

13-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) India Signed MoU on Tourism Cooperation with which country?

- a) Germany b) Australia c) Russia d) Europe

Answer: B

Explanation: India and Australia signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Tourism cooperation in the field of Tourism to enhance cooperation and encourage expansion of bilateral relations in tourism. India and Australia had previously signed an MoU on tourism cooperation in the field of tourism on November 18, 2014, and it expired in 2019.

Static Points:

Australia Capital - Canberra

Currency - Australian Dollar

Prime Minister - Scott Morrison

2) ___ has launched the 'JIVA program' to promote natural farming?

- a) SIDBI b) NABARD c) IRDA d) SEBI

Answer: B

Explanation: National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has 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

3) Who signed up with NewSpace Research & Technologies to Develop HAPS?

- a) Narendra Modi b) Ajay Bhatt c) Raj Nath Singh d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Bengaluru-based NewSpace Research & Technologies joined hands with the Defence Ministry, with a plan to develop the first prototype for tests within the span of the next four years. Notably, major UAV-related tech development was started under iDEX for High Altitude Platform System HAPS.

Static Points:

Ministry of Defence - Raj Nath Singh

Constituency - Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Minister of State Ministry of Defence - Ajay Bhatt

Constituency - Nainital-Udhamsingh Nagar, Uttarakhand

4) India has agreed to provide a grant to which country to implement a 'Unitary Digital Identity framework'?

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

Answer: D

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

5) ____, NITI Aayog and UNDP India Launches Community Innovation Fellowship.

- a) AIM b) NDC c) SEBI d) Both A & B

Answer: A

Explanation: Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), India launched the Community Innovator Fellowship marking the 'International Day of Women & Girls in Science. It aims to provide necessary infrastructure and knowledge building for the young community innovators in their entrepreneurial journey.

Static Points:

NITI Aayog Chairperson - Shri Narendra Modi

Headquarters - New Delhi

UNDP Administrator - Achim Steiner

Headquarters - New York, United States

6) One Ocean Summit 2022 which was organized by which country?

- a) Iran b) France c) China d) Russia

Answer: B

Explanation: One Ocean Summit 2022 which was organized by France was held from 9th to 11th February 2022 in Brest, Brittany, France, in cooperation with the United Nations and the World Bank. The "One Ocean Summit" was held in the context of the French Presidency of the Council of the European Union, with the support of the United Nations.

Static Points:

France - Country in Europe

France Capital – Paris | President - Emmanuel Macron

7) Which Government Agency Announces Integration of ABDM with Aarogya Setu app?

- a) NIH b) NHA c) NITI Aayog d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: The National Health Authority (NHA) announced the integration of its flagship Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) with the Aarogya Setu app, which takes the benefits of the Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) number to the Aarogya Setu user base.

Static Points:

National Health Authority CEO - Ram Sewak Sharma

Founded – 2018

8) When was National Women's Day of India 2022 is observed?

- a) 11th February b) 12th February c) 13th February d) 14th February

Answer: C

Explanation: Indian National Women's Day is observed every year on 13th February to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sarojini Naidu. This year Nation celebrates its 143rd Birth Anniversary. She was born on February 13, 1879. She was famous for her nickname 'Nightingale of India' or 'Bharat Kokila' because of her poems. Sarojini Naidu is well-known across the globe for her contributions to literature.

9) Who launches first Colour Souvenir coin on 'Panchtantra'?

- a) Nitin Gadkari b) Rajnath Singh c) Piyush Goyal d) Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer: D

Explanation: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched the first color souvenir coin on 'Panchtantra' on the occasion of the 17th foundation day of Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL). The event was virtually chaired by FM in the presence of the Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ajay Seth in New Delhi. SPMCIL Celebrated foundation day on 11th February.

Static Points:

Nirmala Sitharaman - Minister of Finance and Minister of Corporate Affairs

Constituency - Karnataka

SPMCIL Chairman & MD - Tripti Patra Ghosh

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10) ___ has restructured its advisory committee on Investor Protection and Education Fund

- a) NSDL b) SEBI c) IRDA d) CDSL

Answer: B

Explanation: Securities and Exchange Board of India has restructured its advisory committee on Investor Protection and Education Fund (IPEF), under the chairmanship of G Mahalingam. The committee is mandated to recommend investor education and protection activities for the utilization of the SEBI Investor Protection and Education Fund (IPEF).

Static Points:

SEBI Chairperson - Ajay Tyagi

Headquarters – Mumbai

11) Who Launches Welfare Scheme "SMILE" For Transgender & People Engaged in Begging?

- a) Bhupender Yadav b) Kiren Rijju c) Virendra Kumar d) Amit Shah

Answer: C

Explanation: Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Dr.Virendra Kumar, Launches Central Sector scheme "SMILE- Support for Marginalised Individuals for Livelihood and Enterprise" at New Delhi with an outlay of Rs 365 Crore for 2021-22 to 2025-26. The Scheme is designed by the Department of Social Justice & Empowerment. It objects to providing welfare and rehabilitation to the Transgender community and the people engaged in the act of begging.

Static Points:

Dr. Virendra Kumar Constituency - Tikamgarh, Madhya Pradesh

Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment - Ramdas Athawale, A. Narayanaswamy, Pratima Bhoumik

12) Who is the author of the new book titled "India-Africa Relations: Changing Horizons"?

- a) Subhash Garg b) Rajiv Bhatia c) Ashwini Bhatnagar d) Rohan J. Alva

Answer: B

Explanation: Rajiv Kumar Bhatia, a Distinguished Fellow, Foreign Policy Studies Programme at Gateway House, has authored a new book (his 3rd book) titled "India-Africa Relations: Changing Horizons" which explores the emergence and assertion of Africa as a significant actor and stakeholder in global affairs and the transformation of the relationship between India and Africa.

