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06-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Indian Company's ECB Jumps ___ Per cent to USD 23.28 Billion in 9M FY22.

- a) 20 b) 12 c) 9 d) 19

Answer: D

Explanation: According to the Reserve Bank of India data, the overseas borrowings of Indian companies stood at USD 23.28 billion in the first 3 quarters of the FY22 (April 2021 - December 2021) as against USD 19.53 billion during FY21 (April-December, 2020) and had jumped over 19 per cent in the first nine months of the current fiscal (9MFY22).

Static Points: RBI **Headquarters** – Mumbai; RBI **Governor** – Shaktikanta Das
RBI Deputy Governor – Mahesh Kumar Jain, M. Rajeshwar Rao, Michael Patra and T. Rabi Shankar

2) Government of India Approves Renaming of Three Places in which state?

- a) Uttar Pradesh b) Madhya Pradesh c) Arunachal Pradesh d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: B

Explanation: The Centre has approved the renaming of three places in Madhya Pradesh namely Hoshangabad Nagar as "Narmadapuram", Shivpuri as "Kundeshwar Dham" and Babai as "Makhan Nagar". In 2021, The government of MP led by Shivraj Singh Chouhan has proposed the renaming of the 3 places in Madhya Pradesh.

Static Points: Madhya Pradesh **Capital** – Bhopal; Madhya Pradesh **CM** - Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Madhya Pradesh **Governor** - Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel

3) Who Won the Title Tata Steel Chess Tournament 2022?

- a) Garry Kasparov b) Anish Giri c) Magnus Carlsen d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: World Champion Grand Master Magnus Carlsen has secured his victory in Wijk Aan Zee (Netherlands) with a round to spare. The world champion defeated GM Fabiano Caruana and now leads the 2022 Tata Steel Chess Tournament by a full point. It was his 8th win, a unique achievement. He has won his 8th Tata Steel Title defeating Italian-American GM Fabiano Caruana. Magnus Carlsen holds the record for most wins at the tournament.

4) Which Airline Appointed Co-founder Rahul Bhatia as Managing Director?

- a) SpiceJet b) IndiGo c) GoAir d) Air India Express

Answer: B

Explanation: IndiGo (InterGlobe Aviation Ltd), an Indian low-cost airline, has appointed its co-founder and promoter Rahul Bhatia as the new Managing Director of IndiGo with immediate effect for a period of 5 years. The appointment of Rahul Bhatia was unanimously approved by the Board of Directors, subject to the approval of the shareholders.

Static Points: IndiGo **CEO** - Ronjoy Dutta; **Headquarters** - Gurugram, Haryana

5) Who Inaugurated the 'Innovations in Public Administration' Program of CBC?

- a) Anurag Thakur b) Piyush Goyal c) Nitin Gadkari d) Jitendra Singh

Answer: D

Explanation: Dr Jitendra Singh, inaugurated the 'Innovations in Public Administration' program of Capacity Building Commission (CBC) of Mission Karmayogi to identify successful innovations in public service pioneered by civil servants. CBC Knowledge Repository will be created which can be accessed by anyone for scaling up India's successful innovations.

Static Points: **Jitendra Singh** - Ministry of Science & Technology, Earth Sciences, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy, Space, and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office
Capacity Building Commission Chairman - Adil Zainulbhai

6) Which company inks MoU with CDAC to collaborate in Cyber Security & allied Sectors?

- a) Exim Bank b) SIDBI c) NABARD d) All of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), a premier R&D (Research and Development) organization under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), to boost collaboration in Cyber Security and Allied sectors.

Static Points: SIDBI **Chairman & MD** - Sivasubramanian Ramann; **Headquarters** - Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

7) Which City to Become the 1st Station to be ready for India's 1st Bullet Train?

- a) Surat b) Mumbai c) Bangalore d) Lucknow

Answer: A

Explanation: Surat, Gujarat is set to become the first station to be ready between Mumbai – Ahmedabad Bullet Train route for India's first futuristic High-Speed Rail project, Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail (MAHSR) Corridor. MAHSR corridor will cover 12 stations in total which includes, Surat, Vadodara, Anand, Ahmedabad, Sabarmati, Bilimora, Bharuch, Mumbai, Thane, Virar, Boisar, Vapi stations.

Static Points: Gujarat **CM** - Bhupendrabhai Patel; Gujarat **Capital** – Gandhinagar; Gujarat **Governor** - Acharya Devvrat

8) When was the World Interfaith Harmony Week Commemorated is observed?

- a) First Week of February b) 1st to 7th February
c) First Sunday to Second Sunday of February d) Both A & B

Answer: D

Explanation: World Interfaith Harmony Week is an annual event observed during the first week of February (1st to 7th February), after General Assembly designation in 2010. World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW), was conceived to promote cultural peace and nonviolence. The United Nations (UNs) observe World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW) as an annual event during the first week of February.

9) Which Corporation Launches Branded Store 'Happy Shop'?

- a) NTPC b) ONGC c) HPCL d) BHEL

Answer: C

Explanation: The Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) has launched convenience stores under the brand name 'HappyShop'. 'HappyShop' is a non-fuel retail sector of HPCL. The new happy shops are opened at the HPCL's Auto Care Centre, Bandra West in Mumbai, Maharashtra and Millennium Retail Outlet in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. The customers of the HPCL will be able to browse and shop the goods through the HP Pay App.

Static Points: Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited CEO - **Mukesh Kumar Surana**

Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

10) Ather Energy signs MoU with which state to establish 1000 fast-charging stations for electric 2-wheelers?

- a) Karnataka b) Odisha c) Punjab d) Gujarat

Answer: A

Explanation: Ather Energy, an electric scooter manufacturer, has signed an MoU with ESCOMs (Electric Supply Companies) of Karnataka to jointly establish fast charging for two-wheelers in 1,000 locations in the state. Ather Energy will provide free-charging services for electric vehicle (EV) two-wheelers.

Static Points:Karnataka **Capital** – Bengaluru; **CM** - Basavaraj Bommai; **Governor** - Thawar Chand Gehlot

11) ____ a leading player in CRM, published the 2022 Global Digital Skills Index.

- a) Boomers b) Salesforce c) Both A & B d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: Salesforce, a leading player in Customer Relationship Management (CRM), published the 2022 Global Digital Skills Index which highlights the growing global digital skills crisis and the need for action. India scored the highest on digital readiness among the 19 countries surveyed as part of the Salesforce Global Index. The index measures global employee sentiments and readiness to acquire the key digital skills needed by businesses over the next five years. India had the highest digital readiness score of 63 out of 100, with 72% of respondents saying they were actively learning digital skills to prepare themselves for the future of work.

Static Points: Salesforce **CEO** - Marc, Benioff; **Headquarters** - San Francisco, California, United States

12) PESB recommends Captain ____ as the next CMD of Shipping Corporation of India.

- a) BK Tyagi b) Shanti Lal Jain c) Kumar Sharma d) H K Joshi

Answer: A

Explanation: The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) panel has recommended the name of Capt. Binesh Kumar Tyagi (BK Tyagi) to be the next Chairman & Managing Director of Shipping Corporation of India (SCI), a PSU (Public Sector Undertaking) under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.

Static Points: Shipping Corporation of India **Headquarters** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

13) Rahul Gandhi Launches financial assistance scheme for Landless Labourers in ____.

- a) Maharashtra b) Karnataka c) Chhattisgarh d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: C

Explanation: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi launched the "Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Bhumiheen Krishi Mazdoor Nyay Yojana", financial assistance scheme of the Chhattisgarh government for landless labourers of rural areas of Chhattisgarh. This is the first-of-its-kind scheme in India for which the state government had made a provision of Rs 200 crore in the budget for the financial year 2021-22.

