by 2022.

10. How much amount did Andhra Pradesh government had decided to pay a month as unemployment allowance to eligible youth?

- a) Rs 1,00
- b) Rs 2,000
- c) Rs 3,000

d) Rs 1,000

Explanation: The Andhra Pradesh government has decided to pay Rs 1,000 a month as unemployment allowance to eligible youth. Approximately, 10 lakh graduates/diploma holders will benefit, IT Minister Nara Lokesh said. A final decision would be taken after eliciting suggestions from the youth.

11. Under which scheme Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs has approved the construction of another 1.5 lakh affordable houses for the benefit of urban poor?

- a) **PMAY(urban)**
- b) PMAY(rural)
- c) PMJDY
- d) PMAY

Explanation: Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs has approved the construction of another 1.5 lakh affordable houses for the benefit of urban poor under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) with an investment of Rs.7,227cr with central assistance of Rs.2,209 cr.

12. How many Indian cities feature in the list of 20 most polluted cities in the world, as per data released by World Health Organisation (WHO)?

- a) 12
- b) 10
- c) 14**
- d) 15

Explanation: 'Polluted Cities' in context of this news, implies particulate matter (PM) 2.5 concentrations in air in 2016. It includes pollutants like sulphate, nitrate and black carbon. 14 Indian cities that have figured in the list are: Kanpur, Faridabad, Gaya, Patna, Agra, Muzaffarpur, Srinagar, Gurgaon, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Patiala, Lucknow, Delhi and Varanasi.

13. Which state became the first state of India to provide digitally-signed land record receipts (also known as 7/12 receipts) on 2nd May 2018?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Madhya Pradesh.
- c) Maharashtra**
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis claimed that this initiative will enhance 'ease of doing business', would check irregularities and bring in transparency.

14. Who hosted the meeting of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities and presented the Visitors Awards at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, on 2nd May 2018?

- a) Arun Jaitley
- b) Narendra Modi
- c) Venkiah Naidu

d) Ram Nath Kovind

Explanation: Ram Nath Kovind handed over the Visitor Awards for Research in Basic and Applied Science, Humanities, Arts and Social Science. Recipients of the Visitor Awards 2018: • Prof. Sanjay K. Jain - for development of a drug delivery system having the potential to make cancer treatment more effective and affordable

15. According to the National Sports University Ordinance, 2018, India's first national sports university will be set up in which state?

- a) Assam
- b) Manipur**
- c) Chandigarh
- d) Delhi

Explanation: The National Sports University Ordinance, 2018 has come into force as the President of India has given his assent to the Union Cabinet's decision to promulgate the said Ordinance. The Union Cabinet, had on May 23, approved an ordinance to set up the

country's first national sports university in Imphal, Manipur.

16. Who has been sworn in as the new Vice Chief of the Army Staff (VCOAS)?

- a) Lt. Gen. Sarath Chand
- b) Lt. Gen. Ranbir Singh

c) Lt General Devraj Anbu

- d) Lt. Gen. Suresh Sharma

Explanation: Lt General Devraj Anbu has assumed charge as Vice Chief of the Army Staff (VCOAS). He succeeds Lt. Gen. Sarath Chand who completed his tenure on May 31, 2018

17. India has recently signed Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in Nursing with which country?

- a) Nepal

b) Singapore

- c) United States
- d) Indonesia

Explanation: India has signed the Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in Nursing with Singapore. This is the first MRA being signed by India with any of our FTA partners. Under the agreement, Singapore has agreed to expand coverage of Indian nursing institutions by recognising seven nursing institutions in the MRA.

18. The Ministry of Women and Child Development has laid the foundation stone of India's first Advanced Forensic Lab 'Sakhi Suraksha' in which state/UT?

a) **Chandigarh**

b) Rajasthan

c) Haryana

d) Maharashtra

Explanation:

“Sakhi Suraksha” at the Central Forensic Science Laboratory campus in Chandigarh with the aim to reduce the backlog of cases needing advanced forensic analysis. The state-of-the-art lab, built at a cost of Rs 99.76 crore from the Nirbhaya Fund, will assist in investigation and prosecution of crimes including those committed against women and children.

19. World Environment Day is observed on_____

a) June 2

b) June 4

c) **June 5**

d) June 3

Explanation: 2018 theme- Beat Plastic Pollution

20. On 29th and 30th April 2018, where was the India- South Africa business summit held ?

a) **Johannesburg, South Africa**

b) New Delhi, India

c) Mumbai, India

d) Hyderabad, India

Explanation: Indian Minister of Commerce and Industry and Civil Aviation, Suresh

Prabhu, attended the India- South Africa business summit. He addressed the plenary session of the Summit.

21. Which among the following has launched a Digital Literacy Program for women in partnership with National Commission for Women to train women population on safe use of internet?

a) Google

b) Amazon

c) Whatsup

d) **Facebook**

Explanation: Explanation: Social networking giant Facebook has announced a partnership with National Commission for Women, under which it has launched a Digital Literacy Program for women. This programme will run in collaboration with the Cyber Peace Foundation, and attempts to conduct training across local languages to ensure safe use of the internet.

22. Which country Successfully Test-Fires SFDR Propulsion Based Missile?

a) China

b) Germany

c) Japan

d) **India**

Explanation: Making a breakthrough in missile technology, India successfully carried out the flight test of Solid Fuel Ducted Ramjet (SFDR) propulsion based missile, according to the Defence Ministry. The technology demonstrator flight test was conducted from

the Launch Centre- III of Integrated Test Range at Chandipur in Odisha.

23. Which country Successfully Launches New Earth Observation Satellite?

- a) **China**
- b) Germany
- c) Japan
- d) India

Explanation: China successfully launched a new Earth observation satellite the Gaofen-6 which will be mainly used in agricultural resources research and disaster monitoring. The Satellite was launched on a Long March-2D rocket from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China. It was the 276th mission of the Long March rocket series.

24. India's first superfast train Deccan Queen completes how many years of service?

- a) 55
- b) 66
- c) 77
- d) **88**

Explanation: India's first superfast train, Deccan Queen express from Mumbai to Pune has completed 88 years on June 1, 2018. Also known as 'Queen of Deccan' the train started on June 1, 1930. This was the first deluxe train introduced on the railway to serve 2 important cities of the region.

25. Which State Government announced 'sandbox'?

- a) Madhya Pradesh

b) **Maharashtra**

- c) Gujarat
- d) Uttarakhand

Explanation: The Maharashtra Government has announced the opening up of a 'sandbox' to boost start-ups. Sandbox is seen as a safe zone to test financial innovation which sees a limited rollout of new products to select customers. Reserve Bank panel had recommended introducing a "regulatory sandbox" to faster financial technology innovation.

26. Zero Based Natural Farming (ZBNF), a scheme related to agriculture, is launched by which of the following state?

- a) **Andhra Pradesh**
- b) Telangana
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Explanation: The Andhra Pradesh government launched a Zero Based Natural Farming (ZBNF) scale-out scheme, aimed at benefitting around six million farmers by 2024. The state agriculture department also signed a MoU in this regard, with the Sustainable India Finance Facility (SIFF). The SIFF will extend financial and investment support to the farmers.

27. WongDoody, US-based company, is acquired by which of the following Indian IT company?

- a) TCS
- b) Wipro

c) **Infosys**

d) Satyam

Explanation: The country's second largest IT services firm Infosys has completed the acquisition of US-based WongDoody. WongDoody Holding Company is a US-based digital creative and consumer insights agency WongDoody. has clients across industries like telecommunications, consumer electronics, healthcare and consumer packaged goods. WongDoody is headquartered in Seattle and has an office in Los Angeles.

28. HDFC Bank was founded in which year?

a) 1999

b) 1990

c) **1994**

d) 1997

Explanation:

In 1994 HDFC Bank was incorporated, with its registered office in Mumbai, India.

29. Sergio Mattarella is the President of which country?

a) Italy

b) Egypt

c) South Africa

d) Indonesia

Explanation: Sergio Mattarella is an Italian politician, lawyer and judge serving as the 12th and current President of Italy since 2015.

30. Which is the loan Indian institution to make it to the top 100 Universities in the Times Higher Education's World Reputation Rankings 2018

a) **Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bengaluru**

b) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras

c) Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

d) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay

Explanation: The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru has made it to the top 100 universities in the Times Higher Education's World Reputation Rankings 2018. This makes IISc the only Indian institution to make it to the prestigious list this year and has been ranked in the 91-100 band of the list. The top 5 Institutes in the list comprises of American universities Harvard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) , Stanford, UK's Cambridge and Oxford respectively.

31. The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) has tied up with which bank to organise a cleanliness drive at Yamuna's Kalindi Kunj ghat in New Delhi?

a) **Yes Bank**

b) ICICI Bank

c) SBI

d) HDFC Bank

Explanation: In the run up to the World Environment Day 2018, National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) in association with Yes Bank organised a cleanliness drive at Kalindi Kunj ghat on river Yamuna in New Delhi.

32. IBSA is a tripartite group for international cooperation. Which country is not a part of this group?

- a) India
- b) Bangladesh**
- c) South Africa
- d) Brazil

Explanation: The IBSA Dialogue Forum (India, Brazil, South Africa) is an international tripartite grouping for promoting international cooperation among these countries.

33. According to "End of Childhood Index 2018", India ranks _____ among 175 countries.

- a) 116
- b) 117
- c) 115
- d) 113**

Explanation: According to a Save the Children's "End of Childhood Index 2018", India ranks 113 among 175 countries with regards to where childhood is threatened as a result of poor health, malnutrition, exclusion from education, child labour, and child marriage. The child marriages in India have come down to 15.2% from 21.1% in 2017. India jumped three positions up from 116 last year with improvement in India's

overall score by 14 points from 754 to 768 on a scale of 1000. Singapore and Slovenia are placed at the top sharing the first place in the index and Niger figures at the end of the list at 175.

34. Which two countries have agreed to permanently restore the direct postal service?

- a) US and Germany
- b) Cuba and China**
- c) Cuba and US
- d) Japan and China

Explanation: Cuba and the US have agreed to permanently restore the direct postal service between the two countries. This service allows the postal delivery of mail, parcels, and express courier deliveries on direct flights between Cuba and the United States, and through post offices in both countries. The direct postal service between the two neighbouring nations was suspended by Havana in 1968.

35. Which State Government launched "Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana"?

- a) Bihar
- b) Odisha**
- c) Assam
- d) Goa

Explanation: The Odisha government launched a health insurance scheme, called "Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana". for working journalists. In the first phase, as many as 3,233 working journalists

will get health insurance coverage up to Rs 2 lakh a year. At least five members of the journalists family will be covered under the scheme. The scribes will get their health insurance card.

36. 'Waste-Proofing the Future', a consortium is set up under the Ministry of which of the following department?

- a) Earth Sciences
- b) Information and Technology
- c) Environment and climate change**
- d) Human Resources

Explanation: The Environment Ministry signed a MoU with TERI for setting up a resource efficiency cell. The MoU to set up the cell at the ministry aims to provide mainstream resource efficiency in public policy. An industry consortium on 'Waste-Proofing the Future' to identify the institutional and policy interventions needed to sustainably manage waste was also launched at the event.

37. World Bicycle Day was celebrated on?

- a) June 1
- b) June 2
- c) June 3**
- d) June 4

Explanation: On June 3, 2018, the first official World Bicycle Day was celebrated. Vice-President Venkaiah Naidu flagged off a mega cycling event in New Delhi. New Delhi is one of the three cities in the world where major events are being organized to mark the

day. Berlin & New York are the other two places. The day is celebrated to raise awareness about the multiple societal benefits of using the bicycle for transport and leisure. The day, which is celebrated for the first time this year, was approved on 12 April 2018 as an official United Nations day.

38. Who win the 'Most Valuable Player'award?

- a) Barkha Sonkar
- b) Raspreet Sidhu
- c) Anitha Paul Durai
- d) Sanjana Ramesh**

Explanation: India's Sanjana Ramesh was awarded the 'Most Valuable Player' (MVP) even as compatriot Vaishnavi Yadav won the 'Girls Grit Award' on the fourth and final day of Basketball Without Borders Asia 2018, which featured 66 campers from 16 countries from the Asia-Pacific region. The camp got underway with the girls championship game between the New York Liberty and the Minnesota Lynx. Coached on the sidelines by Ruth Riley and Sakshi Sheoran, the Lynx defeated the Liberty 20-13.

39. Which State government decided to give 15 days paternity leave to all male government employees?

- a) Bihar
- b) Patna
- c) Haryana**
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: Haryana Government has decided to give 15 days paternity leave to all

male government employees to take care of the new-born child. Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said in Rohtak that the state government has also decided to raise the strength of women in police force from existing 11 percent to 20 percent. He said, due to court cases about 13,000 recruitments are held up in education, power and other departments.

40. Asia's 1st 13 'Blue Flag' Beaches To Be Developed in which country?

- a) U.S.A
- b) India**
- c) Australia
- d) Japan

Explanation: Environment-friendly, clean and equipped with amenities of international standards for tourists, 13 Indian beaches will soon get the Blue Flag certification. These beaches of Odisha, Maharashtra and other coastal states will be the first in not just India, but in Asia, to get the Blue Flag certification. The Indian beaches are being developed by the Society for Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM), an environment ministry's body working for the management of coastal areas.

41. NTPC Ltd has adopted the iconic Charminar in which city?

- a) Bangalore
- b) Delhi
- c) Mumbai
- d) Hyderabad**

Explanation: NTPC Ltd has adopted the iconic Charminar in Hyderabad under the Swachh Iconic Places Projects of India. This is part of a special drive under the Centre's Swachh Bharat Mission. NTPC Ltd and the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) have signed an MoU for implementation of development and beautification works under the Charminar Pedestrianization Project in Hyderabad. NTPC, in partnership with the GHMC, will take up development and beautification works at Charminar.

42. India received the first-ever cargo of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from

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

Explanation: India received the first-ever cargo of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from Russia as New Delhi diversifies import basket to meet its vast energy needs. State-owned gas utility GAIL India Ltd will bring the shipload of LNG from Gazprom, a Russian supplier, at Petronet LNG Ltd's import terminal in Dahej, Gujarat. Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Dharmendra Pradhan received the first consignment at the terminal.

43. Which of the following is the only Indian University that has made it to the list of top 100 in the World Reputation Rankings 2018?

- a) Nalanda University
- b) Indian Institute of Science Bangalore**
- c) AIIMS New Delhi

d) IIM Chennai

Explanation: Bangalore's Indian Institute of Science (IISc) has made it to the list of top 100 in the World Reputation Rankings 2018. Ranked at 91, Indian Institute of Science is the only Indian University to have made it to the prestigious list.

44. Which State Transport Service has set a new record in its monthly collection even amidst crisis?

a) Tamilnadu

b) Kerala

c) Karnataka

d) Himachal

Explanation: KSRTC (Kerala) has set a new record in its monthly collection even amidst crisis. For the first time, the transport corporation's monthly earnings crossed Rs 200 crore riding on efficient service delivery.

45. Who has appointed as the deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India?

a) MS Sahoo

b) Arundathi Batachariya

c) MK Jain

d) Adithiya Puri

Explanation: MK Jain has appointed as the deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India.

46. Where does National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga held?

a) Mumbai

b) Kolkata

c) Rajasthan

d) New Delhi

Explanation: The Minister of State for AYUSH (Independent Charge), Shri Shripad Yesso Naik will inaugurate the 3rd National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga at Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) in New Delhi on June 05, 2018.

47. Which among the following express trains has completed 88 years of successful service?

a) Pearl City

b) Tea Garden

c) Deccan Queen

d) Rockfort

Explanation: Deccan Queen, the legendary Express train, also known as Dakkhan ki Rani, that has formed an irreplaceable part of fairy tales and poems in the state of Maharashtra completed 88 years of service on June 1. Deccan Queen is India's first deluxe train launched by the Indian Railways in 1930 to connect two of Maharashtra's most prominent cities- Mumbai and Pune.

48. Which among the given flowers has been named after PM Modi by the government of Singapore?

a) Jasmine

b) Orchid

c) Ginger Lily

d) Hibiscus

Explanation: The Government of Singapore has named an Orchid after Prime Minister Narendra Modi to commemorate his visit to the National Orchid Garden of Singapore.

