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Government launches new scheme 'SevaBhojYojna':

➤ The **Ministry of Culture, Government of India** has introduced a new scheme namely '**SevaBhojYojna**' with a total outlay of **Rs.325.00 Crores** for Financial Years **2018-19 and 2019-20**.

➤ The scheme envisages to reimburse the Central Government share of **Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST)** and **Integrated Goods and Service Tax (IGST)** on purchase of raw items such as ghee, edible oil, atta/maida/rava/flour, rice pulses, sugar, burra/jiggery etc which go into preparation of food/Prasad/langar/bhandara offered free of cost by religious institutions.

➤ The objective of the scheme is to lessen the financial burden of such Charitable Religious Institutions who provide Food/Prasad/Langar (Community Kitchen)/Bhandara **free of cost without any discrimination to Public/Devotees**. The charitable religious institutions including temples, gurudwara, mosque, church, dharmik ashram, dargah, monasteries, which fulfill the following criteria are eligible for the grant.

Home Minister Launched Online Analytical tool to monitor Foreign Contributions:

➤ Union Home Minister **Shri Rajnath Singh** has launched an **Online Analytical Tool** to facilitate closer **monitoring of the flow and utilisation of foreign contributions** received by various organisations registered or permitted under the **Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010**.

➤ This web-based tool enables decision-makers in various Departments of Government to **scrutinise source of foreign funds** and their actual use in India.

➤ Foreign Contributions worth **Rs.18,065 crores** were received by such organisations from foreign donors during financial year 2016-17.

India Successfully Test Fires Indigenously Developed Nuclear Capable Agni 5:

➤ **India** has successfully **test-fired** its indigenously developed **nuclear-capable Long Range Ballistic Missile Agni-5**, which has a strike range of **5,000 km**, off the **Odisha coast**.

➤ The **surface-to-surface missile** was launched with the help of a mobile launcher from launch pad-4 of the **Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Dr Abdul Kalam Island** in the Bay of Bengal.

➤ This was the **sixth trial** of the state-of-the-art Agni-5.

➤ Navigation systems, very high accuracy **Ring Laser Gyro based Inertial Navigation System (RINS)** and the most modern and accurate **Micro Navigation System (MINS)** had ensured the missile reached the target point within few meters of accuracy.

MoEFCC, TERI sign MoU to set up a Resource Efficiency Cell at the Ministry:

➤ **MoEFCC** and **TERI** entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to set up a resource efficiency cell in the Ministry.

➤ The main objectives of the Cell are **to provide a platform to mainstream resource efficiency in public policy**.

➤ The initiatives were unveiled by Secretary, MoEFCC, **Shri CK Mishra** and Director General, TERI, **Dr Ajay Mathur**, at an event at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi.

➤ At the event hosted by TERI, the European Union and MoEFCC also signed a **Joint Declaration of Intent (JDI)** to support the implementation of the **EU Resource Efficiency Initiative (EU-REI) Project in India**, with a specific objective to foster the efficient and sustainable use of natural resources in India.

Govt launches 'Krishi Kalyan Abhiyaan' in 25 villages:

➤ **The Ministry of Agriculture and farmers' welfare** in line with the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of **doubling farmers' income by 2022** has launched the **Krishi Kalyan Abhiyaan** from **1st June, 2018**.

➤ It will be continued till 31st July 2018 so as to aid, assist and advice farmers on how to improve their farming techniques and raise their incomes.

➤ The Krishi Kalyan Abhiyaan will be undertaken in 25 Villages with more than 1000 population each in Aspirational Districts identified in consultation **with Ministry of Rural Development as per directions of NITI Aayog**.

Government launches 'JANAUSHADHI SUVIDHA' under PMBJP:

➤ The Government launches '**JANAUSHADHI SUVIDHA' - Oxo-biodegradable Sanitary Napkin - under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP)** .

➤ The Affordable sanitary napkins at Rs.2. 50 per pad now available at over 3600 Janaushadhi Kendras functional in 33 States/UTs across India. This would ensure '**Swachhta, Swasthya and Suidha' for the underprivileged Women of India**.

➤ According to the National Family Health Survey 2015-16, about 58 percent of women aged between 15 to 24 years use locally prepared napkins, sanitary napkins and tampons.

Malabar Exercise 2018 to be held in Philippine Sea

➤ India and its two strategic partners, **the US and Japan** will hold the **Malabar naval exercise in the coast of Guam in the Philippine Sea**.

➤ It aims to deepen cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region where China has been expanding its military footprint.

➤ **Indian Naval Ships Sahyadri, Shakti and Kamorta** of the eastern fleet would be participating in the **22nd edition of the Malabar exercise** from June 7 to 16 June. The Navy will send it to the exercise, in its first overseas deployment. **P 8I surveillance and anti-submarine warfare aircraft**.

➤ It is for the first time the Malabar exercise is being conducted off **Guam, a US Territory**. Malabar 2017 was held in July last year on the eastern seaboard of India, off Chennai and Visakhapatnam.

Ministry of WCD Holds National Consultation on Child Protection:

➤ **The Ministry of Women and Child Development** organised **National Consultation on Child Protection in New Delhi**. The conference deliberated on the Juvenile Justice (Care and protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) 2012.

➤ The first part of the National Consultation focused on deliberations with regard to **JJ Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012**, Trackchild, Childline (1098) .

➤ The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing various laws and schemes viz **Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act 2012 (POCSO) Act and Child Protection Services (CPS)** .

Government Announces Rs 8000 Crore Package to Sugar Mills:

➤ The Union government has announced a package of more than **Rs 8,000 crore aimed to provide relief to sugarcane farmers and to clear their dues.**

➤ A buffer stock of 30 LMT (lakh metric tonnes) of sugar will be created with Rs 1,200 crore.

➤ According to statistics from Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy, sugarcane production in 2017-18 was the **third highest ever** in the country at 35.5 million tonnes.

India among Top Five Countries in E-Waste Generation: Study

➤ According to ASSOCHAM-NEC, India is among the top five countries in generating e-waste. The other countries topping the chart of e-waste generation are **China, USA, Japan and Germany.**

➤ In India, Maharashtra contributes the **largest e-waste of 19.8 per cent.**

➤ E-waste generated in India is about 2 million TPA, the quantity that is recycled is about 438,085 TPA.

➤ E-waste typically includes discarded computer monitors, motherboards, Cathode Ray Tubes (CRT), Printed Circuit Board (PCB), mobile phones and chargers, compact discs, headphones etc.

Prasar Bharati Signs MoU with I&B Ministry for Release of Funds:

➤ The **Information and Broadcasting Ministry** and **Prasar Bharati**, which runs Doordarshan and All India Radio (AIR), have inked an MoU required for the **release of financial allocation to the broadcaster.**

➤ Besides Prasar Bharati, the ministry has also signed MoUs with **Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), Film and Television Institute of India (FTII)** and **Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute.**

➤ The ministry releases an amount of around **Rs 200 crore to Prasar Bharati every month.**

➤ Prasar Bharati CEO: **S S Vempati**

World Bank approves funding for Atal Bhujal Yojana:

➤ The **World Bank** has approved **Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY)**, a **Rs.6000 crore Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.**

➤ The scheme is to be implemented over a period of five years from **2018-19 to 2022-23**, with World Bank assistance. The government has allocated **Rs 450 crore** for this in the Budget for **2018-19.**

➤ The scheme aims to **improve ground water management** in priority areas in the country through community participation. The priority areas identified under the scheme fall in the states of Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

Central Govt forms panels for 'Prime Ministers of India' Museum Project:

➤ The **Union Culture Ministry** has formed **three high-powered panels** towards setting up a **unique museum** on the **'Prime Ministers of India' in New Delhi.**

➤ The Culture Ministry has been planning to set up a modern museum that **will tell the story of all the prime ministers of the country** at the premises of the iconic **Teen Murti Estate in the Chanakyapuri area**, which was the official residence of **first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.**

➤ There are three panels that includes **Shakti Sinha Content Committee, Swapan Dasgupta Committee and the Project implementation Committee headed by Shakti Sinha.**

Baba Kalyani heads the committee to study SEZ Policy:

➤ The government has constituted a group headed by **Bharat Forge Chairman Baba Kalyani** to evaluate policy on the country's **special economic zones (SEZs)** and suggest measures to **help exporters in the current economic scenario.**

➤ An SEZ is an area with **economic regulations different from other areas of the same country** and are generally export hubs. Companies operating in **SEZs receive tax benefits and an opportunity to pay lower tariffs.**

➤ The SEZ Policy was first implemented **from April 1, 2000.** Subsequently the **Special Economic Zones Act, 2005** was passed by Parliament in 2005 and the Special Economic Zone Act was enacted. The SEZ Act, 2005, supported by SEZ rules, came into effect on February 10, 2006.

Election Commission launches its online RTI Portal:

➤ The Chief Election Commissioner **Sh. Om Prakash Rawat**, Election Commissioners **Sh. Sunil Arora and Shri Ashok Lavasa** has launched the **online RTI Portal of Election Commission of India.**

➤ It aims to **help applicants seeking information** under the Right To Information Act. The portal can be accessed on the home page of the commission's website **'eci.nic.in'.**

➤ There is also a gateway for **making online payment of requisite fees** under the RTI Act. There will be timely notification alerts to RTI applicant via SMS and E-Mail.

QS World University Rankings 2019:

➤ **The IIT-Bombay** has emerged as the **country's best university** in the latest edition of the **QS World University Rankings** released.

➤ IIT-Bombay moved up 17 places (162 rank) this year to displace IIT-Delhi as India's top ranked institution. The latter has also been overtaken by IISc-Bangalore, which gained 20 positions to 170 rank.

➤ IIT-Delhi's performance remained unchanged this time (172 position).

➤ Overall, 24 Indian universities are featured in the 2019 edition of the QS Ranking.

➤ **Globally, Massachusetts Institute of Technology remains the world-leader for the seventh year in a row.** Stanford University, Harvard University, Caltech and Oxford University follow, in that order.

India: 22 percent reduction in Maternal Mortality Ratio

➤ **India** has registered a significant **decline in Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR)** recording a **22-per cent reduction** in such deaths since 2013, according to the **Sample Registration System (SRS)** .

➤ **Kerala** topped the list with **46 MMR**, followed by **Maharashtra** with **61** and **Tamil Nadu** with **66** (Highest Reduction in death) . **Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand** registered the second-highest MMR at 201, down from 285 in the last three years.

➤ According to the bulletin, the Maternal Mortality Ratio in India declined from 167 in 2011-2013 to 130 in 2014-2016.

Short-term subsidised crop loan to be implemented through DBT mode:

➤ **The Interest subsidy scheme on short-term crop loans of up to Rs 3 lakh** will be implemented through the **DBT mode from the current financial year.**

➤ The government has earmarked **Rs 15,000 crore for 2018-19** towards interest subvention for **short-term crop loans.**

➤ As per the scheme, farmers can avail of short-term crop loans of up to **Rs 3 lakh** at subsidised interest rate of **7 percent** that could go down to **4 per cent on prompt repayment.**

➤ The **Interest Subvention Scheme (ISS) 2018-19** will be required to be settled as applicable in Plan Scheme - Scheduled Caste (SC)

, Scheduled Tribe (ST) and North East Region (NER), among others.

Piyush Goyal announces committee to set up Asset Reconstruction Company:

➤ **Finance Minister Piyush Goyal** announced that a committee would come out with its recommendations on setting up an **asset reconstruction or an asset management company for faster resolution of bad loans.**

➤ The committee will be headed by **Punjab National Bank's non-executive Chairman Sunil Mehta.**

➤ Goyal said discussions during the meeting focused on credit flow and banks devising mechanism **to ensure credit flow to good borrowers** should not face difficulties.