Static Points:

Chhattisgarh **Capitals** - Raipur (Executive Branch), Bilaspur; Chhattisgarh **CM** - Bhupesh Baghel
Chhattisgarh **Governor** - Anusuiya Uikey

14) Which Bank was awarded DX 2021 Award from CII for Digital Transformation?

- a) Canara Bank b) Federal Bank c) Bank of Baroda d) Karnataka Bank

Answer: D

Explanation: Karnataka Bank was awarded the Digital Transformation Award (DX 2021 Awards), in recognition of the "innovative" best practice 'KBL VIKAAAS', by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for Best Practice in Digital Transformation. The centre is hosting the 3rd Edition of its flagship event the 'DX Summit & Awards 2021'. In 2021, Karnataka Bank also launched the digital transformation journey 'KBL NxT' as part of 'KBL VIKAAAS 2.0', with the objective of taking the digital initiatives more efficiently.

Static Points: Confederation of Indian Industry President - **T. V. Narendran**

Headquarters - New Delhi, India

Karnataka Bank **MD & CEO** - M.S. Mahabaleshwara

Headquarters - Mangalore, Karnataka

15) 'Kabir of Karnataka' Padma Shri Ibrahim Nabisaheb Sutar Passed Away at the age of ____.

- a) 84 b) 90 c) 87 d) 81

Answer: D

Explanation: Padma Shri Ibrahim Nabisaheb Sutar, a social worker fondly referred to as 'Kabir of Karnataka', has passed away in Mahalingpur, Bagalkot, Karnataka. He was born in Mahalingpur, Karnataka. He is well known for spreading social and communal harmony through his songs and Bhajans in Karnataka and neighbouring states.

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1) Which Company Launches New Chromebook devices for Teachers, Students?

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

Answer: A

Explanation: Google has introduced a new line of secure and sustainable Chromebook devices for education. The devices with updated programmes, resources and Chrome OS, advances will play a major role in the classroom and support 50 million students and teachers to learn and collaborate from any location.

Static Points: Google **CEO** - Sundar Pichai; **Headquarters** - California, United States

2) India defeat West Indies by 6 wickets in the first ODI of the three-match series at Which Stadium?

- a) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Stadium b) Ambedkar Stadium
c) Narendra Modi Stadium d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: India defeated West Indies by six wickets in the first match of the three-game series at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad. The Indian captain got out on 60 (51) and soon after his dismissal Virat Kohli too returned to the pavilion on 8. Ishan scored 28 (36) and Rishabh Pant was the final batter to be dismissed on 11 (9).

Static Points: Narendra Modi Stadium located in - **Ahmedabad, Gujarat**

3) Which Space Agency Plans to Deorbit ISS into the Pacific Ocean in 2031?

- a) ISRO b) KARI c) NASA d) SANSА

Answer: C

Explanation: NASA is targeting to de-orbit the ISS and make it crash in the South Pacific Oceanic Uninhabited Area, the area around Point Nemo in 2031. ISS will continue its operations till 2030. NASA has also signed agreements with 3 private companies to launch commercial space stations for use by both private companies and government astronauts.

Static Points: **NASA Founder** - Dwight D Eisenhower. **Headquarters** - Washington, DC, United States

4) Which Bank Raises Stake in IICC at GIFT IFSC City to 9.9 per cent?

- a) ICICI Bank b) HDFC Bank c) YES Bank d) Canara Bank

Answer: A

Explanation: ICICI Bank Limited has bought an additional stake in India International Clearing Corporation (IICC) at International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City), Gujarat for Rs 4.43 crore, rising to 9.90 per cent. As many as 44,262,356 equity shares at Re 1 per share were allotted to ICICI Bank on February 2, 2022, for a cash consideration of Rs 44.3 million (Rs 4.43 crore), the lender said in a regulatory filing.

Static Points: ICICI Bank **MD & CEO** - Sandeep Bakhshi
Headquarters - Vadodara
Tagline - Hum hai na, Khayal Apka

5) The 2022 Winter Olympics is being held in Which Country?

- a) India b) China c) Japan d) South Korea

Answer: B

Explanation: According to the International Olympic Committee, 45% of the athletes are women, making Beijing 2022 the most gender-balanced Winter Olympics to date. China will field its biggest delegation ever for the Winter Olympics, with more than 400 athletes. Teams from Haiti and Saudi Arabia will make their Winter Olympics debut in Beijing.

Static Points: China **Capital** – Beijing; **Currency** – Renminbi; **President** - Xi Jinping

6) When was the International Development Week is observed in 2022?

- a) First Week of February b) 5th to 11th February
c) 7th to 13th February d) 6th to 12th February

Answer: D

Explanation: International Development Week (IDW) is celebrated from 6th February to 12th February and this year marks the 30th anniversary of International Development Week in Canada. This day informs about different roles and career paths in the international development sector.

7) Suranga Lakmal to Retire from International Cricket, He is from which country?

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

Answer: A

Explanation: Suranga Lakmal (34 years old), a veteran Sri Lankan cricketer, announced retirement from international cricket after Sri Lanka's tour of India which ends in March 2022. He has signed a 2-year contract to join Derbyshire County Cricket Club, one of the first-class county clubs within the domestic cricket structure of England and Wales.

8) Who was appointed as Chairman of the University Grants Commission?

- a) Jagadesh Kumar b) Prasada Raju c) Swaroopa Rani d) Balakrishna

Answer: A

Explanation: Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) Vice-Chancellor Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar was appointed as chairperson of the University Grants Commission (UGC). He is appointed for a period of five years (2022-2027), or until he turns 65, whichever is earlier. Jagadesh Kumar successfully completed his five-year term as VC of JNU, which ended in January 2021, but he was asked to stay on till a successor is picked.

Static Points: University Grants Commission Chairperson - **D. P. Singh**; **Headquarters** - New Delhi, Delhi

9) Which state recorded the lowest unemployment rate in January 2022?

- a) Telangana b) Maharashtra c) Odisha d) Karnataka

Answer: A

Explanation: Telangana recorded the lowest unemployment rate in January at 0.7%. This was followed by Gujarat at 1.2%, Meghalaya at 1.5%, Odisha at 1.8% and Karnataka at 2.9%. The unemployment rate in India in January 2022 fell sharply to 6.57%, according to the data from the economic think-tank, the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE). This is the lowest rate witnessed since March 2021.

Static Points: Telangana **Rivers** - Godavari

Wildlife Sanctuary - Shivaram Wildlife Sanctuary, Manjira Wildlife Sanctuary, Manjeera Wildlife Sanctuary

10) Who is the author of the biography on Neeraj Chopra titled 'Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra'?

- a) Navdeep Singh Gill
b) Arundhati Roy
c) Salman Rushdie
d) Jhumpa Lahiri

Answer: A

Explanation: A short biography of Indian athlete Neeraj Chopra has titled 'Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra' authored by sports author Navdeep Singh Gill has been released. Neeraj Chopra won a Gold medal in Javelin Throw at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. The biography on Tokyo Olympics-2021 gold medalist Neeraj Chopra was released by the chairperson of Punjab Kala Parishad Surjit Patar and president of Punjabi Sahit Akademi Lakhwinder Singh Johal, amid the presence of the author and his family members.

11) India honours singer Lata Mangeshkar passed away at the age of ____.

- a) 90
b) 97
c) 96
d) 92

Answer: D

Explanation: Legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar passed away at the age of 92. Lata Mangeshkar is lovingly referred to as the 'Nightingale of India'. She stepped into singing at the age of 13 and recorded her first song in 1942. In her career spanning seven decades, she has to her credit over 30,000 songs in different languages. Lata Mangeshkar has been the voice behind many popular tracks.