49. World Environment day is observed on?

- a) Jul 5
- b) Aug 5
- c) Jun 5**
- d) Oct 5

Explanation: World Environment Day is organized around a theme that focuses attention on a particularly pressing environmental concern. The theme for 2018, “Beat Plastic Pollution,” to combat one of the great environmental challenges of our time. The theme makes changes in our everyday lives to reduce the heavy burden of plastic pollution on our natural places, our wildlife, and our own health. While plastic has many valuable uses, we have become over-reliant on single-use or disposable plastic with severe environmental consequences. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development states our resolve “to ensure the lasting protection of the planet and its natural resources”. In particular, Goals 14 and 15 focus on protecting underwater and on land ecosystems, as well as on sustainably using marine and terrestrial resources.

50. Ayan Gogoi Gohain, the Youngest Author of India belongs to which state?

- a) Bihar
- b) Assam**
- c) Gujarat

d) Punjab

Explanation: Ayan Gogoi Gohain was unable to speak after his third birthday. Today, at 4, he is the author of a book of anecdotes. The India Book of Records had in May adjudged Ayan as India’s youngest author. But he never wrote a word; he recorded his daily experiences through an app he made his mother download on her mobile phone and shared the audio clips with his grandfather via WhatsApp for safekeeping.

51. Who becomes the Fifth man in the Open Era to win 900 matches during his entire tennis career?

- a) Maximilian Marterer
- b) Roger Federer
- c) Guillermo Vilas
- d) Rafael Nadal**

Explanation: World No. 1 Rafael Nadal added another feather to his cap by becoming the fifth man in the Open Era to win 900 matches during his entire tennis career. The Spaniard achieved it after recording a 6-3, 6-2, 7-6(4) win over Germany’s Maximilian Marterer in the fourth round of French Open 2018. Earlier the record has been achieved only by Jimmy Connors (1,256), Roger Federer (1,149), Ivan Lendl (1,068) and Guillermo Vilas (948). The 10-time French Open champion got his 224th Grand Slam win.

52. Which of the following seas are the cleanest seas on the planet?

- a) Arctic Seas**
- b) Antarctic Seas

- c) Indian Ocean
- d) Red Seas

Explanation: According to Murmansk Marine Biology Institute, the Arctic's seas are the cleanest seas on the planet. In 2017, the Institute's scientists organized several big expeditions to the Arctic. The institute's experts worked in the Barents, Norwegian and Greenland Seas.

53. Which of the following State Pollution Control Board calls for ban on single-use plastics?

- a) Kerala
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Karnataka

d) West Bengal

Explanation: West Bengal State Pollution Control Board calls for ban on single-use plastics.

54. Which country's passport ranked 'most powerful' in world?

- a) Japan**
- b) China
- c) Australia
- d) US

Explanation: Japanese passport ranked 'most powerful' in world.

55. What is the rank of India in a list of the world's most powerful passports?

- a) 60

- b) 70

c) 76

- d) 59

Explanation: India has bagged the 76th position in a list of the world's most powerful passports, granting its holders visa-free access to 59 countries.

56. Which of the following is the most forested state in the country?

- a) Lakshadweep
- b) Arunachal Pradesh

c) Mizoram

- d) Assam

Explanation: According to the report, Mizoram with 89 per forest area is the most forested state in the country. After this, Lakshadweep with 84.56 per cent, Andaman Nicobar Islands with 82 per cent and Arunachal Pradesh with 80 per cent forest area occupied second, third and fourth places respectively. According to the report, 15 states of the country have more than 33 per cent of the forest area. Assam is at the bottom with 35 percent forest area among these 15 states. According to the report, the level of intensive forest area in the total area of the country is 9.59 percent.

57. Asia's 1st 'Blue Flag' beaches will be developed in which of the following country?

a) India

- b) Japan

- c) China

d) Sri Lanka

Explanation: To get Blue Flag standards, a beach has to strictly comply with 33 environment and tourism related conditions. The Indian beaches are being developed according to the Blue Flag certification standards by the Society for Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM), an environment ministry's body working for the management of coastal areas.

58. Who is the author of book Straight Talk?

a) Vengaiya Naidu

b) Manmohan Singh

c) Abhishek Manu Singhvi

d) Chidambaram

Explanation: Book 'Straight Talk', authored by Abhishek Manu Singhvi.

59. Who has been appointed as new attorney general of Malaysia?

a) Tommy Thomas

b) Mohamad Apandi Ali

c) Najib Razak

d) Tony Fernandes

Explanation: Malaysia's king has approved the appointment of an ethnic Indian lawyer as the new attorney general, amid protests from Islamic groups that the job must be held by a Muslim.

60. Who has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of Jordan?

a) Ibrahim Hashem

b) Hani Mulki

c) Saad Jumaa

d) Omar Razzaz

Explanation: Jordan's King Abdullah II has appointed a Harvard-educated former senior World Bank official, Omar Razzaz, as the new Prime Minister. He replaces Hani Mulki, who quit a day before Razzaz's appointment amid widening protests against his government's austerity program.

61. The 3rd edition of National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga was held in which city?

a) New Delhi

b) Kolkata

c) Ahmedabad

d) Gurugram

Explanation: The 3rd edition of National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga was inaugurated by the Minister of State for AYUSH (Independent Charge), Shri Shripad Yesso Naik at Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga in New Delhi. The Conference was jointly organized by Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga and Press Information Bureau (PIB), Ministry of Information Broadcasting ahead of International Yoga Day (June 21). The objective of the Conference was to spread awareness about principles and practices of Yoga and to bring out the scientific and technical aspects of Yoga with the help of experts.

62. Which State Government announces an outstanding power bill waiver scheme?

a) Andhra Pradesh

b) Madhya Pradesh

- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Bihar

Explanation: The Madhya Pradesh government announced an outstanding power bill waiver scheme for laborers and poor families. • The state cabinet headed by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan approved the Bijli Bill Mafi Yojana 2018 (Power Bill Waiver Scheme) which is expected to benefit about 77 lakh people of the state. • Laborers falling under the unorganized sector in Madhya Pradesh will get power supply at a subsidized rate. The state cabinet also approved Mukhyamantri Jan Kalyan (Sambal) Yojana 2018 (a scheme to provide subsidized power) in the meeting.

63. Who is appointed as Deputy governor of RBI?

- a) BP Kanungo
- b) N S Vishwanathan
- c) Viral Acharya

d) Mahesh Kumar Jain

Explanation: The Centre appointed MK Jain, Managing Director, and CEO of IDBI Bank, as the RBI's Deputy Governor. • Jain will fill a position that had been lying vacant since August 2017 after the retirement of SS Mundra. • With the appointment of Jain, the Centre has stuck to the tradition of having a commercial banker occupy this post of RBI Deputy Governor (reserved for bankers). • The central bank now has four serving RBI Deputy Governors. Jain has been appointed for a term of three years.

64. Which country has issued its first driving license to women?

- a) Saudi Arabia**
- b) Oman
- c) Germany
- d) Canada

Explanation: Saudi Arabia issued its first driver's licenses to 10 women on Monday as the kingdom prepared to lift the world's only ban on women driving in three weeks, but some who campaigned for the right to drive remain under arrest. • A government statement said the 10 women who were issued licenses already held driving licenses from other countries, including the U.S., U.K., Lebanon and Canada. • They took a brief driving test and eye exam before being issued the licenses at the General Department of Traffic in the capital, Riyadh. International media were not present for the event.

65. India and Netherland signed MOU based on _____

- a) Technical Cooperation**
- b) Joint stamps
- c) Peaceful outspace
- d) Mobility Management

Explanation: Cabinet approves the extension of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Netherlands on technical cooperation in the field of Spatial Planning, Water Management and Mobility Management • The objectives of this MoU signed in April 2018 are to promote and strengthen the collaboration between the

signatories in the areas of Spatial Planning, Water Management and Mobility Management on the basis of equivalence, affordable housing, smart city development, geographical information system (GIS) for water supply & sewerage system, waste water reuse and recycle, conservation of fresh water by artificial recharge of aquifer, integrated solid waste management and heritage conservation and mutual benefit, taking into account the practical needs of both the countries.

66. Where is the headquarters of corporation Bank?

- a) Bangalore
- b) Chennai
- c) Mangalore**
- d) Mumbai

Explanation: The bank was chosen for 'Investor Relations Awards 2018' under the category 'Best Expectation Management (Mid Cap)' for 2017-18. • The Investor Relations Award has been recognising companies in investor relation space since 2012.

67. Who is the Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance?

- a) Arun Kumar Jaitley
- b) Ananth kumar Khadge
- c) Yashvant Sinha
- d) M.Veerappa Moily**

Explanation: Prime Point Foundation has been awarding top performing MPs since 2010. • M. Veerappa Moily, Chairman of the

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance will receive the award.

68. Name the IT major which has acquired software development platform 'GitHub'?

- a) Google
- b) Microsoft**
- c) Amazon
- d) Apple

Explanation: Tech giant Microsoft has announced to acquire San Francisco based software development platform GitHub for \$7.5 billion. The two companies will empower developers to achieve more at every stage of the development lifecycle, accelerate enterprise use of GitHub, and bring Microsoft's developer tools and services to new audiences. GitHub's current CEO, Chris Wanstrath, will become a Microsoft technical fellow, reporting to Executive Vice President Scott Guthrie.

69. What is the rank of India according to Global Peace index?

- a) 137**
- b) 132
- c) 141
- d) 145

Explanation: One June 7, 2018, According to a report of Economics and Peace in Sydney Australia, India moved up 4 places to rank 137 th on the Global Peace Index 2018. • The number of countries ranked is 163. India improved by 4 places from 141 st to 137 th due to the reduction in violence caused by the

enforcement of new laws. • Iceland got the top rank . It has been ranked the most peaceful country from 2008. New Zealand is 2 nd , Austria is 3 rd , Portugal is 4 th and Denmark is 5 th . • The 5 least peaceful countries are: Afghanistan (162 nd), South Sudan, Iraq and Somalia. Syria being the least peaceful country ranking 163 rd .

70. The Earliest animal fossil footprints discovered in which country?

- a) India
- b) Germany
- c) Japan

d) China

Explanation: The earliest known animal fossil footprints have been discovered by researchers in China. • The fossil footprints date back to nearly 635-541 million years. A study regarding this was published in the journal Science Advances. • Trackways and burrows discovered in the Ediacaran Shibantan Member of the Dengying Formation (551-541 million years ago) in the Yangtze Gorges area of South China were studied. • The trackways hint that they were made by bilaterian animals with paired appendages. The body fossils of the animals that produced these traces have not been found.

71. Who becomes the first Indian to score 2000 in T20I runs?

- a) Charlotte Edwards
- b) Stafanie Taylor
- c) Mithali Raj**
- d) Suzie Bates

Explanation: On 7 th June 2018, Mithali Raj became the first Indian cricketer to score 2000 runs in Twenty20 Internationals (T20I).

72. Who has been appointed as the head of the panel constituted to study the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Policy of India?

- a) Ravindra Sannareddy
- b) Baba Kalyani**
- c) Neel Raheja
- d) Arun Misra

Explanation: The Government of India has constituted a group of eminent persons led by Baba Kalyani, chairman, Bharat Forge, to study the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Policy of India.

73. Which bank had received the RBI's approval for merger of Capital First?

- a) IDBI
- b) IDFC**
- c) SBI
- d) Axis bank

Explanation: IDFC bank had received the RBI's approval for merger of Capital First.

74. Which bank Best Expectation Management (Mid Cap)' award for 2017-18?

- a) Canara Bank
- b) Cooperative Bank**
- c) Corporation Bank
- d) Karnataka Vikas Bank

Explanation: Corporation Bank bags Best Expectation Management (Mid Cap)' award for 2017-18.

75. Who won the 'National Gopal Ratna' award?

- a) Pippa Harris
- b) Anupam Kher
- c) Virat Kohli

d) Dhiraj Ram Krishna

Explanation: Dhiraj Ram Krishna won the 'National Gopal Ratna' award.

76. Which beach becomes Asia's first beach to get the Blue Flag certification?

- a) Marina
- b) Kovalam

c) Chandrabhaga

d) VGP Goldan Beach

Explanation: Chandrabhaga beach becomes Asia's first beach to get the Blue Flag certification.

77. Where was the 11 th edition of Geointelligence Asia 2018 held?

- a) New delhi**
- b) Mumbai
- c) Goa
- d) Rajasthan

Explanation: The 11 th edition of Geointelligence Asia 2018 was held in New Delhi. The theme of Seminar was "GeoSpatial

: A force multiplier for defence & Industrial Security.

78. Who is the chief minister of himachal Pradesh?

a) Veerbhadr signh

b) Jai ram thakur

c) Sarbananda Sonowal

d) Anurag Thakur

Explanation: Himachal bans use of thermocol plates

79. Which State Government launches Business First Portal?

a) Gujarat

b) Punjab

c) Bihar

d) Odisha

Explanation: In a major step to give a big push towards the ease of doing business in Punjab, the state government launched a "Business First Portal". It was unveiled by Industry Minister Sunder Sham Arora in Jalandhar yesterday. • Addressing the industrialists the online portal will facilitate the industrialists for Regulatory Clearances and Fiscal Approvals, real-time tracking of applications at a common platform. • He said that the Punjab government has decided to accelerate economic growth by providing liberal incentives to the entrepreneurs under new Industrial Policy, which would be implemented soon. • The Minister said that the state government is committed to ensuring

100 percent VAT refund to industrialists by the end of this year.

80. World Oceans Day is celebrated on?

- a) 8 th feb
- b) 8 th mar
- c) 8 th jun**
- d) 8 th sep

Explanation: World Oceans Day is held every year on 8th June to raise awareness of the vital importance of our oceans and the role they play in sustaining a healthy planet. • Originally an idea put forward by the Canadian Government at the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio, World Oceans Day has been organised by the Ocean Project group since 2002. In 2008 the day gained official recognition from the UN General Assembly. • The conservation action theme for World Oceans Day 2018 is “Preventing Plastic Pollution and Encouraging Solutions for a Healthy Ocean”.

81. Which is the Top Institute in the country?

- a) IIT-D
- b) IIT-B**
- c) IISC
- d) IIT-C

Explanation: Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (IIT-B), Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, and Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (IIT-D) are in the top 200 in QS World University Rankings 2019. • The number of Indian universities in the top 1,000 increased from 20 to 24. • IIT-Bombay is now

the top institute in the country rising to 17 positions from 2018 to 162, displacing IIT-Delhi which has remained at 172. The Indian Institute of Science too has overtaken IIT-Delhi and is now ranked 170. • The 15th edition of the QS World University Rankings, released by global higher education analysts QS Quacquarelli Symonds and considered one of the most authoritative and prestigious rankings in the world sees six of India’s eight top-ranked IITs/IISCs improving their rank, with two remaining stable year-on-year.

82. Which was declared as Tirpura’s state fruit?

- a) Apple
- b) Peach
- c) Pineapple**
- d) Guava

Explanation: The state of Tripura got a new gift “Queen Pineapple” as its state fruit. The fruit was declared by President Ram Nath Kovind during his visit to the state. Along with this, he inaugurated the National Highway from Matabari to Sabroom in Udaipur (Tripura). • The Development of the Northeast is high on the Government of India’s list of priorities. Road projects covering a length of 5,200 km are being constructed in the region to enhance connectivity. The Bharatmala project too is giving special attention to the Northeast. • As part of these programmes, 500 km of roads are being constructed in Tripura. He expressed confidence that Tripura will develop rapidly after the completion of these projects. The President noted that there is immense potential for tourism in Tripura and this too will be helped by connectivity projects.

83. Who has unveiled a two-faced Mahatma Gandhi bust at South Africa's Pietermaritzburg railway station?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Ram Nath Kovind
- c) David Mabuza

d) Sushma Swara

Explanation: Minister of External Affairs Sushma Swaraj unveiled a two-faced Mahatma Gandhi bust at South Africa's Pietermaritzburg railway station. The bust depicts Gandhi ji's younger version on the front and older version on the back side. Notably, it is the same station where Mahatma Gandhi was thrown out of a 'whites-only' train compartment in 1893.

84. The RBI said that the interest subsidy scheme on short-term crop loans of up to Rs _____ will be implemented through the DBT mode.

- a) 1.5 lakh
- b) 2.8 lakh

c) 3 lakh

- d) 4 lakh

Explanation: The RBI said that the interest subsidy scheme on short-term crop loans of up to Rs 3 lakh will be implemented through the DBT mode. The Centre has earmarked 15,000 crore rupees for 2018-19 towards interest subvention for short-term crop loans. As per the scheme, farmers can avail of short-term crop loans of up to three lakh rupees at subsidised interest rate of 7%.