13) India to Replace Diesel with Renewable Energy in Agriculture by which year?

- a) 2025 b) 2026 c) 2023 d) 2024

Answer: D

Explanation: in a virtual meeting held to discuss the role of States and UTs towards achieving India's energy transition goals and meeting climate commitments, Union Power Minister R K Singh pointed out that India will achieve the target of zero-diesel use in agriculture and replace fossil fuel with renewable energy by 2024.

Static Points:

Ministry of Power - Raj Kumar Singh

Constituency - Arrah, Bihar

Minister of State of Ministry of Power - Krishna Pal

Constituency - Faridabad, Haryana

14) ___ wins ICAI award for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

- a) RITES b) Ircon c) RailTel d) MTAR

Answer: C

Explanation: RailTel Corporation of India Ltd. won the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) award for excellence in 'financial reporting' for the year 2020-21 in the Public Sector Entities Category. 'Right of Way' is an Optical Fiber Network by RailTel, that runs along the Railway Tracks connecting various cities.

Static Points:

RailTel Chairman & Managing Director - Puneet Chawla

Headquarters – India

15) Saint-Gobain India, IIT-M Research Park sign MoU on ____.

- a) Renewable Energy b) Solar Energy c) Wind Energy d) All of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: To collaborate on technologies and approaches towards Net Zero energy. Saint-Gobain India and IIT Madras Research Park have signed an MoU to develop a 100% Renewable Energy (RE) – Research Park. As per the MoU, Saint-Gobain India would support IIT-M Research Park with a funding of Rs 1 crore for the upcoming 3 years.

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1) When was the RBI will observe as Financial Literacy week 2022?

- a) 13th to 17th February b) 14th to 18th February
c) 12th to 16th February d) 15th to 19th February

Answer: B

Explanation: The Reserve Bank of India has decided to observe 'Financial Literacy Week' for the year 2022 between 14th February and 18th February. The theme for this year's Financial Literacy Week is 'Go Digital, Go Secure'. The central bank observes the special week to improve financial literacy among the citizens of India.

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) Which country announced the 'Maitri' Scholars Program to support Indian students in its universities?

- a) Israel b) Russia c) France d) Australia

Answer: D

Explanation: The Australian government announced a series of new initiatives to boost its education and cultural ties with India under the Maitri (friendship) program. Speaking at a joint press conference with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, Australian Foreign Minister Marise Payne said her discussion with Jaishankar on issues ranging from COVID-19 response to economic recovery, maritime security, supply chain resilience, and cyber threats underlined the two countries shared common interests and values, including in democracy and in the rule of law.

Static Points:

Australia Capital - Canberra

Currency - Australian Dollar

Prime Minister - Scott Morrison

3) Which country becomes 1st country to permit Drones in Civilian Airspace?

- a) Israel b) Russia c) France d) India

Answer: A

Explanation: Israel becomes the World's first country to allow drones to operate in civilian airspace. The Ministry of Transport and Road Safety of Israel announced the certification for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) to operate in civilian airspace. Hermes Starliner Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS), is the 1st UAV to receive such a certification.

Static Points:

Israel Capital - Jerusalem

Currency - Israeli Shekel | President - Issac Herzog

4) In which state 2 lakh kg of cannabis destroyed under operation 'Parivarthan'?

- a) Maharashtra b) Karnataka c) Tamil Nadu d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: D

Explanation: According to the Andhra Pradesh police, they destroyed two lakh kgs of ganja worth over Rs 200 crore. They said the narcotic was seized in the last couple of years in the coastal districts of the State. The drugs were set on fire in the presence of state police chief D.Gautam Sawang.

Static Points:

Andhra Pradesh Governor - Biswabhusan Harichandan

Chief Minister - YS Jagan Mohan Reddy

Andhra Pradesh Rivers - Godavari, Krishna, Penneru, Kundu, Arani, Sileru River, and Others

5) Which Bank to Acquire 21% Stake in IndiaFirst Life Insurance from Union Bank of India?

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

Answer: C

Explanation: Bank of Baroda said that it will acquire Union Bank of India's 21% stake in IndiaFirst Life Insurance Company, a joint venture between Bank of Baroda, Union Bank of India, and Carmel Point Investments.

Static Points:

Bank of Baroda CEO - Sanjiv Chadha

Headquarters - Vadodara, Gujarat

Tagline - India's International Bank

6) India signs MoU to hand over wheat to United Nations' World Food Programme (WFP) in ____.

- a) Islamabad, Pakistan
- b) Kandahar, Afghanistan
- c) Both A & B
- d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: India signed an agreement with the United Nation's World Food Programme (WFP) for the distribution of 50,000 MT of wheat that it has committed to sending Afghanistan as part of humanitarian assistance, with diplomatic efforts underway to begin sending truck convoys through Pakistan by road, expected to begin after Punjab elections.

Static Points:

Afghanistan Capital - Kabul

Currency - Afghan Afghani

Prime Minister - Hasan Akhund

7) has taken the additional charge as the Chairman and Managing Director of POSOCO?

- a) Anubrata Biswas
- b) S R Narasimhan
- c) Sandeep Bakhshi
- d) Shaktikanta Das

Answer: B

Explanation: S R Narasimhan has taken the additional charge as the Chairman and Managing Director, Power System Operation Corporation Limited (POSOCO), a wholly-owned Government of India 'Schedule A' enterprise under the Ministry of Power, with effect from 1st February 2022.

8) ____ unveils first images from James Webb Space Telescope.

- a) NASA
- b) ISRO
- c) ESA
- d) ASA

Answer: A

Explanation: NASA has unveiled the first images captured by the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) which represents the early stages of the telescope's 18 main mirror segments properly aligning. The image mosaic was created by pointing the telescope at a bright, isolated star in the constellation Ursa Major known as HD 84406.

