1. Which was the first Indian state (pre-independence) to be formed on linguistic basis in 1936?
   a) Andhra Pradesh
   b) Odisha
   c) Telangana
   d) None of the above

   **Explanation:** Odisha was the first Indian state (pre-independence) to be formed on linguistic basis in 1936. Earlier, Odisha was part of Bihar.

2. Japan names new era of Naruhito as _____?
   a) Reiwa
   b) Heisei
   c) Showa
   d) Meiji

   **Explanation:** The name of the era of Japan’s soon-to-be-emperor Naruhito will be “Reiwa,” the government announced. Emperor Akihito is stepping down on April 30, in the first abdication in 200 years, bringing his era of “Heisei” to an end. The new era takes effect May 1.

3. Utkal Divas is celebrated by which State?
   a) Telangana
   b) Andhra Pradesh
   c) Odisha
   d) Chattisgarh

   **Explanation:** Odisha is celebrating 84 years of its foundation. The day is also known as ‘Utkal Divas’ to commemorate the sacrifices of people for the formation of Odisha province in 1936.

4. Ramappa temple is located at _____?
   a) Karnataka
   b) Andhra Pradesh
   c) Odisha
   d) Telangana

   **Explanation:** Telangana may get its first Unesco World Heritage Site, but it may be the Ramappa Temple at Palampet near Warangal than any of the Qutb Shahi era sites in Hyderabad.

5. NASA’s Mars Helicopter is scheduled to reach the surface of the Red Planet in February _____?
   a) 2020
   b) 2021
   c) 2022
   d) 2023

   **Explanation:** NASA’s Mars Helicopter, designed to fly in thin atmosphere and low gravity, has successfully completed flight tests and is prepared for its journey to the Red Planet scheduled to take off in 2020. The helicopter is scheduled to reach the surface of the Red Planet in February 2021.

6. Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank will merge with Bank of Baroda (BoB) to create the _____ largest lender of the country?
   a) First
   b) Second
   c) Third
   d) Fourth

   **Explanation:** Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank will merge with Bank of Baroda (BoB) to create the third-largest lender of the country after State Bank of India and HDFC Bank.

7. Who won the Bahrain Grand Prix?
   a) Lewis Hamilton
   b) Valtteri Bottas
   c) Charles Leclerc
   d) Sebastian Vettel
Explaination: Five times world champion Lewis Hamilton won the Bahrain Grand Prix for Mercedes. Valtteri Bottas took second place.

8. Rural Development Ministry to revise the wages under the MGNREGA scheme from ________
   a) April 1
   a. May 1
   b) June 1
   c) July 1

Explaination: Election Commission has approved a request of the Rural Development Ministry to revise the wages under the MGNREGA scheme from April 1. The wages paid under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) are linked with the Consumer Price Index for agricultural labourers (CPI-AL) and new wage rates are notified on April 1, the beginning of the new financial year.

Current Affairs Quiz April 02, 2019

1. US suspends participation of which Country in F-35 fighter jet program?
   a) Saudi Arabia
   b) Russia
   c) Turkey
   d) China

Explaination: The US has suspend the participation of its ally Turkey in the F-35 stealth fighter jet programme after Ankara decided to buy Russian S-400 air defence system.

2. Which Social Media launched ‘tipline’ in India using which citizens can submit possible rumours and misinformation for verification?
   a) Twitter
   b) Whatsapp
   c) Facebook
   d) Instagram

Explaination: Whatsapp launched a ‘tipline’ in India using which citizens can submit possible rumours and misinformation for verification, ahead of the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

3. As compared to February, 2018 the combined Index of Eight Core Industries in February, 2019 has increased at what percent?
   a) 2.1
   b) 2.0
   c) 1.9
   d) 1.8

Explaination: The combined Index of Eight Core Industries stood at 125.8 in February, 2019, which was 2.1 percent higher as compared to the index of February, 2018. Its cumulative growth during April to February, 2018-19 was 4.3 percent.

4. Which month GST Revenue collection recorded Highest Collections since introduction of GST?
   a) January, 2019
   b) February, 2019
   c) March, 2019
   d) December, 2018

Explaination: Total Gross GST revenue collected in the month of March, 2019 is 1,06,577 crore of which CGST is Rs. 20,353 crore, SGST is Rs.27,520 crore. The total number of GSTR 3B Returns filed for the month of February up to 31st March, 2019 is 75.95 lakh. The collection during March, 2019 has been the highest since introduction of GST. The revenue during March, 2019 is a growth of 15.6%
over the revenue in the same month last year.

5. National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) is the largest producer of which ore in the country?  
   a) Bauxite  
   b) Copper  
   c) Chromite  
   d) Iron

Explanation: National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC), the largest producer of iron ore in the country, has once again surpassed the 30 million tonnes figure of production and sales for the year 2018-19 for the 3rd year consecutively.

6. MOIL Limited is the largest producer of which ore in the country?  
   a) Iron  
   b) Copper  
   c) Manganese  
   d) Bauxite

Explanation: MOIL Limited, the largest producer of manganese ore in the country and a Mini Ratna Schedule-A CPSE under the administrative control of the Ministry of Steel, has achieved the highest-ever turnover of Rs. 1440 crores during financial year 2018-19, registering a growth of 9% over the previous year.

7. AUSINDEX-19 is a Bilateral Maritime Exercise between Royal Australian and which Navy?  
   a) UK  
   b) France  
   c) USA  
   d) India

Explanation: Third Edition of Bilateral Maritime Exercise between Royal Australian and Indian Navies – AUSINDEX-19 set to begin with a Durance-class multi-product replenishment oiler at Visakhapatnam on 02 April 19.

8. The 4th Meeting of India-Ukraine Working Group on Trade and Economic Cooperation (IU-WGTEC) was held in _______?  
   a) Kiev  
   b) New Delhi  
   c) Lviv  
   d) Mumbai

Explanation: The 4th Meeting of India-Ukraine Working Group on Trade and Economic Cooperation (IU-WGTEC) was held on April 02, 2019 in New Delhi.

Current Affairs Quiz April 03, 2019

1. In India air pollution is the ____ highest cause of death among all health risks.  
   a) 1st  
   b) 2nd  
   c) 3rd  
   d) 4th

Explanation: According to a new global study, State of Global Air 2019 (SOAGA2019) published by Health Effects Institute (HEI), outdoor and indoor air pollution contributed to over 1.2 million deaths in India in 2017. In India air pollution is the 3rd highest cause of death among all health risks.

2. Mathikettan Shola National Park is located in ______?  
   a) Tamil Nadu  
   b) Kerala  
   c) Karnataka  
   d) Andaman & Nicobar Islands
Explanations:

3. Who appointed as the Chairperson of the five-member Tamil Nadu Lokayukta?
   a) M. Rajaram
   b) R. Krishnamoorthy
   c) K. Jayabalan
   d) P. Devadass

   Explanation: The Governor has appointed retired High Court judge P. Devadass as the chairperson of the five-member Lokayukta. Former district judges K. Jayabalan and R. Krishnamoorthy are the two judicial members and retired IAS officer M. Rajaram and advocate K. Arumugam are the two non-judicial members of the anti-corruption body.

4. Lori Lightfoot became the First African-American woman Mayor of which city?
   a) Miami
   b) Chicago
   c) Los Angeles
   d) San Francisco

   Explanation: In a historic first, a gay African American woman Lori Lightfoot, a 56-year-old former federal prosecutor and practicing lawyer was elected mayor of Chicago, America’s third largest city.

5. Raymond Realty is a new division setup for which sector?
   a) Food processing
   b) Construction
   c) Mining
   d) Real estate

   Explanation: Textile major Raymond Group has decided to foray into the real estate development business by developing its Thane land with expected revenues of 3,500 crore in the next five years. The company has set up a new division called Raymond Realty for its maiden venture into the real estate sector.

6. Under Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program which Country has approved the sale of 24 MH-60R multi-mission helicopters to India?
   a) USA
   b) UK
   c) France
   d) Israel

   Explanation: The U.S Department of State has approved the sale of 24 MH-60R multi-mission helicopters to India under its Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program. The value of the potential is $2.6 billion.

7. Which is the first nation to name its Cricket World Cup Team list?
   a) Australia
   b) New Zealand
   c) India
   d) South Africa

   Explanation: New Zealand is the first nation to name its World Cup lineup.

8. India- Africa Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development (IAIARD) to be set up at __________?
   a) Burundi
   b) Lesotho
   c) Malawi
   d) Zambia

   Explanation: India has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Bank for Agriculture and
Rural Development Consultancy Service (NABCONS) for setting up the India-Africa Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development (IAIARD) in Malawi.

Current Affairs Quiz April 04, 2019

1. Indian youngster Alan Solaman selected to play for Homeless World Cup in Cardiff belongs to which State?
   a) Tamil Nadu
   b) Karnataka
   c) Andhra Pradesh
   d) Kerala

   **Explanation:** 20-year-old Alan Solaman K.J. was selected as one of the eight players to represent the country in the 17th edition of the Homeless World Cup, a four-a-side tournament, at the iconic Bute Park in the Welsh capital of Cardiff on July 27.

2. Which Court Directs Central government to ban Tik Tok?
   a) Delhi High Court
   b) Bombay High Court
   c) Madras High Court
   d) Allahabad High Court

   **Explanation:** Madras High Court Directs the Central Government to ban Chinese video app Tik Tok. The order also directs the media from telecasting videos made using the app.