12) International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation is observed on which day?

- a) 5th February
b) 7th February
c) 6th February
d) 4th February

Answer: C

Explanation: International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation is observed on 6th February, Sunday in 2022 to spread awareness and educate people about the consequences and problems that females faced due to genital mutilation. Members of the Action Coalitions vowed to accelerate the end to FGM and all such harmful practices by reversing discriminatory laws, scaling up evidence-based prevention programming, providing specialized services for survivors, and supporting the efforts of grassroots-led movements and activists.

13) PM Narendra Modi to unveil 'Statue of Equality in which city?

- a) Mumbai
b) Bengaluru
c) Vishakapatnam
d) Hyderabad

Answer: D

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi has dedicated to the nation 216-feet tall 'Statue of Equality in Hyderabad. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has dedicated to the nation 216-feet tall 'Statue of Equality in Hyderabad to commemorate the 11th-century Bhakti saint Ramanujacharya. The statue has been conceptualised by Chinna Jeeyar Swami of Sri Ramanujacharya Ashram. The inauguration of the statue is a part of the 12-day Sri Ramanuja Sahasrabdi Samaroham, the ongoing 1000th birth anniversary celebrations of the Bhakti saint.

14) ____ grants emergency use permission to single-dose Sputnik Light COVID-19 vaccine.

- a) WHO
b) DGCI
c) CDSCO
d) Both A & B

Answer: B

Explanation: According to Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya, the Drugs Controller General of India has granted emergency use permission to single-dose Sputnik Light COVID vaccine in the country. This comes following recommendations of an expert panel of India's central drug authority to grant restricted emergency use authorisation to Sputnik Light subject to various regulatory provisions.

Static Points:

Drugs Controller General of India **Headquarters** - New Delhi

15) Which state government has launched the self-defence training programme 'Obavva Art of Self Defence Training'?

- a) Bihar b) Assam c) Gujarat d) Karnataka

Answer: D

Explanation: Karnataka government has launched a self-defence training programme 'Obavva Art of Self Defence Training' for 50,000 girl students in schools and colleges. During his address at the launch ceremony of the training programme organised by the Social Welfare department, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that the Home Department has been instructed to use Police Training Schools to provide self-defence training to women.

Static Points:

Karnataka Rivers - Krishna, Tungabhadra, Kabini, and others

National Parks & Wildlife Sanctuaries - Bandipur Wildlife Sanctuary, Bannerghatta National Park, Arabithittu Wildlife Sanctuary, Kudremukh National Park, and others

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1) On which state was the foundation stone of the world's third Largest Cricket Stadium was Laid?

- a) Gujarat b) Rajasthan c) Uttar Pradesh d) Karnataka

Answer: B

Explanation: The world's third-largest cricket stadium will be built in Jaipur. The cricket stadium will be the second-largest in India. Rajasthan chief minister Ashok Gehlot and BCCI president Sourav Ganguly laid the foundation stone of the world's third-largest cricket stadium in Jaipur virtually. The stadium will have a seating capacity of 75,000 spectators.

Static Points:

World's Largest Stadium - Narendra Modi Stadium (former Motera Stadium) in Ahmedabad (capacity of 132,000 spectators)

Second Largest Stadium - Australia's Melbourne Cricket Ground (capacity of 1,00,024 spectators)

2) Who has been appointed as the director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training?

- a) Sridhar Srivastava b) Budithi Rajsekha
c) Dinesh Prasad Saklani d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Professor Dinesh Prasad Saklani has been appointed as the new Director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT). He has replaced Hrushikesh Senapaty, who finished his term a year ago. The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) is an autonomous organization of the Government of India.

Static Points: NCERT **Headquarters** - New Delhi; **Founder** - Government of India

3) India beat ___ team to win the 2022 ICC Under-19 World Cup Championship?

- a) Australia b) England c) Sri Lanka d) Pakistan

Answer: B

Explanation: India lifted a record-extending fifth ICC U19 World Cup title after defeating England in the final at the Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in North Sound, Antigua. The two unbeaten sides met at the Sir Vivian Richards Cricket Ground in Antigua and Barbuda as England went in search of only their second title, but it was India who extended their record of most tournament wins. England won the toss and chose to bat with their second-highest run-scorer Jacob Bethell alongside George Thomas who had made a courageous 52 in their semi-final win over Afghanistan.

Static Points: 2022 ICC Under-19 World Cup Location - **West Indies**

4) Which Bank Lends Record USD 4.6 Billion Loans to India in 2021?

- a) Asian Development Bank
c) South Indian Bank
- b) State Bank of India
d) Export-Import Bank

Answer: A

Explanation: The Asian Development Bank (ADB) provided a record USD 4.6 billion in sovereign lending to India in 2021 for 17 loans, including USD 1.8 billion towards coronavirus (COVID-19) response. The ADB's India portfolio comprised 69 projects worth USD 15.5 billion as of 31st December 2021.

Static Points: Asian Development Bank (ADB) **President** - Masatsugu Asakawa
ADB **Headquarters** - Manila, Philippines

5) Development of design studios is a new sub-scheme under which scheme?

- a) Indian Footwear and Leather Development Programme
b) Sustainable Technology and Environmental Scheme
- c) Both A & B
d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Indian Footwear and Leather Development Programme (IFLDP) (erstwhile IFLADP) has been approved for continuation from 2021-22 with an approved financial outlay of Rs. 1700 crore. IFLDP has been approved by the Union Cabinet on 19.01.2022 as a continuation of the erstwhile IFLADP till 31st March 2026 or till further review, whichever is earlier. Indian Footwear and Leather Development Programme aims at the development of infrastructure for the leather sector, addressing environmental concerns specific to the leather sector, facilitating additional investments, employment generation, and increase in production.

6) ICICI Lombard Partners ___ Bank to Offer Cyber Insurance.

- a) Axis Bank
b) Airtel Payments Bank
c) Fino Payments Bank
d) HDFC Bank

Answer: B

Explanation: ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company has partnered with Airtel Payments Bank to offer insurance solutions against cyber crimes and financial frauds to its customers. The cyber insurance solution from ICICI Lombard provides financial protection to customers against potential financial fraud relating to banking, credit or debit card; identity theft; phishing, or email spoofing.

Static Points:

Airtel Payments Bank **CEO** - Anubrata Biswas; **Headquarters location** - New Delhi

ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company **MD & CEO** - Bhargav Dasgupta
Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

7) Which company has tied up with Policybazaar to digitally offer a wide range of Life Insurance and investment products?

- a) Aegon Life Insurance
c) Life Insurance Corporation
- b) Aviva Life Insurance
d) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance

Answer: C

Explanation: Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) has tied up with Policybazaar to digitally offer a wide range of Life Insurance and investment products to its customers across India. This is LIC's first association with a private insurance aggregator, which has mainly relied on its 1.33 million agents for distributing products.

Static Points: Life Insurance Corporation **Chairperson** - M R Kumar; **Headquarters** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

8) When was Safer Internet Day is observed in 2022?

- a) 8th February
b) 9th February
c) 7th February
d) 6th February

Answer: A

Explanation: This year marks the 19th edition of Safer Internet Day with actions taking place right across the globe. The day is being celebrated in around 15 countries across the world. Safer Internet Day is observed every year on the second day of the second week of February with the aim of providing a safer and better internet, where every user gets to use the internet responsibly and without getting their data leaked.

9) ___ signs MoU with Karnataka Govt. to turn rural Women into Entrepreneurs.