Sports ministry approves upward revision of pension to meritorious Sportspersons:

➤ The Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports **Rajyavardhan Rathore** has approved the **upward revision of pension to meritorious sportspersons.**

➤ **Under the revision, the rate of pension** has been doubled of the existing rate of pension on winning medals in international sports events.

➤ Following the upward revision of pension, the medallist at the Olympic/ Para-Olympic Games will get **Rs.20,000** while a gold medallist at World Cup/World Championship in Olympic and Asian Games disciplines will get **Rs.16,000.**

➤ The medal winners at the Olympic Games were earlier getting **Rs 10,000** per month while gold medallists at the World Cup/World Championships in Olympic and Asian Games disciplines were receiving **Rs 8,000** per month.

➤ Silver/bronze medallist at World Cup/World Championship in Olympics and Asian Games disciplines and gold medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games will now get **Rs.14,000** from earlier **Rs 7,000 per month.**

➤ Silver and Bronze medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games will get **Rs.12,000.**

8 States, 4 UTs Sign MoUs With Health Ministry to Implement Ayushman Bharat:

➤ The eight states which signed the MoUs to implement the **Ayushman Bharat-National Health Protection Mission** include **Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Jammu and Kashmir and Uttarakhand.**

➤ The Union Territory of **Chandigarh** is among the four UTs.

➤ **Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Tamil Nadu** are among those that will sign the agreement soon.

➤ It will provide cashless and paperless access to services up to **Rs 5 lakh per year** and will be

available for the beneficiary families at the point of service in public and private empanelled hospitals across India.

Defence Minister Inaugurates Solar Power Plant at Heavy Vehicle:

➤ Defence Minister **Nirmala Sitharaman** has inaugurated a **16 MW solar 'PV power plant'** set up by the defence PSU Bharat Electronics LTD at the Heavy Vehicle Factory in **Avadi, Chennai.**

➤ The power plant set up on **an 80 acre land**, at a cost of **Rs 105 crore**, would meet the captive consumption of the HVF and Engine Factory Avadi (EFA).

➤ The plant would inject power at **110kV** to the Tamil Nadu Transmission Corporation Ltd's 110 kV Sub-Station. This is expected to lead to an annual savings of **Rs 45. 41 million for HVF.**

Operation Nistar: Indian Navy brings back 38 Indians from cyclone-hit Socotra Island in Yemen

➤ In a swift operation, the Indian Navy rescued **38 Indians** from Socotra island in **Yemen** where they were stranded for nearly 10 days after a severe cyclonic storm hit the area.

➤ The Navy had diverted its ship **INS Sunayna** from the Gulf of Aden to Socotra as part of the **operation 'NISTAR'** to rescue the Indians.

➤ **Cyclonic storm 'Mekenu'** had hit Socotra on May 24 leaving a trail of devastation.

India's first indigenous long-range artillery gun 'Dhanush' Clears Final Trials:

➤ The indigenously upgraded **artillery gun Dhanush** has successfully completed final user trials and is ready for induction into the Army. Dhanush is an upgraded version of the **Swedish Bofors gun** procured by India in the mid-1980s.

➤ The first phase of trials was conducted at the **Pokhran and Babina ranges.**

➤ It has been developed by **Ordnance Factory Board (OFB)**, Kolkata based on requirements of Indian Army and manufactured by **Jabalpur-based Gun Carriage Factory (GCF)**.

➤ Dhanush is a **155mm x 45mm calibre artillery gun** and is also called the "desi Bofors". It has a strike range of **38 kilometres.**

India to soon start producing first indigenous Lithium-Ion batteries:

➤ An agreement on **first transfer of technology for lithium-ion batteries** was signed in New Delhi between the government-run **Central Electro Chemical Research Institute (CECRI)** and **RAASI Solar Power Pvt Ltd.**

➤ According to the Science and Technology Ministry statement, this memorandum of understanding is **the first of its kind** for the country. Lithium-ion batteries have applications in energy storage systems and can power any

electrical application **without the need of physical wires.**

➤ It has been developed by a group of scientists at the **Council for Scientific Industrial Research (CSIR)**'s CECRI in Tamil Nadu's Karaikudi in partnership with CSIR-National Physical Laboratory, CSIR-Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute, Kolkata and CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad.

➤ It will give tremendous boost to two flagship programmes - generating **175 giga watts (GW) by 2022**, of which 100 GW will be solar and the second, the National Electric Mobility Mission, to switch completely to **electric vehicles by 2030.**

➤ According to the ministry, **Indian manufacturers source lithium-ion batteries** from China, Japan and South Korea among some other countries.

India's first national police museum to come up in Delhi

➤ **India** will soon have its **first national police museum** as the central government has decided to establish the unique facility in **Lutyens' Delhi.**

➤ The museum - depicting the history, artefacts, uniforms and gear of central and state police forces - will come up as an underground facility in the premises of the national police memorial in **Chanakyapuri area of the national capital.**

➤ The museum is expected to be inaugurated on **October 21 (Police Commemoration Day)**.

2nd India-US colloquium on Earth Observations & Sciences for Society, Economy inaugurated

➤ The **second India-US colloquium** on Earth Observations and Sciences for Society and Economy was inaugurated at the **CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography (CSIR-NIO)**, **Dona Paula, Goa.**

➤ US Consul General in Mumbai **Edgard D. Kagan**, secretary at the Ministry of Earth Sciences **Dr M. Rajeevan** and CSIR-NIO director **Sunil Kumar Singh** were present on the occasion.

➤ The colloquium is being organised by the **Ministry of Earth Sciences, CSIR-NIO and the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.**

➤ The two countries **would improve ocean and atmosphere observations** that contribute to the economic well-being of both nations through better weather, climate, and ocean prediction, as well as fisheries management.

Piyush Goyal launches 'Rail Madad' App and 'Menu on Rails' App:

➤ The **Ministry of Railways** has launched two mobile applications to ease the travelling experience.

➤ The two apps, '**Rail MADAD**' and '**Menu on Rails**', were launched by Railway Minister **Piyush Goyal** and Minister of State (MoS) **Manoj Sinha** during a press conference organised to highlight the achievements of the Ministry in the last four years.

➤ The **Rail MADAD** will enable travellers to **lodge complaints**, **Menu on Rails** will **facilitate seamless ordering of food**.

➤ 'Menu on Rail' will display menu to passengers travelling in Mail/Express, including Humsafar Train, Rajdhani, Shatabdi, Duronto, Gatiman Express and Tejas Express.

Credit Enhancement Fund: Government to launch Rs.500 crore fund

➤ **The government** is likely to launch a **Rs 500-crore credit enhancement fund** next month to **facilitate infrastructure investments** by insurance and pension funds.

➤ The fund was first announced in the **financial budget for fiscal year 2016-17**.

➤ The initial corpus of the fund, to be sponsored by IIFCL (India Infrastructure Finance Company), will be **Rs 500 crore**, and it will operate as a non-banking finance company.

VK Singh flags off 1st batch Kailash Mansarovar Yatra:

➤ The first batch comprising 60 pilgrims will reach **Kailash Mansarovar via Lipulekh**. It was flagged off by **Union minister of state for External Affairs VK Singh**.

➤ There are two routes for **Yatra-through Lipulekh pass(Uttarakhand)** and **through Natu La pass (Sikkim)**.

➤ The duration of the Yatra via Lipulekh is 24 days for each batch including three days in Delhi for preparatory work. This route passes through important sites like **Narayan Ashram and Patal Bhuvaneshwar** among others.

➤ An applicant for Kailash Mansarovar Yatra requires to be in the **age group 18-70 years**.

IMD uses flash flood guidance system for first time to forecast floods:

➤ **A new system and soil study data** will soon enable the **India Meteorological Department (IMD)** to also **forecast floods and guide the disaster management agencies on prevention techniques**.

➤ Currently, the Central Water Commission (CWC) issues flood warnings. The national weather agency was preparing to launch this service from the next month by using the **Flash Flood Guidance System (FFGS)** for the first time in the country.

➤ Using the FFGS, the IMD will be able to issue accurate flood forecasts for different regions by assessing their specific geographical conditions and on the basis of the surplus rain forecast.

GOI added 10 Iconic sites in 3rd phase of Swachh Iconic Places:

➤ The government has added **ten Swachh Iconic Places (SIP)** under **phase III of its flagship programme, Swachh Bharat Mission**.

➤ Raghavendra Swamy Temple (Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh), Hazardwari Palace (Murshidabad, West Bengal), Brahma Sarovar Temple (Kurukshetra, Haryana), Vidur Kuti (Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh), Mana village (Chamoli, Uttarakhand), Pangong Lake (Leh-Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir), Nagvasuki Temple (Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh), Ima Keithal/market (Imphal, Manipur), Sabarimala Temple (Kerala) and Kanvashram (Uttarakhand) have been taken up under **Phase III** of the flagship project of Swachh Iconic Places (SIP) of the Swachh Bharat Mission.

➤ The SIP project envisioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is being coordinated by the **Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation** with the support of state governments and local administration.

➤ Launched in 2016, the **Phase I iconic places** are: Ajmer Sharif Dargah, CST Mumbai, Golden Temple, Kamakhya Temple, Maikarnika Ghat, Meenakshi Temple, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi, Shree Jagannath Temple, The Taj Mahal and Tirupati Temple.

➤ **Phase II** of Swachh Iconic Places was launched in Nov 2017, and included Gangotri, Yamunotri, Mahakaleswar Temple, Charminar, Convent and Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Kalady, Gommateswara, Baidyanath Dham, Gaya Tirth and Somnath temple.

NITI Aayog announces 3000 additional Atal Tinkering Labs:

➤ **NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)** has selected **3,000 additional schools** for the establishment of **Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs)**, bringing the total number of ATL schools to 5,441.

➤ The selected schools, according to a statement from NITI, shall receive a grant of **Rs.20 lakh spread over the next five years to establish ATLs** for nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial spirit among secondary school children across India.

➤ These additional schools **will facilitate the creation of over One Million Neoteric Child Innovators by 2020**.

Ministry of Women and Child Development launched '#YogaFor9to5':

➤ **The Ministry of Women and Child Development** has launched **'#YogaFor9to5'** in **New Delhi**: A contest focused on generating awareness regarding benefits of Yoga at Workplace for Women.

➤ The idea is **to make people aware** at large that effortless Yoga Asanas can help in transforming one's lives especially during a hectic working day.

➤ The contest invites **self-demonstration Videos & Pictures** of Yoga Asanas being practiced during office hours.

➤ **International Yoga Day** is celebrated globally on June 21.

President Ram Nath Kovind launched Solar Charkha Mission:

➤ **The Solar Charkha Mission of the Ministry of Micro Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) in New Delhi**, will be launched by the President, Ram Nath Kovind.

➤ The Mission will cover **50 clusters and every cluster will employ 400 to 2000 artisans**. The Mission has been approved by the Government of India and will disburse subsidy of **Rs.550 crore to the artisans**.

➤ The MSME Minister further informed that **15 new state-of-the-art technology centers** are being set up all over the country including North-East, of which 10 centers will become operational by March 2019. Each center is being built at a cost of around **Rs.150 crore**.

➤ The Minister further informed that under Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) budgetary allocation for FY 2018-19 has been increased by **75% to Rs.1,800 crore**.

NITI Aayog to launch Composite Water Management Index:

➤ **The Government think-tank Niti Aayog** has prepared the **Composite Water Management Index** as a useful tool to assess and improve the performance in efficient management of water resources.

➤ This index is an attempt to inspire states and UTs towards efficient and optimal utilisation of water and recycling thereof with a sense of urgency. **Union Minister for Water Resources Nitin Gadkari** will release the Index.

➤ According to Niti Aayog, the index can be utilised **to formulate and implement** suitable strategies for better management of water resources.