3. Which Country launched the World’s first 5G network?
   a) USA
   b) South Korea
   c) China
   d) Japan

   **Explanation:** South Korea is become the first providers of the super-fast wireless technology by launched the world’s first nationwide 5G mobile networks on April 03, 11PM. Three top telecom providers—SK Telecom, KT, and LG Uplus—began their 5G services at South Korea.

4. Who inaugurated the GRIDTECH 2019 exhibition?
   a) The Vice President of India
   b) The President of India
   c) The Prime Minister of India
   d) The Home Minister of India

   **Explanation:** The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the GRIDTECH 2019 exhibition. GRIDTECH 2019 is an International Exhibition and Conference, organized by the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited to deliberate on new technologies in transformation, distribution, renewable integration, Smart Grid Communication.

5. RBI reduces key lending rate by ____ bps?
   a) 10
   b) 15
   c) 20
   d) 25

   **Explanation:** The central bank has maintained ‘Neutral’ stance on the monetary policy by reduced the benchmark lending rate by 0.25 percentage points to 6 per cent. Next monetary policy statement on June 6.

6. Indian Army patrol discovers wreckage of World War II - US aircraft in which State?
   a) Nagaland
   b) Arunachal Pradesh
   c) Mizoram
   d) Meghalaya

   **Explanation:** A 12 member Indian Army patrol along with a police representative recovered wreckage of a World War II
vintage US Air Force aircraft in Roing district of Arunachal Pradesh.

7. Which Country honoured Prime Minister Narendra Modi with the prestigious Zayed Medal?
   a) Saudi Arabia
   b) UAE
   c) Malaysia
   d) Qatar

**Explanation:** The United Arab Emirates (UAE) honoured Prime Minister Narendra Modi with the prestigious Zayed Medal for giving a “big boost” to bilateral strategic ties between the two countries. UAE President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan conferred the award on Mr. Modi.

8. Project -75 related with which defence sector?
   a) Indian Navy
   b) Indian Air Force
   c) Indian Army
   d) All the above

**Explanation:** The Indian Navy has initiated the process to acquire six lethal submarines under the ambitious project -75, India likely to cost over Rs. 50,000 crore.

Current Affairs Quiz April 05, 2019

1. India INX become the first Indian exchanges to sign Mou with which Country Exchange?
   a) London
   b) Moscow
   c) Shanghai
   d) Singapore

**Explanation:** BSE and India International Exchange (INX) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Moscow Exchange (MOEX) to connect investor community and companies. BSE, India INX become the first Indian exchanges to sign Mou with Moscow Exchange.

2. Who is the Chairman of the 15th Finance Commission?
   a) N. K. Singh
   b) C. Rangarajan
   c) Dr. Y. V Reddy
   d) Dr. Vijay L. Kelkar

**Explanation:** The 15th Finance Commission held a high level roundtable on ‘Fiscal Relations across levels of government’. It was moderated by Shri N. K. Singh, Chairman of the Commission. The roundtable is being organized in partnership with the World Bank, OECD and ADB.

3. India with which Country planned to establish regular consular dialogue?
   a) Maldives
   b) Australia
   c) USA
   d) Italy

**Explanation:** India and Italy have agreed to establish a regular consular dialogue. A decision to this effect was taken during 7th foreign office consultations (FOC).

4. Adichanallur site is located in which District of Tamil Nadu?
   a) Madurai
   b) Ariyalur
   c) Thoothukudi
   d) Sivagangai

**Explanation:** Carbon dating of samples excavated from the Adichanallur site in Thoothukudi district has revealed that they belonged to the period between 905 BC and 696 BC. Carbon dating report of
samples that were sent to Beta Analytic Testing Laboratory, USA.

5. **Who introduced AI-based electric motorcycle?**
   a) Ford
   b) Micromax
   c) Microsoft
   d) Google

**Explanation:** Rahul Sharma, one of the co-founders of Micromax, has introduced an Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based electric motorcycle that will hit the roads in June this year.

6. **What is the Rank of India in FIFA?**
   a) 97
   b) 104
   c) 94
   d) 101

**Explanation:** India- 101th Place, 1st Place – Belgium, 2nd Place – France, 3rd Place – Brazil

7. **World Health Day is observed on?**
   a) April 7
   b) April 5
   c) April 3
   d) April 6

**Explanation:** Ministry of Health and Family Welfare along with World Health Organization (WHO) formed a Solidarity Human Chain as part of the World Health Day (April 7) celebrations. The theme of World Health Day 2019 is Universal Health Coverage: Everyone, Everywhere.

8. **When was the National Maritime Day first celebrated?**
   a) April 5, 1919
   b) April 5, 1954
   c) April 5, 1964
   d) April 5, 1949

**Explanation:** April 5 – National Maritime Day. Hundred years ago, on this day in 1919, navigation history was created when SS Loyalty, the first ship of The Scindia Steam Navigation Company Ltd travelled to the United Kingdom. The theme of the 56th edition of the National Maritime Day is “Indian Ocean-An Ocean of opportunity”. The day was first celebrated on April 5, 1964. The National Maritime Day Award is called Varuna Award.

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**Current Affairs Quiz April 06, 2019**

1. **When was the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace day observed?**
   a) April 2
   b) March 31
   c) April 6
   d) May 20

**Explanation:** 6th April was declared the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly in 2013, and has been celebrated each year ever since 2014.

2. **Who became the first Indian to be elected as a member of FIFA Executive Council?**
   a) Praful Patel
   b) Shashank Manohar
   c) Subrata Dutta
   d) Mohammad Mushtaq Ahmed

**Explanation:** Praful Patel, president of All India Football Federation (AIFF), has become the first Indian to be elected as a member of FIFA Executive Council. Patel, serves as a senior vice president at the Asian Football confederation (AFC).

3. **Sahibabad has become ___ Free Wi-fi Station in our country?**
   a) 500th
b) 1000th  
c) 1500th  
d) 2000th  

**Explanation:** Sahibabad Station under North Railways has become the 1500th station in the country to get free wi-fi facility provided by RaiTel. Recently, Indian Railways set a record by covering 500 stations with free Wi fi in seven days.

4. Where was the New Jumping spider spotted in India?  
a) Goa  
b) Karnataka  
c) Arunachal Pradesh  
d) Kerala  

**Explanation:** A group of jumping spiders that mostly occurs in Eurasia and Africa, has been spotted for the first time in Ernakulam’s Illithodu forests by arachnologists from Kochi’s Sacred Heart College, Thevara. The team also found that the spider belonging to the genus (a taxonomic classification above species) Habrocestum is a species new to science.

5. Who appointed as the New CII President?  
a) Vikram Kirloskar  
b) Rakesh Bharti Mittal  
c) Uday Kotak  
d) T. V. Narendran  

**Explanation:** Vikram Kirloskar took charge as the new President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), He takes over from Rakesh Bharti Mittal, Vice Chairman, Bharti Enterprises.

6. Who won the ‘Comeback of the Year’ award in the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards?  
a) Dipika Pallikal  
b) Saina Nehwal  
c) P.V. Sindhu  
d) Mithali Raj  

**Explanation:** In the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards for their achievements in 2018 Saina Nehwal won the award for the ‘Comeback of the Year’ after bagging the bronze at the 2018 Asian Games.

7. Who won the ‘Male Sportsperson of the Year’ award in the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards?  
a) Ajay Thakur  
b) Kedar Jadhav  
c) Ramkumar Ramanathan  
d) Neeraj Chopra  

**Explanation:** Star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra were named male sportsperson of the year in the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards for their achievements in 2018.

8. Who won the ‘Female Sportsperson of the Year’ award in the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards?  
a) Saina Nehwal  
b) P.V. Sindhu  
c) Mithali Raj  
d) Dipika Pallikal  

**Explanation:** Olympic silver medallist P.V. Sindhu named as female sportsperson of the year in the ESPN India Multi-Sport Awards for their achievements in 2018.

9. Who selected as the new President of the World Bank?  
a) John Maynard Keynes  
b) Kristalina Georgieva  
c) Jim Yong Kim  
d) David Malpass  

**Explanation:** David Malpass, was unanimously selected as the new President of the World Bank. The World Bank’s 25-member executive board unanimously
approved Malpass, who is currently Under Secretary of Treasury for International Affairs, as the development lender’s 13th President for a five-year term beginning April 9.

Current Affairs Quiz April 07,08 2019

1. World Health Day is celebrated on April 07 from which year?
   a) 1940
   b) 1950
   c) 1960
   d) 1970

Explanation: World Health Day is used to celebrate on the 7th April from the year 1950 for making the people aware of the Health activities to fulfill their tasks accurately without any Health problem. 2019 Theme: Universal health coverage: everyone, everywhere. Slogan: “Health for All”.

2. Who selected as the next Chief of Indian Navy?
   a) Bimal Verma
   b) Sunil Lanba
   c) Robin K Dhowan
   d) Karambir Singh

Explanation: Vice Admiral Bimal Verma moved the Armed Forces Tribunal against his supersession and appointment of Vice Admiral Karambir Singh as the next Chief of Indian Navy. Vice Admiral Karambir Singh will take over as the new Navy Chief after Admiral Sunil Lanba will complete his three-year term on May 31 this year.

3. Researchers from which IIT uses bacterium to degrade aromatic compounds?
   a) Madras
   b) Kanpur
   c) Bombay
   d) Delhi

Explanation: Using a unique strain of bacterium isolated from soil contaminated with petroleum products, IIT Bombay researchers can selectively remove from the environment toxic, aromatic pollutants such as benzoate (sodium benzoate is used as a food preservative), benzyl alcohol and naphthalene.