85. With which country India has signed an agreement for cooperation in the field of health sector for a period of three year till 2020?

a) Norway

- b) Sweden

- c) Germany

- d) Iceland

Explanation: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to extend the cooperation within health sector through the Norway India Partnership Initiative (NIPI) for a period of three years starting from 2018 to 2020.

86. Which Indian University has emerged as the top institution to be featured in QS World University rankings 2019?

- a) IISC Bangalore

b) IIT Delhi

- c) IIT Bombay

- d) IIT Madras

Explanation: Three Indian universities feature in the top 200 universities of the QS World University rankings 2019. IIT-Bombay is now the top institute in the country at 162 rising 17 positions from 2018, IIT-Delhi retained its 2018 position with a rank of 172 while the Indian Institute of Science has overtaken IIT-Delhi and is ranked 170. The list has been topped by Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the seventh year in a row

followed by Stanford University and Harvard University respectively.

87. Who has been named to be honored with the Polly Umrigar Award for Best International Cricketer (2016-17 and 2017-18)?

- a) **Virat Kohli**
- b) Ravichandran Ashwin
- c) Ravindra Jadeja
- d) Shikhar Dhawan

Explanation: Team India captain Virat Kohli will be presented with the prestigious Polly Umrigar Award for the Best International Cricketer (2016-17 and 2017-18) at the BCCI Awards to be held in Bengaluru on June 12th, 2018. In the women's category, Harmanpreet Kaur and Smriti Mandhana are set to be maiden recipients of the award for Best International Cricketer for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 seasons respectively.

88. Who among the following has been given the additional charge as the governor of Tripura?

- a) Kummanam Rajasekharan
- b) Jagdish Mukhi
- c) **Keshari Nath Tripathi**
- d) Ganeshi Lal

Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind has given West Bengal Governor Keshari Nath Tripathi additional charge of Tripura Governor, during the absence of Tathagata Roy who is on leave.

89. Which state has declared itself as the India's first state to achieve the status of Open Defecation Free (ODF) state?

- a) Haryana
- b) Odisha
- c) **Andhra Pradesh**
- d) Telangana

Explanation: Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu has announced that the state was now Open Defecation Free (ODF) as it had achieved its goal of constructing 2.77 lakh individual toilets. With this achievement, Andhra Pradesh becomes the first large state in the country to be declared as Open Defecation Free. The state is now working towards achieving the ODF+ status.

90. Which Indian state has decided to scrap semester system in undergraduate courses from this academic session?

- a) Haryana
- b) Gujarat
- c) Madhya Pradesh

d) Himachal Pradesh

Explanation: The Himachal Pradesh government has decided to discontinue with the semester system in undergraduate courses and re-establish the annual examination system from the coming session under Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA). The government also decided to start nursery classes in 3,000 schools from the current year.

91. The Government of India has announced to establish a committee for recommending on the formation of an Asset Reconstruction Company. The committee will be headed by _____

- a) **Sunil Mehta**
- b) P S Jayakumar
- c) Rajnish Kumar
- d) G. Padmanabhan

Explanation: Finance Minister Piyush Goyal has announced setting up of a committee to give recommendations on the formation of an Asset Reconstruction Company for faster resolution of stressed accounts of public sector banks. The committee is chaired by Sunil Mehta, the non- executive Chairman of Punjab National Bank, and would examine whether such an arrangement would be good for the banking system.

92. The Kalinga Literary Festival (KLF) is an annual literary fest. organised by which state?
- a) Kerala
 - b) **Odisha**
 - c) Tamil Nadu
 - d) Andhra Pradesh

Explanation: The 5th edition of the Kalinga Literary Festival (KLF) kick- started in Odisha in the presence of eminent personalities from Indian literature, politics, media, and public services. KLF is an annual literary festival held in the Smart and Temple city of Bhubaneswar of Odisha normally in the month of June each year. Kalinga Literary Festival was launched in 2014 to celebrate the Classical Language Status of Odia language.

93. How much amount has been approved by the West Bengal government to check riverbank soil erosion along Ganga and Padma?

- a) Rs 129 crore
- b) Rs 95 crore
- c) **Rs 107 crore**
- d) Rs 111 crore

Explanation: The state government of West Bengal has decided to invest Rs 107 crore to check erosion at vulnerable areas along the banks of the Ganga and the Padma. The work will be completed by March 2019. A stretch of 15 kilometres will be concretised, to prevent erosion.

94. Which among the following women's cricket team has clinched the world record of posting highest ever One-Day International (ODI) score of 490?
- a) England
 - b) Ireland
 - c) India

d) New Zealand

Explanation: New Zealand women's team smashed the world record for the highest ever One-Day International (ODI) score by posting a mammoth 490-4 against Ireland at the YMCA Sports Club, Dublin. New Zealand broke their own 21-year-old record women's ODI total of 455 -5 made against Pakistan at Christchurch in 1997.

95. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) has sanctioned over Rs 5500 crore for the procurement of ___High Power Radars for the Indian Air Force under 'Buy (Indian) IDDM' category.

- a) 21

b) 9

c) 12

d) 17

Explanation: The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), chaired by Raksha Mantri Smt Nirmala Sitharaman, has approved the procurement of equipment for the Defence Forces valued at over Rs 5500 crore. Pursuing the goal of indigenisation and self-reliance in the field of Defence Procurements, the DAC approved procurement of 12 High Power Radars for the Indian Air Force under 'Buy (Indian) IDDM' category. The DAC also accorded approval for procurement of Air Cushion Vehicles (ACVs) for the Indian Coast Guard and Indian Army from Indian Shipyard.

96. The northeastern state of Sikkim has got its longest state of the art tunnel 'Theng Tunnel'. This tunnel will connect capital city Gangtok to _____

a) Chungthang

b) Namchi

c) Rangpo

d) Gyalshing

Explanation: Minister of State for Defence Subhash Ramrao Bhamre inaugurated 578-metre- long Theng Tunnel in Sikkim. This is the longest tunnel in Sikkim constructed on Gangtok- Chungthang State Highway by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO). The tunnel would provide all-weather connectivity.

97. Renowned celebrity chef and TV anchor Anthony Bourdain died recently. He hailed from which country?

a) Austrlia

b) United States

c) United Kingdom

d) Russia

Explanation: US Anthony Bourdain, celebrity chef, adventurer and television host, has died at the age of 61. Bourdain was in France shooting for the upcoming episode of his award-winning CNN series, "Parts Unknown" during which he was found dead in his hotel room.

98. When is the World Ocean Day observed?

a) June 7

b) June 6

c) June 8

d) June 5

Explanation: World Oceans Day is held every year on 8th June to raise awareness of the vital importance of our oceans and the role they play in sustaining a healthy planet.

99. Which country has the world powerful super computer?

a) India

b) China

c) Japan

d) America

Explanation: The Department of Energy USA again has world's most powerful supercomputer – Summit operating at max capacity, it can run at 200 petaflops — that's

200 quadrillion calculations per second. Breaking the previous record holder's record, which is China's Sunway TaihuLight (which has a 93 petaflop capacity).

100. Which of the following bank launched a deposit scheme named 'Green Future: Deposit', which could fetch up to 8 per cent for a tenure of little over 18 months?

- a) **YES Bank**
- b) Laxmi Vilas Bank
- c) Soft Bank
- d) HDFC Bank

Explanation: Yes Bank, India's fourth largest private lender, announced the launch of a deposit scheme which could fetch up to 8 per cent for a tenure of little over 18 months. Coinciding with the World Environment Day (5th June), the scheme named 'Green Future: Deposit', is targeted at securing Rs 1,000 crore for the private lender.

101. Industry expects close to _____% GDP growth over next two years?

- a) 7%
- b) 6%
- c) **8%**
- d) 9%

Explanation: Industry expects close to 8% GDP growth over next two years: CII
• On June 10, 2018, According to a report by Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) a growth close to 8% GDP in next 2 years is expected. Rs 50,000 crore worth of

investments have been made. • Fiscal prudence, able macroeconomic management, and strong reforms would be the reasons for the growth. • Good performance across sectors such as automotives, white goods, steel, cement, and capital goods. Manufacturing of smartphone components is set to go up, indicating upward local value-addition. • In the manufacturing sector, although input costs are rising, the overall demand is healthy.

102. Who among the following has won the women's single Grand Slam title at 2018 French Open?

- a) **Simona Halep**
- b) Nathalie Dechy
- c) Sloane Stephens
- d) Iva Majoli

Explanation: Explanation: Top-ranked Romanian Simona Halep beat Sloane Stephens in final sets to claim her first Grand Slam title at the French Open. Halep became the second Romanian woman to win a Grand Slam singles trophy after Virginia Ruzici at Roland Garros in 1978. This was Halep's fourth major final and has lost all three in the past, including two at Roland Garros.

103. Recently the Government of India has initiated a National Media Campaign to encourage smoking cessation. What is the name of the campaign?

- a) Every Try Counts-Tips from Former Smokers

b) What Damage Will This Cigarette/Bidi Do

- c) Would You Use Your Heart as an Ashtray
- d) How Long Will You Live With Cigarette/Bidi

Explanation: At a World Health Organisation event held recently, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India launched a National Media Campaign titled 'What Damage Will This Cigarette/Bidi Do' to encourage smoking cessation. The campaign will achieve pan-India reach by being broadcast in 17 languages on all major national government and private TV and radio channels. In addition, the campaign will be supported by a comprehensive social media campaign and will run on major digital platforms.

104. The 18th Summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) was held in _____?

- a) Germany
- b) Japan
- c) China**
- d) India

Explanation: The 18th Summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) held from 9- 10 June 2018 in Qingdao, China concluded with the adoption of the Qingdao declaration.

105. Union Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated two

Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations in _____?

- a) Bihar
- b) Odisha**
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: On June 9, 2018, Union Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated two Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations in Cuttack district of Odisha. He also attended the 9th City Gas Distribution (CGD) bidding round programme. • The CNG stations, located at CDA Sector 1 and Bidyadharpur in Cuttack. Two more CNG stations are coming up at Khandagiri and Tamando. • In 2018 more than 20 CNG stations will be commissioned in Bhubaneswar and Cuttack to supply CNG to vehicles. 7 GAs will be set up in 19 districts of Odisha in the next five years with an investment of about Rs 3000-3500 crore in the state. Work for CGD network has been started in Cuttack and Bhubaneswar.

106. Who won the Women's Asia T20 Cup 2018 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia?

- a) India
- b) Afghanistan
- c) Bangladesh**
- d) Pakistan

Explanation: On 10th June 2018, Bangladesh won the Women's Asia T20 Cup 2018 at the Kinrara Academy

Oval in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. • Bangladesh defeated India by three wickets in the final and won their first Asia Cup title. Bangladesh has become the only other team to win the title apart from India. • Scores: Bangladesh 113 for 7 (Sultana 27, Rumana 23, Poonam 4-9, Harmanpreet 2- 19). India 112 for 9 (Harmanpreet 56, Rumana 2-22, Tul Kubra 2-23). • Bangladesh's Rumana Ahmed was named the Player of the Match.

107. Rafael Nadal won his _____ French Open title. French Open tennis tournament was held in Paris, France.

- a) 10 th
- b) 11 th**
- c) 12 th
- d) 13th

Explanation: Simona Halep is currently number one in the WTA rankings. She defeated Sloane Stephens 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 in the final and won the French Open 2018 title. • Simona Halep has won her first Grand Slam title. Simona Halep had lost in two previous French Open finals to Maria Sharapova in 2014 and Jelena Ostapenko in 2017. • On 10 th June 2018, Rafael Nadal defeated Dominic Thiem 6-4, 6-3, 6-2 in the final and won his 11th French Open title. This victory has confirmed his world No 1 ranking for Rafael Nadal.

108. Who has inaugurated a 16 MW solar 'PV power plant' set up by the defence PSU Bharat Electronics LTD at the Heavy Vehicle Factory in Avadi, Chennai?

- a) Nirmala Sitharaman**

- b) Rajnath Singh
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Suresh Prabhu

Explanation: Heavy Vehicle Factory (HVF) at Avadi in Chennai has set up a 16 MW grid-connected Solar Power Plant at a cost of ₹105 crore. • The solar project, set up by Navratna defence PSU Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL), was launched by the Union Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday. • "BEL is establishing energy security for the Ordnance Factory Estates under the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme by setting up utility scale grid-connected Solar Power Plants. As part of this, a 16 MW (AC) power plant, developed on a 80 acre land area, has been set up for the annual captive consumption of HVF & Engine Factory (EFA), Avadi, according to a statement of BEL.

109. Green Mizoram Day was observed in _____?

- a) 8 th june
- b) 9 th june
- c) 10 th june
- d) 11 th june**

Explanation: On 11 th June 2018, Green Mizoram Day was observed throughout Mizoram. • On this day government employees, students and members of NGOs planted large number of trees. • Mizoram Chief Minister Lal Thanhawla inaugurated the Green Mizoram Day 2018. The function was attended by cabinet

ministers, legislators and senior government officials. • The trees were planted as a part of this event along the Chite river in Aizawl. The Green Mizoram Day is observed every year on 11 th June since 1999.

110. Who has been appointed as the Vigilance Commissioner in the Central Vigilance Commission?

a) Sharad Kumar

b) K. V. Chowdary

c) Nittoor Srinivasa

d) RauAlok Verma

Explanation: Former NIA chief Sharad Kumar is the new vigilance commissioner for a term of four years or till he attains the age of 65. • It is the apex vigilance institution. It was created via executive resolution (based on the recommendations of Santhanam committee) in 1964 but was conferred with statutory status in 2003. It submits its report to the President of India.

• Presently, the body consists of central vigilance commissioner along with 2 vigilance commissioners.

111. Which state government releases its 80 years annual budget?

a) Bihar

b) Gujarat

c) Haryana

d) Odisha

Explanation: On June 11, 2018, The special booklet titled '80-years of Odisha

Budget – A Commemorative Volume' was released by Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik. Odisha's annual budget was only Rs 1.77 crore for the year 1936-37 which has increased to Rs 1,20,028 crore in 2018-19. • Odisha is the first state in the country to bring out such a compilation. • The state government has come up with a separate agricultural budget in 2016 with focused attention on the agricultural sector. In the year of 2000, the budget had only been Rs 14,000 crore.

112. Which among the following entity will give technology for India's first indigenous Lithium Ion Battery project to reduce dependence on import?

a) Council of Scientific & Industrial Research

b) National Defense Research Institute

c) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research

d) Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses

Explanation: Central Electro Chemical Research Institute (CECRI), Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu under Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) and RAASI Solar Power Pvt Ltd have signed a Memorandum of Agreement for transfer of technology for India's first Lithium Ion (Li-ion) Battery project. • Currently, Indian manufacturers source Lithium Ion Battery from China, Japan and South Korea among some other countries. India is one of the largest importers and in 2017, it imported nearly 150 Million US Dollar worth Li-Ion batteries.

113. Recently, ISRO scientists have discovered a new planet and star 600 light years away. The new discovery has been named as _____

- a) Saga
- b) Chronicle
- c) Epic**
- d) Herculean

Explanation: In an epic Indian discovery, a team from the Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad led by Abhijit Chakraborty, has spotted for the first time a distant planet six times bigger than Earth and revolving around a Sun-like star about 600 light years away. Both the planet and the star have been named EPIC. EPIC 211945201b (or K2-236b) is the name given to the planet. The host star is named EPIC 211945201 or K2-236.

114. Name the bank which has launched first of its kind green deposit product named Green Future: Deposit?

- a) Axis Bank
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) Yes Bank**
- d) HDFC Bank

Explanation: Yes Bank, India's fourth largest private lender, has launched the first-ever green deposit scheme named Green Future: Deposit. The Bank has set the target to raise up to Rs. 1,000 crore via this novel product offering. It can be opened for a tenure of 18 months and 8 days to 18 months and 18 days, with best-

in-class peak interest rate of 7.50% p.a. for regular Green Future: Deposits and 8.00%* p.a. for Senior Citizens. The Bank will earmark equivalent proceeds raised through Green Future: Deposit towards Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) aligned sectors and for every Green Future: Deposit opened, YES BANK will contribute a Money Plant.

115. Name the India's first indigenous long-range artillery gun which is ready for induction after successful testing in all weather conditions.

- a) Arjun
- b) Dhanush**
- c) Rakshak
- d) Pinaka

Explanation: India's first indigenous, long-range artillery gun "Dhanush" has passed its final test at Pokhran, paving the way for its induction into the Army. Gun Carriage Factory (GCF) Senior General Manager SK Singh said that, fifty rounds of shells each were fired from six Dhanush guns between June 2- 6. Dhanush is a 155mm x 45mm calibre artillery gun and is also called the "desi Bofors".