Six Museums on Tribal Freedom Fighters to Be Set Up:

➤ The Centre will set up **six museums** dedicated to tribal freedom fighters in **Gujarat, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala** with an estimated cost of **Rs 250 crore**. Nearly, 10 percent of India's population is tribal.

➤ The biggest among these six museums in the first phase are the ones coming up in **Gujarat's Garudeshwar**, at a cost of Rs 102 crore, and the one dedicated to **Birsa Munda in Ranchi**, at Rs

37 crore. The 70-acre museum in Gujarat will be completed by 2020 and will be dedicated to various tribal movements in the country.

➤ Besides, **the Raipur museum** (at Rs 26 crore) will showcase the movement led by **Veer Narayan Singh**; the **Lambasingini museum** (Rs 35 crore) in Andhra Pradesh will commemorate **Alluri Sita Rama Raju**; the museum in **Chhindwara** (Rs 39 crore) is dedicated to various tribal leaders from Madhya Pradesh; while the one in **Kozhikode** (Rs 16 crore) will pay tribute to tribal freedom fighters under the leadership of **Thalakkal Chandu**.

National Level Tribal Research Institute (TRI) Proposed to Be Set Up At Delhi:

➤ **The ministry of tribal affairs** has proposed setting up of a **national level Tribal Research Institute (TRI) along with a National Tribal Museum in New Delhi**. It was announced by Union Minister **Jual Oram**.

➤ The **national level TRI** will be responsible for coordinating the activities of state TRIs along with taking up national level studies.

➤ The **National Tribal Museum**, which will be a part of the setup, will showcase the **rich tribal culture and heritage using state-of-the art technologies**.

➤ The allocations under **Scheduled Tribe Component (STC)** has seen an increase of 94 per cent in the last four years, from Rs 19, 437 crores in 2014-15 to Rs 37,803 crores in 2018-19.

Niti Aayog's Composite Water Management Index: Gujarat Tops

➤ **Gujarat has emerged the top state in composite water management** in the country, followed by Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra in the first-of-its-kind ranking of states on management of water. **Jharkhand, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar have been the worst performers**.

➤ **Tripura** is the top performer in northeast, while **Rajasthan** has emerged as the best performer in the incremental progress over the last two years. Niti Aayog has ranked all states on the composite water management index comprising of nine parameters and 28 indicators.

➤ According to the Aayog, India is suffering from the **worst water crisis** in its history and millions of lives and livelihoods are under threat. It is estimated the crisis is going **to get worse by 2030** when India's water demand is projected to be twice the available supply.

Cashless Ticketing Through 'Utsonmobile' App Developed By CRIS:

➤ **The Centre for Railway Information System (CRIS)** has developed a mobile based application 'utsonmobile'. The initiative is towards **digitalisation and achieving a cashless economy**.

➤ The 'utsonmobile' application enables **booking and cancellation** of unreserved tickets, **issue and renewal** of season and platform tickets, check and load **R-wallet balance** and helps maintain user profile management and booking history.

➤ **Railway Wallet (R-Wallet)** will be created automatically **with zero balance to the passenger**.

➤ There will be **no extra cost** for creating R-Wallet.

20 States Signed MoU For Implementing Ayushman Bharat:

➤ **Shri J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare** exchanged the Memorandum of Understanding with the **State Health Ministers of 20 States** marking their commitment towards the launch of the **Ayushman Bharat – National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM)**.

➤ The scheme will integrate two on-going centrally sponsored schemes viz. **Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) and Senior Citizen Health Insurance Scheme (SCHIS)**.

➤ About Rs 5 lakh will be given to **Rs 10. 74 crore families** under Ayushman Bharat-National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM) or Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Swasthya Suraksha Mission.

➤ The scheme allows the beneficiary to take **cashless benefits** from any public or private empanelled hospitals across the country. The payment for treatment will be done on package rate which will be defined by Government in advance basis. It includes **pre and post-hospitalisation expenses**.

Conference on Implementation of NPS by the CABs Held in Delhi:

➤ A Conference on Implementation of **National Pension System (NPS) by the Central Autonomous Bodies (CABs)** was organized by **Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)** in New Delhi.

➤ The progress in the implementation of NPS with respect to compliance of timelines in various NPS related activities could be brought to light and a way forward could be provided were discussed.

➤ **Dr. Badri Singh Bhandari, Whole Time Member (Economics)** in his opening remarks emphasised the need for discipline in submission of subscriber registration forms and remittance of the subscriber contribution.

PFRDA

- Headquarters: **New Delhi**
- Chairman: **Hemant G. Contractor**

Piyush Goyal dedicates NLCIL's Three Solar Power Projects to the Nation:

➤ Union Minister for **Finance, Railways and Coal Piyush Goyal** inaugurated **three solar**

power projects erected at Virudhunagar and Tirunelveli districts.

➤ The solar power projects erected at Thoppalaakkarai and Sethupuram in Virudhunagar district and Sellaiya Sezhiyanallur in Tirunelveli district, with an installed capacity of **100 MW each, were dedicated to the nation by the Minister in the presence of S. K. Acharya, Neyveli Lignite Corporation India Ltd (NLCIL) CMD**.

➤ The projects were erected at a cost of **Rs.1,302 crore**, which include operation and maintenance cost for 15 years. The power produced from the units would be given to Tamil Nadu Power Generation and Distribution Company (Tangedco) at a cost of **Rs.4. 41 per unit**.

➤ Piyush Goyal constituency: **Deoria, Uttar Pradesh**

Government Launches Swajal Scheme In 115 Aspirational Districts:

➤ **Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation** has launched **Swajal Scheme in 115 Aspirational districts of India to provide clean drinking water**.

➤ It will involve **outlay of Rs.700 crores** through flexi-funds under existing **National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) budget**.

➤ Under it, 90% of project cost is taken care by the Government and remaining 10% is contributed by beneficiary community.

DRDO Turns Pinaka Rocket System into Guided Missile:

➤ The indigenous **Pinaka rocket system of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)**, known for firing a salvo of 12 rockets in just 44 seconds, is being evolved into a **precision-guided missile**.

➤ The missile has completed the initial trial and it will undergo developmental trials next month and is expected to be delivered to the Army in two years.

➤ The initial version of the Pinaka rocket was further developed into **Pinaka Mark II, which has an enhanced range of 70 to 80 km** compared to Mark I, with a range of 40 km.

Union Cabinet Approves Proposal for Enactment of Dam Safety Bill, 2018:

➤ The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister **Shri Narendra Modi** has approved the proposal for **introduction of Dam Safety Bill, 2018 in the Parliament**.

➤ It will help all the States and Union Territories of India **to adopt uniform dam safety procedures** which shall ensure safety of dams and safeguard benefits from such dams. This shall also help in safeguarding human life, livestock and property.

➤ The Bill provides for establishment of **National Dam Safety Authority as a regulatory body** which shall discharge functions to implement the policy, guidelines and standards for dam safety in the country.

Ministry of AYUSH Inaugurated 'Yoga Ambassadors Tour'

➤ The 'Yoga Ambassadors Tour' is a specialized trip for yoga professionals from around the world and it is a part of Kerala government's tourism promotion programme. It was inaugurated by **Minister of State for AYUSH Shripad Yesso Naik**.

➤ The Tour **aims to design a wholesome yoga package** for visiting tourists, combining well-known yoga destinations with related activities.

➤ The 10-day educational tour for yoga professionals has been organised by the **Association of Tourism Trade Organizations (ATTOI) in association with the Ministry of AYUSH and Kerala Tourism department**.

New Committee to examine MNREGA in agriculture

➤ The government has formed a **seven-member committee of the Chief Ministers to examine the feasibility of the idea and the way to implement MNREGA with the agriculture sector**.

➤ The committee would examine the feasibility of using the employment generated under the **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA)** in agriculture related activities both pre-harvest and post-harvest.

➤ The committee, headed by **Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan** and comprising his counterparts Mamata Banerjee (West Bengal), Vijay Rupani (Gujarat), Nitish Kumar (Bihar), Yogi Adityanath (Uttar Pradesh), N. Chandrababu Naidu (Andhra Pradesh) and Pawan Chamling (Sikkim).

Facebook and NCW inks pact for digital literacy for women:

➤ **Facebook** has announced its partnership with the **National Commission for Women (NCW)** to conduct a **digital literacy programme aimed at training women scholars in Panjab University**.

➤ It has been launched in collaboration with **Cyber Peace Foundation** and the programme will enable women scholars to learn using online resources, protect themselves and promote digital literacy to reap the benefits of the internet.

➤ The digital literacy programme **will benefit women in universities** across major cities in Haryana, Delhi-NCR, Manipur, Sikkim, Meghalaya, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

GOI plans to set up fifth national data centre:

➤ The Centre will set up the **country's biggest data centre in Bhopal** with a capacity to host **five lakh virtual servers**. It was announced by **Electronics and IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad**.

➤ The data centre, which will take about two years to come up, will be set up by the **National Informatics Centre (NIC)**, under the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)**.

➤ This will be the fifth National Data Centre after the ones at **Bhubaneswar, Delhi, Hyderabad and Pune**.

➤ As many as 59.15 crore Indians have linked 87.79 crore bank accounts with the biometric identifier Aadhaar and nearly Rs 4 lakh crore has been disbursed as direct benefit transfer to poor people which has led to savings of Rs 90,000 crore by removing fictitious beneficiaries in the last four years.

President Ramnath Kovind holds meetings with Greek leaders:

➤ **President Ram Nath Kovind** met his Greek counterpart **Prokopis Pavlopoulos** on his state visit and highlighted India's commitment to expand and diversify trade and investment engagement between the two nations.

➤ India also thanked Greece for its support for India's candidature for a non-permanent seat in the UN Security Council and for membership to the **Nuclear Suppliers Group**.

➤ Kovind highlighted India's commitment to promote trade and investment engagement between the two nations. He stated that **bilateral trade between the two countries of \$530 million** was below potential and more efforts must be made to expand and diversify bilateral trade.

➤ Three signs were signed between **Foreign Service Institute (FSI), India and Diplomatic Academy, Greece on Cooperation in Diplomatic Training and the Programme of Cultural Cooperation** for the year 2018-2020.

11th Common Review Mission Report Released:

➤ **The Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Ashwini Kumar Choubey** has released the **11th Common Review Mission (CRM) report of the National Health Mission**.

➤ The 11th CRM team visited 16 States/UTs, of which four were the North-Eastern States, six were High Focus States and six were Non-High Focus States.

➤ As per the Report, India has registered a **record 22% reduction in MMR since 2013**, which is the highest percentage decline so far

when compared to all the previous reductions in MMR as per the earlier rounds of SRS.

➤ Maternal Mortality Ratio in India has declined from **167 in 2011-2013 to 130 in 2014-2016**.

HRD Minister launches National Digital Library:

➤ The **Union Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javadekar** has launched the **National Digital Library** to provide a platform for schools, universities, teachers, students and anyone who has a curiosity to learn.

➤ The National Digital Library would become a **single-window platform** for all the educational needs. It will have 1,70,00,000 books in 200 languages.

➤ All the government schools would be given library grant between **Rs.5,000 and Rs.20,000** every year, depending on their size.

Piyush Goyal: Railways will become 'net zero carbon emitter' by 2030:

➤ **Indian Railways** will become a **"net zero" carbon emitter by 2030**. It was announced by Railway minister Piyush Goyal.

➤ With the current action plans on anvil for 100 per cent electrification, coupled with renewable strategies, Indian Railways will become a net zero carbon emitter by 2030. He added that the **electrification in 2017-18 has increased seven times**.

➤ The minister also said that the railways would procure around 100,000 additional wagons over the next five years, of which half of the wagon requirement will be by Coal India Limited.