4. The Indian Army is planning to use a modified version of the AK-____ assault rifle?
   a) 103
   b) 203
   c) 104
   d) 74

Explanation: The Indian Army is planning to use a modified version of the AK-203 assault rifle in carbine role for its troops deployed during counter-insurgency operations in Jammu and Kashmir. The AK-203 assault rifle would be manufactured at Uttar Pradesh’s amethi facility in a joint venture between the Ordnance Factory Board and Russia.

5. BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles range is planned to be increased to ______from 400 Km
   a) 1000
   b) 750
   c) 600
   d) 500

Explanation: The range of BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles, produced jointly by Russia and India, is planned to be increased to 500 km (311 miles) from 400 Km.
6. After acquisition of Bhushan steel, Tata Steel’s production grew up by what percent in FY 2019?
   a) 46
   b) 36
   c) 26
   d) 16

   **Explanation:** The Tata Steel production grew up by 46 percent year-on-year to 4.47 million tonnes, which on an annualized basis works out to 17.88 million tones.

7. World Homoeopathy Day is observed on _____?
   a) April 07
   b) April 08
   c) April 09
   d) April 10

   **Explanation:** A two day convention is being organised on 9-10th April 2019 by the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), on the occasion of the World Homoeopathy Day at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi. The World Homoeopathy Day is observed on April 10 to commemorate the birth anniversary of the founder of Homoeopathy, Dr. Christian Fredrich Samuel Hahnemann.

8. Kangla Tongbi War Memorial is located at _____?
   a) Arunachal Pradesh
   b) Nagaland
   c) Manipur
   d) Mizoram

   **Explanation:** The Platinum Jubilee of the Battle of Kangla Tongbi War was commemorated on 07 Apr 2019 by Army Ordnance Corps at Kangla Tongbi War Memorial near Imphal honouring the valiant brave hearts of Ordnance Personnel of 221 Advance Ordnance Depot who made their supreme sacrifice in the line of duty during the battle of World War-II on the night of 6/7 April 1944.

**Current Affairs Quiz April 09 2019**

1. Which city became the first city in the World to implement a special Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ)?
   a) Tokyo
   b) London
   c) Sydney
   d) New York

   **Explanation:** London became the first city in the world to implement a special Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) that would charge an entry fee for older vehicles if they do not meet the emission standards.

2. Which City opens one of the largest airports in the World?
   a) Tokyo
   b) Shanghai
   c) Moscow
   d) Istanbul

   **Explanation:** The new Istanbul Airport, which cost around $8 billion to open, is said to be able to handle 90 million passengers a year.

3. King’s Cup is related to which Sports?
   a) Golf
   b) Badminton
   c) Tennis
   d) Football

   **Explanation:** The Indian football team will be playing in the invitational King’s Cup in Thailand in June.

4. Which is the indigenously upgraded gun of the Swedish Bofors gun?
   a) Pinaka
b) Amogha  
c) Dhanush  
d) Helina  

**Explanation:** The Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) handed over the first batch of six Dhanush artillery guns to the Army. Dhanush is the indigenously upgraded gun of the Swedish Bofors gun procured in the 1980s. By the end of 2019, the indigenization level of the gun will go up to 91% (from 81%).

5. Which Country is the World’s top recipient of remittances?  
a) India  
b) China  
c) USA  
d) Russia  

**Explanation:** World Bank report coated as India retained its position as the world’s top recipient of remittances with its diaspora sending a whopping $79 billion back home in 2018. Remittances grew by more than 14% in India, where a flooding disaster in Kerala likely boosted the financial help that migrants sent to families.

6. Corallicoloid is found in ____% of corals  
a) 50  
b) 60  
c) 70  
d) 80  

**Explanation:** For the first time researchers in a recent study, have discovered a organism named “corallicoloid”, because it is found in 70% of corals, which produce chlorophyll but does not engage in photosynthesis.

7. Which institute topped the Centre’s NIRF ranking of higher education institutions?  
a) IIT Madras  
b) IISc Bengaluru  
c) IIT Delhi  
d) IIT Kanpur  

**Explanation:** President Ram Nath Kovind Announcing NIRF higher education rankings, in which The Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT-Madras) has topped the Centre’s ranking of higher education institutions, followed by the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, and IIT-Delhi.

8. Who appointed as the Indian Men’s Hockey team coach?  
a) Graham Reid  
b) Harendra Singh  
c) Sjoerd Marijne  
d) Dhanraj Pillay  

**Explanation:** Hockey India, confirmed the appointment of Graham Reid as chief coach of the India men’s hockey team. He is a former Australian field hockey player, having coaching experience of the Australian and the Netherlands national teams.

**Current Affairs Quiz April 10 2019**

1. Under which article election commission prohibits biopic sub-serving the purposes of any political entity or any individual entity connected to it?  
a) 323  
b) 324  
c) 343  
d) 243  

**Explanation:** The Election Commission of India issued an order Article 324 to prohibiting display in electronic media including cinematograph of any biopic or publicity material in the nature of
biography/hagiography sub-serving the purposes of any political entity or any individual entity connected to it.

2. Which Railway station gets gold rating for green initiative?
   a) Secunderabad
   b) Madurai
   c) Kota
   d) Tirupati

**Explanation:** The Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) has awarded gold rating to the Tirupati railway station for stood ahead in terms of passenger amenities. The IGBC-CII, in association with the Environment Directorate of the Indian Railways, has developed the green railway stations rating system to encourage adoption of green concepts to reduce its carbon footprint and enhance user experience.

3. Which Country becomes YouTube’s largest and fastest growing market?
   a) China
   b) India
   c) Russia
   d) USA

**Explanation:** With substantial growth in India’s internet coverage and data growth, the country has become YouTube’s largest and fastest growing market with 265 million Indians watching the video-sharing website every month. In the last one year, the video-sharing website’s consumption on mobile phones has increased to 85%.

4. IMF cuts global growth forecast to ____% for 2019
   a) 3.7
   b) 3.5
   c) 3.3
   d) 3.1

**Explanation:** The International Monetary Fund (IMF) lowered its global growth forecast for 2019 to 3.3 per cent from the previous level of 3.5 per cent in its latest World Economic Outlook (WEO). This is the third time in the last six months that the IMF has cut its global outlook forecast. It has also projected a decline in growth for 70 per cent of the world economy this year.

5. Which institute named most innovative private institution?
   a) Kalinga Institute Of Industrial Technology Odisha
   b) S.R.M. Institute Of Science And Technology Tamil Nadu
   c) Jss Academy Of Higher Education & Research Karnataka
   d) Vellore Institute Of Technology TamilNadu

**Explanation:** Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) has secured the top spot among private institutions in the Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA 2019) awarded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD). ARIIA is an initiative to systematically rank all major higher educational institutions and universities in India on indicators related to “Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development” amongst students and faculties.

6. Ships of the First Training Squadron (1TS) reaches Port Victoria in which Country as a part of Overseas deployment known as Sambandh?
   a) Seychelles
   b) Maldives
   c) Mauritius
   d) Madagascar
**Explanation:** Ships of the First Training Squadron (1TS) INS Tarangini, INS Sujata, INS Shardul and ICGS Sarathi entered Port Victoria, Seychelles. The First Training Squadron is currently on the last leg of its Overseas Deployment, known as Sambandh 05/18-19.

7. How long is the Prime Minister’s term in Israel?
   a) 5 years  
   b) 4 years  
   c) 3 years  
   d) 7 years  

**Explanation:** Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has won the Israeli national election, securing a record fifth term. In power since 2009, and having led the country for a total 13 years including his first term in the 1990s.

8. Which Country extends North Korea sanctions for 2 years?
   a) South Korea  
   b) USA  
   c) Japan  
   d) France  

**Explanation:** Japan has decided to extend its trade ban and other sanctions on North Korea for a further two years. The measures are part of Japan’s unilateral sanctions imposed since 2006, in response to North Korea’s nuclear tests and ballistic missile launches.

**Current Affairs Quiz April 11 2019**

1. World Reconstruction Conference (WRC) to be held in _______?
   a) Geneva  
   b) Paris  
   c) Vienna  
   d) London  

**Explanation:** The devastating 2018 floods and the rebuilding measures launched by Kerala in the grim aftermath will feature in the fourth World Reconstruction Conference (WRC) to be held in Geneva, Switzerland on May 13 and 14, 2019.

2. First ever image of a black hole revealed by National Science Foundation of which Country?
   a) Russia  
   b) China  
   c) France  
   d) USA  

**Explanation:** Astronomers from National Science Foundation unveiled the first photo of a black hole, one of the star-devouring monsters scattered throughout the Universe and obscured by impenetrable shields of gravity.

3. Kohli won the ‘Leading Cricketer of the Year’ award in Men’s Cricket for the ___ year in a row
   a) 2nd  
   b) 3rd  
   c) 4th  
   d) 5th  

**Explanation:** Kohli was named the Leading Cricketer in the World for an unprecedented third year in a row by the 2019 edition of Wisden Cricketers’ Almanack.