- a) Mynta b) Flipkart c) Amazon India d) All of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Amazon India signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Karnataka State Rural Livelihood Promotion Society (KSRLPS) to support the growth of women entrepreneurs. The MoU was signed in presence of Karnataka Chief Minister, Basavaraj Bommai and Minister of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood, CN Ashwath Narayan.

Static Points: Amazon India **CEO** - Amit Agarwal; **Headquarters** - Hyderabad, Telangana

10) Ancient Kanchoth festival Celebrated in which State/ Union Territory?

- a) Chandigarh b) Puducherry c) Lakshadweep d) Jammu and Kashmir

Answer: D

Explanation: The ancient festival of Kanchoth is annually celebrated, mainly by the Nag followers, during the Shukla Paksha of Magh month which usually falls in January or February. The festival is celebrated with religious fervor across the Chenab valley region of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K). The festival is celebrated by locals, who believe that on this day of Gouri Tritiya, Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati got married and the latter insisted on a throne made of snow as her wedding gift.

Static Points: **Jammu & Kashmir Capital** - Srinagar (May-October), Jammu (Nov-April)
Lieutenant Governor - Manoj Sinha

11) Which State Govt signs MoU with Social Alpha to develop Clean Energy Technologies?

- a) Bihar b) Assam c) Kerala d) Odisha

Answer: C

Explanation: Kerala Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Social Alpha's Energy Lab representing "Clean Energy International Incubation Centre (CEIIC)" to support innovative and clean energy technology programs in Kerala. To establish a clean energy incubation center to boost green energy development and energy conservation activities in Kerala.

Static Points: Kerala **CM** - Pinarayi Vijayan; Kerala **Capital** - Thiruvananthapuram; Kerala **Governor** - Arif Mohammad Khan

12) Which Country Railway Signed Agreement with HEIL to Procure 420 Broad Gauge Wagons

- a) Bangladesh b) Japan c) Sri Lanka d) China

Answer: A

Explanation: The Bangladesh railways will procure 420 broad-gauge wagons from India. The agreement was signed in Dhaka on Sunday between the project director of Bangladesh railways Mizanur Rahman and the Hindustan Engineering and Industries Limited. The wagons will be delivered within 27 months from the effective date of the contract and are being procured under the "Rolling Stock Operation Improvement Project" of Bangladesh Railway, funded by both the Government of Bangladesh and the Asian Development Bank.

Static Points: Bangladesh **Capital** - Dhaka; **Currency** - Bangladeshi Taka; **Prime Minister** - Sheikh Hasina
Asian Development Bank **President** - Masatsugu Asakawa; ADB **Headquarters** - Manila, Philippines

13) Which country leads the 'Giant Magellan Telescope (GMT)' project?

- a) South Korea b) Russia c) US d) France

Answer: C

Explanation: The US Extremely Large Telescope Program, which includes the Giant Magellan Telescope (GMT), is led by the US and in partnership with Australia, Brazil, and South Korea, with Chile as the host country. The report ranked the US-ELTP as the top frontier project for ground-based observatories. The USD 1 billion projects were ranked 'Mission Critical' by the 2020 Decadal Survey on Astronomy and Astrophysics. It recommended federal support for the final construction stages of GMT.

Static Points: US **Capital** - Washington DC; **Currency** - United States Dollar; **President** - Joe Biden

14) Which Actor Appointed as Uttarakhand's Brand Ambassador?

- a) Aamir Khan b) Shah Rukh Khan c) Salman Khan d) Akshay Kumar

Answer: D

Explanation: Pushkar Singh Dhami, Chief Minister (CM) of Uttarakhand, has appointed Bollywood actor Akshay Kumar as the brand ambassador of Uttarakhand ahead of the 2022 Assembly Elections. In 2017, Akshay Kumar was appointed as Uttarakhand's brand ambassador for 'Swachhata Abhiyan'.

Static Points: Uttarakhand **Capital** - Dehradun (Winter), Bhararisen (Summer)
Uttarakhand **CM** - Pushkar Singh Dhami; Uttarakhand **Governor** - Gurmit Singh

15) Which bank has been awarded the digital transformation award, 'DX 2021 Awards' by CII?

- a) Karnataka Bank b) Kotak Mahindra Bank
c) Karur Vysya Bank d) Punjab National Bank

Answer: A

Explanation: Karnataka Bank has been awarded the digital transformation award, 'DX 2021 Awards', in recognition of the "innovative" best practice 'KBL VIKAAS', by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for Best Practice in Digital Transformation.

Static Points: Karnataka Bank **CEO** - Mahabaleshwara MS; **Headquarters** - Mangaluru

09-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Which Institute Establish 'AquaMAP' Centre to Solve India's Water Crisis?

- a) IIT Mumbai b) IIT Madras c) IIT Kanpur d) IIT Dharwad

Answer: B

Explanation: The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras has set up an inter-disciplinary water management and policy center named 'AquaMAP'. This project aims to improve India's Water security and provide sustainable water management practices, thereby setting up water innovation villages.

2) Which country has won the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup?

- a) South Korea b) India c) China d) Japan

Answer: C

Explanation: China PR beat Korea Republic in a 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup final to win a record. China PR came back from behind to beat the Korea Republic and win the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup in India. It was the ninth title for the Chinese women who extended their Asian record for Women's Asian Cups. China beat Korea Republic by a scoreline of 3-2 in the final of the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup.

Static Points: China **Capital** - Beijing **Currency** – Renminbi; **President** - Xi Jinping
2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup Location - **India**

3) International Union for Conservation of Nature declares ____ as India's 1st OECM site.

- a) Yamuna Biodiversity Park
- b) Aravalli Biodiversity Park
- c) Udaan Biodiversity Park
- d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: The Aravalli Biodiversity Park in Gurugram, Haryana, has been declared as India's first "other effective area-based conservation measures" (OECM) site. This was informed by the Union ministry of environment, forest, and climate change on the occasion of World Wetlands Day. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) gives OECM tag to those areas that are not protected but support rich biodiversity.

Static Points:

International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) **CEO** - Burno Oberle; **Headquarters** - Gland, Switzerland

4) When was International Development Week is observed in 2022?

- a) 6th to 12th February
- b) 7th to 13th February
- c) 8th to 14th February
- d) 9th to 15th February

Answer: A

Explanation: International Development Week (IDW) is celebrated from 6 February to 12 February and this year marks the 30th anniversary of International Development Week in Canada. This day informs about different roles and career paths in the international development sector. The aim is to draw attention to international development and to highlight the important contributions that Canadians are making through partnerships around the world.

5) ____ Protection Force launched nationwide Operation AAHT to curb human trafficking.

- a) Railway
- b) Central Armed
- c) National Security
- d) None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Railway Protection Force has launched a nationwide operation to curb human trafficking. As part of "Operation AAHT", special teams will be deployed on all long-distance trains/ routes with a focus on rescuing victims, particularly women and children, from the clutches of traffickers. The Railways, which operate about 21,000 trains across the country daily, is the most reliable mode of transportation for the traffickers who often moved their victims on long-distance trains.

Static Points: **Minister of Railways** - Ashwini Vaishnaw; **Constituency** - Odisha
Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways - Darshana Jardosh, Raosaheb Danve

6) Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya Launches IMI 4.0 for ____.

- a) Children
- b) Pregnant Women
- c) Senior Citizens
- d) Both A & B

Answer: D

Explanation: The Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya launched Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) 4.0 in New Delhi to protect children and pregnant women from severe diseases. While launching IMI 4.0, the Health Minister stated that India operates the largest immunization program globally, covering over 30 million pregnant women and 26 million children every year under the Universal Immunization Program (UIP).