Static Points:

NASA Founder - Dwight D. Eisenhower

Headquarters - Washington DC, United States

9) Padma Bhushan Rahul Bajaj Former Chairman of the Bajaj Group Passed Away at the age of ____.

- a) 80
- b) 81
- c) 82
- d) 83

Answer: D

Explanation: Padma Bhushan Rahul Bajaj, Indian Industrialist and former chairman of Bajaj Group have passed away at the age of 83 years in Pune, Maharashtra. He was born on 10th June 1938 in Calcutta, Bengal Presidency, British India (now Kolkata, West Bengal).

Static Points:

TomTom Traffic Index CEO - Harold Goddijn
Headquarters - Amsterdam, Netherlands

14) Which country president frees \$7 billion in Afghan assets for relief, 9/11 victims?

- a) US b) UK c) Israel d) France

Answer: A

Explanation: President Joe Biden signed an order to free \$7 billion in Afghan assets now frozen in the U.S., splitting the money between humanitarian aid for poverty-stricken Afghanistan and a fund for Sept. 11 victims still seeking relief for the terror attacks that killed thousands and shocked the world.

Static Points:

United States President - Joe Biden
Capital - Washington DC
Currency - United States Dollar

15) Who Appointed as Chairman of Staff Selection Commission?

- a) Jagadesh Kumar b) N. K. Singh c) S Kishore d) Ajay Tyagi

Answer: C

Explanation: Senior bureaucrat S. Kishore has been appointed as Chairman, Staff Selection Commission (SSC). According to an order issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Kishore to the post in the rank and pay of Secretary to Government of India by temporarily upgrading the post and keeping the Recruitment Rules of the post in abeyance.

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1) Which Bank Launches an Annual Start-up Program – ‘Agri Infinity program’?

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

Answer: D

Explanation: YES BANK announced the launch of an annual startup enabler program, YES BANK Agri Infinity, which seeks to co-develop digital financial solutions for food and agriculture ecosystem by mentoring entrepreneurial ventures in the field.

Static Points:

Yes Bank CEO - Prashant Kumar
Headquarters - Mumbai
Tagline - Experience Our Expertise

2) Who has been appointed as the MD and CEO of Air India?

- a) Sani Sener b) Temel Kotil c) Ilker Ayci d) Hamdi Akın

Answer: C

Explanation: Tata Sons have appointed Ilker Ayci, former Turkish Airlines Chairman as the new MD and CEO of Air India and he will resume his responsibilities on or before April 1, 2022. Ilker Ayci was awarded the Order of the Rising Sun and Golden Rays with a Neck Ribbon by The Emperor of Japan.

Static Points:

Air India Founder - JRD Tata

Headquarters - New Delhi

3) What is the rank of India in the 2021 Democracy Index report?

- a) 50th b) 44th c) 42nd d) 46th

Answer: D

Explanation: India has ranked 46th position in the 2021 Democracy Index's global ranking, according to The Economist Intelligence Unit. With the highest score of 9.75, Norway topped the Democracy Index 2021 by Economist Intelligence. India scored 6.91 to rank 46th on the list.

Static Points:

Top 5 countries in the list - Norway, New Zealand, Finland, Sweden, Iceland

4) Which Company Becomes India's 1st 100% Plastic Waste Neutral FMCG Company?

- a) Patanjali b) Dabur c) ITC d) Godrej

Answer: B

Explanation: Dabur India Limited (Dabur), one of India's leading Fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) companies, announced that the company has become India's 1st 100% Plastic Waste Neutral company. Dabur is the first FMCG company to achieve this feat.

Static Points:

Dabur India Limited - Mohit Malhotra

Headquarters – Ghaziabad

5) The former Chairman of Bajaj Group & Industrialist Rahul Bajaj, passed away at the age of ____.

- a) 87 b) 83 c) 81 d) 79

Answer: B

Explanation: Veteran industrialist and head of the Bajaj group, Rahul Bajaj, passed away at the age of 83. Bajaj, who had pneumonia and also a heart problem, was admitted to the Ruby Hall Clinic a month ago. President Ram Nath Kovind, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi were among the ones who took to Twitter to pay glowing tributes to Rahul Bajaj.

Static Points:

Bajaj Group Founder - Jamnalal Bajaj
Headquarters – Mumbai

6) ISRO Successfully Launches EOS-04 with how many Co-passenger Satellite on PSLV-C52?

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

Answer: C

Explanation: Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISROs) Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C52) successfully injected Earth Observation Satellite (EOS-04), with 2 rideshare satellites viz, INSPIRESat-1 & INS-2TD into a sun-synchronous polar orbit of 529 km altitude from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC), Sriharikota Range (SHAR), Andhra Pradesh (AP).

Static Points:

Indian Space Research Organisation Chairman - S Somanath
Headquarters - Bengaluru, Karnataka

7) Who has been appointed as Brand Ambassador and investor of Krishi Network?

- a) Akshay Kumar b) Amitabh Bachchan c) Vikrant Massey d) Pankaj Tripathi

Answer: D

Explanation: Fresh funds to be used to expand its AI-based tech platform across India. With a view to reaching out to farmers to its agritech platform, Krishi Network has roped in film actor Pankaj Tripathi as a brand ambassador. The actor has also invested in the start-up. The start-up said the fresh funds would be used to expand their AI-based technology platform across India and grow rapidly.

8) Who Authored a New Book, a Biography Titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee"?

- a) Sagarika Ghose b) Barkha Dutt c) Rajdeep Sardesai d) None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Senior journalist and columnist, Sagarika Ghose, launched her new book, a biography of Atal Bihari Vajpayee, former Prime Minister (PM) of India, titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee". The launch event of the book was organized by The Duchess Club in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

9) The International Epilepsy Day is observed on which day?