4. Who won the ‘Leading Cricketer of the Year’ award in Women’s Cricket?
   a) Mithali Raj  
   b) Harmanpreet Kaur  
   c) Smriti Mandhana  
   d) Jhulan Goswami  

**Explanation:** Virat Kohli and Smriti Mandhana clinching the ‘Leading
Cricketer of Year’ honours, at Wisden Cricketers’ Almanack. Kohli was named the Leading Cricketer in the World for an unprecedented third year in a row by the 2019 edition of Wisden Cricketers’ Almanack, while this is Mandhana’s first award.

5. Who was named the Leading T20 cricketer of the year?
   a) Rashid Khan
   b) Babar Azam
   c) Colin Munro
   d) Glenn Maxwell

**Explanation:** Afghanistan spinner Rashid Khan was named the Leading T20 Cricketer of the Year for the second year in a row.

6. The Naval Investiture Ceremony for 2019 held at ________?
   a) Odisha
   b) West Bengal
   c) Gujarat
   d) Mumbai

**Explanation:** The Naval Investiture Ceremony for 2019 was held at the naval helicopter base INS Shikra of Western Naval Command (WNC), Mumbai.

7. ‘CNS Trophy for Best Green Practices’ was awarded to ________?
   a) Naval Dockyard Mumbai and INS Dwarka
   b) Naval Dockyard Mumbai and INS Trishul
   c) Naval Dockyard Vizag and INS Dwarka
   d) Naval Dockyard Vizag and INS Trishul

**Explanation:** Naval Dockyard (Vizag) and INS Dwarka were awarded the ‘CNS Trophy for Best Green Practices’ for their environment friendly green initiatives.

8. Manpreet Kaur belongs to which Sports?
   a) Weightlifting
   b) Wrestling
   c) Shot putter
   d) Boxing

**Explanation:** A National Anti-Doping Agency disciplinary panel has handed a four-year suspension to Asian champion woman shot putter Manpreet Kaur for testing positive on four occasions over 84 days in 2017.
3. Which is the biggest workplace market in India and the biggest in the Asia-Pacific area?
   a) Gurgaon
   b) Bengaluru
   c) New Delhi
   d) Pune

**Explanation:** Bengaluru is the biggest workplace market in India and the biggest in the Asia-Pacific area. India’s Silicon Valley absorbed 11.6 million sqft of workplace house remaining year on a web basis in comparison to Tokyo’s 7 million, Shanghai’s 6 million, Hong Kong’s 3 million and Beijing’s 2.5 million, in keeping with estimates via belongings consultancy CBRE.

4. Who was the Viceroy of India during Jallianwala Bagh massacre?
   a) O’Dwyer
   b) Chelmsford
   c) Hardinge
   d) Minto

**Explanation:** As a part of the commemoration of the Centenary of Jallianwala Bagh massacre, Regional Outreach Bureau, Chandigarh, of the Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has put up a three-day Photo Exhibition at Jallianwala Bagh from April 11-13, 2019. It has been titled Photo Exhibition on Freedom Struggle.

5. UAE has announced which country as the Guest of Honour country at the Abu Dhabi International Book Fair, ADIBF 2019?
   a) India
   b) USA
   c) China
   d) Afghanistan

**Explanation:** UAE has announced that India will be the Guest of Honour country at the Abu Dhabi International Book Fair, ADIBF 2019, to be held from 24th to 30th of this month. The fair aims to highlight the UAE’s rich heritage, showcasing its authenticity and modernity, as well as its cultural and literary output.

6. India welcomed the participation of which Country as the partner country for the 25th edition of the CII-DST Tech Summit?
   a) Brazil
   b) Spain
   c) Bulgaria
   d) Netherlands

**Explanation:** India welcomed the participation of the Netherlands as the partner country for the 25th edition of the CII-DST Tech Summit scheduled to be held in New Delhi in October this year.

7. Who won the New Zealand PM’s Sir Edmund Hillary Fellowship?
   a) Devendra Jhajharia
   b) Mariyappan Thangavelu
   c) Deepa Malik
   d) Suyash Jadhav

**Explanation:** Rio Paralympics silver medallist Deepa Malik was named as the recipient of the New Zealand Prime Minister’s Sir Edmund Hillary Fellowship for 2019 in recognition of her “inspiring achievements”.

8. Where is the Ecuador located?
   a) North America
   b) South America
   c) Africa
   d) Asia

**Explanation:** Ecuador has suspended Julian Assange’s citizenship and accused
him and people connected to his WikiLeaks group of collaborating in attempts to destabilize the Andean nation’s government, after years of offering him shelter. Ecuador, a republic country in northwestern South America. The country is bordered by the Pacific Ocean in west, by Colombia in north and by Peru in south east and south.

Current Affairs Quiz April 13 2019

1. Where was the 64th Railway Week Function of Railway Board organized?
   a) New Delhi
   b) Mumbai
   c) Kanpur
   d) Cuttack

**Explanation:** The 64th Railway Week Function of Railway Board was organized on 12th April, 2019 in Rail Bhavan, New Delhi. Shri V.K. Yadav presented the “Best Maintained Branch” Running Efficiency Shield to Stationery and O&M Branches (jointly) of Railway Board. Merit Certificates and Cash Awards were presented to Project and ERB-V Branches of Railway Board.

2. Tamil Nadu’s first solar-powered boat to begin operations soon at _____?
   a) Salem
   b) Tirunelveli
   c) Trichy
   d) Madurai

**Explanation:** Tamil Nadu’s first solar-powered boat will soon operate at the Manimuthar Dam in Tirunelveli district. According to sources at the Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve, the boat will begin operations in the next 10 days.

3. Who appointed as the Belgium’s honorary consul in Hyderabad?
   a) A.C.Muthiah
   b) Nikki Haley
   c) G.V.Prasad
   d) Mary Kom

**Explanation:** Belgium has appointed Dr. Reddy’s Laboratories co-chairman and CEO G.V. Prasad as the honorary consul in Hyderabad. With that, Belgium also announced the commencement of operations of the honorary consulate in the city for Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.

4. Who appointed as the City Union Bank’s part-time chairman?
   a) R.Mohan
   b) S. Mahalingam
   c) Om Prakash
   d) S K Pandey

**Explanation:** The board of City Union Bank Ltd. recommended its independent director R. Mohan to be the next part-time chairman with effect from May 4. The present incumbent S. Mahalingam’s tenure ends on May 3.

5. Which Country announced its highest civilian award, the “Order of the Holy Apostle Andrew the First” to Indian Prime Minister Modi?
   a) Malaysia
   b) Russia
   c) USA
   d) UK

**Explanation:** Russia announced that President Vladimir Putin will confer its highest civilian award, the “Order of the Holy Apostle Andrew the First,” on Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his work on bilateral ties.
6. Where is the Directorate of Naval Design (Surface Ship Group)?
   a) New Delhi
   b) Mumbai
   c) Chennai
   d) Kolkata

   **Explanation:** Admiral Sunil Lanba, PVSM, AVSM, ADC the Chief of the Naval Staff, inaugurated the maiden ‘state-of-the-art’ Virtual Reality Centre (VRC) at the Directorate of Naval Design (Surface Ship Group).

7. How many Countries are there in the ASEAN?
   a) 21
   b) 10
   c) 7
   d) 13

   **Explanation:** The two sides made the affirmations at the 21st ASEAN-India Senior Officials’ Meeting (SOM) held here on April 11-12. The meeting was co-chaired by Vijay Thakur Singh, SOM Leader and Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, and Busaya Mathelin, SOM Leader.

8. Who defeated PV Sindhu in the Singapore Open semifinal?
   a) Akane Yamaguchi
   b) Tai Tzu Ying
   c) Nozomi Okuhara
   d) Saina Nehwal

   **Explanation:** Singapore PV Sindhu surrendered to former world champion Nozomi Okuhara of Japan in the women’s singles semifinals at the Singapore Open. Okuhara will face world no 1 Chinese Taipei’s Tai Tzu Ying in Singapore Open Womens Final 2019.

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**Current Affairs Quiz April 14,15 2019**

1. Indian Society of Hip and Knee Surgeons launched the Indian Joint Registry in ________?
   a) New Delhi
   b) Mumbai
   c) Kolkata
   d) Bengaluru

   **Explanation:** Indian Society of Hip and Knee Surgeons launched the Indian Joint Registry (IJR) in Bengaluru, The registry was launched by Corin Wilson, Acting British Deputy High Commissioner, at the 13th edition of the National Congress of Indian Society of Hip and Knee Surgeons (ISHKS).

2. ISRO pavilion launched at the exhibition held in ________?
   a) Bengaluru
   b) Ahmedabad
   c) Thrissur
   d) Chandipur

   **Explanation:** A model of the space suit designed for Gaganyaan astronauts and a scale model of the proposed Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) are among the big draws at this year’s Thrissur Pooram exhibition at Thekkinkad Maidan. S. Somanath, director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), inaugurated the pavilion.

3. U.S., have developed a coil loaded with antibiotics that can stay in the stomach for better ____ treatment?
   a) Cancer
   b) TB
   c) Ulcer
   d) Appendicitis
Explanations:

4. Which Country developed the World’s first drinking straws from rice?
   a) Japan
   b) China
   c) India
   d) South Korea

Explanations:

Yeonjigonji, Seoul, South Korea based company, has developed the world’s first drinking straws made from rice. Yeonjigonji’s rice straws are harder than typical plastic straws. They are made of seven parts rice flour and three parts tapioca powder.