7) Who launched a hackathon, named Powerthon-2022

- a) Pralhad Joshi
- b) Piyush Goyal
- c) Kiren Rijiju
- d) RK Singh

Answer: D

Explanation: Union Power Minister R K Singh launched a hackathon, named Powerthon-2022, to find tech-driven solutions for quality power supply. He also encouraged technologists to come forward not only with solutions to existing problems but also with other problem statements and ideas for reliable power supply.

8) Which State Starts Open-Air Classroom 'Paray Shikshalaya' due to Covid-19?

- a) Maharashtra b) West Bengal c) Assam d) Bihar

Answer: B

Explanation: The West Bengal government launched 'Paray Shikshalaya' (Neighbourhood Schools), an open-air classroom program for students from classes 1 to 7. In view of the rising demand for physical classes, the West Bengal government reopened schools and also launched this neighborhood classes initiative.

Static Points: West Bengal **Capital** – Kolkata; West Bengal **CM** - Mamata Banerjee
West Bengal **Governor** - Jagdeep Dhankhar

9) Microsoft India Ink Partnership to Develop Regulated Sector Cloud Offering with which company?

- a) Larsen & Toubro b) Mindtree c) ITC Limited d) Tata Group

Answer: A

Explanation: Larsen & Toubro Limited (L&T) and Microsoft India signed a Memorandum of Understanding to develop a regulated sector-focused cloud offering to empower customers with the best-of-breed cloud computing and infrastructure service. L&T's association with Microsoft aims to accelerate its hybrid cloud transition for large customers in regulated sectors while maintaining its highest benchmarks in compliance, security, and governance.

Static Points: **Larsen & Toubro** - Multinational conglomerate company; **CEO** - S N Subrahmanyam
Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Microsoft India **Chairman** - Bhaskar Pramanik; **Headquarters** - Hyderabad

10) ___ has decommissioned the INSAT-4B through 11 Re-orbiting maneuvers.

- a) CSIR b) DRDO c) BARC d) ISRO

Answer: D

Explanation: Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has decommissioned the INSAT-4B, an Indian communications satellite that forms part of the Indian National Satellite System on 24th January 2022 through 11 re-orbiting maneuvers that pushed the satellite into the desired orbit mandated by the IADC space debris mitigation guidelines.

Static Points: **ISRO Founder** - Vikram Sarabhai; **Headquarters** - Bengaluru

11) which bank extends restrictions on Karnataka's Millath Co-Operative Bank till May 7?

- a) RBI b) Yes Bank c) Federal Bank d) SBI

Answer: A

Explanation: The Reserve Bank of India has extended the restrictions on Karnataka's Millath Co-Operative Bank, Davangere, by another three months till May 7, 2022. As per the directions issued first on May 10, 2019, withdrawals were capped at Rs 1,000 from any account. The directions have been periodically extended till now.

12) Who Receives Late Madhavrao Limaye Award Under Efficient MP Category?

- a) Piyush Goyal b) Amit Shah c) Nitin Gadkari d) Kiren Rijju

Answer: C

Explanation: Nashik Public Library, Sarvajanik Vachanalay announced that the Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari from Nashik, Maharashtra will be facilitated for the first time with the 18th late Madhavrao Limaye award in the category of Karyakram Khaasdar (Efficient Member of Parliament) for the year 2020-21.

13) Which Union Ministry launched the 'Central Media Accreditation Guidelines-2022'

- a) Ministry of Road Transport
c) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- b) Ministry of Law and Justice
d) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Answer: D

Explanation: The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting released Central Media Accreditation Guidelines-2022. It includes a stringent provision under which the accreditation is liable to be suspended or withdrawn if a journalist 'acts in a manner which is prejudicial to the sovereignty and integrity of India, the security of the State' among others. Accredited media persons are prohibited from using the words "Accredited to the government of India" on their profile.

Static Points: Minister of State in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting - **Dr. L. Murugan**

Constituency - Madhya Pradesh

14) PM CARES Fund got Rs ____ crore since its inception in March 2020 until March 2021.

- a) Rs.1,199 crore b) Rs.10,170 crore c) Rs.10,990 crore d) Rs.1,990 crore

Answer: C

Explanation: The PM CARES Fund collected Rs.10,990 crore since its inception in March 2020 until March 2021. It spent Rs.3,976 crore during the 2020-21 financial year, according to the audited financial statement posted on its website. As of March 31, 2021, the Fund had an unspent balance of Rs.7,044 crore. The Fund was set up to deal with "any kind of emergency or distress situation, like posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, and to provide relief to the affected."

Static Points:

PM CARES Fund Members - Amit Shah, Nirmala Sitharaman, Rajnath Singh
Headquarters - Prime Minister's Office, New Delhi

15) PMKSY Scheme Extended Till FY 26 with Rs ____ Crore Outlay.

- a) 4,600 b) 5,100 c) 7,400 d) 6,400

Answer: A

Explanation: Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), a flagship scheme of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been extended for a period of 2021-2022 to 2025-2026 (till March 2026). The government of India has allocated Rs 4600 crore for the scheme.

10-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Which Bank partners with Creditas Solutions to Automate Loan Collections?

- a) SBI b) Federal Bank c) Yes Bank d) RBL Bank

Answer: D

Explanation: RBL Bank (formerly The Ratnakar Bank Limited) has partnered with Creditas Solutions for its SaaS (software as a service)-based 'Neo Collections' platform to automate loan collections. This platform, powered by Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning technology, is a Do It Yourself (DIY) debt management platform that helps customers to monitor, manage and pay their dues.

Static Points:

RBL Bank **MD & CEO** - Rajeev Ahuja

Headquarter - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Tagline - Apno ka Bank

2) Gaurav Khanna, Launched India's 1st Para-Badminton Academy in which state?

- a) Uttar Pradesh b) Maharashtra c) Kerala d) Odisha

Answer: A

Explanation: India's first para-badminton academy has been set up in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. It has all the advanced equipment and facilities. The set-up will improve India's medal prospects at the 2024 Paralympics to be held in Paris, France at Stade de France stadium. The badminton center has been launched by the head national coach of the Indian para-badminton team, Gaurav Khanna, in association with Ageas Federal Life Insurance.

3) What is the percentage of the Women representation of board seats in India, 2021?

- a) 20% b) 17.1% c) 19.7% d) 14.4%

Answer: B

Explanation: Board seats held by women in Indian companies went up to 17.1 percent in 2021 from 13.8 percent in 2018, and at least 4.7 percent of chief executive officers and 3.9 percent of chief financial officers were women, according to consulting and auditing company Deloitte India. At the current pace, the world could expect to reach near-parity only in 2045.

4) Pfizer India has appointed _____ as the chairman of its board.

- a) Gurdeep Singh b) Pradip Shah c) Rajkiran Rai d) Madhav Vaidya

Answer: B

Explanation: Pharmaceutical company Pfizer India has appointed Pradip Shah as the chairman of its board following the resignation of R A Shah on February 3. "With Pradip Shah's elevation as the chairman, the firm will work closely with him on matters of strategic importance. He had earlier been contributing to the board for many years as a financial expert.

Static Points: **Pfizer CEO** - Albert Bourla; **Headquarters** - New York, United States

5) Which city is the 5th most congested city in the world in 2021?

- a) Mumbai b) Pune c) Delhi d) Lucknow

Answer: A

Explanation: Mumbai was India's top and the world's fifth-most congested city in 2021, as per the latest index. Four cities from India featured in the 11th edition of the TomTom Traffic Index's global top 25 list with Mumbai at the fifth position, Bengaluru at the 10th position, New Delhi at the 11th position, and Pune at the 21st position. The TomTom Traffic Index looks at the traffic congestion situation in various cities in the world.