116. Who has been honored with the 2018 Women's Prize for Fiction?

- a) Katy Brand
- b) Katy Brand
- c) Kamila Shamsie**
- d) Sarah Sands

Explanation: Renowned British Pakistani author Kamila Shamsie has won the Women's Prize for Fiction, 2018 for her seventh novel titled "Home Fire". Ms. Shamsie was awarded the €30,000 pound (\$40,000) prize at a ceremony in London.

117. Qingdao declaration adopted by the members of SCO at the 2018 Summit deals with_____

- a) Preventing Plastic Pollution
- b) Combating Terrorism**
- c) Cooperation on Nuclear Weapons
- d) Setting Sustainable Development Fund

Explanation: The 18th Summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) held from 9-10 June 2018 in Qingdao, China concluded with the adoption of the Qingdao declaration. The declaration calls for implementing the three-year plan to combat terrorism, separatism and extremism. It also calls for implementation of the treaty on long-term good neighbourliness, friendship and co-operation.

118. Who won the Intercontinental Cup football title?

- a) China
- b) Germany
- c) India**
- d) Kenya

Explanation: India beat Kenya to lift Intercontinental Cup football title. • On 10th June 2018, India won the

Intercontinental Cup Football Tournament title at the Mumbai Football Arena. India beat Kenya 2-0 in the final. • Indian captain Sunil Chhetri scored goals in the 8th and 29th minutes. He has equalled Argentina's Lionel Messi's tally of 64 international goals. • He has become the joint-second active international goal scorer after Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo (81 goals).

119. India's first National Police Museum will be set up in which city?

- a) Mumbai
- b) New Delhi**
- c) Kolkata
- d) Kolkata

Explanation: The central government has decided to set up India's first national police museum in Lutyens' Delhi. • The museum is expected to be inaugurated on October 21 (Police Commemoration Day). • The museum - depicting the history, artefacts, uniforms and gear of central and state police forces - will come up as an underground facility in the premises of the national police memorial in Chanakyaपुरi area of the national capital. • The project is being steered by the Intelligence Bureau and according to the records accessed by PTI, IB Director Rajiv Jain had convened a meeting on the matter last month to expedite the process.

120. India beat which country to lift the Intercontinental Cup Football Tournament 2018?

- a) South Korea

- b) Bangladesh
- c) Kenya**
- d) Zimbabwe

Explanation: India won the title of Intercontinental Cup Football Tournament after 2-0 victory in the final against Kenya at the Mumbai Football Arena. • Skipper Sunil Chhetri scored in the eighth and 29th minutes to hand India a convincing victory. • With this he also equalled Argentina's Lionel Messi's tally of 64 international goals, making him the joint-second active international goalscorer behind Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo (81 goals).

121. Name the app launched by the Indian Railways to register passengers grievances for quick redressal.

- a) Rail Suvidha
- b) Rail Sahayta
- c) Rail Madad**
- d) Rail Seva

Explanation: Shri Piyush Goyal, Minister of Railways & Coal has launched a new App "Rail Madad" – An App to expedite & streamline passenger grievance redressal. Rail MADAD (Mobile Application for Desired Assistance During travel) registers a complaint with minimum inputs from passenger(option of photo also available), issues unique ID instantly and relays the complaint online to relevant field officials for immediate action. • The action taken on complaint is also relayed to passenger through SMS,

thus fast tracking the entire process of redressal of complaints through digitisation. • The Minister also launched a new App 'Menu on Rails', a Mobile Application developed by IRCTC for creating awareness to the Railway Passengers for the items served to them on their Rail Journey.

122. The India Meteorological Department is soon to use FFGS system to forecast flood warnings. What is FFGS?

- a) Flash Flood Guidance System**
- b) Flood Forecasting Global Service
- c) Flood Forecast Guidance System
- d) Flash Flood Geographical Supervision

Explanation: India Meteorological Department, IMD will use flash flood guidance system for the first time in the country to forecast floods. Currently, the Central Water Commission issues flood warnings. The national weather agency is preparing to launch the service using Flash Flood Guidance System from the next month. A new system and soil study data will enable the India Meteorological Department to forecast floods and guide the disaster management agencies on prevention techniques.

123. The first World Hindi Conference was held in 1975 in which of the following city?

- a) Pune
- b) New Delhi
- c) Chennai
- d) Nagpur**

Explanation: The first World Hindi Conference was held in 1975 in Nagpur, India. Since then, ten such Conferences have been held in different parts of the world.

124. Which is the Highest sender of foreign students to the US?

- a) **China**
- b) India
- c) Japan
- d) Germany

Explanation: With 1,86,000 Indian students currently studying in the United States, India is the second highest sender of foreign students to the US, next only to China.

125. India's first lithium ion cell factory will be established in which of the following state?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Telangana
- c) **Andhra Pradesh**
- d) Maharashtra

Explanation: India's first lithium ion cell factory to come up in Andhra Pradesh Munoth Industries Limited will set up India's first lithium ion cell production project by investing Rs 799 crore in three phases in Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh. • It will provide a trigger for enabling mobile component manufacturing in India that will also lead to value addition in overall mobile phone manufacturing. • In the first phase, Rs 165 crore will be invested to

produce lithium cells having total storage capacity of 200,000 Ah (Ampere hour) per day.

126. Who won the Canadian Grand prix 2018?

- a) Lewis Hamilton
- b) Valtteri Bottas
- c) Max verstappen

d) Sebastian vettel

Explanation: Vettel wins Canadian GP

127. Which among the following zones of the Indian Railways has launched an initiative to monitor the cleanliness and functionalities of train via WhatsApp groups?

- a) Central Railways
- b) Western Railways
- c) **Northern Railways**
- d) Eastern Railways

Explanation: The Northern Railways will now monitor cleanliness of its trains using WhatsApp groups supervised by senior officials. Every department will have separate WhatsApp groups, in which status report of cleanliness will be uploaded on a daily basis. including photographs. WhatsApp groups have been created for train and pantry cleanliness, bed rolls and functionality of air conditioners in trains.

128. The 44th edition of the G7 Summit was held in which country?

a) Canada

- b) France
- c) Italy
- d) Germany

Explanation: The 44th G7 summit was held on June 8–9, 2018, in La Malbaie, Quebec, Canada. This was the sixth time since 1981 that Canada has hosted the meetings. The 44th G7 summit was the first summit for Italian Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte.

129. Which of the following are also known as “ghost particles”?

- a) Electron
- b) Proton
- c) Positron

d) Neutrino

Explanation: Researches in Germany with Karlsruhe Tritium Neutrino experiment has started collecting data to determine the mass of the universe’s lightest particle neutrino. Those are sometimes called “ghost particles”.

130. The 2018 FIFA World Cup has been organised in which country?

- a) Brazil
- b) Russia**
- c) France
- d) Spain

Explanation: The 21st edition of the FIFA World Cup will be held in Russia from June 14 to July 15. Hosts Russia will

take on Saudi Arabia in the opening match on June 14. Russia and Saudi Arabia are placed in Group-A. The game will take place in the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow.

131. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)?

- a) S Ramesh**
- b) Jamuna Pd Singh
- c) P Kishore Saxena
- d) Vanaja N Sarmart

Explanation: The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) has Board appointed senior bureaucrat S Ramesh as the Chairman of Central of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC). Ramesh, a 1981 batch officer of Indian Revenue Service (customs and central excise), is at present member in the CBIC, an apex policy making body for indirect taxes. He will take over charge from incumbent Vanaja N Sarna who completes her term this month-end.

132. What is the currency of Cuba?

- a) Pound
- b) Euro
- c) Peso**
- d) Dollar

133. Who has received the Polly Umrigar award at the BCCI Annual Awards in Bengaluru?

- a) Ravichandran Ashwin

b) Virat Kohli

- c) M.S.Dhoni
d) Rohit Sharma

Explanation: Kohli conferred with Polly Umrigar award & Harmanpreet Kaur and Smriti Mandhana received their maiden BCCI awards for being best international cricketer (women). • On 12 th June 2018, Indian cricket captain Virat Kohli was awarded the Polly Umrigar Award for the best international cricketer at the BCCI Annual Awards in Bengaluru. Virat Kohli was awarded for his outstanding performance in the 2016-17 and 2017-18 seasons. • Harmanpreet Kaur and Smriti Mandhana were awarded their first BCCI awards for the best international cricketer (women) for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 season, respectively. • Former England captain Kevin Pietersen delivered the 6th MAK Pataudi Memorial Lecture at the BCCI award. He has become the first non-Indian cricketer to deliver the opening speech of the award ceremony.

134. International Albinism Awareness Day is celebrated on?

- a) 13 th September
b) 13 th July
c) 13 th June
d) 13 th August

Explanation: On 13 th June 2018, International Albinism Awareness Day was observed all over the world. • In 2014, the UN General Assembly declared 13 June as International Albinism Awareness

Day with effect from 2015. • Albinism is a genetic condition that causes very little or no pigmentation in the skin, hair, and eyes. • The International Albinism Awareness Day is observed to preserve the rights of persons with albinism and take efforts to ensure equal access for them to employment, education, justice and good health. • The theme for International Albinism Awareness Day 2018 is: "shining our light to the world".

135. Which state launched a new scheme named "Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana"?

- a) Tamil Nadu
b) Kerala
c) Bihar

d) Odisha

Explanation: Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has announced a health assurance scheme named "Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana" that will benefit around 3.5 crore people from over 70 lakh families in the state. • Under the Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana, secondary and tertiary cashless healthcare assistance will be provided up to Rs 5 lakh per family per annum to meet healthcare expenditure at all government-run hospitals and the entire cost would be borne by the state government. • Besides, an assistance of Rs 500 would be provided to all pregnant women and infant who visit public health facilities. • The scheme will come into effect from August 15 2018.

136. Raghavendra Swamy Temple is located in which of the following state?

a) **Andhra Pradesh**

- b) West Bengal
- c) Kerala
- d) Manipur

Explanation: Ten new Swachh Iconic Places launched under Swachh Bharat Mission Ten new iconic sites, namely, RaghavendraSwamy Temple (Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh); Hazardwari Palace (Murshidabad, West Bengal); Brahma Sarovar Temple (Kurukshetra, Haryana); VidurKuti (Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh); Mana village (Chamoli, Uttarakhand); Pangong Lake (Leh-Ladakh, J&K); Nagvasuki Temple (Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh); ImaKeithal/market (Imphal, Manipur); Sabarimala Temple (Kerala); and Kanvashram (Uttarakhand) have been taken up under Phase III of the flagship project Swachh Iconic Places (SIP) of the Swachh Bharat Mission.

137. What is the currency of Greece?

- a) **Euro**
- b) Dollar
- c) Won
- d) Rupiyah

138. How many additional schools has recently been selected by NITI Aayog for establishment of Atal Tinkering Labs under Atal Innovation Mission?

- a) 4,000
- b) 1,000
- c) 2,000

d) **3,000**

Explanation: NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission, AIM, has selected 3,000 additional schools for the establishment of Atal Tinkering Labs, ATLS. The selected schools will receive a grant of Rs 20 lakh spread over the next five years to establish labs for nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial spirit among secondary school children across India.

139. Which countries have won a united bid to host FIFA 2026?

- a) **US, Canada and Mexico**
- b) Brazil, Colombia and Chile
- c) Spain, Portugal and Germany
- d) UK, Germany and France

Explanation: The United States, Mexico and Canada won the right to host the 2026 World Cup after easily beating Morocco in a vote by FIFA member nations in Moscow. • The North American bid received 134 of the 203 votes, while Morocco polled 65 in the ballot at a FIFA Congress held in Moscow. • Qatar will host the next FIFA World Cup in 2022.

140. Which two countries have agreed to Address Trade & Economic Issues?

- a) India and Japan
- b) India and China
- c) **India and US**
- d) India and UK

Explanation: India, US Agree To Hold Comprehensive Talks To Address Trade & Economic Issues. • India and the US have agreed to hold comprehensive talks to address trade and economic issues. • The decision in this regard was taken during a series of meetings, Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu had with US Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross and US Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer. Mr Suresh Prabhu was on a two-day visit to the US.

141. With which of the following countries, India has recently approved an MoU for cooperation in the field of new and renewable energy?

- a) France
- b) Peru**
- c) Vietnam
- d) Brazil

Explanation: The Union Cabinet has approved an Agreement between India and Peru for bilateral cooperation between the two countries on new and renewable issues. • The agreement aims to establish the basis for a cooperative institutional relationship to encourage and promote technical bilateral cooperation on new and renewable issues on the basis of mutual benefit equality and reciprocity. • The MoU which was signed in May, 2018 at Lima, Peru envisages establishing a Joint Committee to develop Work Plans in order to implement the Agreement.

142. In which of the cities has the PM10 level reached 824?

- a) Bengaluru
- b) Delhi**
- c) Indore
- d) Mumbai

Explanation: The air quality in Delhi deteriorated beyond the 'severe' level on Wednesday. Dust storms in western India increased coarser particles in the air, according to Central Pollution Control Board data. The PM10 level was at 778 in the Delhi-NCR area and 824 in Delhi particularly, which led to hazy conditions and limited visibility.

143. Which of the following countries will provide Apache attack helicopters to India?

- a) USA**
- b) Russia
- c) Japan
- d) North Korea

Explanation: The US government has approved a deal to sell six AH-64E Apache attack helicopters to India for \$930 million. The US will also provide night vision sensors, control radars, Hellfire Longbow missiles and Stinger air-to-air missiles to India under the deal. "(The helicopters) will increase India's capability to counter ground-armoured threats and modernise its armed forces," the US said.

144. Who is the chairman of the North Eastern Council?

- a) Prime minister**

- b) Home Minister
- c) President
- d) Governor of Manipur

Explanation: The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the proposal of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) for the nomination of the Union Home Minister as ex-officio Chairman of North Eastern Council (NEC) - a statutory body with Governors and Chief Ministers of all the eight North Eastern States as its Member. • The Cabinet also approved that Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of DoNER would serve as Vice Chairman of the Council. • NEC implements various projects through the State and Central agencies. Under the new arrangement with Home Minister as Chairman and Minister of DoNER as Vice Chairman, NEC and all the Governors and Chief Ministers of North Eastern States as Member would provide a forum for discussing inter-state matters more comprehensively and also consider common approaches to be taken in future.

145. Who among the following has been re-appointed as the MD & CEO of Yes Bank?
- a) Ashok Chawla
 - b) Aditya Puri
 - c) Shikha Sharma
 - d) Rana Kapoor**

Explanation: Private sector lender YES Bank has re-appointed Rana Kapoor as MD & CEO of the bank for a period of

three years. The decision was taken at the 14th annual general meeting of the shareholders of the bank. The re-appointment will be effective for a period of three years from September 1, 2018 subject to final approval by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

146. Who among the following has been honored with the 2018 Nikkei Asia Prize for Culture and Community?
- a) Laxmi Agarwal
 - b) Anand Kumar
 - c) Kailash Satyarthi
 - d) Bindeshwar Pathak**

Explanation: Noted social reformer and founder of Sulabh International, Bindeshwar Pathak was honoured with Japan's prestigious Nikkei Asia Prize. The award was given under Culture and Community category for his significant work in tackling poor hygiene and discrimination. • Launched in 1996, the award honours people in Asia who have made significant contributions in one of the three areas of regional growth; science, technology & innovation and culture & community.

147. The Union Cabinet has approved which bank's proposal to raise additional share capital worth Rs 24000 crore?
- a) Axis
 - b) SBI
 - c) HDFC**
 - d) ICICI

Explanation: Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for grant of permission to HDFC Bank to raise additional share capital of up to a maximum of 24,000 crore rupees. The composite foreign shareholding in the Bank will not exceed 74% of the enhanced paid-up equity share capital of the bank. • According to the Finance Minister Piyush Goyal, the proposed investment is expected to strengthen the capital adequacy ratio of the bank. The Cabinet also approved reconstitution of North Eastern Council (NEC).

148. Who will launch the Solar Charkha Mission on June 27?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Ram Nath Kovind**
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) M Venkaiah Naidu

Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind will launch Solar Charkha Mission which will entail a subsidy of 550 crore rupees in the initial two years for 50 clusters. • According to the Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Giriraj Singh, the scheme is aimed at linking five crore women and self-help groups to the initiative. • 15 new technology centres will be set up and out of these, ten will be made operational this year. These centres will provide technological support to small industries.