- a) 2nd Monday of Feb b) 16th Feb c) 15th Feb d) 2nd Sunday of Feb

Answer: A

Explanation: International Epilepsy Day is observed every year on the Second Monday of February across the world. In 2022, International Epilepsy Day falls on 14th February 2022. International Epilepsy Day seeks to raise awareness and educate the general public on the true facts about epilepsy and the urgent need for improved treatment, better care, and greater investment in research.

10) ___ signs MoU with CSC for Delivery of Services to boost Skill Development in Rural Areas.

- a) NSDC b) NTTF c) Both A & B d) None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: The NSDC has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Common Services Centres to collaborate for the delivery of services related to various skill development programs to the youth in rural and remote areas of the country.

Static Points:

NSDC CEO - Manish Kumar

Headquarters - New Delhi

Common Service Centres MD - Dinesh Tyagi

Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi

11) Who has been appointed as the President of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)?

- a) Rohan Gupta b) Debashis Mitra c) Sajal Prakash d) J Packirisamy

Answer: B

Explanation: Debashis Mitra has been elected as the President of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) for the year 2022-23. Mitra, who is serving his third term in ICAI Council, has been in the accounting profession for more than 34 years.

12) Which states have announced to launch "Hope Express" to prevent cancer?

- a) Maharashtra b) Tamil Nadu c) Karnataka d) Assam

Answer: A

Explanation: Maharashtra's Health Minister, Rajesh Tope has announced that "Hope Express" will be launched in the state to prevent cancer. This is the first such machine in India. He was speaking at the launch of a state-of-the-art Mosaic-3D radiation machine at a private hospital in Kolhapur. The State Health Minister also promised to take initiative to start Hope Express in every district of the state through district planning.

Static Points:

Maharashtra Capital - Mumbai

Maharashtra CM - Uddhav Thackeray

Maharashtra Governor - Bhagat Singh Koshiyari

13) India signed an agreement with the UN World Food Program for the distribution of wheat to which country?

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

Answer: C

Explanation: India signed an agreement with the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) for the distribution of 50,000 MT of wheat that it has committed to sending to Afghanistan as part of humanitarian assistance. In 2020, India sent more than 20 tonnes of medicines, other equipment and transported 75,000 tonnes of wheat to Afghanistan to address the Covid-19 challenge.

Static Points:

Afghanistan Capital - Kabul

Currency - Afghan Afghani

14) The Indian Air Force will be participating with which of its aircraft to showcase in the 'Singapore Air Show-2022'?

- a) Mirage 2000 b) Tejas MK-I c) JF-17 d) Tejas MK-II

Answer: B

Explanation: The 44-member contingents of the Indian Air Force has reached the Changi International Airport in Singapore on 12th February 2022, to participate in the 'Singapore Air Show-2022', which is scheduled to be held from February 15 to 18, 2022. Singapore Air Show is a biennial event that provides a platform for the Global Aviation Industry to showcase its products.

Static Points:

Indian Air Force Commander-in-Chief - President Ram Nath Kovind

Headquarters - New Delhi

15) Gov Approves Rs ____ Crore For Continuation Of Modernisation of Police Forces Scheme.

- a) Rs 6,275 Crore b) Rs 2,275 Crore c) Rs 26,275 Crore d) Rs 12,675 Crore

Answer: C

Explanation: The government has approved the continuation of the umbrella scheme of Modernisation of Police Forces (MPF). This scheme comprises all relevant sub-schemes that contribute to the modernization and improvement with a total central financial outlay of Rs 26,275 crore. It has been made under the scheme for internal security, law, & order, and adoption of modern technology by the police.

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1) Which bank has partnered with Chennai-based UNANU Technologies?

- a) Karur Vysya Bank b) Axis Bank
c) Canara Bank d) Asian Development Bank

Answer: A

Explanation: Karur Vysya Bank has partnered with Chennai-based UNANU Technologies for digital freight finance to fund transport contractors using the end-to-end logistics technology platform. KVB is the first bank to introduce digital freight financing through a marketplace in the banking sector.

Explanation: LKP Securities Ltd signed an agreement with HDFC Bank Ltd to offer a special 3-in-1 online account. The 3-in-1 account facilitates swift fund transfer between the bank account and trading account as clients no longer have to go through a lengthy authentication process.

Static Points:

HDFC Bank CEO - Sashidhar Jagdishan
Headquarters - Mumbai
Tagline - We Understand Your World
LKP Securities Managing Director - Pratik M Doshi
Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

7) RBI extends the deadline for NBFCs to meet new NPA upgradation norms to ____.

- a) March 31 b) April 30 c) March 13 d) April 13

Answer: A

Explanation: The Reserve Bank of India extended the deadline for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) to comply with new asset classification norms issued on 12 November 2021. NBFCs will now be allowed to move to the new rules for recognizing bad loans by 30 September 2022, as against 31 March 2022.

Static Points:

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

8) Who Co-chaired the 3rd India-Maldives Defence Cooperation Dialogue 2022

- a) Kishan Reddy b) Ajay Kumar c) Arjun Munda d) Harsh Vardhan

Answer: B

Explanation: Dr. Ajay Kumar, Defence Secretary of India co-chaired the 3rd India – Maldives Defence Cooperation Dialogue 2022 in Maldives with Major General Abdulla Shamaal Chief of Defence Force of Maldives National Defence Force (MNDF). He took part in the DCD during his visit to the Maldives from 13th to 14th February 2022.

Static Points:

Maldives Capital - Male
Currency - Maldivian Rufiyaa
President - Ibrahim Mohamed Solih

9) G20 Secretariat to implement overall policy decisions and arrangements for India's which is Presidency from?

- a) 1st April 2022 to 30th May 2023 b) 30th Nov 2022 to 29th Nov 2023
c) 1st Dec 2022 to 30th Nov 2023 d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the setting up of a G20 Secretariat to put in place arrangements required for India's presidency of the prestigious grouping. India will hold the presidency of the G20 from December 1, 2022, to November 30, 2023.