Static Points: **Mumbai** - Capital City of Maharashtra; Maharashtra **CM** - Uddhav Thackeray
Governor - Bhagat Singh Koshyari

6) India is the ___ Largest Exporter of Millets in the World.

- a) 1st b) 3rd c) 5th d) 7th

Answer: C

Explanation: As per the data released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI), India is the 5th largest exporter of millets in the world (as per the 2020 data). India is the world leader in the production of millets with a share of around 41 percent of total global millet production in 2020. The top destinations of India's millet export are Nepal, UAE, and Saudi Arabia.

Static Points: Ministry of Commerce and Industry - **Piyush Goyal**
Constituency - Maharashtra (Rajya Sabha)

7) Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of MediBuddy?

- a) Aamir Khan b) Akshay Kumar c) Shahrukh Khan d) Amitabh Bachchan

Answer: D

Explanation: MediBuddy, one of India's largest digital healthcare platforms, has signed legendary Bollywood star Amitabh Bachchan as the official brand ambassador. As part of the deal, Bachchan will be seen endorsing various services available on the platform, while highlighting the need to prioritize one's health.

Static Points: MediBuddy **CEO** - Satish Gidugu

8) Sonata Software has announced its partnership with which company for its launch of 'Cloud for Retail'?

- a) Wipro b) Tech Mahindra c) Microsoft d) Infosys

Answer: C

Explanation: A global IT Services, and Technology Solutions Company, Sonata Software has announced its partnership with Microsoft for its launch of 'Microsoft Cloud for Retail'. The company has been a partner with Microsoft for over three decades. Sonata Software delivers solutions for retailers worldwide, leveraging world-class IPs, in-house migration, and modernization tools.

Static Points: Microsoft **CEO** - Satya Nadella; **Headquarters** - Washington, United States
Sonata Software **MD & CEO** - P Srikar Reddy; **Headquarters** - Bengaluru

9) India beat West Indies by how many runs in the second ODI of the three-match series?

- a) 37 b) 34 c) 27 d) 44

Answer: D

Explanation: India defeated West Indies by 44 runs in the second ODI to take an unassailable 2-0 lead in the three-match series at Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad. Indian Men's Hockey team rode beat hosts South Africa 10-2 in their second match at the FIH Hockey Pro League 2021-22.

Static Points: West Indies Cricket Team Coach - **Phil Simmons**
India Cricket Team Coach - **Rahul Dravid**

10) Who Kickstarts 50th Anniversary Celebrations of ICRISAT?

- a) Arvind Kejriwal b) Narendra Modi c) Ram Nath Kovind d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) in Patancheru, Hyderabad, and kickstarted the 50th Anniversary celebrations of ICRISAT. He also inaugurated 2 ICRISAT research facilities: Climate Change Research Facility on Plant Protection and Rapid Generation Advancement Facility, dedicated to the smallholder farmers of Asia and sub-Saharan Africa.

11) Which Company Picks SBI, BoB, HDFC to Finance Air India's Old Debt?

- a) Tata Group b) Croma c) Larsen & Toubro d) Trent

Answer: A

Explanation: The Tata Group has chosen State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, and HDFC Bank as preferred bankers for India's largest international airline, 'Air India' which was recently taken over by Tata sons from the Government of India. The new debt availed by the Tata Group will be used to refinance Air India's debt at over 10%.

Static Points: State Bank of India **Chairperson** - Dinesh Kumar Khara; **Headquarters** - Mumbai
Tagline - The Nation banks on us; Pure Banking Nothing Else; With you all the way
Bank of Baroda **CEO** - Sanjiv Chadha
Headquarters - Vadodara, Gujarat | **Tagline** - India's International Bank

12) Which High court has constituted a three-judge bench to hear petitions questioning a ban on the use of hijabs in colleges?

- a) Delhi b) Maharashtra c) Karnataka d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: C

Explanation: Karnataka High Court Chief Justice constituted a three-judge bench, to hear a batch of petitions questioning a ban on the use of hijabs in a few pre-university colleges in the state. A single-judge bench of the court had decided to refer the pleas to a larger bench as it found the case involved larger Constitutional issues. The decision came after two days of tension and protests across Karnataka over the issue

Static Points: **Karnataka Capital** – Bengaluru | **Karnataka CM** - Basavaraj Bommai
Karnataka Governor - Thawar Chand Gehlot

13) Actor, Olympian & Asian Games medalist, Praveen Kumar Sobti passed away at the age of ____.

- a) 84 b) 74 c) 94 d) 64

Answer: B

Explanation: Asian Games medallist, Praveen Kumar Sobti passed away at the age of 74, due to a heart attack. He was a hammer throw & discus throw player, film actor, politician, and a soldier with Border Security Force (BSF). Sobti was born on 6 December 1947 in Sarhali Kalan, Punjab.

14) Who Becomes Youngest Woman to Fly Solo Around the World?

- a) Zara Rutherford b) Shaesta Waiz c) Amelia Earhart d) None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Zara Rutherford, a 19-year-old Belgian-British pilot, has set the world record as the youngest woman to fly solo around the world and she has also become the first woman to circumnavigate the world in a microlight aircraft. She is also the first Belgian to circumnavigate the world solo in a single-engine aircraft.

15) Which state government has signed an MoU with the Social Alpha Energy Lab - CEIIC?

- a) Kerala b) Assam c) Bihar d) Odisha

Answer: A

Explanation: Kerala Government has signed an MoU with the Social Alpha's Energy Lab – “Clean Energy International Incubation Centre (CEIIC)” to support innovative and clean energy technology programs in Kerala. The Government of Kerala signed this agreement through Kerala Development & Innovation Strategy Council (KDISC) and Energy Management Centre.

Static Points:

Kerala Rivers - Periyar, Bharathapuzha, Chaliyar, and others

National Parks & Wildlife Sanctuaries - Eravikulam NP, Silent Valley NP, Aralan WS, Neyyar WS, and others

11-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Which social media platform has launched the campaign named 'Take a Break'?

- a) Twitter b) Instagram c) Meta d) Snapchat

Answer: B

Explanation: Instagram has announced a new campaign called 'Take a Break' in various countries including India. Take a Break will alert users scrolling on Instagram to periodically take breaks from the platform and focus on other things. The platform will also alert users of the new inclusion with a notification.

2) ___ named as most improved aspirational district in NITI Aayog's Delta Rankings for December 2021.

- a) Ramgarh, Jharkhand
b) Baramulla, Jammu & Kashmir
c) Chhatarpur, Madhya Pradesh
d) Malkangiri, Odisha

Answer: D

Explanation: The NITI (National Institute of Transforming India) Aayog announced the five most improved aspirational districts in the field of Agriculture and Water Resources sector for Champions of Change Delta Ranking, December 2021. Malkangiri, Odisha secured the first rank in the list followed by Chhatarpur-Madhya Pradesh, Baramulla-Jammu & Kashmir, Ramgarh-Jharkhand, Begusarai-Bihar.

Static Points: NITI Aayog Chairperson - Shri Narendra Modi; CEO - Amitabh Kant; Headquarters - New Delhi

3) What is the rank of India in 9th USGBC 2021?

- a) 1st b) 2nd c) 3rd d) 4th

Answer: C

Explanation: India is placed third in the globe on the US Green Building Council's (USGBC) annual ranking of the top 10 nations and areas outside of the United States for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) in 2021. It has been topped by China with 1,077 LEED projects certified in 2021, which is followed by Canada at 2nd position with 205 projects and India ranked 3rd with 146 projects.