149. According to Niti Aayog, Which state has been topped in the composite water management Index?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Himachal Pradesh

d) Tripura

Explanation: Minister for Water Resources Nitin Gadkar released Niti Aayog's composite water management index report in New Delhi. Gujarat topped the list while Jharkhand was adjudged as the worst performer. Gujarat is followed by Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra. → In the northeastern and Himalayan states, Tripura has been adjudged as the top state in 2016-17 followed by Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Assam.

150. Who has been named the Chief Finance Officer of the US largest automaker, General Motors?

- a) Dhivya Suryadevara**
- b) Anshu Jain
- c) Shantanu Narayen
- d) Mary Barra

Explanation: An Indian-American woman, Dhivya Suryadevara has been named the Chief Finance Officer of the US' largest automaker, General Motors. Ms. Suryadevara, currently the vice president of corporate finance, will succeed Chuck Stevens, the General Motor's present CFO, on September 1, 2018. → She will report to Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mary Barra, 56, who has been head of the automaker since 2014.

151. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated modernised and expanded Bhilai steel plant in _____?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Bihar
- c) Chhattisgarh**
- d) Goa

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi is on a one-day visit to Chhattisgarh where he dedicated the modernised and expanded Bhilai steel plant to the nation. He also took part in programmes in Naya Raipur - the upcoming capital city of the state. → The PM inaugurated Integrated Command and Control Centre at Naya Raipur. Thereafter, in Bhilai, he inaugurated Raipur-Jagdalpur air service, laid the foundation stone for the new building of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bhilai. → He also inaugurated air connectivity between Raipur and Jagdalpur under the Centre's 'Udaan' scheme.

152. HDFC is the _____ Biggest Consumer Financial Services Company?

- a) 4
- b) 5**
- c) 3
- d) 2

Explanation: HDFC, 5th Biggest Consumer Financial Services Company Worldwide. Housing finance major HDFC has been ranked as the 5th biggest public company globally in the 'consumer

financial services category' on a list compiled by Forbes magazine. → HDFC's rank has moved up from 7th place last year. American Express has topped this category, while Indiabulls Housing Finance is the only other Indian company (at 13th place) on the list. → In the overall list, topped by China's banking behemoth ICBC, HDFC took 321st place, up from 404th a year ago. There are a total of 58 Indian companies on the overall list of 2,000 firms from across the world. → These include Reliance Industries at 83rd place, the only from India in the top-100. Besides, HDFC Bank is at 202nd, ONGC at 266th, Indian Oil at 270th and ICICI Bank at 320th.

153. The Government of India has proposed to set up a National Tribal Museum in which of the following cities?

- a) Pune
- b) Mumbai
- c) New Delhi**
- d) Ahmedabad

Explanation: The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has proposed to set up a National Tribal Museum along with a National Level Tribal Research Institute at Delhi. The Minister of Tribal Affairs Shri Jual Oram said that the Museum will showcase the rich tribal culture and heritage using state-of-the-art technologies.

154. Which country has topped the 2018 Environmental Performance Index (EPI)?

- a) Switzerland**

- b) Germany
- c) Singapore
- d) Sweden

Explanation: The top five countries in 2018 Environmental Performance Index (EPI) in terms of green rankings are Switzerland, France, Denmark, Malta and Sweden.

155. The book titled “Water productivity mapping of major Indian crops” has been published by which among the given entities?

- a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- b) NABARD**
- c) NITI Aayog
- d) CSIR

Explanation: Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Shipping, Road Transport & Highways Shri Nitin Gadkari released a book titled ‘Water productivity mapping of major Indian crops’ published by NABARD. The book is based on study of 10 important crops by a team under the leadership of leading agricultural economist Dr. Ashok Gulati. The 10 important crops include rice, wheat, maize, pulses, oilseeds, sugarcane, cotton and potato etc.

156. Pinaka Rocket systems belong to which country?

- a) China
- b) Russia

- c) Israel

d) India

157. The International Weightlifting Federation is located at _____

- a) Budapest, Hungary**
- b) Manila, Philippines
- c) The Hague, Netherlands
- d) Berlin, Germany

Explanation: The International Weightlifting Federation, headquartered in Budapest, is the international governing body for the sport of Olympic weightlifting. The IWF was founded in 1905, and has 187 member nations. The IWF president is Tamás Aján of Hungary.

158. Which of the following E-commerce company has its own digital payment start-up phonepe?

- a) Amazon
- b) Flipkart**
- c) Ebay
- d) Snapdeal

Explanation: Flipkart-owned PhonePe has partnered cab aggregator Ola that will allow riders to book rides using the former’s payment platform. — With this partnership, users can enjoy the ease of using their preferred ride-sharing app from within PhonePe while being assured of the reliability and integrity of their payments. PhonePe has also added ‘Auto-pay’ feature that allows users to make payments seamlessly.

159. Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of online fantasy sports platform StarPick?

- a) Subrata Pal
- b) Sunil Chhetri**
- c) Jeje Lalpekhlua
- d) Bhaichung Bhutia

Explanation: Indian football team captain Sunil Chhetri has been named as the brand ambassador of online fantasy sports platform StarPick.

160. The 2026 FIFA World Cup will take place in which of the following countries?

- a) United States, Canada and Mexico**
- b) Canada, Spain and Mexico
- c) United States, Mexico and Spain
- d) Mexico, Canada and Germany

Explanation: The 2026 FIFA World Cup will be played in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The 2026 competition is set to be the first in FIFA's history to feature 48 instead of the usual 32 teams.

161. Which among the following companies has launched low code tool "App Maker" for G Suite business to enable easy app building facility?

- a) Microsoft
- b) Apple
- c) Facebook
- d) Google**

Explanation: Google has finally made available the "App Maker", its low-code tool for building business apps, generally available and open to all developers, after a year and a half since the launch of its beta version. The tech giant first launched the App Maker in November, 2016 and made it available through its "Early Adopter Program for G Suite Business" at that time. App Maker is G Suite's low-code application development environment that makes it easy for teams to build custom apps to speed up workflows and make processes better.

162. The Somnath temple is situated in which of the following states?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Haryana
- c) Gujarat**
- d) Rajasthan

Explanation: The Somnath temple located in Prabhas Patan near Veraval in Saurashtra on the western coast of Gujarat, is believed to be the first among the twelve jyotirlinga shrines of Shiva. It is an important pilgrimage and tourist spot of Gujarat.

163. What is the currency of Georgia?

- a) Georgian lek
- b) Georgian lari**
- c) Georgian ruble
- d) Georgian kuna

164. Which among the given states has launched month long School Chale Hum Abhiyan 2018 from June 15?

- a) Bihar
- b) Madhya Pradesh**
- c) Haryana
- d) Chhattisgarh

Explanation: Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the 'School Chale Hum Abhiyan 2018' in Bhopal. The motive of this scheme is that no child should be deprived of schooling. Inaugurating the month long campaign on June 15.

165. Which state has inked pact with US based Earth Networks to install lightning detection system in the state?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Odisha**
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Tamil Nadu

Explanation: In a move to reduce number of casualties due to lightning strike incidents, the Odisha government has signed an MoU with US-based Lightning analysing firm Earth Networks for a lightning detection and warning system in the state. Earth Networks will install lightning detection system to get the precise location of areas likely to be affected by lightning strikes before 45 minutes of their occurrence. It will also be helpful in prediction of hail winds, hail storms and thunderstorms.

166. Name the Prime Minister of Georgia who resigned from the post amid protest over his economic policies.

- a) Giorgi Kvirikashvili**
- b) Irakli Kobakhidze
- c) Bidzina Ivanishvili
- d) Giorgi Margvelashvili

Explanation: Giorgi Kvirikashvili, Prime Minister of Georgia, has announced his resignation amid a growing disagreement over his economic policies with Bidzina Ivanishvili, the leader of the ruling Georgian Dream party. Kvirikashvili, 50, has been prime minister since December 2015.

167. How many countries are member of the European Union?

- a) 28**
- b) 25
- c) 21
- d) 23

Explanation: The European Union is a political and economic union of 28 member states that are located primarily in Europe.

168. Mulubha Jadeja who passed away at the age of 88 was a renowned player of _____

- a) Football
- b) Cricket**
- c) Tennis

d) Hockey

Explanation: Former Saurashtra batsman Mulubha Jadeja died following age-related complications. He was 88. Mulubha, a right-handed batsman, represented Saurashtra and Railways between 1945 and 1964.

169. Which country successfully launched the Glonass- M positioning satellite?

- a) India
- b) Germany
- c) Italy

d) Russia

Explanation: Russia successfully launched Glonass- M positioning satellite. On June 17, 2018 Russia successfully launched a Glonass- M positioning satellite using a Soyuz-2.1b carrier rocket. • The Glonass network provides real-time positioning data for surface, sea and airborne objects around the globe, at an accuracy reportedly at par with the U.S. Global Positioning System.

170. Which state government has launched the GPS?

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Gujarat
- c) Tripura**
- d) Punjab

Explanation: The Tripura government has launched the GPS (Global Positioning System) and wireless based 24×7 “mobile policing” service to curb crime, especially

against women. With the launch of the “mobile policing” service, people won’t need to go to the police, and police would go to the spot within a few minutes to deal with the situation. • People, with the help of information technology, can inform the police using any electronic devices or system and police can also, by exploiting the information technology, deal with the situation. It would save time and physical involvement.

171. Who introduced the digital payment services in India?

- a) Facebook
- b) Whatsapp**
- c) Twitter
- d) Instagram

Explanation: WhatsApp Introduced payments service in India On June 17, 2018, WhatsApp payment service has been in beta testing and almost one million people are testing the feature. This is being implemented with the help of NPCI and almost one million people are testing the feature. This is being implemented with the help of NPCI and multiple banks. • It has tied up with banks to facilitate financial transactions via Unified Payments Interface (UPI). • The Reserve Bank of India has mandated all payment system operators to ensure that data related to payments is stored only in India giving firms six months to comply with it. • The compliance would be monitored by NPCI. It has been stated that sensitive user data such as the last 6 digits of a debit card and UPI PIN is not stored at all.

172. Bellandur Lake is located in which city?

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Guwahati
- c) Chennai

d) Bengaluru

Explanation: A committee set up by the National Green Tribunal (NGT) to inspect the lakes in Bengaluru has blamed the Karnataka government and various state agencies for “miserably” failing to discharge their duties. According to the committee, Bellandur, the biggest lake of Bengaluru, has become the largest septic tank of the city just because of lack of interest and negligence towards duty by the authorities.

173. Name the first Indian batsman to achieve the record of scoring century before lunch during one-off Test match event.

- a) Gautam Gambhir
- b) Shikhar Dhawan**
- c) Bhuvneshwar Kumar
- d) Rohit Sharma

Explanation: Shikhar Dhawan became the first Indian batsman to score a hundred before lunch on the opening day of a Test match. The Delhi left-hander achieved the feat in the opening session of the first day of the one-off Test match against Afghanistan in Bengaluru on June 14.

174. Who is the Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?

- a) Ram Naik

b) Tathagata Roy

c) Kiran Bedi

d) Banwarilal Purohit

Explanation: Puducherry Lieutenant Governor Kiran Bedi.

175. Recently, India has agreed to open four new air entry points to

- a) CHINA
- b) NEPAL**
- c) BANGLADESH
- d) PAKISTAN

Explanation: India has agreed to open four new air entry points to Nepal in the eastern and western parts of the country.

176. The World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought will be celebrated on?

- a) 14 th june
- b) 16 th june
- c) 17 th june**
- d) 13 th june

Explanation: The World Day to Combat Desertification (WDCD) will be celebrated worldwide on 17 th June with the focus on sustainable land management as a way to regenerate economies, create jobs and revitalize communities. • World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought is observed every year to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification. • 2018 Theme of WDCD :- “Land has true value – invest in

“ WDCD was established by the UN General Assembly 23 years ago to raise awareness on the global and national actions that address desertification, land degradation and drought.

177. Name the female American astronaut, holding the record of most spacewalks and spending the longest time in space by US astronaut, who retired from the post recently.

- a) **Peggy Whitson**
- b) Eileen Collins
- c) Stephanie Wilson
- d) Barbara Morgan

Explanation: NASA Astronaut Peggy Whitson, who has spent more time in space than any other American, retired from NASA on June 15. • The 58-year-old NASA astronaut holds the US record for most cumulative time in space spending a record-breaking 665 days in space. • She also claimed the title for most spacewalks by a woman – 10 spacewalks totalling 60 hours and 21 minutes — and set the record for most time spent in space by a US astronaut, placing eighth on the all-time space endurance list.

178. The Swajal scheme for clean water supply has been launched in how many aspirational districts?

- a) **115**
- b) 119
- c) 117
- d) 111

Explanation: Centrally-sponsored drinking water schemes, Swajal, has been launched in 115 aspirational districts of the country. The Swajal schemes in 115 aspirational districts of the country will involve an outlay of Rs 700 crores through flexi-funds under the existing National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) budget. • These schemes will aim to provide villages with piped water supply powered by solar energy. The scheme will train hundreds of rural technicians for operation and maintenance of Swajal units.

179. Which country plans to allow more foreign workers to work in the country?

- a) Germany
- b) **Japan**
- c) U.S.A
- d) Italy

Explanation: Japan’s Cabinet adopted an economic plan to allow more foreign workers to work in the country. • This proposal will help the country to make up for its declining workforce. • In recent times, number of foreign workers in Japan has nearly doubled to 1.28 million. • Under the plan, Japan will relax visa requirements in sectors facing severe labour shortages such as agriculture, nursing care, construction and transport. • It will create new five-year visa category for non-professional foreign workers.

180. Sports person Limba Ram belongs to which sports?

- a) **Archery**

- b) Shot Put
- c) Hammer throw
- d) Sprinter

Explanation: Sports Minister sanctions Rs.5 lakhs for former International Archer Limba Ram • Minister of State (I/C) Youth Affairs and Sports Col Rajyavardhan Rathore has sanctioned a special financial assistance of Rs.5 lakhs to former International Archer & Arjun Awardee Shri Limba Ram. • Limba Ram, who is suffering from neuro generative disease or neurological illness is undergoing treatment at Jaipur.

181. International Picnic Day is celebrated on

- a) June 21
- b) June 20
- c) June 18**
- d) June 19

Explanation: International Picnic Day was observed all over the world on June 18.

182. Who is the only Indian Investor in Xiaomi?

- a) Lakshmi Mittal
- b) Mukesh Ambani
- c) Ratan Tata**
- d) Gautam Adani

Explanation: As per Xiaomi's IPO documents, Ratan Tata is the only Indian investor in the company Xiaomi.

183. Who is the current president of China?

- a) Jiang Zemin
- b) Shinzo Abe
- c) Hu Jintao
- d) Xi Jinping**

Explanation: Current Chinese President is --- Xi Jinping.

184. What is the capital of Egypt?

- a) Cairo**
- b) Asmara
- c) Suva
- d) Berlin

185. Which among the following companies has announced to make investment in setting up India's first carbon fibre manufacturing unit to cater to aerospace and defence needs?

- a) Reliance Industries**
- b) Larsen and Toubro
- c) Tata Group
- d) Adani Group

Explanation: Reliance Industries (RIL) is investing to set up India's first carbon fibre manufacturing unit to cater to aerospace and defence needs. The company will also make low-cost and high-volume composite products like modular toilets, homes and composites for windmill blades and rotor blades.

186. Which is the home country of Roger Federer?

a) **Switzerland**

- b) Spain
- c) Germany
- d) France

187. Who is the Chairman of Banks Board Bureau India?

- a) Samarth Panwar
- b) Anuj Kumar

c) **Bhanu Pratap**

- d) Sharma Asha Latha

Explanation: Bhanu Pratap Sharma is the new Chairman of the Mumbai based Bureau. It is housed in RBI's Central Office in Mumbai. • The BBB works as step towards governance reforms in Public Sector Banks (PSBs) as recommended by P.J. Nayak Committee.

188. Where is the headquarter of NABARD?

a) **Mumbai**

- b) New Delhi
- c) Chennai
- d) Chandigarh

189. Who was elected as the new President of Colombia?

- a) Marta Lucia Ramirez
- b) Juan Manuel Santos

c) **Ivan Duque Marquez**

- d) Christiana Pedro

Explanation: Ivan Duque Marquez, the Conservative political newcomer, was elected as the President of Colombia and will assume office on August 7, 2018. • He won the 2018 presidential election by 54% of the vote on June 17, 2018 • Conservative Ivan Duque has been elected as the new President of Colombia. Duque, who will turn 42 just before taking office on 8 August will be Colombia's youngest ever president.