➤ The **'Rail Contact 2018'** was organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in collaboration with the Railway Board.

Four MoU signed under 'Adopt a Heritage' Scheme

➤ The Ministry of Culture has announced that **'Adopt a Heritage' Scheme** of the Government of India is making good progress. The scheme is being implemented by the **Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Culture and Archaeological Survey of India**.

➤ Under 'Adopt a Heritage' Scheme, **three MoUs have already been signed and six are at an advanced stage and 31 more Adarsh Monuments** are enlisted for coverage under the scheme.

➤ The schemes aim to involve public sector companies, private sector companies and corporate citizens/individuals **to take up the responsibility for making our heritage and tourism more sustainable through development**, operation and maintenance of world-class tourist infrastructure and amenities.

Indian Army observes 2018 as 'Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty':

➤ The **Indian Army** is observing the year 2018 as the '**Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty**' to honour soldiers who have been disabled in the line of duty while **servicing the nation and to celebrate the undying spirit of 'Soldiering'**.

➤ The **main aim** of the observance is to alleviate the sufferings of the soldiers, who have done their duty with utmost dedication to the nation and have been disabled for life.

➤ The Indian Army also plans to **showcase the talent of the disabled soldiers** by organising sports and physical activities, cultural events and their art exhibitions.

Health Minister Launched National Health Resource Repository:

➤ The Union ministry of health and family welfare has launched the **National Health Resource Repository (NHRR) in New Delhi**.

➤ It is the **first ever registry** in the country registry of authentic, standardised and updated geo-spatial data of all public and private healthcare. The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** is the **project technology partner** for providing **data security**.

➤ It will now be possible to **provide comprehensive data on** all private and public health establishments and other resources, including Railways, Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), defence and petroleum healthcare establishments.

➤ The health minister also released the **National Health Profile (NHP) -2018, prepared by CBHI**.

KVIC adopts Jagatpur village for Swachhata Abhiyan:

➤ The **Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)** has adopted **Jagatpur village in Delhi** for its **Swachhata Abhiyaan**. **Jagatpur** is destined to be one of the most beautiful villages in Delhi and NCR.

➤ The sanitation drive by KVIC began with a **plantation drive and ended with cleanliness drive** along the bank of the **Yamuna river**.

➤ KVIC is also installing 20 park benches on the bank **on Yamuna river**. Under KVIC's Swachhata Mission, the next cleanliness drive will begin in **Mumbai's Juhu Beach**.

KVIC

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Vinai Kumar Saxena**

PM Modi lays foundation stone of Paperless Vanijya Bhawan:

➤ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** laid the foundation stone of **Vanijya Bhawan**, New Delhi, a new office complex for the department of commerce that is to be built at an estimated cost of **Rs 226 crore**.

➤ It will be a completely paperless office with **modern facilities** such as smart access control, video conferencing and completely networked systems.

Union Government collaborates with Google for flood forecasting:

➤ In an interesting development, the **Union Water Resources Ministry** has partnered with technology giant **Google to generate flood warnings**.

➤ As per a report by One India, the **Central Water Commission (CWC)** has entered into an agreement with Google in order to effectively manage flood situations in India. Google has made remarkable progress in the field of **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**, machine learning and geospatial mapping.

➤ CWC will be making use of these features and capabilities by Google to **manage water resources**, which will prove to be helpful in the field of flood forecasting and spreading the news among the masses regarding floods to ensure their safety.

FSSAI Proposes Life Imprisonment, Rs10 Lakh Fine For Food Adulteration:

➤ The **Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)** has recommended **stringent punishment to reduce food adulteration** following the Supreme Court order.

➤ Those adulterating food products could face **life imprisonment and penalty of up to Rs 10 lakh** as per the amendments proposed by the regulator **FSSAI** in its **2006 food safety and standards law**. At present, the imprisonment is up to three months and fine is up to Rs 1 lakh.

About FSSAI:

➤ The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) is a **nodal agency** responsible for protecting and promoting public health in India through regulation and supervision of food safety. It was established under the **Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006**.

Hindi: The Most Spoken Language In India

➤ The **number of people with Hindi** as their mother tongue has **increased** and their percentage is up from **41.03 to 43.63 in 2001**, according to data on language released as part of Census 2011.

➤ **Bengali has taken the second spot** with 8.3 percent people listing Bengali as their mother tongue from **8.11 percent in the 2011 census**. **Third on the list is Marathi**, which replaced Telugu.

➤ While **96.71 percent** of the country's population returned one of the 22 scheduled languages as their mother tongue in the 2011 census, 3.29 percent returned other languages as their mother tongue.

CEMS Sets Up Labs in Mumbai and Vizag:

➤ The **Centre of Excellence in Maritime & Shipbuilding (CEMS)**, a well-funded start-up in **skill development for maritime and shipbuilding sector** has announced setting up of **24 labs -6 in Mumbai and 18 in Vizag campus**.

➤ CEMS has established one of the **first of its kind of infrastructure in Asia Pacific** with 24 labs.

➤ With the setting up of these labs in Mumbai and Vizag, CEMS is well-positioned to build competency in the maritime & shipbuilding sector through various courses ably supported by world class infrastructure.

➤ The announcement was made in the **first seminar on Competencies, Employability, Methodology and Skills organized by CEMS in Mumbai**.

McKinsey Global Institute says Gender inequality extremely high in work & politics in India:

➤ **Gender inequality in India** is extremely high at the workplace and in terms of legal protection and political voice, according to a recent report by the **McKinsey Global Institute (MGI)** for the Asia-Pacific region.

➤ The report assessed inequality on the basis of a **Gender Parity Score (GPS)** that uses 15 indicators of gender equality in work and society. It ranks countries on scale of 0 (signifying inequality) to 1 (signifying parity).

➤ India's score was **0.30 in gender equality** at work and 0.78 in legal protection and political voice.

PM nod to panel to lay down standards for metro rail systems:

➤ Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has approved a proposal for setting up a committee to lay down standards for metro rail systems in the country.

➤ The committee will be headed by **E Sreedharan**, also known as the 'Metro Man'. A retired Indian Engineering Service (IES) officer, Sreedharan has served as the managing director of Delhi Metro from 1995 to 2012.

4th National Review and Consultation on Swachh Iconic Places:

➤ The **4th National Review and Consultation** on Swachh Iconic Places has begun in **Hyderabad**. To review the progress relating to maintenance and cleanliness of Iconic Places.

➤ The two-day consultation and review was inaugurated by **Akshay Rout**, the Director General Special projects under the Ministry of Drinking Water Supply.

India Is World's Most Dangerous Country for Women, US at 10th Spot:

➤ **India** ranked **no. 1** on the list due to the high risk of sexual violence and being forced into slave labor, according to the poll.

➤ War-torn **Afghanistan** and **Syria** ranked second and third, followed by Somalia and Saudi Arabia.

➤ The survey is taken by global experts by the **Thomson Reuters Foundation**.

➤ India the most dangerous country for women in terms of human trafficking, including sex slavery and domestic servitude, and for customary practices such as forced marriage, stoning and female infanticide. The only western nation to figure in the poll of 550 experts is the **United States, which ranked tenth**. As per government data, crime against women in India went up by **83% between 2007 and 2016, with four cases reported each hour**.

EAM Sushma Swaraj Introduces 'Passport Seva App':

➤ External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj **launched a Passport Seva app for seamless application and issue of passports**.

➤ Swaraj mentioned the two new schemes - **Passport application from anywhere in India, and filling passport application forms from mobile phones**, would make the procedure for obtaining passports simpler.

➤ **Constituency of External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj: Vidisha**

Ministry Of Women and Child Development To Organise POSHAN Abhiyaan TECH-THON:

➤ The **Ministry of Women and Child Development**, Government of India will organize a day-long Seminar on Technology Partnerships for Steering **POSHAN Abhiyaan called 'TECH-THON'** for POSHAN Abhiyaan.

➤ It is aimed at **improving the nutrition outcomes** through effective monitoring and timely intervention.

➤ POSHAN Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) was launched by the **Hon'ble Prime Minister on 8th March, 2018 in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan**. The programme through use of technology, targeted approach and convergence strives to reduce the level of Stunting, Under-nutrition, Anemia and Low Birth Weight in Children, as also, focus on Adolescent Girls, Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers, thus holistically addressing malnutrition.

Ministry Of Health and Family Welfare Banned Oxytocin:

➤ A vital drug **Oxytocin** and its formulations, used to stop bleeding during childbirth, **will not be freely available for use by doctors from July 1**.

➤ The manufacture and sale of this drug has been **banned for domestic use in the private sector by the government**. Import of the drug has also been banned.

➤ The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has zeroed in on Karnataka **Antibiotics & Pharmaceuticals Ltd** to manufacture the drug and supply it directly to registered private and public hospitals.

STATES IN NEWS

ANDHRA PRADESH

Andhra Pradesh declared official symbols for the state

➤ **The Andhra Pradesh government** has declared new state symbols to replace the ones held by Telangana after it was created.

➤ The symbols were notified by the state government's **Department of Environment, Forest, Science and Technology**.

Name	Telangana	Andhra Pradesh	Undivided AP
State Bird	Palapitta	Rose-ringed Parakeet	Palapitta
State Animal	Jinka/ Spotted Deer	Black Buck	Black Buck
State Tree	Jammi Chettu	Neem	Neem
State Flower	Tangidi Puvvu	Jasmine	Lilly

Indian Coast Guard Ship 'Rani Rashmoni' commissioned in Visakhapatnam:

➤ The **Indian Coast Guard (ICG)** has commissioned **fast patrol vessel (FPV) ICGS Rani Rashmoni, in Visakhapatnam**.

➤ It was the **fifth in the series of fast patrol vessels** and it was constructed by **Hindustan Shipyard Limited**.

➤ The 51 mtr ship named after famous legendary leader '**Rani Rashmoni**' of Kolkata has been designed and built indigenously and is equipped with the most advanced and sophisticated navigational and communication sensors and equipment.

East coast Railways, Waltair Division launches 'SUBHADRA VAHINI':

➤ **The Visakhapatnam railway station of Waltair Division, East Coast Railway**, has launched an all-female group of railway personnel, named "**Subhadra Vahini**", who will assist lady passengers subjected to inconveniences.

➤ Subhadra Vahini is a group of **32 railway personnel** comprising 16 from the Railway Protection Force (RPF) and an equal number from the commercial wing of the division.

➤ To get in touch with Subhadra Vahini, women can dial on the **toll-free number 182**.

Andhra Pradesh: First Indian state to use auto-disable syringes

➤ The medical device sector hailed Andhra Pradesh's move **to use auto-disable syringes**

for all clinical purposes from World Hepatitis Day on July 28 to prevent infection.

➤ Andhra Pradesh would be the **first state in the country** to take this move.

➤ **Rajiv Nath**, Forum Coordinator, (AIMED) Association of Indian Medical Device Industry has applauded the Andhra Pradesh Government for becoming the First Indian State to pass an order to use Auto-Disable Syringes for all clinical purposes and to declare the State of Andhra Pradesh as "**Safety Injection Use State**" from World Hepatitis Day on 28 July 2018.

➤ Many countries including USA, EU, Canada and Japan have already adopted Safety Engineered Syringes.

CM Chandrababu Naidu declares Andhra Pradesh is ODF:

➤ Andhra Pradesh **has been declared as the Open Defecation Free (ODF) State**. **Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu said the State achieved the national cleanliness goal by constructing 2.77 lakh individual toilets. A documentary film explaining the efforts made to reach ODF goal was also screened on the occasion**.

➤ AP stood first among all the States in the country and achieved ODF status.

➤ Naidu also unveiled a plaque to mark the launch of **17,064-km length of CC roads in the State**.