Static Points: US Green Building Council President & CEO - Peter Templeton
Headquarter - Washington DC, United States

4) Who organized the first of its kind Global Summit on 'Reimagining Museums in India'?

- a) Ministry of Textiles
b) Ministry of External Affairs
c) Ministry of Steel
d) Ministry of Culture

Answer: D

Explanation: Ministry of Culture, Government of India will organize a first of its kind, 2-Day Global Summit on 'Reimagining Museums in India', on 15th and 16th February 2022. The summit is being organized under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, the flagship program to mark the 75th anniversary of India's independence and celebrate the glorious history of its people, culture, and achievements.

Static Points: Ministry of Culture - Arjun Ram Meghwal (Bikaner, Rajasthan), Meenakshi Lekhi (New Delhi)

5) Which bank keeps rates unchanged for the year FY23 GDP growth seen at 7.8%?

- a) RBI b) HDFC Bank c) ICICI Bank d) SBI

Answer: A

Explanation: RBI keeps rates unchanged the key lending rates, for the year FY23 GDP growth projected at 7.8%; retail inflation at 4.5%. The Reserve Bank of India pegged the economic growth rate for 2022-23 at 7.8 percent, lower than 8-8.5 percent projected by the Finance Ministry in the recent Economic Survey.

Static Points: RBI Headquarters – Mumbai; RBI Governor – Shaktikanta Das
RBI Deputy Governor – Mahesh Kumar Jain, M. Rajeshwar Rao, Michael Patra, and T. Rabi Shankar

6) India's 1st Biomass-Based Hydrogen Plant Comes up in which state?

- a) Uttar Pradesh b) Assam c) Madhya Pradesh d) Kerala

Answer: C

Explanation: India's 1st commercial biomass-based hydrogen plant is coming up in the Khandwa district of Madhya Pradesh which is a joint venture of Watomo Energies Limited and Biezel Green Energy with an investment of Rs. 24 crores. The plant will produce a tonne of hydrogen per day, from 30 tonnes of biomass feedstock. It will also produce biochar and methane.

Static Points: Madhya Pradesh **Capital** – Bhopal; Madhya Pradesh **CM** - Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Madhya Pradesh **Governor** - Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel

7) Who inaugurated the newly constructed Darbar Hall at Raj Bhavan in Mumbai?

- a) Ram Nath Kovind
c) Arvind Kejriwal
- b) Narendra Modi
d) Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer: A

Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the newly constructed Darbar Hall at Raj Bhavan in Mumbai. The newly renovated Durbar Hall has an overall seating capacity of 750 as against the previous 225. Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshiyari, Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray, his deputy Ajit Pawar will be attending the inauguration ceremony.

Static Points:

Ram Nath Kovind - 14th and current president of India (Since 2017)

8) ___ 'JIVA Programme' to promote Natural Farming under its existing Watershed & Wadi Programmes.

- a) Niti Aayog
b) NABARD
c) Both A & B
d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) launched the 'JIVA program' to promote natural farming under its existing watershed and wadi programs in 11 states. To effectively implement the principles of agroecology long-term sustainability and transform the pre-existing social and natural capital towards efficient farming.

Static Points: **NABARD Chairperson** - Harsh Kumar Bhanwala; **Headquarters** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

9) Which bank partners with NSE Academy to offer Financial Literacy Courses?

- a) ICICI Bank
b) SBI
c) Yes Bank
d) RBI

Answer: B

Explanation: The State Bank of India partnered with NSE Academy to launch five online courses to promote financial literacy courses through the NSE Knowledge Hub platform, an online Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) platform. To provide a deeper understanding of different aspects of banking to banking professionals, students, and other learners.

10) What is the edition of the India-UK Home Affairs Dialogue, that was held in virtual mode?

- a) 3rd
b) 5th
c) 4th
d) 7th

Answer: C

Explanation: The 4th India-UK Home Affairs Dialogue was held today in virtual mode. The Indian delegation was led by Union Home Secretary, Ajay Kumar Bhalla, and the United Kingdom, UK delegation was led by Permanent Secretary, Home Office, Mathew Rycroft. According to the Home Ministry, the Dialogue covered a wide range of issues including Homeland Security, Cyber Security, Extradition cases, Migration, and Mobility.

Static Points: United Kingdom **Capital** – London; **Currency** - Pound Sterling | Prime Minister - Boris Johnson

11) When was World Pulses Day is observed?

- a) 9th February b) 10th February c) 11th February d) 12th February

Answer: B

Explanation: World Pulses Day is celebrated on 10th February every year and recognised Pulses as a global food. Pulses, also known as legumes, are the edible seeds of leguminous plants cultivated for food. Dried beans, lentils, and peas are the most commonly known and consumed types of pulses.

Theme:-Pulses to empower youth in achieving sustainable agri-food systems

12) Who has been appointed as the new director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training?

- a) Sharad Kumar Saraf b) Ajay Singh
c) Dinesh Prasad Saklani d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Dinesh Prasad Saklani, Professor of history at the Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Srinagar, Uttarakhand has been appointed as the new Director of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), an autonomous institution under the Ministry of Education, for 5 years or till he attains the age of 65 years, whichever is the earliest.

13) Aditya Birla Health Insurance Signed a Bancassurance Partnership with which Small Finance Bank?

- a) Utkarsh SFB b) Ujjivan SFB c) Equitas SFB d) Unity SFB

Answer: A

Explanation: Aditya Birla Health Insurance Co. Limited. (ABHICL), a subsidiary of Aditya Birla Capital Ltd. has signed a bancassurance agreement with Utkarsh Small Finance Bank (SFB) for the distribution of health insurance products across India through the Bank's network.

Static Points:

Aditya Birla Health Insurance Co. Limited **CEO** - Mayank Bathwal
Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Utkarsh SFB **MD & CEO** - Govind Singh
Headquarters - Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

14) No religious symbols allowed for students in school and college premises by which state High Court?

- a) Kerala b) Odisha c) Mumbai d) Karnataka

Answer: D

Explanation: Amid unrest and violence over the wearing of hijab by some students, the Karnataka High Court, ruled that no religious symbols are allowed for students until its final order, thus barring both hijab and saffron shawls in school and college premises.

Static Points: Karnataka **Capital** – Bengaluru; Karnataka **CM** - Basavaraj Bommai
Karnataka **Governor** - Thawar Chand Gehlot

15) Which company has bought a majority stake in a Malaysian payments start-up named "Curlec"?

- a) PayU b) Razorpay c) PayPal d) Infibeam

Answer: B

Explanation: Razorpay has expanded into South-East Asia with the acquisition of a majority stake in a Malaysian fintech firm Curlec. Razorpay expects to complete the full acquisition in the next one-and-a-half years. This marks Razorpay's fourth acquisition overall and it's first in the international markets.

Static Points: Razorpay **CEO** - Harshil Mathur; **Founded** - 2013

12-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Who inaugurated 14.5 km long Rail-cum-Road-bridge?

- a) Kishan Reddy
b) Nitin Gadkari
c) Anurag Thakur
d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, inaugurated the 14.5 km long rail-cum-road-bridge over the Ganga river at Munger in Bihar through a video conference. The bridge has been constructed on NH 333B at the cost of 696 crore rupees.

Static Points: Road Transport and Highways Minister **Constituency** - Nagpur, Maharashtra

2) India Agreed to Implement 'Unitary Digital Identity framework' to which country?

- a) Japan
b) Sri Lanka
c) Bangladesh
d) China

Answer: B

Explanation: India has agreed to provide a grant to Sri Lanka to implement a 'Unitary Digital Identity framework', apparently modeled on the Aadhaar card. The government of Sri Lanka has decided to speed up the implementation of a Unitary Digital Identity framework in the country.