5. ICGEB’s novel yeast strain increases ethanol production up to ____%?
   a) 15
   b) 15.5
   c) 14
   d) 14.5

Explanation: Compared with currently available strains, a robust yeast strain (Saccharomyces cerevisiae NGY10) that can produce up to 15.5% more ethanol when glucose or lignocellulose biomass is fermented has been isolated by researchers from the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, DBT-ICGEB Centre for Advanced Bioenergy Research, Delhi.

6. Scientists have discovered a unique oil eating bacteria in the ________?
   a) Mariana Trench
   b) Tonga Trench

Explanations:

Scientists have discovered a unique oil eating bacteria in the Mariana Trench, the deepest part of the earth’s oceans. In an expedition, organised by marine explorer and film director James Cameron, researchers collected samples from the trench. In the samples, they found microorganisms that eat compounds similar to those in oil and then use it for fuel.

7. World’s largest plane makes first test flight in _______?
   a) California
   b) San Francisco
   c) Florida
   d) Texas

Explanations:

The world’s largest aircraft took off over the Mojave Desert in California, the first flight for the carbon-composite plane built by Stratolaunch Systems Corp. The white airplane called Roc, which has a wingspan the length of an American football field.

8. Late Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh DFC was the first and only “_____ Star” rank officer of Indian Air Force?
   a) 7
   b) 6
   c) 5
   d) 4

Explanations:

A Half Marathon was conducted in Delhi on 14 Apr 19 to mark the 100th birth centenary of the legendary Marshal of the Indian Air Force (MIAF) Arjan Singh, Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC). Late Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh DFC was the first and
only “Five Star” rank officer of Indian Air Force.

9. Who beat the Chennaiyin FC in the final of the Hero Super Cup?
   a) FC Jamshedpur  
   b) FC Goa  
   c) FC Bengaluru  
   d) FC Mumbai  

**Explanation:** FC Goa beat Chennaiyin FC by the odd goal in three (2-1) in the final of the Hero Super Cup.

10. Who won the Singapore Open Badminton Men’s Category?
   a) Anthony Sin Ginting  
   b) Viktor Axelsen  
   c) Chou Tien Chen  
   d) Kento Momota  

**Explanation:** Japan’s Kento Momota withstood a barrage of smashes from Indonesia’s Anthony Sinisuka Ginting to rally for victory in the Singapore Open final. In the women’s final, Tai Tzu-ying claimed her second Singapore Open title victory over Japan’s Nozomi Okuhara.

**Current Affairs Quiz April 16 2019**

1. The 8th edition of Home Expo India 2019 opened at ______?
   a) Mumbai  
   b) Kolkata  
   c) Greater Noida  
   d) Bengaluru  

**Explanation:** The 8th edition of Home Expo India 2019 from April 16-18, 2019 opened at India Expo Centre and Mart, Greater Noida. The three-day exhibition has been organized by the Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH).

2. Which Country unveiled a 3D print of a heart with human tissue and vessels?
   a) USA  
   b) Russia  
   c) China  
   d) Israel  

**Explanation:** Scientists in Israel unveiled a 3D print of a heart with human tissue and vessels, calling it a first and a “major medical breakthrough” that advances possibilities for transplants.

3. India’s overall exports (Merchandise and Services combined) and imports in April-March 2018-19* exhibits ______ growth?
   a) Positive  
   b) Negative  
   c) Neutral  
   d) None of the above  

**Explanation:** India’s overall exports (Merchandise and Service s combined) in April-March 2018-19* are estimated to be USD 535.45Billion, exhibiting a positive growth of 7.97 per cent over the same period last year. Overall imports in April-March 2018-19* are estimated to be USD 631.29Billion, exhibiting a positive growth of 8.48 per cent over the same period last year.

4. SPIC’s holding firm to set up floating solar power plant at ______?
   a) Kamuthi  
   b) Muppandal  
   c) Tirunelveli  
   d) Thoothukudi  

**Explanation:** Singapore-based AM International Holdings, the holding company of SPIC and Manali Petro, has announced its foray into renewable energy by setting up a floating solar power plant.
The project is one of its kind and one of India’s first floating renewable energy initiative to optimise energy production in industrial plants.

5. As part its annual Human Exploration Rover Challenge NASA has awarded how many teams from India?
   a) 7
   b) 5
   c) 4
   d) 3

**Explanation:** NASA has awarded three teams from India as part its annual Human Exploration Rover Challenge. The team from KIET Group of Institutions in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, won the “AIAA Neil Armstrong Best Design Award”. The Mukesh Patel School of Technology Management and Engineering from Mumbai, Maharashtra, won the “Frank Joe Sexton Memorial Pit Crew Award”. A team from Lovely Professional University in Phagwara, Punjab, won the “STEM Engagement Award”.

6. Pulitzer prize is awarded for Honoring excellence in journalism and the arts since _____?
   a) 1907
   b) 1917
   c) 1927
   d) 1937

**Explanation:** Aretha Franklin received an honorary Pulitzer Prize, as judges praised the Queen of Soul “for her indelible contribution to American music and culture.”

7. “Nirbhay” is a ________?
   a) Sub-Sonic Cruise Missile
   b) Short Range Ballistic Missile
   c) Inter Continential Ballistic Missile
   d) Anti-ship Cruise Missile

**Explanation:** Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully test fired indigenously designed & developed Long Range Sub-Sonic Cruise Missile “Nirbhay” from the Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur Odisha. It is the sixth development flight trial with objective to prove the repeatability of boost phase, cruise phase using way point navigation at very low altitudes.

8. 2019 ICC Cricket World Cup to be held in _____?
   a) West Indies
   b) England
   c) Australia
   d) India

**Explanation:** Virat Kohli (Capt), Rohit Sharma (vc), Shikhar Dhawan, KL Rahul, Vijay Shankar, M.S. Dhoni (wk), Kedar Jadhav, Dinesh Karthik, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Jasprit Bumrah, Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Mohd Shami. MS Dhoni will play 4th world cup in England and Wales from May 30 to July 14.

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**Current Affairs Quiz April 17 2019**

1. World Hemophilia Day is observed on _______?
   a) April 16
   b) April 15
   c) April 17
   d) April 18

**Explanation:** World Hemophilia Day is an international awareness day for hemophilia and other bleeding disorders. It is held annually on April 17, date of the birthday of Frank Schnabel, founder of the World
Federation of Hemophilia. 2019 Theme: “Reaching Out: The First Step to Care”.

2. Who appointed as the CEO of Cairn Oil & Gas?
   a) Sudhir Mathur  
   b) Ajay Dixit  
   c) B. C. Tripathi  
   d) Sanjiv Singh  

Explanation: Cairn Oil & Gas, a vertical of Vedanta Limited, has appointed Ajay Dixit as its chief executive officer (CEO). Mr. Dixit succeeds Sudhir Mathur.

3. Who is the Additional Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister of India?
   a) Nripendra Misra  
   b) Ajit Kumar Doval  
   c) Dr. Pramod Kumar Misra  
   d) Bhaskar Khulbe  

Explanation: A one-day National Consultation on Loss and Damage, to deliberate and brainstorm on emerging perspectives on approaches to assess, minimise and address climate-related loss and damage, was hosted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in New Delhi inaugurated by Additional Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister, Dr. P. K. Mishra.

4. Which State banned the Chinese video app TikTok?
   a) Kerala  
   b) Karnataka  
   c) Tamil Nadu  
   d) Andhra Pradesh  

Explanation: The Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court had asked the Tamil Nadu government to ban TikTok. As a result, the Chinese video app TikTok is no longer available in Google and Apple app stores in India after the Madras High Court prohibited its downloads.

5. Lakes filled with liquid methane spotted on Saturn’s moon ______?
   a) Phobos  
   b) Deimos  
   c) Europa  
   d) Titan  

Explanation: Using data obtained by NASA’s Cassini spacecraft before that mission ended in 2017 with a deliberate plunge into Saturn, the scientists found that some of frigid Titan’s lakes of liquid hydrocarbons in this region are surprisingly deep while others may be shallow and seasonal.

6. Exercise SEA VIGIL was conducted by ________?
   a) Indian Navy  
   b) Indian Army  
   c) Indian Air Force  
   d) All the above  

Explanation: The debrief of Exercise Sea Vigil was held on 16 Apr 19. The debrief was chaired by Vice Admiral MS Pawar. The maiden national level Coastal Defence Exercise SEA VIGIL was conducted by Indian Navy from 22-23 Jan 19.

7. _______ Edition of Indian Navy-Vietnam Peoples’ Navy Bilateral Exercise Concludes?
   a) First  
   b) Second  
   c) Third  
   d) Fourth  

Explanation: Indian Navy undertook the second edition of the bilateral maritime exercise between Indian Navy and
Vietnam Peoples’ Navy at/ off Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam from 13 to 16 Apr 19.

8. Karakoram Pass is a mountain pass between India and ______?  
   a) Pakistan  
   b) Afghanistan  
   c) Bangladesh  
   d) China

**Explanation:** The 11 member ‘Himalayan Heights Motorcycle Expedition’ which was flagged off from Karu (Leh) on 07 April 2019 traversed the challenging terrain of Eastern Ladakh, across the Chang La pass and has reached the mighty ‘Karakoram Pass’ situated at an altitude of 18,176 feet on the Karakoram Ranges on 16 April 2019.