Static Points:

Members of the G20 - Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, India, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States, and the European Union
G20 Founded on - 26th September 1999

10) When was International Childhood Cancer Day 2022 is observed?

- a) 15th February b) 14th February c) 16th February d) 13th February

Answer: A

Explanation: The International Childhood Cancer Day (ICCD) is annually observed across the globe on 15th February to create awareness about the dangers and impacts of cancer among children. The day also aims to raise awareness about childhood cancer and to offer support for children and adolescents with cancer, the survivors, and their families.

11) Indian Power Minister and Australian Energy & Emissions Reduction Minister chair ___ edition of India-Australia Energy Dialogue.

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

Answer: D

Explanation: Power Minister RK Singh and Australian Energy & Emissions Reduction Minister Angus Taylor chair 4th India-Australia Energy Dialogue. The Letter of Intent recognizes a shared commitment from both nations. The collaboration will focus on tangible actions and projects including the manufacture and deployment of ultra-low-cost solar and clean hydrogen.

Static Points:

Australia Capital - Canberra

Currency - Australian Dollar

Prime Minister - Scott Morrison

12) How many mobile apps did India ban over a security threat, privacy risks?

- a) 47 b) 57 c) 45 d) 54

Answer: D

Explanation: The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology issued interim directions to ban 54 mobile applications of which over 50 apps are of Chinese origin. The ban was recommended by the Ministry of Home Affairs(MHA), as these apps pose a threat to India's security. The 54 apps allegedly obtain various critical permissions and collect sensitive user data.

Static Points:

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology - Rajeev Chandrasekhar

Constituency - Karnataka

13) Veteran singer and music composer Bappi Lahiri passed at the age of ___.

- a) 96 b) 69 c) 86 d) 68

Answer: B

Explanation: Veteran singer and composer, Bappi Lahiri has passed away at the age of 69. He was lovingly called Bappi Da in the industry is known for delivering iconic songs in several films. His real name was Alokesh Lahiri. He joined BJP in 2014. He was declared a BJP candidate from Srerampur (Lok Sabha constituency) in West Bengal for the 2014 Indian general election and lost.

14) Medaram Jatara' is a fair celebrated in which Indian state?

- a) Telangana b) Andhra Pradesh c) Kerala d) Odisha

Answer: A

Explanation: Medaram Jatara is the second-largest fair of India, after Kumbh Mela, celebrated by the Koya Tribal Community of Telangana, for four days. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has sanctioned ₹2.26 Crores for various activities related to Medaram Jathara 2022. At present, the Jathara festival is biennially celebrated by the Koya Tribes in collaboration with the Tribal Welfare Department, Telangana.

Static Points:

Telangana CM - K. Chandrashekar Rao

Governor - Tamilisai Soundararajan

15) Which country lifts state of emergency as Tigray rebel forces retreat?

- a) Egypt b) Nigeria c) Ethiopia d) Somalia

Answer: C

Explanation: Ethiopia's parliament has voted for an early end to a six-month state of emergency, declared last November when rebel Tigrayan forces were threatening to march on the capital, Addis Ababa. Parliament's decision to lift the state of emergency came three weeks after cabinet approval.

Static Points:

Ethiopia Capital - Addis Ababa

Currency - Ethiopian Birr

Prime Minister - Abiy Ahmed

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1) NITI Aayog in association with which payment platform to launch Fintech Open Hackathon?

- a) PhonePe b) Paytm c) GooglePay d) PayU

Answer: A

Explanation: PhonePe, NITI Aayog partner up to launch fintech open hackathon. Leading digital payments platform PhonePe announced that NITI Aayog, in association with the platform, will be hosting the first-ever open-to-all hackathon that aims to showcase path-breaking solutions for the fintech ecosystem.

Static Points:

PhonePe CEO - Sameer Nigam

Headquarters - Bengaluru, Karnataka

2) Govt sanctions construction of ____ homes under PMAY(U) in 5 States.

- a) 60,000 b) 50,000 c) 40,000 d) 30,000

Answer: A

Explanation: Central Government of India gave approval to the project proposals for the construction of more than 60,000 houses in 5 states including Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, and Rajasthan under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U), during the 58th meeting of Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee (CSMC).

3) Government approves 'New India Literacy Programme, a new scheme of Adult Education for the period of ____.

- a) 2022-2023 b) 2022-2025 c) 2022-2027 d) 2022-2032

Answer: C

Explanation: New India Literacy Programme 2022, in a bid to educate more and more people and to cover all aspects of adult education to align with the National Education Policy 2020, the central government has launched a new scheme, the "New India Literacy Programme," for the period FYs 2022–2027.

4) Vedanta has tied with which company to form a joint venture for manufacturing semiconductors in India?

- a) Foxconn b) Intel c) Acer d) Dell

Answer: A

Explanation: The Indian mining major Vedanta has tied up with Taiwanese electronics manufacturing company, Hon Hai Technology Group (better known as Foxconn) to form a joint venture (JV) for manufacturing semiconductors in India. Anil Agarwal, the non-executive Chairman of Vedanta, will be the Chairman of the JV company.

Static Points:

Foxconn founder - Terry Gou

Headquarters - Tucheng District, Taipei, Taiwan

5) Which Indian company has become the first plastic waste neutral company in the country?

- a) Nestle b) Dabur c) Marico d) Patanjali

Answer: B

Explanation: Indian fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) company Dabur has become India's first plastic waste-neutral company, meaning it collects, processes and recycles as much packaging as it sells. "This includes all types of plastic waste, from polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and high-density polyethylene bottles.

Static Points:

Dabur CEO - Mohit Malhotra

Headquarters - Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh

6) Indian Businesses Ranked ____ In Concern for Climate Change.