190. Kaiga Generating Systems was set up in which state?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Kerala

c) **Karnataka**

- d) Andhra

Explanation: The 220 MW Unit-1 of Karnataka's Kaiga Generating Systems (KGS- 1) set a new record of the continuous operation of 766 days, surpassing the earlier record of 765 days set by the Unit-5 of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS-5) in 2014. • With this achievement, KGS-1 stands second in the world among the Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors (PHWRs) and fourth among all nuclear power reactors in terms of continuous operation.

191. Recently US Scientists has unveiled world's most powerful and smartest scientific supercomputer named _____ with computing capacity of 200,000 trillion calculations per second.

- a) Crown

b) Apex

c) Summit

d) Vertex

Explanation: US scientists have unveiled the world's most powerful and smartest scientific called Summit that can complete over 200,000 trillion calculations per second. The supercomputer will be eight times more powerful than its previous top-ranked system, Titan – providing unprecedented computing power for research in energy, advanced materials and artificial intelligence (AI).

192. The International Conference on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) 2018 was held in which country?

a) Nepal

b) India

c) Sri Lanka

d) Malaysia

Explanation: The two-day international Information and Communication Technology (ICT) 2018 conference concluded in Nepal on June 18. The event was organised by the Federation of Computer Association Nepal under the theme “Sustainable Development Goals for Smart Society”.

193. Who among the following has won the 2018 Stuttgart Open Cup?

a) Nick Kyrgios

b) David Belyavskiy

c) Roger Federer

d) Milos Raonic

Explanation: Roger Federer claimed his 98th ATP title and re-established his unrivaled superiority on grass with a 6-4, 7-6 (7/3) victory over Milos Raonic in the Stuttgart Cup final. The top-seeded Swiss beat his Canadian opponent for the 11th time in 14 meetings while winning a first Stuttgart title.

194. Who among the following has clinched the men's single title in the 2018 All India Senior Ranking Tournament?

a) Dhruv Kapila

b) Sourabh Verma

c) Shlok Ramachandran

d) Pratul Joshi

Explanation: 2016 Chinese Taipei Masters winner Sourabh Verma registered a stunning comeback victory over top seeded Pratul Joshi to win men's single competition in the All India Senior Ranking Tournament.

195. Bogota is the capital of which country?

a) Macedonia

b) Greece

c) Colombia

d) Serbia

Explanation: Currency: Colombian peso

196. Who among the following has been ranked as the richest man in the world according to the 2018 Forbes World's Billionaires List?

a) **Jeff Bezos**

b) Bill Gates

c) Sergey Brin

d) Mark Zuckerber

Explanation: According to Forbes World's Billionaires list released on 18 June, Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos has become the richest man in the world with a net wealth of \$141.9 billion. Bezos' wealth has grown more than USD 5 billion since June 1 to beat Bill Gates, the principal founder of Microsoft Corporation, who is the second-richest man in the world with USD 92.9 billion. Warren Buffet, one of the most successful investors in the world, trailed in the third place with a total of wealth of USD 82.2 billion.

197. Indian Railways has set the target to become "net zero" carbon emitter by which year?

a) 2025

b) 2040

c) **2030**

d) 2035

Explanation: According to a statement by Railways Minister Piyush Goyal, the Indian Railways will become a "net zero" carbon emitter by 2030 through the current action plans on anvil for 100 percent electrification of its network, coupled with renewable strategies.

198. Sandeep Bakhshi has recently been appointed as the Wholetime Director and

Chief Operating Officer (COO) of which bank?

a) HDFC Bank

b) Yes Bank

c) Axis Bank

d) **ICICI Bank**

Explanation: The ICICI Bank board has appointed ICICI Prudential Life Insurance CEO Sandeep Bakhshi as whole-time director and chief operating officer (COO), creating a new top position at India's second largest private bank, to steer all its businesses. • Chanda Kochhar, ICICI Bank's managing director and CEO will remain on leave until a committee investigating allegations of impropriety completes its work. • Mr Bakhshi will continue as non-executive director of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance. N.S. Kannan has been appointed as CEO of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance for five years.

199. The IRDAI is headquartered at _____

a) New Delhi

b) Hyderabad

c) Mumbai

d) Kolkata

Explanation: The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India is an autonomous, statutory body tasked with regulating and promoting the insurance and re-insurance industries in India.

200. Name the tech giant which has acquired classroom learning video platform Flipgrid?

- a) Apple
- b) Google
- c) Facebook

d) Microsoft

Explanation: Microsoft has acquired Flipgrid, a popular video platform used by more than 20 million teachers and students worldwide, for an undisclosed amount. As part of its attempt to win over students and educators, Microsoft will make Flipgrid free to the 20 million educators, students and parents already using the software and free to anyone else who decides to join the video- discussion and social-learning platform.

201. The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) was set up in which year?

- a) 1985
- b) 1990
- c) 1981

d) 1988

Explanation: The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) is a trade association of Indian Information Technology (IT) and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry. Established in 1988, NASSCOM is a non-profit organisation. NASSCOM is headquartered in New Delhi, India, with regional offices in the cities of Bengaluru,

Chennai, Hyderabad, Kochi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Pune and Thiruvananthapuram.

202. China has unveiled a new Earth observation satellite named _____ which will be used basically for agricultural resources research and disaster monitoring.

- a) Gaofen-4
- b) Gaofen-7
- c) Gaofen-5

d) Gaofen-6

Explanation: China successfully launched a new Earth observation satellite, Gaofen-6, which will be mainly used in agricultural resources research and disaster monitoring. The satellite was launched on a Long March- 2D rocket from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China. It was the 276th mission of the Long March rocket series. A scientific experiment satellite named Luojia-1 was sent into space at the same time.

203. Which state has introduced “Sandbox” to boost Fintech Innovation in the state?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Maharashtra**
- c) Gujarat
- d) Karnataka

Explanation: The Maharashtra Government has announced the opening up of a ‘sandbox’ to boost start-ups, aiming to develop the financial capital into a fintech hub. In this sandbox, all the start-ups will be welcome who can register,

open their APIs (application programming interface) and banks can consume.

204. The DRDO recently conducted the 6th successful test firing of nuclear capable Agni-5. The long range ballistic missile is a type of _____

a) air-to-surface missile (ASM)

b) surface-to-surface missile (SSM)

c) surface-to-air missile (SAM)

d) air-to-air missile (AAM)

Explanation: India successfully test-fired its indigenously developed nuclear capable long range ballistic missile Agni-5 with a strike range of 5,000 km. The surface-to-surface missile was launched from Dr Abdul Kalam Island off the Odisha coast. This was the sixth trial of the state-of-the-art Agni-5 ballistic missile.

205. Which state has launched the mobile App messenger 'Cop Connect' for the state police?

a) Maharashtra

b) Tamil Nadu

c) Telangana

d) Kerala

Explanation: The Telangana police have launched a mobile-based messenger application named 'Cop Connect' to provide real time information to over 60,000 police officers across 31 districts in the state. 'Cop Connect' messaging App, developed by the department on the lines of WhatsApp, will support the police

department in improving quality of service delivered to public.

206. Name the Indian city which has been selected as the 100th city under the government's flagship Smart Cities Mission.

a) Imphal

b) Aizawl

c) Shillong

d) Kohima

Explanation: Shillong, the capital city of Meghalaya has been selected as 100th Smart City, to receive funding under the Centre's flagship Smart Cities Mission, after evaluating the proposal submitted by it. Till now, 99 smart cities had been selected in four rounds of competition and with Shillong's selection, the list of 100 cities has been completed under the Smart Cities Mission. The total proposed investment in the finally selected 100 cities under the Smart Cities Mission would be Rs.2,05,018 crores.

207. Name the winner of Femina Miss India 2018.

a) Meenakshi Chaudhary

b) Shreya Rao

c) Anukreethy Vas

d) Gayatri Bharadwaj

Explanation: Miss Anukreethy Vas from Tamil Nadu was declared the winner of the 55th edition of Femina Miss India 2018 pageant held at Dome, NSCI Stadium, Mumbai.

208. Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Sikkim?

- a) Bhupen Hazarika
- b) A.R. Rahman**
- c) Mohit Chauhan
- d) Arijit Singh

Explanation: Famed Indian composer and singer-songwriter A.R. Rahman has been appointed the brand ambassador of the Sikkim government for a year. As the government's brand ambassador, Rahman would keep coming to the Himalayan state from time to time and promote it.

209. Who is the author of the book titled 'Vedvigyan Alok'?

- a) Acharya Prashant
- b) Acharya Santosh Shukla
- c) Acharya Narendra Dev
- d) Acharya Agnivarat Naishthik**

Explanation: The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has received the book "Vedvigyan Alok" (Maharishi Aitareya Mahidas Praneet – Aitareya Brahmina ki Vaigyanik Vyakhya) authored by Acharya Agnivarat Naishthik. The Book Vedvigyan Alok is the scriptural verse in Vedas' prose and is divided into four broad volumes.

210. Which among the following banks has tied up with IBM and Accenture to enhance business growth and portfolio diversification using "digitisation"?

- a) Bank of Baroda**
- b) Punjab National Bank

c) Bank of India

d) United Bank of India

Explanation: The Bank of Baroda has announced its partnership with technology majors IBM and Accenture to enhance business growth and portfolio diversification using "digitisation". Under the tie up, BoB will power its state-of-the-art IT Centre of Excellence (ITCoE) and Analytics Centre of Excellence (ACoE). Using IBM's digital reinvention framework and innovation roadmap, the bank will be able to make critical strides in achieving business transformation, improving overall service delivery and creating compelling customer experiences.

211. Which state government has launched i-Hariyali app enabling the residents to order free plant saplings to promote greenery in state?

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Haryana
- c) Punjab**
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: To increase the state's green cover, the Punjab government has launched 'i-Hariyali' app that lets users order free plant saplings. The 'i-Hariyali' app under 'Mission Tandarust' can be downloaded from the app store for free. The users can book a sapling of their choice, a maximum of 25 per person, from a nearby government nursery. The app aims to inspire people to plant more saplings to save the environment from pollution.

212. World Music Day is observed on which of the following date?

- a) 11 July
- b) 8 may
- c) 22 june

d) 21 june

Explanation: World Music Day is an annual music celebration that takes place on 21 June. On Music Day the citizens of a city or country are allowed and urged to play music outside in their neighborhoods or in public spaces and parks. • The first all-day musical celebration was originated by the France.

213. Which of the following Institute has won the prime minister's Award for outstanding contribution for promotion and development of yoge for the year 2017?

- a) The yoge Institute,Mumbai
- b) Ramamani Iyengar memorial yoge Institute,pune**
- c) Krishnamacharya yoge mandiram,Chennai
- d) Ashtanga Institute,Mysore

Explanation: PM's Award for Outstanding Contribution for Promotion and Development of Yoga Shri Vishwas Mandalik, Nasik and The Yoga Institute, Mumbai are the recipients of the Prime Minister's Award for outstanding contribution for promotion and development of Yoga for the year 2018. • The selection was done from among 186 nominations received under different categories. • On the occasion of the 2nd International Day of Yoga celebrations at Chandigarh on 21st June, 2016, the Hon'ble Prime Minister had announced the institution of awards for the promotion and development of Yoga. • The award for

2017 was won by Ramamani Iyengar Memorial Yoga Institute, Pune.

214. The Government has launched the second tranche of Bharat-22 exchange traded fund (ETF) to raise Rs_____ from the market.

- a) Rs 7,400 crore
- b) Rs 6,400 crore
- c) Rs 9,400 crore

d) Rs 8,400 crore

Explanation: The Finance Ministry has launched the second tranche of Bharat-22 exchange traded fund (ETF) on June 19 which will help raise up to Rs 8,400 crore from the markets. The issue was opened for anchor investors on June 19 and for other institutional and retail investors the next day. The ETF follow on offer will remain open till June 22.The investors would get a 2.5 per cent discount over the issue price.The government aims to raise Rs 6,000 crore from this round. There is also a green shoe option of Rs 2,400 crore, subject to government approval.

215. Name the Chief Economic Advisor of India who recently resigned from the post.

- a) Rajnish Kumar
- b) Bibek Debroy

c) Arvind Subramanian

- d) AS Kiran Kumar

Explanation: Chief Economic Advisor Arvind Subramanian, who succeeded the high-profile Raghuram Rajan in the Finance Ministry in 2014, has quit the government with plans to go back to the US for research and writing. Subramanian had joined as the CEA on October 16,

2014 for a period of three years after which Jaitley had requested him to continue for some more time.

216. Which bank has recently received RBI's approval to act as custodian of securities?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) Yes Bank**
- c) Axis Bank
- d) HDFC Bank

Explanation: Explanation: Yes Bank has received approval from market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) for acting as custodian of securities. Custodian of securities is a licence granted by Sebi to eligible entities allowing them to offer custodial services to financial market participants including foreign institutional investors (FIIs) and foreign portfolio investors (FPIs).

217. 19th all India Conference of Directors of Finger Prints Bureaux will be held in which of the following city?

- a) Mumbai
- b) Pune
- c) Hyderabad**
- d) Kanpur

Explanation: 19th all India Conference of Directors of Finger Prints Bureaux Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir will inaugurate the 19th all India Conference of Directors of Finger Prints Bureaux in Hyderabad. • During the two-day conference, participants will deliberate on latest Automatic Fingerprint Identification Systems (AFIS). • In the conference issues

related to administration, standard operating procedures for uniform functioning of bureaus would also be deliberated.

218. Who is the minister of state (IC) for power & Renewable Energy?

- a) R.K.Singh**
- b) Hansraj gangaram Ahir
- c) Arvind Subramanian
- d) Piyush goyal

Explanation: RK Singh inaugurates solar plant at Gurdwara Rakab Ganj Sahib India is making rapid strides in the field of renewable energy and we will overshoot the target of 175 GW renewable energy by 2022." said Shri R.K Singh, Minister of State(IC) for Power and New & Renewable Energy.

219. Which State Government has launched Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY) Scheme?

- a) Assam
- b) Gujarat**
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Bihar

Explanation: The state government of Gujarat has launched a solar power scheme for farmers named Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY) to enable them generate electricity for their captive consumption as well as sell the surplus power to the grid and earn an extra income. The pilot project of the scheme was launched by chief minister Vijay Rupani in Gandhinagar

220. The 19th All India Conference of Finger Print was held in _____?

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Kolkata
- c) Mumbai
- d) Delhi

Explanation: 19th All India Conference of Directors of Finger Print Bureaux was held in Hyderabad. The prominent recommendations concerning issue to modernize Finger Print Bureaux, creation of database for suspects, amendment of identification of prisoners act.

221. Which Ministry has received SKOCH Award?

- a) Ministry of Education
- b) Ministry of HRD
- c) Ministry of Finance
- d) **Ministry of WCD**

Explanation: Ministry of Women and Child Development receives the 'Best Performing Social Sector Ministry' SKOCH Award.

222. Who takes charge as the fourth Deputy Governor of the RBI?

- a) Viral V Acharya
- b) B P Kanungo
- c) **M.K. Jain**
- d) B P Kanungo

Explanation: Jain was the MD & CEO of IDBI Bank before being appointed as Deputy Governor for a term of three years.

223. International Widows' Day is commemorating on _____?

- a) **June 23**
- b) March 23
- c) June 24
- d) March 24

Explanation: June 23, the world is commemorating International Widows' Day as stipulated by the United Nations.

224. PM Modi inaugurates YO1, the largest nature cure centre in _____?

- a) Mongolia
- b) **U.S**
- c) U.K
- d) Australia

Explanation: YO1 is the largest nature cure center of the country, inaugurated in the Catskills area of New York state of US.

225. PM inaugurated the Mohanpura irrigation project in _____?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) **Madhya Pradesh**
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Uttar Pradesh

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Mohanpura

irrigation project in Rajgarh district of Madhya Pradesh on June 23 during his day long visit to the state. The Rs 3,866-crore project includes a dam and a canal system. It will benefit 727 villages in the state and facilitate irrigation of agricultural land in the area.

226. The headquarter of the Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL) is located in_____

a) New Delhi

b) Rourkela

c) Durgapur

d) Bokaro

Explanation: Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) is an Indian state-owned steel making company based in New Delhi, India. Shri Prakash Kumar Singh is the current Chairman of SAIL.

227. Which among the following state has introduced a new scheme to offer Rs 50 as incentives to school kids for planting a sapling every 6 months for 3 years?

a) Haryana

b) Gujarat

c) Rajasthan

d) Telanagana

Explanation: The Haryana government has decided to introduce a scheme under which an incentive of Rs 50 will be given to school children for planting trees. Under the new scheme, students from Classes 6 to 12 of both government and private schools will be given an incentive of Rs 50 each for every live tree planted by them every six months for a period of three years.