**Current Affairs Quiz – April 18 & 19, 2019**

1. World Heritage Day is Observed on  
   a) April 18  
   b) April 19  
   c) April 21  
   d) April 20

**Explanation:** April 18 – World Heritage Day

2. What was the Theme of World Heritage Day 2019?  
   a) Rural Landscapes  
   b) Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Tourism  
   c) Heritage for Generations  
   d) Heritage of Sports

**Explanation:** The International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) in 1982 announced, 18 April as the World Heritage Day. This was approved by General Assembly of UNESCO in 1983. 2019 Theme: Rural Landscapes

3. World No. 1 wrestler Bajrang Punia will be participated in Asian wrestling championships 2019 which will be held in China from?  
   a) April 23  
   b) April 24  
   c) April 25  
   d) April 26

**Explanation:** World No. 1 wrestler Bajrang Punia will be participated in Asian wrestling championships 2019 which will be held in China from April 23.

4. In the following which ships are going to participate in Chinese International fleet Review?  
   a) INS Kolkata & INS Vishakhapatnam  
   b) INS Chennai  
   c) INS Vikrant & INS Vishal  
   d) INS Kolkata & INS Shakti

**Explanation:** IN Ships Kolkata and Shakti are scheduled to arrive Qingdao, China on 21 Apr 19 to participate in the International Fleet Review as part of 70TH Anniversary celebrations of PLA (Navy).

5. Asian Tea Alliance launched in ________  
   a) Sri Lanka  
   b) Japan  
   c) China  
   d) None of the above

**Explanation:** The Asian Tea Alliance (ATA), a union of five tea-growing and consuming countries, was launched on Friday in Guizhou in China. The members of the alliance are the Indian Tea Association, China Tea Marketing Association, Indonesian Tea Marketing Association, Sri Lanka Tea Board and Japan Tea Association.
6. In the following Which Indian Railway Stores Service Officer takes over as Member (Materials Management) Railway Board?
   a) V.P. Pathak  
   b) N. Kashinath  
   c) Ghan Shyam Singh  
   d) Girish Pillai  

   **Explanation:** Shri V.P. Pathak, Indian Railway Stores Service Officer takes over as Member (Materials Management) Railway Board

7. Royal Enfield sets up first store in Which country?
   a) Japan  
   b) South Corea  
   c) China  
   d) Russia  

   **Explanation:** Royal Enfield announced its entry into South Korea by appointing Vintage Motors (Kiheung International) as its official distributor-partner in the country. The first flagship store in Seoul at Hannam-daero.

8. Name the Seven-year-old girl who bagged two gold in Asian Youth Chess Championship?
   a) Negi  
   b) Harika Dronavalli  
   c) Kolagatla Alana Meenakshi  
   d) Padmini Rout  

   **Explanation:** The 7th China International Technology Fair opened in Shanghai, a national-level professional fair focused on international technology trade. With an exhibition space covering 35,000 square meters, the fair has five exhibition areas including professional technologies, technological innovation, and trade services.

Current Affairs Quiz – April 20, 2019

   1. April 20 was ________
      a) World Heritage Day  
      b) World Population Day  
      c) Chinese Language Day  
      d) World Social Work Day  

      **Explanation:** The date for the Chinese day was selected from Guyu (“Rain of Millet”), which is the 6th of 24 solar terms in the traditional East Asian calendars, to pay tribute to Cangjie. Chinese was established as an official language of the United Nations in 1946.

   2. Third Ship of Project 15B Launched by whom?
      a) Birender Singh Dhanoa  
      b) Dalbir Singh  
      c) Admiral Sunil Lanba  
      d) Nick Carter  

      **Explanation:** Admiral Sunil Lanba PVSM, AVSM, ADC Chief of the Naval Staff launched the third ship of Project 15B, Guided Missile Destroyer Imphal, at Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited, Mumbai. This launch marks yet another significant milestone in the annals of the indigenous warship design and construction programme of India.

   3. 7th China International Technology Fair kicks off in________
      a) Beijing  
      b) Shanghai  
      c) Chongqing  
      d) Tianjin  

      **Explanation:** The 7th China International Technology Fair opened in Shanghai, a national-level professional fair focused on international technology trade. With an exhibition space covering 35,000 square meters, the fair has five exhibition areas including professional technologies, technological innovation, and trade services.

   4. Who inaugurated newly reconstructed Monastery at Lisankhu village in Sindhupalchok district?
      a) J. K. Rowling  
      b) Stephen King  

      **Explanation:** The 7th China International Technology Fair opened in Shanghai, a national-level professional fair focused on international technology trade. With an exhibition space covering 35,000 square meters, the fair has five exhibition areas including professional technologies, technological innovation, and trade services.
3. Name the first molecule detected in space?
   a) Nitrogen Trihydride  
   b) Helium Hydride Ion  
   c) Dinitrogen Tetrahydride  
   d) Hydrogen  

**Explanation:** Helium hydride ion, the first molecule that formed almost 14 billion years ago, was detected by NASA’s flying observatory SOFIA towards a planetary nebula. Scientists have detected the most ancient type of molecule in our universe in space for the first time ever.

5. Which Country is celebrating its first ever weed festival, the Pan Ram weed festival?
   a) Thailand  
   b) India  
   c) Russia  
   d) US  

**Explanation:** Thailand is celebrating its first ever weed festival, the Pan Ram weed festival. Thailand became the first in Southeast Asia to legalise marijuana for medical purposes in 2018, joining a growing list of governments to embrace liberalisation including Canada, Australia, Israel and more than half the US states.

6. Saudi Arabia has issued a formal order increasing the Haj quota of India to 2 lakhs from _________.
   a) 1 lakh 50 thousand  
   b) 1 lakh 25 thousand  
   c) 1 lakh 75 thousand  
   d) 1 lakh 20 thousand  

**Explanation:** Saudi Arabia has issued a formal order increasing the Haj quota of India to two lakhs from one lakh seventy five-thousand. Official sources said, the decision will ensure that all the Haj applicants from big states like Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar can embark pilgrimage this year as their waiting lists have been cleared due to the increase in quota.

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8. Alex Hales, who was named in their provisional squad for the Cricket World Cup, has taken an indefinite break from the game, and He is an ________ Cricket Player.
   a) India  
   b) England  
   c) South Korea  
   d) Russia  

**Explanation:** England batsman Alex Hales, who was named in their provisional squad for the Cricket World Cup, has taken an indefinite break from the game due to personal reasons.

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### Current Affairs Quiz – April 21 & 22, 2019

1. National Civil Services Day is Observed on _________.
   a) April 21  
   b) April 22  
   c) April 23  
   d) April 24  

2. What was the Theme of World Earth Day 2019?
   a) End Plastic Pollution  
   b) Environmental and Climate Literacy  
   c) Protect Our Species  
   d) Trees for the Earth!
3. The first edition of Naval Commanders’ Conference of 2019 is going to be held at?  
   a) Pune  
   b) New Delhi  
   c) Bangalore  
   d) Chennai  
4. In the following Which Indian Research Team directly delivers protein into cells?  
   a) Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants  
   b) Indian Institution of Science (IISc)  
   c) Physical Research Laboratory  
   d) Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute
5. Asian Athletics Championship 2019 held at?  
   a) Israel  
   b) Turkey  
   c) Egypt  
   d) Qatar  
6. Arokiya Rajiv and defending champion Muhammed Anas of Kerala entered the men’s 400m final in the 23rd Asian Athletics Championships. Arokiya Rajiv From?  
   a) Tamil Nadu  
   b) Karnataka  
   c) Maharashtra  
   d) Madhya Pradesh
7. Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale to have ‘bilateral consultations’ in ______  
   a) Zhejiang  
   b) Taiwan  
   c) Beijing  
   d) Hainan

**Explanation:** Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin created the first Earth Day, on April 22, 1970 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. United States Senator Gaylord Nelson came up with the idea for Earth Day after seeing the devastation caused by the 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill, which killed more than 3500 birds off the coast of California. The theme for Earth Day 2019 is ‘Protect Our Species’.

8. Where was the Konkani translation of Indian Constitution released?  
   a) Mangaluru  
   b) Bengalore  
   c) Mysuru  
   d) Bidar

9. Who won the women’s javelin throw silver in the 23rd Asian Athletics Championships held at Qatar?  
   a) Deepa Malik  
   b) Gurmeet Kaur  
   c) Annu Rani  
   d) None of the above

**Current Affairs Quiz – April 23, 2019**

1. World Book and Copyright Day is Observed on _______  
   a) April 23  
   b) April 24  
   c) April 25  
   d) April 26

**Explanation:** World Book and Copyright Day is a celebration to promote the enjoyment of books and reading. Each year, on 23 April, celebrations take place all over the world to recognize the scope.

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of books – a link between the past and the future, a bridge between generations and across cultures. World Book Capital for 2019: Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

2. Commercial production of mangrove red snapper (Lutjanus argentimaculatus) begins in ____________
   a) Bihar
   b) Karnataka
   c) Uttar Pradesh
   d) Andhra Pradesh

Explanation: Commercial production of mangrove red snapper (Lutjanus argentimaculatus) has begun in Krishna estuary, exploring possibilities for mass production in the brackish water aqua ponds in Andhra Pradesh. The high-valued fish has the potential to become the alternative species for Vannamei, which has been largely infected with white spot virus leading to bleak prospects for the brackish water aquaculture in recent years in Coastal Andhra Pradesh.

3. English Language Day at the UN is celebrated on 23 April, the date traditionally observed as both the birthday and date of death of ____________
   a) Charles Dickens
   b) Mark Twain
   c) William Shakespeare
   d) Oscar Wilde

Explanation: English Language Day at the UN is celebrated on 23 April, the date traditionally observed as both the birthday and date of death of William Shakespeare. The Day is the result of a 2010 initiative by the Department of Public Information, establishing language days for each of the Organization’s six official languages.