Andhra, Singapore Sign MoU to Upgrade Construction Methods:

➤ **Andhra Pradesh** has entered into a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with **Singapore** to accelerate the construction work of its **new capital, Amaravati**.

➤ The MoU was signed between **AP Real Estate Regulatory Authority and Building (APRERA)** and **Construction Authority of Singapore**.

➤ The MoU aims to promote and create a safe, high quality, environment-friendly built environment in Andhra Pradesh with the help of expertise relating to the set-up, operation, experience and best practices in construction.

Andhra Pradesh

- Capital: **Amaravati**
- Chief minister: **N. Chandrababu Naidu**
- Governor: **E. S. L. Narasimhan**

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Arunachal Pradesh Inked an Agreement with Smart Village Movement (SVM) :

➤ **The Arunachal Pradesh government** has inked an agreement with **Andhra Pradesh-based Smart Village Movement (SVM)** to facilitate technology innovations, research and development in selected villages of the north-eastern state.

➤ The memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed by director-cum-member secretary of State Council for IT & e-Governance, **Neelam**

Yapin Tana, and SVM project director **Shreya Evani**.

➤ To begin with, 100 villages spread over 60 assembly constituencies **would be selected in consultation with the government for the SVM project.**

Arunachal Pradesh

- Capital: **Itanagar**
- Chief Minister: **Pema Khandu**
- Governor: **B. D. Mishra**

BIHAR

Bihar CM Lays Foundation Stones for Schemes Worth Rs 875 crore:

➤ **Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar** inaugurated and laid foundation stones for more than **100 schemes, worth Rs 875 crore**, of the state bridge construction corporation.

➤ On the occasion of the **43rd establishment day of the Bihar Rajya Pul Nirman Nigam Ltd, 122 schemes** were inaugurated, or their foundation stones laid down by the chief minister.

Bihar

- Capital: **Patna**
- Chief minister: **Nitish Kumar**
- Governor: **Satya Pal Malik**

CHHATTISGARH

Integrated Command and Control Centre of Naya Raipur Smart City Inaugurated:

➤ **The Integrated Command and Control Centre** of the **Naya Raipur Smart City** was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

➤ **Naya Raipur is one of the 3 Smart Cities of Chhattisgarh** selected under the Smart Cities Mission. The other two cities are **Raipur and Bilaspur.**

➤ **Integrated Command & Control Centre of Naya Raipur** becomes the **10th Smart City Centre** to be operational in the country. Under the ambitious Smart City Mission, Integrated Command & Control Centres in **9 cities had already become operational** in the cities of are Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Surat, Pune, Nagpur, Rajkot, Visakhapatnam, Bhopal and Kakinada.

Chhattisgarh

- Capital: **Raipur**
- Chief Minister: **Raman Singh**
- Governor: **Balram Das Tandon**

GUJARAT

Gujarat launches wind-solar hybrid power policy:

➤ The **Gujarat government** has announced **wind-solar hybrid power policy - 2018**, aiming to make **optimum utilisation of the land and grid.**

➤ The policy, which will have a coverage **period of five years**, provides encouragement to renewable power producers supplying to the grid as well as to those having captive use.

➤ The benefits of the new policy will be applicable **for a period of 25 years or lifetime**, whichever is earlier.

➤ **Gujarat** currently generates over **5,500 MW of wind power and 1,600 MW of solar power.**

World's first International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics launched in Gujarat

➤ The world's first International Centre for **Humanitarian Forensics** was launched at **Gandhinagar in Gujarat.**

➤ The International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics (ICHF) will facilitate **better management of bodies during emergencies such as disaster**s. It was inaugurated at the **Gujarat Forensic Sciences University (GFSU)**

➤ It is a **joint venture** of the Regional delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross in India, Bhutan, Nepal and the Maldives and also Gujarat Forensic Science University.

Gujarat Govt Launched Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY) :

➤ The **Gujarat government** became the **first state to launch a solar power scheme** for farmers- **Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY)** . It enables them to generate **electricity for their captive consumption as well as sell the surplus power to the grid through solar energy.**

➤ As per the scheme, farmers having existing electricity connection will be given solar panels as per their load requirements. The State and Central governments will give **60 per cent subsidy on the cost of project.**

➤ The farmer is required to take **5 percent cost**, while **35 per cent** will be provided to him as an affordable **loan** with interest rates of **4. 5- 6 per cent.**

➤ The scheme duration is **25 years**, which is split between 7-year period and 18-year period.

Gujarat

- Capital: **Gandhinagar**
- Chief minister: **Vijay Rupani**
- Governor: **Om Prakash Kohli**

HARYANA

Haryana launches 7-Star Gram Panchayat Rainbow scheme:

➤ The **Haryana government** has decided to give **star rankings to its panchayats** on the basis of **seven social parameters** under the **state's 7-Star Gram Panchayat Rainbow scheme.**

➤ As many as 1,120 villages of the state have achieved the rankings under the scheme, launched in January this year. **Ambala** topped the star ranking with 407 stars followed by **Gurugram** with 199 stars and **Karnal** with 75 stars.

➤ The panchayats will be judged on **sex ratio, education, hygiene, environment preservation, governance and social participation.** The selected villages will be honoured at an award ceremony to be held in Panchkula, Gurugram and Rohtak next month.

Godikan village panchayat of Haryana passed "No Toilet, No Bride" resolution:

➤ The Godikan village panchayat of Haryana has passed a **'No Toilet No Bride'** resolution to ensure the safety and well-being of its womenfolk.

➤ Godikan panchayat has been declared an **Outdoor Defecation Free (ODF)** panchayat already.

➤ The Godikan village panchayat 'No Toilet No Bride' has set a precedent where now girls will be married off only in the families who have a toilet in their house.

Haryana

- Capital: **Chandigarh**
- Chief Minister: **Manohar Lal Khattar**
- Governor: **Kaptan Singh Solanki**

HIMACHAL PRADESH

Himachal Gets Rs 1,900 Cr Funding for Tourism:

➤ The Central government has approved a **tourism infrastructure development project** of **Rs 1,900 crore** for **Himachal Pradesh. It will be funded** by the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** .

➤ With the help of the funding, the state would be able to **develop tourism in rural** and unexplored areas and improve the infrastructure of towns, which will also generate employment opportunities.

➤ The **eight-year-long project** will cover beautification of towns, development of unexplored areas, conservation and restoration of heritage buildings and infrastructure development in adventure, rural tourism with emphasis on community participation and employment generation.

Himachal Receives Financial Assistance of Rs 84. 13 Crore Under NDRF:

• The **Himachal government** has received a financial assistance of **Rs 84. 13 crore** from the **Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Finance under the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF)** during 2018-19.

• It was more than the allocation of **Rs 81. 22 crore** in 2017-18 and **Rs 63. 23 crore** in 2016-17.

Himachal Pradesh

- Capital: **Shimla**
- Chief Minister: **Jairam Thakur**
- Governor: **Acharya Dev Vrat**

JAMMU & KASHMIR

Governor's Rule imposed in J&K:

➤ President Ram Nath Kovind has approved **governor's rule in J&K**. The move comes after the BJP pulled out of its **three-year alliance with the People's Democratic Party (PDP) in Jammu and Kashmir**.

➤ **J&K governor NN Vohra** has placed the J&K assembly under suspended animation. Unlike other states, where President's rule is imposed in such situations, the J&K constitution provides for governor's rule for six months, but only after the consent of the President of India.

➤ Governor NN Vohra will be presiding over the state for the **fourth time**, during his 10-year tenure, having overseen governor's rule in 2008, 2015 and 2016.

Government approves Rs.5. 5 lakh per family to West Pakistan Refugees settled in J&K

➤ The Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has formally approved financial assistance amounting to **Rs 5. 5 lakh per family to 5764 families of West Pakistani refugees settled in Jammu and Kashmir**.

➤ This is for the first time since about **70 years of settlement of West Pakistani refugees** here that they were being paid compensation by the Government though their major demand for permanent citizenship rights in the State hasn't been conceded by the Government so far.

➤ The scheme comes into effect from June 2018.

➤ The amount of **Rs.5. 5 lakh per family will be deposited in bank accounts of eligible beneficiaries based on authentication by State Government**.

KVIC Distributed 2330 Bee-Boxes in Kashmir:

➤ **The Khadi and Village Industries Commission KVIC** has created a world record of distributing **maximum number of bee-boxes** in one day. **Two thousand three hundred thirty (2330)** bee-boxes were distributed among 233 beneficiaries in the Zangalee Army area.

➤ The KVIC made an action plan named '**Honey Mission**' – with a target to distribute 1. 3 lakh bee-boxes before November 2018 across the country and so far 27,000 bee-boxes have already been distributed.

➤ The Chairman further added that KVIC is the nodal agency of **Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)** under which loans will be provided for setting up units of processing, bottling, packaging and labelling units for the honey.

➤ Parent agency: **Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises**

22nd Edition Of Sindhu Darshan Festival 2018 Kicked-Off In Leh:

➤ The **22nd edition of Sindhu Darshan festival**, being organized by Sindhu Darshan Yatra Samiti and Ladakh Phanday Tsogspa commenced with religious fervour and gaiety.

➤ As the name suggests the festival celebrates **river Sindhu, also known as Indus**.

➤ The festival is held every year on full moon day in the month of June in Leh in Ladakh district of Jammu & Kashmir.

➤ President Ladakh Gonpa Association Leh, **Gelong Shatup Chamba** inaugurated the 22nd Sindhu Darshan festival.

Jammu and Kashmir

- Capitals: **Jammu (Winter) , Srinagar (Summer)**

- Chief minister: **Vacant (Governor's rule)**

- Governor: **N N Vohra**

KARNATAKA

Kaiga Generating Systems Sets New Record for Continuous Operation:

➤ India's atomic power plant operator **Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd (NPCIL)** announced its **first 220 MW unit at Kaiga in Karnataka** has set a new record of operating for 766 days continuously.

➤ In a statement, NPCIL said the Unit 1 of Kaiga Generating Station (KGS) surpassed the earlier record of **765 days set by Unit 5 of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS) in 2014**.

➤ The indigenously-designed reactor has been operating continuously since May 13, 2016, powered by domestic fuel. The NPCIL currently has **22 reactors with a total capacity of 6,780 MW in operation** and eight reactors with capacity of 6,200 MW under construction.

Karnataka

- Capital: **Bangalore**

- Chief Minister: **H. D. Kumaraswamy**

- Governor: **Vajubhai Vala**

KERALA

KSLMA Initiates 'Water Literacy' Campaign:

➤ **Kerala State Literacy Mission Authority** has initiated a '**water literacy**' campaign with the involvement of 70,000 students aiming to create awareness about the **importance of water conservation in the State**.

➤ As per the campaign, every student will take classes about water conservation for 15 families in their locality.

➤ The campaign **aims at improvising the knowledge of students** as also people regarding importance of water, prevention of water pollution, water conservation and laws related to water management.

Kerala's LIFE Mission gets Rs.4,000-cr HUDCO loan:

➤ **The Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO)** has sanctioned

Rs.4,000 crore loan for the **LIFE Mission of the Pinarayi Vijayan government** to construct homes for all the shelter-less in the State.

➤ The loan will be routed through the **Kerala Urban and Rural Development Finance Corporation (KURDFC)**. The State government will repay the loan from the Plan funds of the local government institutions.

➤ The government is planning to construct **1. 75-lakh houses** during the current financial year.

Kerala

- Capital: **Thiruvananthapuram**

- Chief minister: **Pinarayi Vijayan**

- Governor: **Palanisamy Sathasivam**

MANIPUR

1st National Sports University Gets President's Assent:

President **Ram Nath Kovind** has given his assent to the Union Cabinet's approval on an ordinance to set up the country's **first national sports university** in **Manipur**.