228. The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) will take place at _____

a) Beijing

b) Mumbai

c) Seoul

d) Tokyo

Explanation: The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on June 25-26 in Mumbai. The previous two AIIB annual meetings have been held in Beijing, China, in 2016 and in Jeju, South Korea, in 2017.

229. Name the newly appointed President of International Castor Oil Association (ICOA).

a) Joseph Stiglitz

b) Abhay V. Udeshi

c) Marjorie Klayman

d) Kaushik Basu

Explanation: Abhay V. Udeshi, Director at Jayant Agro Group, manufacturer of castor oil has been appointed as the new President of International Castor Oil Association (ICOA). He will be succeeding Marjorie Klayman. The ICOA is an organization whose members are involved in growing, processing, trading, marketing and/or consuming Castor Oil.

230. Which city won the cleanest city tag for the second time in a nationwide cleanliness survey by the union housing and urban affairs ministry?

a) Bhopal

b) Indore

c) Gujrat

d) Delhi

Explanation: Swachh Bharat Rankings 2018: Indore Tops Again Indore won the cleanest city tag for the second time in a row, while 19 of the 25 dirtiest cities in the country are in West Bengal, a nationwide cleanliness survey by the Union housing and urban affairs ministry has found.

231. Chief minister vasundhara raje belongs to which state of india?

a) Madhaya Pradesh

b) West Bengal

c) Kerala

d) Rajasthan

Explanation: Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje was conferred the 'Chief Minister of the award for her remarkable work in e-governance.

232. Chahbahar port is located at

a) Bangladesh

b) Iran

c) India

d) USA

Explanation: According to government statement India will make sure that Chahbahar Port in Iran becomes operational by 2019.

233. Who among the following has been made the Honorary Chairman of International Chamber of Commerce?

a) Ratan Tata

b) Sunil Bharti Mittal

c) Anil Ambani

d) Rana Kapoor

Explanation: Sunil Bharti Mittal, Founder & Chairman of Bharti Enterprises, will stepdown as the chairman of International Chamber of Commerce. He will now function as the Honorary Chairman of ICC Commencing July 1,2018.

234. Amit Kumar Saroha has bagged a gold medal at the world Para Athletics Grand Prix. Which sport does he play?

a) Volleyball

b) Basket ball

c) Cricket

d) Club Throw

Explanation: Indias Amit Kumar Saroha has clinched the gold medal in the mens club throw F51 event at the world Para Athletics Grand Prix in Tunisia.

235. Which is the first ever comic book launched by WWF – India?

a) The End of nature

b) Sharing nature with children

c) The Great Indian Nature trail with Uncle Bikky

d) Fun with Nature

Explanation: To foster love for nature & raise awareness about its protection among children, WWF India has launched its first ever comic book. The book name was

“The Great Indian Nature trail with Uncle Bikky”.

236. Which of the following states is set to become the leader in terms of International Airport after it recently got an approval for its fourth airport?

- a) Delhi
- b) Kerala**
- c) Punjab
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: Union Minister for civil Aviation Suresh Prabhu has announced the opening of the Kannur International Airport Ltd (KIAL) in September 2018. Kerala will be the state with the most number of international airports in the country.

237. The National Small Industries Corporation Limited is located at _____

- a) New Delhi**
- b) Lucknow
- c) Pune
- d) Indore

Explanation: National Small Industries Corporation Limited is a Mini Ratna PSU established by the Government of India in 1955. It falls under Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises of India. Founded: 1955. Headquarters: New Delhi. Key people: Ravindra Nath (Chairman & MD)

238. The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was founded in which year?

- a) 1980
- b) 1960**
- c) 1950
- d) 1970

Explanation: Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries is an intergovernmental organization of 15 nations as of June 2018, founded in 1960 in Baghdad by the first five members, and headquartered since 1965 in Vienna, Austria.

239. How many Managing Directors can be appointed in the State Bank of India?

- a) 4**
- b) 3
- c) 2
- d) 5

Explanation: As per the SBI Act, the bank can have four managing directors.

240. Which among the given Indian Air service provider has launched a new category of seats named Maharaja Direct for its business and first class passengers travelling on long route?

- a) Spice Jet
- b) Air India**
- c) IndiGo
- d) Vistara

Explanation: State-run carrier Air India has introduced ‘Maharaja Direct’, a new category of seats for the passengers on long-haul international flights. The

revamped Maharaja business class was launched by the Civil Aviation Minister Suresh Prabhu on June 22.

241. Who among the given made history by becoming the youngest Indian to clinch the chess Grandmaster's title?

- a) Parimarjan Negi
- b) Aravindh Chithambaram
- c) R Praggnanandhaa**
- d) Karthikeyan Murali

Explanation: In a historic event, Chennai based R Praggnanandhaa has become India's youngest and the second youngest Grandmaster in the world at 12 years, 10 months and 13 days. Sergey Karjakin of Ukraine had become the youngest Grandmaster at 12 years, seven months in 1990. Praggnanandhaa became India's youngest Grandmaster after making it to the final round at the Gredine Open in Italy to clinch his third GM.

242. Which country is the largest borrower from Asian infrastructure investment bank since the time the bank started its operations?

- a) India**
- b) China
- c) Japan
- d) Pakistan

Explanation: India is the largest borrower from Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank. With the total project portfolios of US\$4.4 Billion, India has been the largest borrower of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) lending since the time the Bank started its operations.

243. Where is the headquarters of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank?

- a) Shanghai
- b) Beijing**
- c) New delhi
- d) Moscow

244. Recently the union government has appointed Arijit basu as managing director of which bank?

- a) HDFC
- b) ICIC
- c) SBI**
- d) PNB

Explanation: Arijit Basu to be State Bank of India's new Managing Director. The government has appointed Arjit Basu as managing director of the country's largest lender State Bank of India.

245. What is the currency of Mongolia?

- a) Mongolian somoni
- b) Mongolian kip
- c) Mongolian togrog**
- d) Mongolian tenge

Explanation: Capital: Ulaanbaatar
Currency: Mongolian togrog

246. Karnataka's former Chief Minister B.S. Yeddyurappa has recommended to rename the Haj House in Bengaluru by which famous leader?

- a) Rajiv Gandhi

b) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

c) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

d) Tipu Sultan

Explanation: Former Karnataka Chief Minister B.S. Yeddyurappa has suggested to rename the Haj House in Bengaluru after former president Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. This came two days after Minority Welfare and Wakf Minister of Karnataka, Zameer Ahmad raised the issue of re-naming of the state Haj House as Tipu Sultan Haj Ghar.

247. The Indian Government has planned to make the Chabahar Port in Iran operational by which year?

a) 2018

b) 2019

c) 2020

d) 2021

Explanation: The Indian government is trying to make the Chabahar Port in Iran to become operational by 2019. Iran and India, in February 2018, signed an agreement worth \$85 million to develop Chabahar Port in south-eastern Iran.

248. Which state government has launched an urban transport scheme named 'Sutra Seva' to initiate economical bus service in the state?

a) Assam

b) Bihar

c) Haryana

d) Madhya Pradesh

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi was on a day long visit to Madhya Pradesh where he inaugurated several urban development projects at various locations across the State worth over Rs 4700 crore. Modi inaugurated the state government's urban transport scheme named 'Sutra Seva'. Initially this economical bus service-'Sutra Seva: MP Ki Apni Bus'- is being introduced in 20 selected cities of the state. The ambitious Urban Transport Scheme will connect divisional headquarters and remote areas to Bhopal. MP Ki Apni Bus – Sutra Sewa Scheme will operate with the assistance from the local bodies, state govt. and central government (AMRUT Yojana) in private partnership mode.

249. India has hiked customs duty on 29 products imported from which nation?

a) Japan

b) China

c) US

d) Russia

Explanation: In a retaliatory move to the heavy tariffs imposed by the United States on imported steel and aluminium items, India has decided to raise customs duty on 29 US products including almond, walnut and pulses. The duty hike by India would have equivalent tariff implications for the

250. Indian scientists have discovered a sub-Saturn like planet around a sun-like star. The planet was discovered using which spectrograph?

a) POLE

b) PARAS

c) RUDRA

d) INDRA

Explanation: An Indian team of scientists led by Prof Abhijit Chakraborty of Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), Ahmedabad, have discovered a sub-Saturn or super-Neptune size planet around a Sun-like star. The discovery was made by measuring the mass of the planet using the indigenously designed 'PRL Advance Radial-velocity Abu-sky Search' (PARAS) spectrograph integrated with 1.2m Telescope at PRL's Gurushikhar Observatory in Mount Abu, India.

251. Who has resigned from the post of Chief Economic Advisor of the central government?

- a) Amartya Sen
- b) Raghuram Govind Rajan
- c) Jagdish Bhagwati

d) Arvind Subramanian

Explanation: Chief Economic Advisor Arvind Subramanian resigned from his post on June 20, 2018 stating pressing family commitments as the main reason. He would be returning to the United States. Subramanian was appointed as the CEA to the finance ministry on October 16, 2014, for a period of three years. In 2017 his term was extended for a year.

252. The tri-service joint military exercise Indra-2018 will take place between India and which country?

- a) Russia**
- b) Japan
- c) Pakistan
- d) USA

Explanation: The tri-service joint military exercise Indra-2018 between India and Russia will take place at Indian military base in second half 2018. In this regard, Russian military delegation visited India to discuss logistics of the exercise.

253. B V R Subrahmanyam, has been appointed as the chief secretary of which state?

- a) Jharkhand
- b) Jammu and Kashmir**
- c) Himachal Pradesh
- d) Uttarakhand

Explanation: B V R Subramanyam appointed as Jammu and Kashmir Chief Secretary B V R Subrahmanyam, a senior IAS officer of the Chhattisgarh cadre, was appointed as the chief secretary of Jammu and Kashmir. The 55-year-old bureaucrat, who hails from Andhra Pradesh, has been appointed in place of incumbent B B Vyas.

254. Who is the CEO of Ayushman Bharat Mission?

- a) Indu Bhushan**
- b) Rajiv Kumar
- c) Hardeep Singh Puri
- d) Amitabh Kant

Explanation: The central government's ambitious public health insurance scheme 'Ayushman Bharat' would create more than 1 lakh jobs. The programme's CEO Indu Bhushan said that jobs would be created in health sector, insurance and in construction industries. The Ayushman Bharat-National Health Protection Mission (ABNHPM), aims to provide Rs 5 lakh

health cover to 100 million of India's poorest families.

255. _____ city has been awarded best city award under the Smart City Mission's award for implementation of projects in urban environment, transport and mobility and sustainable integrated development.

- a) Surat
- b) Mumbai
- c) Jaipur**
- d) Mysore

Explanation: Surat city has been awarded best city award under the Smart City Mission's award for implementation of projects in urban environment, transport and mobility and sustainable integrated development. Bhopal and Ahmedabad have been selected as joint winners under innovative idea award category. The Ministry of Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs issued the award.

256. Where was the 7th India Minerals and Metals forum inaugurated?

- a) New Delhi**
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Chattisgarh
- d) Rajasthan

Explanation: 7th India Minerals and Metals forum was inaugurated in New Delhi. The forum seeks to come up with solutions to leverage in the mining sector with the changing global scenario. The focus was on utilizing low grade minerals to reduce burden on high end minerals. The concerns on metal recycling was also

looked upon and exploration of deep seated minerals was also expressed.

257. Which train became the first train across South Central Railway to have a 'Train Captain'?

- a) Wainganga Express
- b) Tungabhadra Express
- c) Venkatadri Express**
- d) Seven Hills Express

Explanation: Venkatadri Express which started from Kacheguda towards Chittoor became the first train across South Central Railway (SCR) to have a 'Train Captain'. At least 1 train in each of the 6 divisions of the zone will have the concept of a 'Train Captain' who will be in charge of train. The captaincy is being handed over to the senior-most among the travelling ticket examiner (TTE) in the train.

258. Which country made the highest total of 250-3 in women's Twenty20 internationals?

- a) South Africa
- b) New Zealand
- c) India
- d) England**

Explanation: England made the highest total of 250-3 in women's Twenty20 internationals as they beat South Africa by 121 runs. They overtook the previous record set by New Zealand of 216-1 against South Africa a day before. Tammy Beaumont hit 116 off 52 balls and made the second fastest century off 47 balls.

259. What is the name of the mobile application launched by External Affairs Minister

Sushma Swaraj, for delivering passports to applicants?

- a) mPassport Seva
- b) Mobile Passport
- c) Online Passport Service
- d) Passport Tracking

Explanation: External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj launched Mobile Passport application on the occasion of the 6 th Passport Seva Divas on 26 June 2018 in Delhi.

260. Who is the Prime Minister of United Kingdom?

- a) Enda Kenny
- b) **Theresa May**
- c) Malcolm Tumbull
- d) Mark Rutte

Explanation: Britains Queen Elizabeth granted royal assent to prime Minister Theresa May's Brexit legislation on 26 th June. The debate over the legislation will formally end the country's European Union Membership.

261. Who has been appointed as Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs?

- a) Ravindra Prabhakar Marathe
- b) **S Ramesh**
- c) Sunil Mehta
- d) Rajkiran Rai

Explanation: S Ramesh has appointed as chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) the apex policy making body for indirect taxes. Ramesh an officer of the Indian Revenue Service has mandated with the the responsibility of implementing the Goods & Services Taxes(GST).

262. Saudi Arabia and UAE are jointly setting up world's largest integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex in which Indian state?

- a) **Maharashtra**
- b) Gujarat
- c) West Bengal
- d) Karnataka

Explanation: Saudi Aramco and the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to jointly develop and build an integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex at Ratnagiri in Maharashtra.

263. Name the Indian sports star to clinch the maiden individual Gold medal in women's recurve event at the stage third of Archery World Cup in Salt Lake city of US?

- a) Bombayla Devi Laishram
- b) Laxmirani Majhi
- c) **Deepika Kumari**
- d) Dola Banerjee

Explanation: Indian Archer Deepika Kumari won her first individual gold medal in six years at stage three of the Archery World Cup in Salt Lake city of US following a 7-3 win over Germany's

Michelle Kroppen in the recurve event final. With this win, the four-time World Cup final silver medalist has automatically qualified for the Archery World Cup Final to be held in Samsun of Turkey later this year.

264. Who among the following is the first Indian American Woman to Serve in a Cabinet – Level Position in any US Presidential Administration?

- a) **Niki Haley**
- b) Pramila Jayapal
- c) Kamala Haris
- d) Lathika Mary Thomas

Explanation: US Ambassador to the UN Niki Haley is on a 2 day visit to India. Haley will meet Senior Indian Government officials NGO leaders & the interfaith community to underscore the United States Shared Values & a strong alliance with the people of India.

265. Who among the following has/have won the 2018 World Food Prize? 1. Lawrence Haddad 2. Anthony Bourdain 3. David Nabarro

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) **Only 1 & 3**
- d) Only 3

Explanation: Lawrence Haddad & David Nabarro win 2018 world food Prize. The World food prize was created by Nobel Peace Prize Laurette Norman Borlaug in 1986 to recognize Scientists & other who have improved the Quality & Availability of food.

266. What is the currency of Luxembourg?

- a) **Euro**
- b) Pound
- c) Peso
- d) Dollar

Explanation: Capital: Luxembourg City
Currency: Euro

267. When is the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking observed?

- a) June 24
- b) June 25
- c) June 27

d) June 26

Explanation: The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed annually on 26 June, since 1989. The day is an effort of the United Nations aimed at strengthening action and spreading awareness about drug abuse and illegal drug trade in the world.

268. Recently, PM Modi has approved to set up a committee for laying the standards for metro rail systems in India. The committee will be headed by_____

- a) M. S. Gill
- b) T. N. Seshan
- c) **E Sreedharan**
- d) G. Madhavan Nair

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved a proposal to set up a committee to lay down standards for metro

rail systems in the country. The committee will be headed by E Sreedharan, also known as the “Metro Man”. A retired Indian Engineering Service (IES) officer, Sreedharan has served as the managing director of Delhi Metro from 1995 to 2012.

269. Where is the headquarters of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) located?

- a) Hyderabad
- b) New Delhi
- c) Bangalore**
- d) Chennai

Explanation: Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is an Indian state-owned aerospace and defence company headquartered in Bangalore, India. It is governed under the management of the Indian Ministry of Defence.

270. What does UNESCO stand for?

- a) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization**
- b) United Nations Educational, Society and Cultural Organization
- c) United Nations Educational, Specific and Children Organization
- d) United Nations Emergency, Scientific and Coordination Organization

Explanation: The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations (UN) based in Paris.