4. IT major Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has partnered with the Department of Posts to modernise over _________ Post Offices
   a) 1 lakh
   b) 1.5 lakh
   c) 2 lakh
   d) 2.5 lakh

Explanation: IT major Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has partnered with the Department of Posts to modernise the delivery of mail and packages, enhance customer experience, and launch innovative services that will drive new revenues.

5. Who has appointed as New MD for Twitter in India?
   a) Taranjeet Singh
   b) Jack Patrick Dorsey
   c) Ev Williams
   d) Manish Maheshwari

Explanation: New MD for Twitter in India – Mr. Manish Maheshwari

6. Who has appointed as special observer for Tripura?
   a) Gopal Mukherjee
   b) D.D. Goel
   c) Vinod Zutshi
   d) None of the above

Explanation: Vinod Zutshi appointed as special observer for Tripura

7. Who won Gold medal for shot put in Asian Athletic Championships?
   a) Tajinder Singh Toor
   b) Gomathi Marimuthu
   c) Shivpal Singh
   d) Jabir Madari Palliyalil

Explanation: Shot putter Tajinderpal Singh Toor and Gomathi Marimuthu clinched a gold medal each. Shivpal Singh
8. How many medals India won in Asian Athletic Championship 2019?
   a) 2
   b) 3
   c) 4
   d) 5

   **Explanation:** Shot putter Tajinderpal Singh Toor and Gomathi Marimuthu clinched a gold medal each. Shivpal Singh then won the silver in men’s javelin throw. Jabir Madari Palliyalil and Sarita Gayakwad secured the bronze medals in men’s and women’s 400m hurdles respectively.

9. The Asia Badminton Championships begins at ________
   a) Wuhan, China
   b) Shanghai, China
   c) Tianjin, China
   d) Beijing, China

   **Explanation:** The Asia Badminton Championships will begin at Wuhan in China today. India will be represented by Kidambi Srikanth and Sameer Verma in men’s singles and P.V. Sindhu and Saina Nehwal in women’s singles.

**Current Affairs Quiz – April 24, 2019**

1. April 24 was __________
   a) World Book Copyright Day
   b) World AIDS Day
   c) World Laboratory Animals Day
   d) World Cancer Day

   **Explanation:** World Day for Laboratory Animals was instituted in 1979 and World Day for Animals in Laboratories (WDAIL) which is also known as World Lab Animal Day is held every year on 24 April.

2. The world’s largest indoor waterfall at?
   a) Indra Gandhi International Airport
   b) Chhatrapathi Sivaji International Airport
   c) Chennai Internation Airport
   d) Singapore’s Changi Airport

   **Explanation:** The idea for Jewel’s indoor forest and record-breaking waterfall developed in response to Changi Airport’s request for proposals to build a facility with retail and dining, a host of travel-related amenities and some sort of attraction.

3. Who won a silver medal in Heptathlon at the Asian Athletics Championships in Doha?
   a) PU Chitra
   b) Swapna Barman
   c) Shivpal Singh
   d) Gomathi Marimuthu

   **Explanation:** Swapna Barman won a silver medal in Heptathlon at the Asian Athletics Championships in Doha.

4. India registered about 8% growth in export of leather, leather products and footwear during 2018-19 and is aiming to achieve _______to _____ growth during the current fiscal.
   a) 9 to 10
   b) 10 to 11
   c) 11 to 12
   d) 12 to 13

   **Explanation:** India registered about 8% growth in export of leather, leather products and footwear during 2018-19 and
is aiming to achieve 9% to 10% growth during the current fiscal.

5. Which bank swap auction gets bids more than thrice the notified amount?
   a) SBI
   b) BOI
   c) RBI
   d) None of the Above

   **Explanation:** The second dollar-rupee buy/sell auction also saw healthy demand with the Reserve Bank of India getting 255 bids worth $18.65 billion compared with the notified amount of $5 billion.

6. Arunachalam Muruganantham got which rank in the list of World’s 50 Greatest Leaders?
   a) 42
   b) 43
   c) 44
   d) 45

   **Explanation:** Arunachalam Muruganantham ranks 45th in list of World’s 50 Greatest Leaders

7. Which Company joins with Huawei Cloud Partner Network (HCPN) to develop new cloud solutions leveraging Huawei Cloud?
   a) Infosys
   b) TCS
   c) HCL
   d) TVS

   **Explanation:** Infosys would join the Huawei Cloud Partner Network (HCPN) and the two companies would develop new cloud solutions leveraging Huawei Cloud.

8. Who has quit the Board of Directors of grounded carrier Jet Airways?
   a) Nasim Zaidi
   b) Ajay Singh
   c) Vinay Dube
   d) Naresh Goyal

   **Explanation:** Former Chief Election Commissioner Nasim Zaidi has quit the Board of Directors of grounded carrier Jet Airways. Mr. Zaidi, who was also a former civil aviation secretary, joined the Jet Airways board in August last year as a non-executive and non-independent director.

9. Who has appointed as New Controller General of Defence Accounts?
   a) S K Kohli
   b) M J Tiwari
   c) Shri Rajendra Kumar Nayak
   d) Narendra Singh Rathore

   **Explanation:** Shri Rajendra Kumar Nayak took over as the 52nd Controller General of Defence Accounts. He was Additional Controller General of Defence Accounts, Defence Accounts Department, Ministry of Defence before taking over as the CGDA.

**Current Affairs Quiz – April 25, 2019**

1. World Malaria Day was Observed on ________
   a) April 25
   b) April 24
   c) April 26
   d) April 27

   **Explanation:** World Malaria Day was established in May 2007 by the 60th session of the World Health Assembly, WHO’s decision-making body. Prior to the establishment of WMD, Africa Malaria Day was held on April 25. The theme for World Malaria Day 2019 is ‘Zero Malaria Starts with Me’, Paris to serve as host city for World Malaria Day 2019
2. In the following Which Actor was Interviewed PM Narendra Modi?
   a) Shahrukh Khan
   b) Akshay Kumar
   c) Amitabh Bachchan
   d) Salman Khan

   **Explanation:** Famous Bollywood Star Akshay Kumar has interview Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi. The interview covered several topics including the PM’s personal life, his interests and more.

3. Who wins gold for India in 1500 m at in the Asian Athletics Championships?
   a) P.U. Chithra
   b) Gomathi Marimuthu
   c) M.R. Poovamma
   d) None of the above

   **Explanation:** U. Chitra 23-year-old from Palakkad retain her women’s 1500m gold, Ajay Kumar Saroj takes silver in the men’s 1500m in the Asian Athletics Championships. Dutee finished with a bronze and Prachi, M.R. Poovamma, Saritaben Gayakwad and V.K. Vismaya, won the women’s 4x400m relay silver.

4. Who won silver in the men’s 1500m in the Asian Athletics Championships?
   a) AJAY KUMAR SAROJ
   b) AROKIA RAJIV
   c) JEEVAN KS
   d) SHIVPAL SINGH

   **Explanation:** U. Chitra 23-year-old from Palakkad retain her women’s 1500m gold, Ajay Kumar Saroj takes silver in the men’s 1500m in the Asian Athletics Championships. Dutee finished with a bronze and Prachi, M.R. Poovamma, Saritaben Gayakwad and V.K. Vismaya, won the women’s 4x400m relay silver.

5. In the following which bank sells entire stake in NHB, Nabard to Government?
   a) SBI
   b) BOI
   c) RBI
   d) HDFC Bank

   **Explanation:** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has divested its entire stake held in National Housing Bank (NHB), the regulator for housing finance companies, and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Nabard) to the government, which now holds 100% in these entities. The transactions were completed on February 26 (Nabard) and March 19 (NHB). RBI had 100% shareholding in NHB, which was divested for ₹1,450 crore.

6. Which State may have registered the highest Lok Sabha poll turnout since its reorganization in 1956?
   a) Kerala
   b) Karnataka
   c) Madhya Pradesh
   d) Maharashtra

   **Explanation:** The Karnataka State may have registered the highest Lok Sabha poll turnout since its reorganization in 1956, The highest increase in voting (8.76%) has been seen in Mandya, which also recorded the highest voter turnout (80.23%).

7. Former World Junior No. 1, A.S.S. Siril Varma, the men’s singles title-triumph in the recent all-India senior ranking badminton championship in __________
   a) Kozhikode
   b) Kochi
   c) Thiruvananthapuram
   d) Kollam
Examination: Former World junior No.1, A.S.S. Siril Varma, the men’s singles title-triumph in the recent all-India senior ranking badminton championship in Kozhikode.

8. Which of the following expresses gets LHB Coaches?
   a) Mysuru to Chennai
   b) Varanasi to Chennai
   c) Mysuru too Varanasi
   d) Bangalore to Chennai

Explanation: Train passengers from Mysuru to Varanasi are experiencing better riding comfort and amenities as the authorities have replaced the ICF (Integral Coach Factory) rake of Mysuru–Varanasi Express with that of LHB (Linke-Hofmann-Busch) rake.

Current Affairs Quiz – April 26, 2019

1. World Intellectual Property Day is Observed on?
   a) April 26
   b) April 27
   c) April 28
   d) April 29

Explanation: World Intellectual Property Day is observed annually on 26 April. The event was established by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in 2000 to “raise awareness of how patents, copyright, trademarks and designs impact on daily life”. 2019 Theme – Reach for Gold: IP and Sports. 26 April was chosen as the date for World Intellectual Property Day because it coincides with the date on which the Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization entered into force in 1970.