- a) 7th b) 5th c) 9th d) 6th

Answer: B

Explanation: The Disconnect Between Ambition and Impact' Indian businesses acknowledge the risks of climate inaction and rank 5th amongst 21 countries in their concern for climate change. The report was released by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited (DTTL). DTTL is also known as Deloitte Global.

7) Who has been named as Business Standard Banker of the Year 2020-21?

- a) Sandeep Bakhshi b) Sashidhar Jagdishan
c) Prashant Kumar d) Venkat Prabhakar

Answer: A

Explanation: Sandeep Bakhshi has been named the Business Standard Banker of the Year 2020-21. He is the managing director (MD) and chief executive officer of ICICI Bank. The winner was chosen by a jury of 5 members chaired by former Reserve Bank of India deputy governor S S Mundra.

8) Which Bank Extends the Deadline for NBFCs to meet new NPA Upgradation Norms till September 2022?

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

Answer: D

Explanation: The Reserve Bank of India extended the deadline for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) to comply with new Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) classification norms (the norms are issued by RBI in November 2021) to September 2022 from the earlier deadline of March 2022.

Static Points:

RBI Headquarters – Mumbai

RBI Governor – Shaktikanta Das

RBI Deputy Governor – Mahesh Kumar Jain, M. Rajeshwar Rao, Michael Patra, and T. Rabi Shankar

9) TERI to organise World Sustainable Development Summit 2022 from ____.

- a) 17th to 19th February b) 15th to 17th February
c) 14th to 16th February d) 16th to 18th February

Answer: D

Explanation: The Twenty-First Edition of the annual flagship event of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), the World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS), will be held from 16th to 18th February 2022 in a virtual format. It was themed, Towards a Resilient Planet: Ensuring a Sustainable and Equitable Future.

Static Points:

TERI Director General - Dr. Vibha Dhawan

Motto - We will work towards global sustainable development, creating innovative solutions for a better tomorrow.

10) ____ has bagged the ICAI award for excellence in financial reporting for the year 2020-21.

- a) CRIS b) Ircon c) RailTel d) All of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: RailTel has bagged the ICAI award for excellence in financial reporting for the year 2020-21 in Public Sector Entities Category. The company was adjudged as the winner in the category "plaque". Financial Reporting includes the preparation and presentation of financial information.

11) Which bank Signs MoU with Assam Rifles to Provide Central Forces Salary Package.

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

Answer: B

Explanation: Bank of Baroda had signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Assam Rifles, the oldest paramilitary force, to provide the 'Baroda Central Forces Salary Package (BCFSP)' to all personnel of the Assam Rifles, both serving and retired. The MoU was signed by Colonel P S Singh, Colonel Administration, Head Quarters, Directorate General, Assam Rifles and Debarata Das, Zonal Manager, Kolkata Zone, BoB.

Static Points:

Bank of Baroda CEO - Sanjiv Chadha

Headquarters - Vadodara, Gujarat

Tagline - India's International Bank

12) Govt. estimates record foodgrains production of ___ million tonnes for 2021-22.

- a) 316.6 b) 316.06 c) 316 d) 31.06

Answer: B

Explanation: The Second Advance Estimates of production of major crops for the year 2021-22 have been released by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. As per 2nd Advance Estimates for 2021-22, total Foodgrains production in the country is estimated at record 316.06 million tonnes which is higher by 5.32 million tonnes than the production of foodgrain during 2020-21.

Static Points:

Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Narendra Singh Tomar

Constituency - Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh

13) Maru Mahotsav is celebrated in which of the following state?

- a) Rajasthan b) Karnataka c) Haryana d) Maharashtra

Answer: A

Explanation: Maru Mahotsav or Jaisalmer Desert Festival celebrated in Rajasthan. The renowned Jaisalmer Desert Festival, also known as Maru Mahotsav of the Golden City started from 13th to 16th February 2022 at Pokaran village in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.

Static Points:

Rajasthan Capital - Jaipur

Rajasthan CM - Ashok Gehlot

Rajasthan Governor - Kalraj Mishra

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14) Brio Hydroponics signs with country Firm to Launch Rain Safety Approach?

- a) Israel b) Iran c) France d) Russia

Answer: A

Explanation: BRIO Hydroponics, an Ahmedabad-based agritech startup, made a joint venture with an Israeli firm Pic-Plast Limited for a rain protection technique that will help grow plants hydroponically. The JV will set up India's first Rain Technology Nethouse with a Solarig Net House kit. The startup is to boost the production of blueberries hydroponically to sell at an affordable price.

Static Points:

Brio Hydroponics CEO - Amit Kumar Verma

Headquarters - Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Israel Capital - Jerusalem

Currency - Israeli Shekel

Prime Minister - Naftali Bennett

15) Which country's defense ministry announces the end of Crimea military drills?

- a) Canada b) Finland c) Germany d) Russia

Answer: D

Explanation: Russian defense ministry has announced the end of Crimea military drills. The ministry shared a video of Russian military equipment and forces leaving Crimea. According to an agency report that the move comes after Moscow, some of its troops are returning to home bases, indicating cooling of tensions regarding the Ukraine issue.

Static Points:

Russia Capital - Moscow

Currency - Russian Ruble

President - Vladimir Putin

18-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) Gadkari inaugurates, lays the foundation stone for 51 NH projects in which state?

- a) Andhra Pradesh b) Telangana c) Kerala d) Odisha

Answer: A

Explanation: Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 51 National Highway projects of total length 1380 km with an investment of Rs.21,559 crore in Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh. The 4-lane road to Visakhapatnam and the Kakinada ports of Andhra Pradesh will play a crucial role in improving logistics.

Static Points:

Nitin Gadkari Constituency - Nagpur, Maharashtra

2) Which country is to become the first country to deploy India's UPI platform for the digitalization of cash transactions?