It is **to promote sports education** in the areas of sports sciences, sports technology, sports management and sports coaching besides functioning as the national training centre for select sports disciplines by adopting the best international practice.

For setting up the university, 325. 90 acres of land has been made available by the Government of Manipur in the west **Imphal district of Koutruk**.

Manipur

- Capital: **Imphal**

- Chief Minister: **N Biren Singh**

- Governor: **Jagdish Mukhi**

MADHYA PRADESH

PM Modi to unveil several development projects in MP:

➤ Prime Minister Modi will dedicate the **Mohanpura Irrigation Project in Rajgarh district** to the people of the State and also inaugurate several other projects, including an urban transport scheme named '**Sutra Seva**' in **Indore Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium**.

➤ The Mohanpura irrigation project is worth **Rs.3,866 crore**. This project, which includes a dam and a canal system, will benefit **727 villages in Madhya Pradesh**.

➤ Mr. Modi will head to Indore to dedicate the development works worth **Rs.4,713. 75 crore** at a programme.

➤ The prime minister will also dedicate **23 development projects undertaken at a cost of Rs.278. 26 crore** in Indore, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Gwalior and Ujjain under the **Smart City Mission**.

Madhya Pradesh announces power bill waiver scheme:

➤ **The Madhya Pradesh government** has announced an **power bill waiver scheme for labourers and poor families**. The state cabinet headed by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan approved the **Bijli Bill Mafi Yojana 2018** (Power Bill Waiver Scheme) which is expected to benefit about 77 lakh people of the state.

➤ The state cabinet also approved **Mukhyamantri Jan Kalyan (Sambal) Yojana 2018** (a scheme to provide subsidised power) in the meeting.

➤ Under the subsidised power scheme, registered labourers of the unorganised sector and Below Poverty Line (BPL) families would be provided electricity **at a cost of Rs 200 per month**.

Madhya Pradesh to Be Awarded For Reducing Maternal Mortality:

➤ **Madhya Pradesh** will be awarded for **reducing maternal mortality** under Prime Minister's Safe Motherhood Campaign.

➤ The Prime Minister's Safe Motherhood Campaign has been launched **to ensure quality of care of over 3 crore pregnant women** of the country before delivery. The maternal mortality rate was 221 in the year 2011-13, which has now dropped down further to just 173. There has been a significant decline of **22%** in the last three years in the state.

First Ever Inter-State Translocation Project of Tigers in MP

➤ As part of the country's **first inter-state translocation of tiger's project**, a female cub was shifted from **Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (BTR)** in Madhya Pradesh to **Satkosia Tiger Reserve (STR)** in Odisha.

➤ In all six tigers — three pairs — will be shifted from MP to Satkosia under an ambitious project conceived by the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests, **National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)** and **Wildlife Institute of India (WII)**, Dehradun.

Madhya Pradesh

- Capital: **Bhopal**
- Chief Minister: **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**
- Governor: **Anandiben Patel**

MAHARASHTRA

Maharashtra CM Meets World Bank CEO Kristalina Georgieva:

➤ **Maharashtra chief minister Devendra Fadnavis** has sought assistance from the **World Bank for a Multimodal Transport Corridor** as well as a Rural Livelihood Project which aims to provide sustainable livelihood enhancements in **10,000 villages in the state**.

➤ Fadnavis was bestowed with the **Outstanding Leadership in Development Award** from **Georgetown University** and **Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)** in Washington DC.

Maharashtra and Quebec Ink Agreement for Greater Economic Cooperation:

➤ The **Maharashtra government** and **Canada's Quebec province** have signed a pact to **increase the economic cooperation**, especially in areas like information technology, biotechnology, artificial intelligence and welfare of the tribal community.

➤ Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, who is on a tour to the US and Canada, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) **to this effect with Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard**.

India to host first BIMSTEC military exercise

➤ **India** will host the **first military exercise of the BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation)** group focussing on counter-terrorism.

➤ The exercise is scheduled to be held in **Pune**. The aim of the exercise is to promote strategic alignment among the member-states and to share best practices in the area of counter-terrorism.

➤ BIMSTEC was set up in 1997 and includes **India, Bangladesh, Bhutan Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand**.

Maharashtra Govt unveils 'Sandbox' to boost Fintech Innovation:

➤ The **Maharashtra Government** has announced the opening up of a **'sandbox'** to **boost startups in Mumbai**.

➤ Maharashtra, the first State to have a dedicated **fintech policy**, is also planning to have a dedicated **'Fintech Officer'** in the Department of Information Technology.

➤ In this sandbox, all the startups will be welcome. They can register, they can open their APIs (application programming interface) and banks can consume.

➤ It aimed at creating the **entire ecosystem which will help the fintech industry flourish**, starting with four accelerators.

Maharashtra Government Launched 'Kanya Van Samruddhi Yojana' Scheme:

➤ The **Maharashtra government** has announced a new scheme called **'Kanya Van Samruddhi Yojana'**, wherein farmers families where girl children are born, will be given saplings for plantation.

➤ The scheme is aimed at **empowering women and promoting tree plantation**. The scheme was approved in the weekly cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister **Devendra Fadnavis**. The scheme will be applicable for **maximum two girls**.

Saudi ARAMCO, ADNOC Signed MoU for Refinery Project of Maharashtra:

➤ **Saudi Aramco** and the **Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC)** have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to

jointly **develop and build an integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex** at Ratnagiri in Maharashtra.

➤ The project will be set up as a 50:50 joint partnership (50:50) between the consortium from India and Saudi Aramco (25%) & ADNOC (25%)

➤ The MoU was signed by Saudi Aramco president and CEO **Amin H. Nasser** and UAE's minister of state and Adnoc Group CEO **Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber**.

Maharashtra Government Forms Study Committee for Floating Solar Power Plant:

➤ The **Maharashtra government** has set up a committee to study **issues related to the development of a 1,000-MW floating solar power plant at Ujani dam** in Solapur district.

➤ The committee will **study the environmental impact of the project** and monitor the month-wise water level of the dam. Director (Commercial) of Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd (MSEDCL), **Satish Chavan**, has been appointed as the head of the committee.

➤ **Ujani** is located in Madha taluka of Solapur, around 300 kms from Mumbai, is among the largest dams in Maharashtra. **Ujani Dam**, also known as Bhima Dam is on the **Bhima River, a tributary of the Krishna River**.

Maharashtra

- Capital: **Mumbai**
- Chief Minister: **Devendra Fadnavis**
- Governor: **C. Vidyasagar Rao**

MEGHALAYA

Shillong Selected as the 100th Smart City:

➤ **Shillong** has been selected as the **100th city to receive funding under the Centre's flagship Smart Cities Mission after evaluation of the proposal submitted by it**.

➤ Till now, 99 smart cities had been selected in four rounds of competition and with selection of **Shillong 100 cities has been completed under the Smart Cities Mission**.

➤ Under the mission, the **selected cities would take up** various project, including 'smart' roads, rejuvenation of water bodies, building cycle tracks, walking paths, smart classrooms, skill development centres, upgradation of health facilities and pan-city projects like integrated command control centre.

Meghalaya

- Capital: **Shillong**
- Chief Minister: **Conrad Sangma**
- Governor: **Ganga Prasad**

MIZORAM

CM Lal Thanhawla inaugurates Green Mizoram Day:

➤ The **Green Mizoram Day** was observed on **June 11** across the state with government

employees, students and members of NGOs planting large number of trees.

- Chief Minister Lal Thanhawla inaugurated the **Green Mizoram Day, 2018**.
- The Green Mizoram Day is being organised every year on June 11 since 1999.

Mizoram

- Capital: **Aizwal**
- Chief Minister: **Lal Thanhawla**
- Governor: **Kummanam Rajasekharan**

ODISHA

Odisha Signs MoU with PGBF For Establishment of Badminton:

- **Odisha government** signed a MoU with **Hyderabad-based Pullela Gopichand Badminton Foundation (PGBF)** for the establishment of P Gopichand Badminton Academy.
- **State government** will provide all financial support for the proposed badminton academy here, the PGBF **will give technical support, including coaching and physiotherapy services** for the players.

Chandrabhaga beach: Asia's first to get 'Blue Flag' tag

- **The Chandrabhaga beach** on the Konark coast of Odisha will be the **first in Asia to get the Blue Flag certification**. It is the tag given to environment-friendly and clean beaches, equipped with amenities of international standards for tourists.
- It will be awarded the honour on **World Environment Day on June 5**.
- Twelve more beaches in the country are being developed by the Society for **Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM)**.
- Among them are the **Chivla and Bhogave beaches** in Maharashtra and one beach each from Puducherry, Goa, Daman and Diu, Lakshadweep and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana launched in Odisha

- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has launched "**Gopabandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana**" for working journalists.
- The health insurance scheme for working journalists will be implemented with effect from June 1, 2018. This scheme provides **Rs.2 Lakh per annum health insurance** cover to all working journalists of the state.
- In the first phase, as many as **3,233 working journalists** from across the state will get health insurance coverage up to **Rs 2 lakh**.

India Successfully Test-Fires SFDR Propulsion Based Missile:

➤ **India** has successfully carried out the flight test of **Solid Fuel Ducted Ramjet (SFDR)** propulsion-based missile.

➤ **SFDR** is a propulsion technology different than that of conventional solid fuelled or liquid fuelled missiles.

➤ The technology demonstrator flight test was conducted from the **Launch Centre-III of Integrated Test Range** at Chandipur in **Odisha**.

Health Cover under Odisha's Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana Increased:

- The **insurance coverage for women under the BJD's health insurance proposal** has been raised to **Rs 7 lakh from Rs 5 lakh**. It was announced by Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik.
- On the occasion, the chief minister also **sanctioned Rs 31.54 crore for 154 panchayats** in seven blocks of six districts under **Ama Gaon Ama Bikash Yojana** at the block level.

Odisha

- Capital: **Bhubaneswar**
- Chief Minister: **Naveen Patnaik**
- Governor: Prof. **Ganeshi Lal**

PUNJAB

Punjab Government Launched 'i-Hariyali' Mobile App

- The **Punjab government** has launched a mobile application —'i-Hariyali'.
- The 'i-Hariyali' app, under '**Mission Tandarust Punjab**' can be downloaded from the app store for free.
- The app aims to inspire people **to plant more saplings to save the environment from pollution** and the mobile application would enable the users to order free plant saplings.
- The users can book a sapling of their choice, a maximum of 25 per person, from a nearby government nursery.

Punjab govt launches Business First Portal:

- **Punjab Government** has launched a "**Business First Portal**" which was unveiled by **Industry Minister Sunder Sham Arora**.
- It has been launched in a bid to give a big push towards the ease of doing business in the State. The online portal would facilitate the **industrialists for Regulatory Clearances and Fiscal Approvals, real time tracking of applications at common platform**.
- The Minister said that the State Government is committed for ensuring **100% VAT refund to industrialists by the end of this year**.
- The entire VAT refund would be given to the industrialists by releasing installment worth **Rs 300 crore** to them after every two months.

Punjab Approves Death Penalty For Raping Girls Under 12:

➤ The **Punjab Cabinet** has approved the **death penalty for males held guilty of the rape of a girl younger than 12 years**.

➤ Besides the death penalty for the rape of a girl under 12 years of age, the Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance amends the Indian Penal Code to provide for enhancement of **minimum punishment for rape from the existing seven to 10 years**.

➤ The minimum punishment for the offence of rape of a girl child under **16 years** of age has been fixed at **life imprisonment**, as against the earlier provision of 20 years.