2. What was the Theme of World Intellectual Property Day 2019?
   a) Powering Change: Women in Innovation and Creativity
   b) Innovation — Improving Lives
   c) Reach for Gold: IP and Sports
   d) Digital Creativity: Culture Reimagined

3. How many medals India won in Asian Athletic Championship 2019?
   a) 15
   b) 16
   c) 17
   d) 18

Explanation: Gomathi’s gold was certainly the biggest surprise for India, which finished fourth with 17 medals — three gold and seven silvers.

4. Which port trust won a greenery award from AP Greenery and Beautification Corporation?
   a) Visakhapatnam Port Trust
   b) Chennai Port Trust
   c) Cochin Port Trust
   d) None of the above

Explanation: Visakhapatnam Port Trust (VPT) as one of the most environmentally-friendly ports in the country has achieved an enviable turnaround in enhancing its brand image. The port was adjudged the second cleanest by the Quality Council of India and won a greenery award from AP Greenery and Beautification Corporation.

5. Indian shooters strike the gold medals in both the mixed air rifle and mixed air pistol competitions in the shooting World Cup in __________
   a) Shanghai
   b) Tianjin
   c) Beijing
   d) Nanjing
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6. In the following which company announced to pull the plug on diesel cars in April 2020?
   a) TATA Motors
   b) Hindustan Motors Limited
   c) Maruti Suzuki
   d) Mahindra & Mahindra

Explanation: Maruti Suzuki, which is the largest car maker in the country, announced plans to discontinue selling all diesel cars in the country from April 1, 2020 by significant rise in prices likely with new BS VI emission norms depressing demand.

7. 29th Abu Dhabi International Book Fair was inaugurated by whom?
   a) Shri Saif Bin Zayed Al Nahayan
   b) Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum
   c) Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan
   d) Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Explanation: The India Pavilion at the 29th Abu Dhabi International Book Fair was inaugurated by Deputy Prime Minister of United Arab Emirates, Shri Saif Bin Zayed Al Nahayan. India has been designated as the Guest of Honour for the Book Fair, which is being held from 24th – 30th April, 2019.

8. 2nd Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh Memorial International Hockey Tournament was held at __________ from 15th April to 25th April 2019
   a) Chhattisgarh
   b) Haryana
   c) Delhi
   d) Chandigarh

Explanation: 2nd Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh Memorial International Hockey Tournament was held at Chandigarh from 15th April to 25th April 2019.

Current Affairs Quiz – April 27, 2019

1. World’s first malaria vaccine launched in
   _________
   a) Nigeria, Africa
   b) Morocco, Africa
   c) Malawi, Africa
   d) Ethiopia, Africa

Explanation: The world’s first malaria vaccine has been launched in Malawi after concerted efforts of over 30 years to protect children from the deadly disease that claims over 435,000 lives globally every year.

2. Yanmar Group and Nissei Electric of Japan will set up their first manufacturing facilities at?
   a) Bangalore
   b) Hyderabad
   c) Chennai
   d) New Delhi

Explanation: Yanmar Group and Nissei Electric of Japan will set up their first manufacturing facilities at Origins, an industrial cluster promoted by Mahindra World City at Ponneri, Chennai.

3. Who won gold medal in men’s 52kg Category at Asian Boxing Championships 2019?
6. Who won gold medal in women's 81kg Category at Asian Boxing Championships 2019?
  a) Gomathi Marimuthu  
  b) PU Chitra  
  c) Pooja Rani  
  d) None of the above

**Explanation:** Amit Panghal (52kg) picked up his second successive gold medal of the year, while Pooja Rani (81kg) finished on top among the women to bring a fine end to India’s phenomenal campaign in the Asian Boxing Championships in Bangkok. India ended the event with 13 medals includes two gold, four silver and seven bronze medals.

7. Which country is set to abolish its controversial exit visa system for all foreign workers by the end of 2019?
  a) Israel  
  b) Qatar  
  c) Iran  
  d) Saudi Arabia

**Explanation:** Qatar is set to abolish its controversial exit visa system for all foreign workers by the end of 2019 the UN’s International Labour Organization. Qatar has introduced a series of labour reforms since its selection as the 2022 World Cup host, with the event setting in motion a huge construction programme employing foreign workers.

8. How many medals India won in Asian boxing championship 2019?
  a) 13  
  b) 14  
  c) 17  
  d) 12

**Explanation:** Claire Polosak will become the first woman to umpire a men’s one-day international. In 2017, she became the first on-field female umpire to officiate a men’s domestic game in Australia.
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**Current Affairs Quiz – April 28 & 29, 2019**

1. World Day for Safety and Health at Work is Observed on __________
   a) April 26  
   b) April 27  
   c) April 28  
   d) April 29  

**Explanation:** The World Day for Safety and Health at Work is an annual international campaign to promote safe, healthy and decent work. It is held on 28 April and has been observed by the International Labour Organization (ILO) since 2003.

2. What was the theme of World Day of Safety and Health at Work 2019?
   a) Safety and Health and the Future of Work  
   b) OSH vulnerability of young workers  
   c) Optimise the collection and use of OSH data  
   d) The Prevention of occupational diseases  

**Explanation:** Safety and Health and the Future of Work

3. When is International Dance Day?
   a) April 27  
   b) April 28  
   c) April 29  
   d) April 30  

**Explanation:** International Dance Day was created by the Dance Committee of the International Theatre Institute (ITI), the main partner for the performing arts of UNESCO. The event takes place every year on 29th April, the anniversary of the birth of Jean-Georges Noverre (1727-1810), the creator of modern ballet.

4. In the following which team researchers developed ultrasensitive quantum thermometer?  
   a) Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University  
   b) Aligarh Muslim  
   c) Jamia Millia Islamia  
   d) Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University  

**Explanation:** Researchers at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, have developed an ultrasensitive quantum thermometer using graphene quantum dots. The thermometer can precisely measure a wide range of temperature: 27 degree C to –196 degree C.

5. Which IIT developed easy OCR System for nine Languages?
   a) IIT Bangalore  
   b) IIT Delhi  
   c) IIT Madras  
   d) IIT Bombay  

**Explanation:** Srinivasa Chakravathy’s team at IIT Madras has, developed a unified script for nine Indian languages, named the Bharati script. It has developed a method for reading documents in Bharati script using a multi-lingual optical character recognition (OCR) scheme.

6. Chinese president Xi Jinping meets Imran Khan, calls for improvement of _______ Relations  
   a) China-Pakistan  
   b) Pak-US  
   c) Indo-Pak  
   d) Indo-Srilanka  

**Explanation:**
Explanations:

1. Chinese President Xi Jinping met Prime Minister Imran Khan and expressed hope that Pakistan and India can meet each other halfway to improve their strained relations following the Pulwama terror attack by a JeM suicide bomber.

2. The 2019 Azerbaijan Grand Prix was held at which place in Azerbaijan?
   a) Sheki
   b) Ganja
   c) Lankaran
   d) Baku

3. Vinesh Phogat and _______ nominated for Khel Ratna Award.
   a) Gomathi Marimuthu
   b) Pooja Rani
   c) PU Chitra
   d) Bajrang Punia

4. Which country has announced plans to build a new capital city?
   a) Singapore
   b) Indonesia
   c) Malaysia
   d) America

Explanations:

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3. Vinesh Phogat and Gomathi Marimuthu nominated for Khel Ratna Award.

4. Indonesia has announced plans to build a new capital city, as its current capital, Jakarta, struggles with...
pollution, traffic gridlock and the fact that the city is sinking.

4. Dutch duo Virgil van Dijk and __________ have won the Professional Footballers’ Association Player of the Year awards for 2018-19
   a) Vivianne Miedema
   b) Norman Hunter
   c) David Silva
   d) Kevin de Bruyne

   **Explanation:** Dutch duo Virgil van Dijk and Vivianne Miedema have won the Professional Footballers’ Association Player of the Year awards for 2018-19. Manchester City forward Sterling won the men’s Young Player of the Year.

5. Passenger traffic at Indian airports grows from ____________
   a) 11.6% to 34.4 crore
   b) 11.5% to 30 crore
   c) 11% to 40 crore
   d) 12% to 35 crore

   **Explanation:** Airports in the country witnessed a total 34.4 crore passengers during financial year 2018-2019, registering a growth of 11.6% as compared to the previous fiscal, according to data from the Airports Authority of India (AAI).

6. Directorate of Indian Defence University is organising a two day Cyber Exercise on Scenario Building & Response on 29-30 Apr 19 at?
   a) New Delhi
   b) Bengalore
   c) Chennai
   d) Hyderabad

   **Explanation:** Directorate of Indian Defence University is organising a two day Cyber Exercise on Scenario Building & Response on 29-30 Apr 19 at Purple Bay, Jodhpur Officers’ Hostel, New Delhi. The Exercise is represented by Services, NSCS, NTRO, CERT-in, DRDO, NIC, CSRC, Academia and Industry.

7. India will be sending a high-level delegation to the first meeting of the working group on pharmaceuticals, with China, scheduled in which city?
   a) Beijing
   b) Shanghai
   c) Hong Kong
   d) Bangkok

   **Explanation:** India will be sending a high-level delegation to the first meeting of the working group on pharmaceuticals, with China, scheduled in Beijing next month.

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