- a) Iran b) China c) Sri Lanka d) Nepal

Answer: D

Explanation: The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) announced that the neighboring country of Nepal will be the first foreign country to adopt India's UPI (Unified Payments Interface) system, paving the way for transforming the digital economy of the country.

Static Points:

Nepal Capital - Kathmandu
Currency - Nepalese Rupee
Prime Minister - Sher Bahadur Deuba

3) Indian Businesses Ranked ____ In Concern for Climate Change.

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

Answer: C

Explanation: The Disconnect Between Ambition and Impact' Indian businesses acknowledge the risks of climate inaction and rank 5th amongst 21 countries in their concern for climate change. The report was released by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited (DTTL). DTTL is also known as Deloitte Global.

4) Which state Government issues circular restricting any religious attire within educational institutions?

- a) Telangana b) Kerala c) Karnataka d) Punjab

Answer: C

Explanation: The Karnataka State Government has issued a circular restricting any religious attire within the educational institutions. Quoting the high court order dated February 10, the circular has banned saffron shawls, scarfs, hijab, religious flags, or the like within the classroom.

Static Points:

Karnataka Capital - Bengaluru
Karnataka CM - Basavaraj Bommai
Karnataka Governor - Thawar Chand Gehlot

5) The 'Quit Tobacco App' has been launched by which organization

- a) NIH b) WHO c) NIMH d) All of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: World Health Organization (WHO) South-East Asia Region (SEAR) has launched a 'Quit Tobacco App'. This application helps people to give up the use of tobacco in all forms, including smokeless and other newer products. The App was launched by Dr. Poonam Khetrpal Singh, Regional Director, WHO-SEAR, during WHO's year-long 'Commit to quit' campaign, which is the latest tobacco control initiative by the WHO South-East Asia Region.

Static Points:

World Health Organization dIRECTOR gENERAL - Tedros Adhanom
Headquarters - Geneva, Switzerland

6) Who was Appointed as India's 1st National Maritime Security Coordinator?

- a) Manoj Pande b) Sardesai c) G Ashok Kumar d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: The government of India has appointed Vice Admiral (ret'd) G Ashok Kumar, the former Navy vice chief, as India's first National Maritime Security Coordinator (NMSC) in the National Security Council Secretariat. The proposal for the creation of this post was cleared by the Cabinet Committee on Security in 2021.

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

Answer: C

Explanation: Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has launched the 'Waste to Wealth Creation' program for women in the Sundarbans in West Bengal. In this, the women will make ornaments and showpieces from the fish scales. SIDBI will extend benefits to 50 women indirectly generating revenues from alternate livelihoods.

Static Points:

SIDBI Chairman & MD - Sivasubramanian Ramann
Headquarters - Lucknow, Uttarpradesh
Tagline - Aaayiye Ganga Nahaiye Aur Udyami Banker Jaayiye

12) NITI Aayog Partners with which payment platform to Launch Fintech Open Hackathon?

- a) Google Pay b) PhonePe c) Paytm d) All the above

Answer: B

Explanation: PhonePe partnered with National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog, to host the first-ever open-to-all hackathon that aims to showcase path-breaking solutions for the fintech ecosystem. The Hackathon will provide an opportunity for innovators, digital creators, and developers from all over India to think, ideate and code.

Static Points:

NITI Aayog CEO - Amitabh Kant
Chairperson - Prime Minister of India (Currently, Shri Narendra Modi)
Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi

13) The Agri Infinity program has been launched by which bank?

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

Answer: D

Explanation: Announcing the launch of an annual start-up enabler program, 'Yes Bank Agri Infinity', the bank seeks to co-develop digital financial solutions for the food and agriculture ecosystem by mentoring entrepreneurial ventures in this field.

Static Points:

YES Bank CEO - Prashant Kumar
Headquarters - Mumbai
Tagline - Experience Our Expertise

14) The First meeting of G20 Finance Ministers & Central Bank Governors under G20 Presidency of ____.

- a) Indonesia b) Russia c) India d) France

Answer: A

Explanation: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman participated in the first G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors' meeting under the G20 Presidency of Indonesia. The Minister will virtually join sessions during the two-day meeting to discuss current global economic issues and G20 priorities for 2022.

Static Points:

Indonesia Capital - Jakarta

Currency - Indonesian Rupiah
President - Joko Widodo

15) Which State/ Union territory has launched the Kunsnyoms scheme for differently-abled persons?

- a) Ladakh b) Puducherry c) Chandigarh d) None of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC), Leh has launched the Kunsnyoms scheme for differently-abled persons. Kunsnyoms meant Equal for All, Fair for All, aims inclusive and accessible Ladakh. Under the new scheme, Leh Hill council is providing assistive devices, technologies to needy people at a 90 percent subsidy.

19-02-2022 Current Affairs Quiz

1) ___ has released the FAITH 2035 vision document containing goals and an execution path for making Indian tourism.

- a) ITDC b) FAITH c) UNWTO d) All of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: The federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality has released the FAITH 2035 vision document containing goals and an execution path for making Indian tourism preferred and loved by the world by the year 2035. The vision document has been launched commemorating the 75th year of Indian independence.

Static Points:

Federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality Chairman - Nakul Anand

National Tourism Day - 25th January

2) Sarbananda Sonowal virtually flagged off the 'Most Awaited' Water Taxi for citizens of which city?

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

Answer: C

Explanation: Sarbananda Sonowal virtually flagged off the 'Most Awaited' Water Taxi for citizens of Mumbai, Maharashtra. The Water Taxi services will commence from the Domestic Cruise Terminal (DCT) and will also connect nearby locations at Nerul, Belapur, Elephanta island, and JNPT. The service promises a comfortable, stress-free journey, is time-saving, and promotes eco-friendly transport."