Punjab government launched 'Paani Bachao, Paise Kamao' Scheme:

- A campaign to motivate farmers to voluntarily adopt pro-farmer '**Paani Bachao, Paise Kamao**' scheme for checking the depletion of groundwater in the district will be launched in **Jalandhar, Punjab**.
- It has introduced the scheme in two clusters namely "**Bambawal**" and "**Nawajipur**" of the district as pilot project in the state.

➤ Under this project, 178 farmers from Bambawal and 231 from Nawajipur would be motivated to adopt the scheme from surrounding villages. Under this scheme, farmers will get **monetary benefit** for less use of tubewell.

Punjab

- Capital: **Chandigarh**
- Chief minister: **Amarinder Singh**
- Governor: **V. P. Singh Badnore**

RAJASTHAN

Yoga session at Rajasthan enters Guinness Book of World Records:

- **Rajasthan** witnessed a world record by conducting the **largest yoga session to mark the 4th International Yoga Day at Kota** where over one lakh people together performed the yogic exercises. **Yoga guru Ramdev** conducted the yoga session that was attended by Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje, ministers.

➤ The Executive officers in India on behalf of the officials **Guinness Book of World Record - Swapneel and Ribika** from London presented the certificate mentioning the largest yoga lesson was achieved by Government of Rajasthan, Patanjali Yogpeeth and District Administration at Kota (all India), at Kota, Rajasthan, India.

Piyush Goyal flags off Humsafar Jodhpur Bandra Express in Rajasthan:

- Union Railway Minister **Piyush Goyal** has flagged off **Humsafar Jodhpur Bandra Express** at **Bhagat Ki Kothi Railway Station** in Rajasthan's **Jodhpur**.
- He also mentioned that railway projects worth over **Rs 13,000 crore** have been undertaken in **Rajasthan** currently.

➤ Adequate arrangements have been made in the trains, including mobile **charging points, CCTVs and Bio Toilets**.

Rajasthan

- Capital: **Jaipur**
- Chief Minister: **Vasundhara Raje**
- Governor: **Kalyan Singh**

SIKKIM**Sikkim gets its longest tunnel**

➤ **The Minister of State for Defence Subhash Ramrao Bhamre** has inaugurated **578-metre-long Theng Tunnel, the longest in Sikkim.**

➤ It has been constructed on **Gangtok-Chungthang** State Highway by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), the double-lane tunnel bypasses a treacherous stretch of road between Sikkim's capital Gangtok and Chungthang. The tunnel would provide all-weather connectivity.

Sikkim

- Capital: **Gangtok**
- Chief minister: **Pawan Kumar Chamling**
- Governor: **Shriniwas Patil**

TELANGANA**Telangana police launched 'COP CONNECT' mobile App**

➤ **The Telangana police** have launched a **mobile-based messenger application 'COP CONNECT'** dedicated to provide real time information to over **60,000 police officers across the State.**

➤ It was launched by the Director General of Police **M. Mahender Reddy.**

➤ The app has been developed based on police's internal communication strategy, which will enable the **entire workforce to pro-actively engage** and pass real time information in seconds. The app is 100% confidential and the officers can share their best practices and achievements.

Final clearance to Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project (KLIP) :

➤ In a major boost to the state government's efforts to speed up the construction of the **Kaleshwaram lift irrigation project**, the Union ministry of environment, forests and climate change has granted the stage-2 and final forest clearance for it. With this, the project has got all the technical clearances.

➤ The Kaleshwaram project will be built across the **river Godavari, Telangana.** The project was **estimated to cost Rs 80,000 crore.** The Unique feature of the project is the longest tunnel in Asia of 81 kms between Yellampally and Mallanna Sagar dams.

➤ **Irrigation minister: T Harish Rao**

NTPC adopts Hyderabad's Charminar develop it under Swachh Bharat mission:

➤ The **National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC)**, which is presently looking at developing and maintaining **Hyderabad's**

iconic Charminar, has now 'adopted' the monument under the **Centre's Swachh Iconic Places Projects of India.**

➤ The scheme is a drive under the central government's **Swachh Bharat Mission**, and the **NTPC** and the **Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the issue.

➤ As NTPC was selected, it decided to sanction **Rs 8.19 crore** to the GHMC in February this year, to develop the area.

Telangana

- Capital: **Hyderabad**
- Chief Minister: **Chandrasekhar Rao**
- Governor: **E. S. L. Narasimhan**

TRIPURA**Tripura Starts 24x7 'Mobile Policing' Service:**

➤ The Tripura government has launched the GPS (Global Positioning System) and wireless based **24x7 "mobile policing" service** to curb crime, especially against women.

➤ With the launch of the "mobile policing" service, **people won't need to go to the police**, and police would go to the spot within a few minutes to deal with the situation.

➤ To operate the **'mobile policing' service**, a police van or a small vehicle with police personnel would keep patrolling round-the-clock in their assigned zone. The mobile patrolling would remain in constant contact with the nearest police station, outpost besides higher authorities.

Tripura

- Capital: **Agartala**
- Chief minister: **Biplab Kumar Deb**
- Governor: **Tathagata Roy**

UTTARAKHAND**India-Nepal Joint Ex SURYA KIRAN-XIII Ended:**

➤ **The 13th edition of exercise SURYA KIRAN-XIII**, a joint military training exercise between **India & Nepal ended at Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.**

➤ The training culminated with a 72-hour outdoor exercise in which troops of both contingents carried out a Cordon and Search Operation in a mock counter-insurgency village.

➤ The aim of the exercise was a joint training of troops in **counter-insurgency, counter-terrorism operations in both jungle and mountainous terrain and disaster management.**

➤ It was the **first time when women soldiers of Nepal army** will join the **Surya-Kiran in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.**

Uttarakhand: Polythene to Be Completely Prohibited From 31st July

➤ **Uttarakhand Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat** announced that there would be a **complete ban on use of polythene** throughout the state **from July 31.** The theme for this year's World Environment Day is **beat plastic pollution.**

➤ All polythene wholesalers have been asked to exhaust their stocks by the given date and sought people's cooperation to make Uttarakhand free of plastic.

➤ A massive tree plantation drive will be launched along the **Rispana river** next month to rejuvenate it. As part of a mission called **Rispana to Rishiparna**, the ancient name of the river, 3.5 lakh trees will be planted.

Uttarakhand

- Capital: **Dehradun**
- Chief Minister: **Trivendra Singh Rawat**
- Governor: **K K Paul**

UTTAR PRADESH**Varanasi airport to get facial recognition security system under Digi Yatra scheme**

➤ The **Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport** in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh will become the **first airport in India** to have an automated **smart facial recognition system.** The automated smart facial recognition system at the Varanasi airport will aim to ensure hassle-free movement of travellers from entry to boarding points.

➤ The automated smart facial recognition system has been developed under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Digi Yatra scheme. Under the programme, to avail this facility two other airports other than Varanasi airport have been selected, namely **Visakhapatnam airport** and **Kolkata airport.**

➤ The DigiYatra scheme of Narendra Modi aims to **provide paperless services** to air passengers at every stage of their journey, from boarding to checking in and landing.

PM Narendra Modi Inaugurated Two-Day 'Kabir Mahotsav' In UP

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated a two-day **'Kabir Mahotsav'** at Maghar in Sant Kabir district of **Uttar Pradesh.** It is to mark the **500th death anniversary** of Kabir Das. Modi also visited the **Sant Kabir cave** and unveiled a plaque to mark the laying of foundation stone of the Kabir Academy.

➤ Kabir was a 15th-century Indian mystic poet and saint, whose writings influenced **Hinduism's Bhakti movement.** Union Minister for Culture Mahesh Sharma and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath also participated.

Uttar Pradesh

- Capital: **Lucknow**
- Chief Minister: **Yogi Adityanath**
- Governor: **Ram Naik**

WEST BENGAL

Visva-Bharati University plans to set up Yoga village:

> The Visva-Bharati University (VBU) , founded by Rabindranath Tagore, will set up a yoga centre inside the campus, named **yoga gram (village)** . The centre is aimed at increasing awareness about yoga. The **Visva-Bharati University is located at Santiniketan, West Bengal.**

> The Visva-Bharati has received **Rs 5 crore grant** from the central government.

> The campus at Santiniketan will have several single-storied buildings, termed as **kuthis**

(cottages) dedicated to different techniques of yoga.

West Bengal Government plans to invest Rs.107 crore to check river bank erosion:

> The West Bengal Government has decided to invest **107 crore rupees to check erosion** at vulnerable areas along the banks of the **Ganga and the Padma**. A stretch of 15 kilometres will be concretised, to prevent erosion. The work will be completed by March next year.

> It will protect hundreds of homes and the river bank close to outposts of the Border Security

Force on the Indo-Bangladesh border from being washed away by the strong currents.

> Another relevant issue in this case is **national security**. The Padma, for a large part of its flow in **Murshidabad**, forms the border between **Bengal and Bangladesh**. The erosion of its banks also leads to a threat to security.

West Bengal

- Capital: **Kolkata**
- Chief Minister: **Mamata Banerjee**
- Governor: **Keshari Nath Tripathi**

NATIONAL SUMMITS

SUMMIT	KEY AREA/ POINTS	Held in
First biannual IAF Commanders' Conference of 2018	To discuss the operational, maintenance and administrative takeaways identified during the Exercise and the way ahead.	New Delhi, India
3rd Annual Meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)	Theme: "Mobilising Finance for Infrastructure: Innovation and Collaboration". A discussion on issues such as economic growth, infrastructure development, policy initiatives, investment, innovation and job creation.	Mumbai, Maharashtra
NITI Aayog's 4th Governing Council Meeting	Main agenda of deliberating upon measures taken to double farmers' income and the progress of government's flagship schemes.	New Delhi, India
106th Indian Science Congress	Theme: 'Future India: Science & Technology'	Jalandhar, Punjab from January 3 to 7, 2019.
11th of Geo Intelligence Asia 2018	It was organised by GeoSpatial Media and Communication. Theme: 'GeoSpatial: A Force Multiplier for Defence and Industrial Security'. Aims to examine the latest technology solutions and on the critical role of geospatial technology in military and security applications.	Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi
49th Conference of Governors and Lt. Governors	Discuss important thematic issues in various sessions including clean India mission, internal security, higher education and skill development.	New Delhi, India
Oxford University Press' South Asia Conclave	To discuss issues pertaining to South Asia and develop a deeper understanding. The conference will be chaired by Ashutosh Varshney, professor of Political Science and Director of the Center for Contemporary South Asia, Brown University.	New Delhi, India (July 4)
3 rd National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga	This Conference on 'Evidence Based Recent Innovative Research on Yoga – A Review of Yoga Research'.	New Delhi, India

INTERNATIONAL

List of Agreements/MoUs' signed by India with Various Countries:

Country	Prime Minister	Key Point/ Area/ Fields	Capital/Currency
Singapore	Lee Hsien Loong	> On Cooperation in the Field of Planning, Economic co-operation, Nursing (Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) , Cybersecurity, Naval cooperation, Combating Narcotics, smuggling & Human Trafficking Fintech, Personnel Management and Public Administration, Joint Statement on conclusion of second review of CECA. > PM of India had launched three Indian mobile payment apps in Singapore namely Rupay Card, Bhim App and UPI marks the collaboration of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and Network for Electronic Transfers (NETS) of Singapore. > PM Modi is the first Indian Prime Minister to address the Shangri-La Dialogue. He also visited National Orchid Garden in Singapore.	Singapore/Dollar
Seychelles	Danny Faure (President)	> Regarding Indian Grant Assistance for Implementation of Small Development Projects through Local Bodies, Educational and Vocational Institutions, Establishment of Friendship and Cooperation, On Cooperation in the area of Cyber Security, Cultural Exchange Programme, Sharing White Shipping Information, Foreign Service. > Government in Seychelles called off a \$550 million (Rs 3,760 crore) joint project with India to develop a naval base at the archipelago nation's Assumption Island.	Victoria/ Seychellois rupee
Malaysia	Mahathir Mohamad	> PM Modi met his 92-year-old Malaysian counterpart Mahathir Mohamad to personally congratulate him on his stunning election victory and the two leaders had "productive discussions" on bolstering the bilateral strategic ties.	Kuala Lumpur / Malaysian ringgit