Static Points:

Sri Lanka Capitals - Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte (Legislative), Colombo (Executive and Judicial)

Currency - Sri Lankan rupee.

Sri Lanka Prime Minister - Mahinda Rajapaksa

3) Reserve Bank of India has projected the real GDP growth for 2022-23 at what percentage?

- a) 7.8%
b) 6.8%
c) 9.8%
d) 7.7%

Answer: A

Explanation: The Reserve Bank pegged the economic growth rate for 2022-23 at 7.8 percent, down from 9.2 percent expected in 2021-22, in view of uncertainties on account of the pandemic and elevated global commodity prices. The Reserve Bank's growth projection for the next financial year is lower than 8-8.5 percent projected by the finance ministry in the recent Economic Survey which was tabled in Parliament earlier in the month.

4) Which country tops 2021, Democracy Index of 167 countries released by Economist Intelligence Unit?

- a) Norway
b) New Zealand
c) Finland
d) Germany

Answer: A

Explanation: Norway is the most democratic country in the world with an overall score of 9.75 while Afghanistan displaced North Korea as the least democratic country with an overall score of 0.32. India ranked 46 on the global index in the flawed democracy category with an overall score of 6.91.

Static Points: Norway **Capital** – Oslo | **Currency** - Norwegian krone

5) India Ranked ____ in Ease of Starting Business in the accordance with the "Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2021/ 2022 report.

- a) 1st b) 2nd c) 3rd d) 4th

Answer: D

Explanation: In accordance with the "Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2021/ 2022 Global Report, the Opportunity Amid Disruption", unveiled at the Dubai Expo, India is among the top five easiest places to start a new business. The report has gathered data via a survey of at least 2,000 respondents across each of 47 high, medium, and low-income economies.

6) Which company Partners with RBL bank to Offer Credit Card?

- a) Zerodha b) Paisabazaar c) Groww d) Policybazaar

Answer: B

Explanation: Paisabazaar, a digital platform for consumer credit, has partnered with RBL Bank Limited to offer 'Paisa on Demand' (PoD), a credit card that will be exclusively available on the Paisabazaar platform. It aims to build products that offer integrated services for the large under-served segments across India.

Static Points: Paisabazaar **CEO & Co-founder** - Naveen Kukreja; **Headquarters** - Gurugram, Haryana

RBL Bank **CEO & MD** - Rajeev Ahuja (Interim); **Headquarters** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Tagline - Apno Ka Bank

7) Which bank has partnered with NSE Academy to launch five online courses to promote financial literacy?

- a) Reserve Bank of India b) Bank of Baroda
c) Canara Bank d) State Bank of India

Answer: D

Explanation: The State Bank of India has announced a partnership with NSE Academy to launch five online courses that promote financial literacy as a necessary life skill. The courses curated by SBI are a good blend of theory and operational aspects which will enable learners to have a deeper understanding of the fundamentals of banking, compliance, lending norms, and a host of other topics.

Static Points:

State Bank of India Chairperson - **Dinesh Kumar Khara**

Headquarters - Mumbai

Tagline - The Nation banks on us; Pure Banking Nothing Else; With you all the way

8) How Many Airports in India Chosen for ACI World's Voice of the Customer Recognition?

- a) 16 b) 17 c) 6 d) 7

Answer: D

Explanation: Airports Council International (ACI) World has chosen seven airports in India to include under its Voice of the Customer Recognition initiative, the Ministry of Civil Aviation announced. The ones that received the recognition are the airports at Chennai, Kolkata, Goa, Pune, Patna, Bhubaneswar, and Chandigarh.

Static Points: Minister of Civil Aviation - Jyotiraditya Scindia; **Constituency** - Madhya Pradesh (Rajya Sabha)

Airports Council International **Director General** - Luis Felipe de Oliveira
Headquarters - Montreal, Quebec, Canada

9) Who is the author of the book titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee"?

- a) Meena Kandasamy b) Sagarika Ghose c) Meghna Pant d) Toshi Kumari

Answer: B

Explanation: A book titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee" authored by Sagarika Ghose has been launched. It is a biography of the former Prime Minister of India. Sagarika Ghose is a journalist. She has also authored a book titled "Indira: India's Most Powerful Prime Minister".

10) Who Appointed as Managing Director & Chairman of Rockefeller International?

- a) Ruchir Sharma b) Rana Foroohar c) Sanjeev Sanyal d) Prannoy Roy

Answer: A

Explanation: Former Morgan Stanley executive, Ruchir Sharma will take over as the Managing Director and Chairman of Rockefeller International, the international unit of Rockefeller Capital Management on 14th February 2022. He will also act as an advisor to the company, be a resource to Rockefeller's global family office, its advisors, and clients, and serve as the company's global brand ambassador.

11) Indian Cricketer ___ Wins ESPNcricinfo 'Test Batting' Awards for 2021.

- a) Shreyas Iyer b) Ishan Kishan c) Rishabh Pant d) Both A & B

Answer: C

Explanation: In the 15th Edition of ESPNcricinfo Awards, India's wicketkeeper-batsman, Rishabh Pant wins the 'Test Batting' award by scoring 89 not out, helped India to win the Border Gavaskar Trophy 2021 by (2-1) and shattered Australia's unbeaten record at Gabba after 32 years. Rishabh Pant was the top scorer of the series for the Indian team, scoring (274runs).

12) Who has been appointed Chief Justice of the Madras High Court recently?

- a) Munishwar Nath Bhandari b) Ritu Raj Awasthi
c) Ravi Malimath d) S. Manikumar

Answer: A

Explanation: Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari has been appointed Chief Justice of the Madras High Court. Justice Bhandari had taken over as the Acting Chief Justice of the Madras High Court after the transfer of Justice Sanjib Banerjee to the Meghalaya High Court in November last year. The Law Ministry also notified the appointment of a total of 13 advocates and three judicial officers as judges of Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, and Madhya Pradesh High Courts.

13) On which day was International Day of Women and Girls in Science celebrated?

- a) 9th February b) 10th February c) 11th February d) 12th February

Answer: C

Explanation: The International Day of Women and Girls in Science is celebrated on 11th February. The International Day of Women and Girls in Science was declared by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). This day recognizes the significant role that women play in the field of science as well as technology.

14) French Virologist Luc Montagnier who Co-Discovered HIV Virus Passed Away at the of ____.

- a) 97 b) 92 c) 87 d) 89

Answer: D

Explanation: French virologist Luc Montagnier, who led the team in 1983 that identified the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) which causes Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), has died at the age of 89. He shared the 2008 Nobel Prize for Medicine particularly in identifying the virus that causes AIDS with his fellow French scientist Françoise Barre-Sinoussi.

15) ____ General Insurance & Visa Partnered For Insurance cover on Select Bank Cards.

- a) TATA AIG b) ICICI Lombard c) HDFC Ergo d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: HDFC Ergo General Insurance (HDFC ERGO) entered into a first-of-its-kind partnership with Visa to offer curated insurance covers for Visa's Platinum cardholders for select public sector banks. The policy will offer fraud insurance cover for an amount up to Rs 1 lakh to all Visa Platinum Credit & Debit Cards of participating issuers.

Static Points: HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company **CEO** - Ritesh Kumar

Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

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Tiruchirapalli International Airport	Tiruchirapalli	Tamil Nadu
Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
Lal Bahadur Shastri Airport	Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh
Netaji Subash Chandra Bose International Airport	Kolkata	West Bengal
Jolly Grant Airport	Dehradun	Uttarakhand
Swami Vivekananda Airport	Raipur	Chhattisgarh
Agatti Aerodrome	Agatti	Lakshadweep
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