Static Points:

Sarbananda Sonowal - Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways & AYUSH

3) What is the total outlay for the newly launched scheme of the Ministry of Education, New India Literacy Programme?

- a) Rs.1037.90 Cr b) Rs.2037.9 Cr c) Rs.107.90 Cr d) Rs.1037.9 Cr

Answer: A

Explanation: Ministry of Education has approved a new scheme named "New India Literacy Programme" with a total outlay is Rs. 1037.90 crores for the period FYs 2022-2027 to cover all the aspects of Adult Education. The scheme aims to align Adult Education will all aspects of National Education Policy 2020 and Budget Announcements 2021-22. The government has now replaced the term "Adult Education" with 'Education for All' in the country.

Static Points:

Minister of Education - Dharmendra Pradhan
Constituency - Deogarh, Odisha

4) Who inaugurates two additional railway lines between Thane and Diva?

- a) Ramnath Kovind b) Narendra Modi c) Uddhav Thackeray d) None of the above

Answer: B

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated two additional railway lines connecting Thane and Diva in Maharashtra via video conferencing and flagged off two suburban trains of the Mumbai Suburban Railway.

Static Points:

Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister and also in charge of - Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, & Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, All important policy issues, and All other portfolios not allocated to any Minister.
Constituency - Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

5) Twitter has partnered with which payment company to improve the support for its 'Tips' feature in India?

- a) Paytm b) PhonePe c) Google Pay d) All of the above

Answer: A

Explanation: Twitter has partnered with Paytm's payment gateway to improve the support for its 'Tips' feature in India. With this partnership, Twitter users will be able to use the payments facility of Paytm, including its Paytm digital wallet, Paytm Postpaid (buy-now-pay-later service), debit and credit cards, and net banking.

Static Points:

Twitter CEO - Parag Agrawal
Headquarters - San Francisco, California, United States

6) Which bank has recently bagged three awards at the 17th Annual Banking Technology Conference?

- a) Karnataka Bank b) HDFC Bank c) Bank of Baroda d) Punjab National Bank

Answer: A

Explanation: Karnataka Bank has bagged three awards at the 17th Annual Banking Technology Conference and Awards: 2020-21 Next-Gen Banking, instituted by Indian Banks' Association (IBA). The bank has won the awards under categories: Best Technology Bank of the Year; Best Fintech Adoption; and Best Use of AI/ML & Data Analytics (all runner-ups).

Static Points:

Karnataka Bank CEO - Mahabaleshwara M. S
Headquarters - Mangaluru, Karnataka
Tagline - Your Family Bank Across India

7) Who inaugurated, lays the foundation stone for 51 NH projects in Andhra Pradesh?

- a) Anurag Thakur b) Nitin Gadkari c) Piyush Goyal d) Pralhad Joshi

Answer: B

Explanation: Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 51 National Highway projects of total length 1380 km with an investment of Rs.21,559 crore in Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh. The 4-lane road to Visakhapatnam and the Kakinada ports of Andhra Pradesh will play a crucial role in improving logistics.

8) Who was appointed as new Director of Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi

- a) Dua Pami b) Sanjeev Sanyal c) Chetan Ghate d) None of the above

Answer: C

Explanation: Professor Chetan Ghate was appointed as director of the Institute of Economic Growth (IEG). He succeeds Professor Ajit Mishra. Winner of the 2014 Mahalanobis Memorial Gold Medal for the best research economist in India under the age of 45, he is also a member of the Reserve Bank of India's first Monetary Policy Committee, between 2016-2020.

9) Which bank has extended the deadline for non-banking financial companies?

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

Answer: D

Explanation: Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the deadline for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) to comply with new Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) classification norms (the norms are issued by RBI in November 2021) to September 2022 from the earlier deadline of March 2022.

10) Government Extends Capacity Development Scheme till ____.

- a) December 2025 b) January 2026 c) April 2026 d) March 2026

Answer: D

Explanation: Govt approves the continuation of the Capacity Development Scheme till March 2026. The government has approved the continuation of the Capacity Development (CD) Scheme till 31st of March, 2026. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation in a statement said that the outlay approved for the continuation of the Scheme during the 15th Finance Commission cycle is 3 thousand 179 crore rupees.

11) Which country is to become the first country to deploy India's UPI platform?

- a) Iran b) China c) Nepal d) Sri Lanka

Answer: C

Explanation: The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) announced that the neighboring country of Nepal will be the first foreign country to adopt India's UPI (Unified Payments Interface) system, paving the way for transforming the digital economy of the country.

Static Points:

Nepal Capital - Kathmandu
Currency - Nepalese Rupee
Prime Minister - Sher Bahadur Deuba

12) Which state Tops Solar Electrification under Saubhagya Scheme?

- a) Odisha b) Punjab c) Rajasthan d) Bihar

Answer: C

Explanation: Rajasthan has the maximum households electrified through the 'solar-based standalone system' under the Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana – 'Saubhagya' scheme launched by the Centre in October 2017. It aims To achieve universal household electrification by providing last-mile grid connectivity and electricity connections to all households in rural and all poor households in urban areas.

Static Points:

Rajasthan Capital - Jaipur
Rajasthan CM - Ashok Gehlot
Rajasthan Governor - Kalraj Mishra

13) Raj Kumar Singh co-chaired the ____ edition of the India-Australia Energy Dialogue.

- a) 2nd b) 4th c) 6th d) 8th

Answer: B

Explanation: The 4th India-Australia Energy Dialogue was co-chaired by Union Minister for Power and New & Renewable Energy, RK Singh, and Australian Energy and Emissions Reduction Minister Angus Taylor. The need for Climate Finance was also highlighted by India for meeting the Energy Transition goals of developing countries. Energy Transition was a major area of discussion in the dialogue and both the Energy Ministers.

Static Points:

Australia Capital - Canberra
Currency - Australian Dollar
Prime Minister - Scott Morrison

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