271. Who has been crowned as India’s first Tribal Queen?

- a) Panchami Majhi
- b) Pallavi Darua**
- c) Meghna Mishra
- d) Kriti Mishra

Explanation: Pallavi Darua crowned as India's first 'Tribal Queen' Pallavi Durua, who belongs to Odisha's Koraput district, was crowned as the first Tribal Queen at the Adi Rani Kalinga Tribal Queen competition held at Utkal Mandap. • Panchami Majhi of Titlagarh and Rashmirekha Hansdah of Mayurbhanj were declared as the first and second runners-up of the beauty pageant respectively. • The prime objective of the event was to promote tribal art and culture

272. Who has been awarded best Actor in a leading in international Indian Film Academy (IIFA)2018?

- a) Nawazuddin Siddiqui
- b) Rajkumar Rao
- c) Irfan Khan**
- d) Ranbir Kapoor

273. Which state has made its mandatory for all government offices to make use of LED Bulbs and tube lights with the deadline for replacement set to August 15?

- a) Haryana**
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Bihar
- d) Madhya Pradesh

Explanation: The state government of Haryana has made the use of LED bulbs

and tube lights mandatory in all offices under the Haryana government. As per the directions of Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, all administrative secretaries, head of departments and managing directors of boards, corporations and public undertakings have been directed to replace all inefficient sodium bulbs and tubelights with LED lamps or tube lights latest by August 15. The initiative aims to ensure substantial energy savings and also cut down on greenhouse gas emissions.

274. According to the 2018 survey by Thomson Reuters Foundation, which country has been ranked as the world's most dangerous country for women?

- a) Pakistan
- b) United States
- c) Pakistan

d) India

Explanation: Based upon the report of a survey of global experts by the Thomson Reuters Foundation, India has been ranked as the most dangerous country for women in the world due to the high risk of sexual violence and being forced into slave labour. War-torn Afghanistan and Syria ranked second and third followed by Somalia and Saudi Arabia. The only Western nation in the top 10 was the United States, which ranked joint third.

275. Who among the following has been appointed as the brand ambassador of i steel TMT bars?

- a) Vikas Thakur
- b) Katulu Ravi Kumar

c) Sathish Kumar Sivalingam

d) Deepak Lather

Explanation: Commonwealth gold medal-winning weightlifter Sathish Kumar Sivalingam is the first Indian weightlifter to become brand ambassador for a product/service. Sivalingam has been roped in by "i steel TMT bars" as he represents the core attributes of i steel brand strength and flexibility.

276. What is the theme of the 2018 International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking?

- a) Listen People
- b) Listen with Peace
- c) Listen To Live

d) Listen First

Explanation: The theme for 2018 International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is "Listen First: Listening to Children and Youth is the first step to help them grow healthy and safe".

277. Who is the Chairman of the 'Committee for Evolution of the New Education Policy'?

- a) Shri T.S.R. Subramaniam**
- b) Smt. Shailaja Chandra
- c) Shri Sevaram Sharma
- d) Prof. J. S. Rajpute

278. Al Maktoum International Airport is located in which country?

- a) UAE**
- b) Indonesia
- c) Singapore

d) Bahrain

Explanation: Al Maktoum International Airport is an international airport in Jebel Ali, 37 kilometres southwest of Dubai, United Arab Emirates that opened on 27 June 2010.

279. According to a Report what is the rank of india in cyber Attacks Globally?

a) 10 th

b) 4 th

c) 6 th

d) 8 th

Explanation: India ranked fourth in the list of top 10 target countries for Web Application Attacks as bot- driven abuse and distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks continued to rise from November 2017 till April this year, Cloud delivery network provider Akamai Technologies said. • Registering over 2.8 crore attacks, India also ranked eighth globally in the list of Web Application Attack source countries. • Russia, China and Indonesia occupied top three spots.

280. Sagarmala project is related to which of the following ministry?

a) Ministry of Rural Development

b) Ministry of Road Transport and Highway

c) Ministry of Shipping

d) Ministry of Environment ,Forest and Climate Change

Explanation: ‘Sagarmala’ receives Gold Award at the 52nd Skoch Summit 2018 The Ministry of Shipping’s flagship

programme for port-led-prosperity ‘Sagarmala’ received the ‘Gold Award’ in infrastructure sector in the recently concluded 52nd Skoch Summit 2018 in New Delhi, recognizing the programmes’ contribution to India’s socio- economic transformation and it’s role in propelling fast-track growth and infrastructure development.

281. Who among the following is the winner of world food prize 2018?

a) Dr.David Nabarro

b) Dr. Akinwumi Adesina

c) Dr.Jan Low

d) Dr.maria Andrade

282. Who is the union Minister of Health and Family welfare?

a) Thaawar Chand Gehlot

b) Ravi Shankar Prasad

c) Ananthkumar

d) J P Nadda

283. The world’s largest vertical farming facility is being set up in which country?

a) United Kingdom

b) United Arab Emirates (UAE)

c) Switzerland

d) France

Explanation: The United Arab Emirates (UAE) based carrier Emirates Airline has launched a joint project with US Crop One Holdings to build the world’s largest vertical farming facility near Dubai’s Al

Maktoum International Airport. The flight catering division of Emirates, Emirates Flight Catering (EKFC) and leading global vertical farm operator Crop One will co-invest \$40 million in the project.

284. Name the city which has been ranked as the world's costliest city to live in for expatriates according to 2018 Cost of Living Survey by Mercer.

- a) Singapore
- b) Tokyo
- c) Hong Kong**
- d) New York

Explanation: Hong Kong is ranked as the world's costliest city to live in for expatriates, followed by Tokyo, Zurich, Singapore, and Seoul.

285. The 58th National Interstate Senior Athletics Competition has been organised in which Indian city?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Guwahati**
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Gandhinagar

Explanation: The 58th National Interstate Senior Athletics kicked off at Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in Guwahati on June 27. Over 800 players from 29 states will be participating in the event to be held in a total of 42 categories. The Indian athletics team for the upcoming Asian Games to be held at Jakarta will be selected from this meet.

286. The Union Cabinet has approved to increase the age limit of receiving pension for

doctors in Bhopal Memorial Hospital and Research Centre to _____ years

- a) 67
- b) 60
- c) 62
- d) 65**

Explanation: The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal of Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to increase the age of receiving pension of general duty medical officers, specialist grade doctors and teaching medical faculty working in Bhopal Memorial Hospital and Research Centre (BMHRC) to 65 years.

287. How much amount of Flood relief package has been sanctioned by the Indian government to Assam?

- a) Rs 280 crore
- b) Rs 300 crore
- c) Rs 340 crore**
- d) Rs 250 crore

Explanation: The Central Government has released Rs 340 crore assistance for flood relief work in Assam. Out of the sanctioned amount, Rs. 101 crore has been released by the Ministry of State for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), while the remaining Rs 239 crore rupees was given by the Home Ministry under the State Disaster Relief Fund.

288. 4 th National Review & Consultation on Swachh Iconic places conference held in which of the following city?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Hyderabad**
- d) Chennai

Explanation: The 4th National Review and Consultation on Swachh Iconic Places has begun in Hyderabad to review the progress relating to maintenance and cleanliness of Iconic Places. • Inaugurating the two-day consultation and review, Director General Special projects under the Ministry of Drinking Water Supply, Akshay Rout underlined the need for better coordination between local and state Governments in implementing SIP Strategies.

289. The Wildlife Institute of India is located in which state?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Uttarakhand**
- c) Odisha
- d) Karnataka

Explanation: The Wildlife Institute of India is an autonomous institution in Dehradun under the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate change, Government of India.

290. The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) is headquartered at_____

- a) Berlin, Germany
- b) Beijing, China
- c) Singapore

d) The Hague, Netherlands

Explanation: The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons is an intergovernmental organisation and the implementing body for the Chemical Weapons Convention, which entered into force on 29 April 1997. Headquarters: The Hague, Netherlands CEO: Ahmet Üzümcü

291. Name the incumbent Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

- a) Jagat Prakash Nadda
- b) Harsh Vardhan**
- c) Rao Inderjit Singh
- d) Prakash Javadekar

Explanation: Dr. Harsh Vardhan is the incumbent minister at Ministry of Science & Technology (India), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Ministry of Earth Sciences.

292. Which among the following European nation has been adjudged as World's best country for traffic safety having lowest traffic accidents?

- a) Iceland
- b) Switzerland
- c) Norway**
- d) Netherlands

Explanation: According to a report from organization European Transport Safety Council (ETSC), Norway observes the lowest rate of traffic accidents in the world, leaving behind other European countries. Norway accounts for 20 deaths

per one million inhabitants which is the lowest death rate in traffic since cars became common way of transportation in the post-war era. Sweden also has quite low rate of 25 fatalities, and both Britain and Switzerland have 27 fatalities per one million inhabitants. The report said that with the exception of some micro-states and small island states, no country outside of Europe has reported as low death rates as Norway.

293. What is the new national record in the women's 100m race?

- a) 11.30 Seconds
- b) 11.29 Seconds**
- c) 11.31 Seconds
- d) 11.32 Seconds

Explanation: Odisha's Dutee Chand set a new national record in the women's 100-metre race when she clocked 11.29 seconds at the 58th National Inter-State Senior Athletics Championships being held at Guwahati, Assam.

294. Who is the Minister of Shipping and Water resources?

- a) Rajnath Singh
- b) Arun Jaitley
- c) Nitin Gadkari**
- d) Ravishankar Prasad

Explanation: Nitin Jairam Gadkari is an Indian politician and the current Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development

& Ganga Rejuvenation in the Government of India. Gadkari earlier served as the President of the Bharatiya Janata Party from 2010-2013.

295. Which country unveiled 'Hello Kitty' themed bullet train, to boost local economy and tourism?

- a) Japan**
- b) China
- c) Germany
- d) Russia

Explanation: Japan unveils 'Hello Kitty' themed bullet train.

296. Which country has been placed on 'Grey list' by Financial Action Task Force (FATF)?

- a) Syria
- b) Pakistan**
- c) Iran
- d) Iraq

Explanation: Pakistan placed on 'Grey list' by Financial Action Task Force.

297. Who among the following has won Gold in 10m air pistol event at the 2018 ISSF Junior World Cup in Germany?

- a) Anmol Jain
- b) Saurabh Chaudhary**
- c) Gaurav Rana
- d) Anish Bhanwala

Explanation: 16 year old Indian shooter Saurabh Chaudhary created a new world record to win a gold medal in the 10m air pistol event at the ISSF Junior World Cup in Suhl, Germany. Saurabh who earned the eighth Gold medal for India, ended the eight-man final with a score of 243.7 after 24 shots in the ongoing International Shooting Sport Federation tournament. The other Indian in the final, Anmol Jain, fell short of the podium, finishing fourth with 199.6.

298. Which among the given flagship programme's have won the Gold Award in infrastructure sector at 52nd Skoch Summit 2018?

- a) Housing for All
- b) Sagarmala Project**
- c) Smart Cities Mission
- d) HRIDAY

Explanation: The 'Sagarmala', flagship programme of the Ministry of Shipping for port-led-prosperity has received the 'Gold Award' in infrastructure sector at 52nd Skoch Summit 2018 in New Delhi. The programme was recognized for its contribution to India's socio-economic transformation and its role in propelling fast-track growth and infrastructure development. The Sagarmala Programme also received the 'Order of Merit' at the Summit.

299. Name the Indian origin lawyer who has recently been appointed as the Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore.

- a) Gurmit Singh
- b) Dedar Singh Gill**
- c) Murli Kewalram Chanrai
- d) Kartar Singh Thakral

Explanation: An Indian-origin leading intellectual property lawyer of Singapore, Dedar Singh Gill, has been appointed as a judicial commissioner of the country's Supreme Court. Gill, 59, has been appointed by President Halimah Yacob for a period of two years beginning August 1.

300. The United Arab Emirates has proposed to set up a consulate in which city of India?

- a) Hyderabad**
- b) Mumbai
- c) Bengaluru
- d) Gujarat

Explanation: The United Arab Emirates (UAE) has proposed to set up a consulate in Hyderabad in a bid to boost the cordial relationship between Telangana and UAE. Telangana government will allocate land and provide infrastructure for the consulate. The Consulate General of the United States of America already has an office in Hyderabad at Paigah Palace in Begumpet. Countries like Turkey and the Islamic Republic Of Iran also have offices established in Hyderabad.

301. When is the Statistics Day observed in India?

- a) June 30
- b) June 27

c) June 29

d) June 28

Explanation: In recognition of the notable contributions made by Late Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis in the fields of statistics, statistical system and economic planning, Government of India in 2007, has designated June 29 as the “Statistics Day” in the category of Special Days to be celebrated every year at the National level. On the occasion, Vice President of India released a commemorative coin of Rs 125 and circulation coin of Rs 5 denomination as a mark of respect to Prof. Mahalanobis on the closing ceremony of his 125th Birth Anniversary at Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. 29th June, 2017 marked the beginning of the 125th year of birth of Prof. P.C. Mahalanobis.

302. Asia’s first Arbitration Centre specialised in intellectual property will be set up in which city?

a) New Delhi

b) Beijing

c) Tokyo

d) Jakarta

Explanation: Asia’s first Arbitration Centre specialised in intellectual property is slated to open in Tokyo in September to resolve the growing number of disputes in the region. The International Arbitration Centre in Tokyo (IACT) is set to have around a dozen arbitrators from around the world, who would try to resolve disputes within a period of one year.

303. In order to help small businesses in developing ads, Google has launched which of the following campaigns as new online ad tool?

a) Solution

b) Superior

c) Simple

d) Smart

Explanation: In a bid to help small businesses connect with relevant customers online, Google has unveiled “Smart” campaigns. Smart campaign will allow small businesses to create ads in minutes. The tech giant has also changed the name of its lineup of ad products “Google AdWords” which will now be known as “Google Ads”.

304. Which city has been ranked at top spot in the list of “Smart Cities” in the Middle East and Africa region?

a) Cape Town

b) Dubai

c) Abu Dhabi

d) Cairo

Explanation: Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), has topped the list of “smart cities” in the Middle East and Africa, according to a report by McKinsey Global Institute titled “Smart Cities: Digital Solutions for a More Livable Future”. The report covering 50 international cities views how cities all over the world use technology to improve the quality of life. With a rating of 18.4,

Abu Dhabi ranked the first in the region ahead of Dubai, which was placed the second with a rating of 17.3.

305. Who among the following has been appointed as the President of the International Kabaddi Federation (IKF)?

a) Janardan Singh Gehlot

b) Mohammed Ali Pour

c) Yoon Yeong Hak

d) Ashok Das

Explanation: The International Kabaddi Federation (IKF) has appointed Janardan Singh Gehlot as the President of the federation for the next four years. The announcement was made during the Annual General Congress (AGC) of the IKF in Dubai on June 29.

306. NASA is set to launch world's lightest satellite named 'Jaihind-1S'. It has been developed by Indian engineering students of _____

a) Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

b) Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, Chennai

c) International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore

d) Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology, Nagpur

Explanation: Four engineering students from Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science near Chennai, Tamil Nadu have developed the world's lightest satellite 'Jaihind-1S'. The satellite

developed by first year students team headed by Harikrishnan KG will be launched by NASA in August. The 4cm 'cube' satellite 'Jaihind-1S' has been built with a 3D printed outer casing from polylactic acid (PLA) nylon material, making it lighter than a medium sized egg, at just 33.39 grams.

307. Name the mobile App launched by the Minister of Commerce & Industry Suresh Prabhu to trace missing and abandoned children in India?

a) Mission MeetAgain

b) ReUnite

c) ReJoin

d) GetTogether

Explanation: The Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu launched a mobile application "ReUnite" to trace missing and abandoned children in India. The app is multiuser where parents and citizens can upload pictures of children, and provide detailed description like name, birth mark, address, report to the police station, search and identify missing kids.

308. Which among the following companies is the only PSU to be listed among the top 25 companies in India's Great Place to Work For 2018 list?

a) Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)

b) Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL)

c) National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC)

- d) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
(BHEL)

Explanation: State owned largest power producer of India, NTPC has been ranked 25th in India's Great Place to Work for 2018. NTPC is the only PSU among top 25. NTPC which was at 38th position last year has also been recognized as the Laureates for consistently getting featured in the list for 10 years in a row. The annual Best Workplaces List of the Great Place to Work institute is considered the gold standard certification for defining, assessing and recognising great workplaces based on their people management practices.