Indonesia	Joko Widodo (President)	➤ Establishing Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, In the fields of defence, scientific and technological cooperation, railways and health, among others.	Jakarta/ Indonesian rupiah
Norway	Erna Solberg	➤ To extend the cooperation within health sector through the Norway India Partnership Initiative (NIPI) for a period of three years starting from 2018 to 2020.	Oslo/ Norwegian krone
China	Li Keqiang	➤ China has agreed to provide India hydrological data of the Brahmaputra River in flood season. ➤ China has agreed to import non-Basmati rice from India which is likely to bridge the ballooning trade deficit to a certain extent.	Beijing / Renminbi
Russia	Dmitry Medvedev	➤ To Supply Technical Security Equipment, this partnership will explore opportunities in the Indian government's Comprehensive Integrated Border Management System (CIBMS) project. ➤ CIBMS is a smart fencing project to identify and protect infiltration and secure the border.	Moscow/ Russian ruble
Cuba	Miguel Diaz-Canel (President)	➤ In the field of biotechnology, traditional medicine and homoeopathy.	Havana / Peso
Tajikistan	Kokhir Rasulzoda	➤ To promote bilateral relations and agreed to enhance economic cooperation, particularly in sustainable water development.	Dushanbe / Tajikistani somoni, Ruble
Denmark		➤ On technical cooperation in the field of sustainable and smart urban development	Copenhagen / Danish krone

EAM Sushma Swaraj embarks on five-day visit to South Africa:

➤ External Affairs Minister **Sushma Swaraj** left on a five-day visit to **South Africa** where she will meet top leadership of the country and attend meetings of **BRICS and IBSA**.

➤ Swaraj will also attend a series of events marking the **125th anniversary** of the historic incident where a young **Mahatma Gandhi** was thrown out of a train compartment in **Pietermaritzburg railway station**. The 1893 incident proved to be a turning point in Gandhi's fight against racial discrimination in South Africa.

South Africa

- Capitals: **Cape Town, Pretoria, Bloemfontein**
- Currency: **South African rand**

HM Rajnath Singh Lays Foundation Stone for Mongolian Refinery:

➤ **Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh is in Mongolia** on a 3-day visit to further India's relations with the Central Asian country and strengthen security cooperation.

➤ Mongolia is an important strategic partner for India. He attended the ground-breaking ceremony of an **oil refinery at Altanshiree Soum in Dor-no-gobi province** with the Prime Minister of Mongolia, U Khurelsukh.

➤ This refinery project has been financed by the **Government of India through a Line of Credit of One Billion USD**.

Mongolia

- Capital: **Ulaanbaatar**
- Currency: **Mongolian togrog**

President on 3-Nation Visit: Arrived in Cuba

➤ President Ram Nath Kovind arrived in Cuba on final leg of his three-nation tour to **Greece, Suriname and Cuba**.

➤ He is accompanied by a delegation including **Minister of State for Steel Vishnu Deo Sai** and two Members of Parliament. Mr Kovind was

received in **Santiago by Vice President of Cuba, Ms. Beatriz Johnson**.

➤ The President was escorted first to the **Santa Ifigenia Cemetery** where he witnessed Change of Guards ceremony. He then paid respects to **Jose Marti Memorial**.

➤ Jose Marti was Cuba's legendary poet who led the 1895 Cuban revolution. President Kovind also paid respects at the **memorials of Fidel Castro** and others. He has left for Havana, the capital of Cuba.

➤ He participated in the **Yoga Day celebration**, along with his Suriname counterpart **Desire Delano Bouterse in Paramaribo**.

Cuba

- Capital: **Havana**
- President: **Miguel Díaz-Canel**
- Currency: **Cuban peso**

US Govt Approves Sale of AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopters to India:

➤ **The United States government** has approved a deal to sell the **Indian military six AH-64E Apache attack helicopters for \$930 million**.

➤ The lead contractors are US arms, aviation's and engineering giants **Lockheed Martin, General Electric and Raytheon**.

➤ In addition to aircraft, the contract includes night vision sensors, GPS guidance and hundreds of Hellfire anti-armor and Stinger air-to-air missiles.

China Successfully Launches New Earth Observation Satellite:

➤ **China** has successfully launched a new **Earth observation satellite** which will be mainly used in agricultural resources research and disaster monitoring, official media reported.

➤ The **Gaofen-6 satellite** was launched on a Long March-2D rocket from the **Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China**.

➤ A scientific experiment satellite named **Luojia-1** was sent into space at the same

time. It was the **276th mission** of the Long March rocket series.

Japanese Passport Ranked Most Powerful in the World:

➤ **According to Henley Passport Index, Japan** has the **"most powerful" passport** in the world. India is in 76th Position.

➤ Tokyo offers its citizens visa-free or visa-on-arrival access to a record 189 destination.

➤ The second rank is shared by **Singapore and China**, with 188 destinations accessible without a prior visa. Third place is shared by six countries: South Korea, Finland, France, Italy, Spain, and Sweden.

South Africa commemorates Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha

➤ **South Africa** commemorates the **125th year of Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha**. The incident led him to develop his Satyagraha principles of peaceful resistance.

➤ **On June 7, 1893, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi**, a young lawyer was thrown off the train's first-class compartment at **Pietermaritzburg station** for refusing to give up his seat.

➤ The screening of the biopic **"The Making of the Mahatma"** marked the opening of a three-day series of events to commemorate the historic incident.

Fuego volcano erupted in Guatemala

➤ **Guatemala's deadly Fuego volcano** exploded. Thousands of people have been evacuated in Guatemala

➤ At least 75 people have died in the eruption, with another 192 listed missing, according to the Associated Press.

➤ **Fuego** is one of the most active volcanoes in Central America, and is located just 27 miles from the capital, Guatemala City.

Guatemala

- President: **Jimmy Morales**
- Capital: **Guatemala City**

- Currency: **Guatemalan quetzal**

World first EPR nuclear reactor begins work in Taishan, China:

- A third generation **EPR reactor in China** carried out its **first nuclear chain reaction**. Taishan 1 and 2 are the first two reactors based on the EPR design to be built in China.
- Taishan 1 will undergo further testing and commercial operations are still many weeks away. Taishan 2 is expected to enter service next year.

South Africa, Germany, Belgium Elected Non-Permanent UNSC Members:

- The UN General Assembly has elected **South Africa, Indonesia, Dominican Republic, Germany and Belgium** as non-permanent members of the powerful security council for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2019.
- Voting was held in the **193-member General Assembly** to fill the seats that will be vacated by Bolivia, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan and Sweden this year.
- The Security Council has 15 members, including five permanent ones. The five permanent members, each with the power of veto, are **China, France, Russia, the UK and the US**. The 10 non-permanent members are elected for two-year terms each.

Qingdao Declaration: India refuses to endorse China's One Belt One Road initiative:

- **India** was the only country in the **eight-nation Shanghai Cooperation Organisation** grouping which opposed **China's ambitious Belt and Road Initiative**.
- India has been severely critical of the BRI, the pet project of Chinese president Xi Jinping, as the **\$50 billion China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)**, which is part of the BRI, passes through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).
- India says it **cannot accept a project** that ignores its core concerns on sovereignty and territorial integrity. China had unveiled the BRI in 2013 with an **aim to link** Southeast Asia, Central Asia, the Gulf region, Africa and Europe with a network of land and sea routes.

Trump and Kim signed an agreement on Denuclearization:

- The world's two of the most powerful leaders US President Donald Trump and North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un held a brief one-on-one meeting at the **Capella Hotel in Sentosa Island** before beginning with their delegation level talks.
- US President Donald Trump and North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un signed a vague **denuclearization agreement in Singapore**.

Both nations commit to establishing new relations in accordance with the desire of the people of the two countries for peace and prosperity.

North Korea

- Capital: **Pyongyang**
- Currency: **Won**

USA

- Capital: **Washington, D. C.**
- Currency: **Dollar**

Nirmala Sitharaman Inaugurates 1st Representative Office of BEL:

- **Smt Nirmala Sitharaman** inaugurated the **first Representative Office of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) in Hanoi, Vietnam**.
- The Representative Office will aim to **promote BEL's exports** in areas such as Weapon Systems, Radar Systems, Naval Systems, Military Communication Systems, Electronic Warfare Systems, Combat Management System and Coastal Surveillance System.
- Smt Sitharaman handed over the symbolic key of the Representative Office of BEL at Vietnam (VIRO) to **Chairman & Managing Director, BEL Shri Gowtama MV**.
- BEL, India's leading defence electronics company, is fast expanding its global presence especially in South East Asian countries such as the Republic of Union of Myanmar, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Philippines.

Vietnam

- Capital: **Hanoi**
- Currency: **Vietnamese dong**

Russia successfully launched Glonass- M positioning satellite

- **Russia** successfully launched a **Glonass-M positioning satellite** using a Soyuz-2. 1b carrier rocket.
- **The Space Forces**, a branch of the Aerospace Forces, launched the satellite from the Plesetsk space center.
- The Glonass network provides real-time positioning data for surface, sea and airborne objects around the globe, at an accuracy reportedly on par with the U. S. Global Positioning System. There are now **26 Glonass satellites in orbit**.

India gives Cheque to Nepal for Nepal-Bharat Maitri Irrigation Project

- **Indian Ambassador to Nepal Manjeev Singh Puri** handed over a **Cheque of 99. 2 million Nepali rupees** to the **Secretary, Minister of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation, Nepal, Dr. Sanjay Sharma in Kathmandu**.
- The cheque was given towards final payment for **Nepal-Bharat Maitri Irrigation Project** for installation of **2700 Shallow Tube Well Irrigation Systems in 12 districts of Nepal**.

- With this payment, the Government of India has released a **total of 227. 6 million Nepali rupees** to the Government of Nepal for implementing this project.

World's most powerful supercomputer launched:

- **IBM and the U. S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)** has unveiled **Summit**, the department's newest supercomputer.
- With a peak performance of **200 petaflops**, **"Summit"** is eight times more powerful than America's current top-ranked system, Titan, and easily outperforms China's 93. 01 petaflop Sunway TaihuLight, previously the world's most powerful system.
- Summit, which has been in the works for a few years now, features 4,608 compute servers with two **22-core IBM Power9 chips and six Nvidia Tesla V100 GPUs each**. **In total, the system also features over 10 petabytes of memory**.

Nepal, China sign eight deals worth 2. 24 billion USD:

- **Nepal and China** have signed **eight agreements worth \$2. 24 billion** on the second day of Prime Minister K. P. Sharma Oli's visit. The signing ceremony took place at the **Nepal Embassy in Beijing**.
- These agreements were reached between the two governments and private sectors where Chinese investors will put money on **developing hydroelectricity, water resources, cement factories and fruit cultivation and farming**.

US withdraws from United Nations Human Rights Council:

- The United States withdrew from the United Nations Human Rights Council accusing it of a **"chronic bias against Israel"**.
- **Nikki Haley**, the US Permanent Representative to the United Nations announced the **withdrawal**. Nikki Haley slammed Russia, China, Cuba and Egypt for thwarting US efforts to reform the council.
- The United Nations Human Rights Council is a United Nations body whose mission is **to promote and protect human rights** around the world. The Council is made of 47 Member States.

India plans to construct War Memorial in France

- **India** will construct a **war memorial at Villers Guislain**, a town around 200 km from **Paris** France to highlight the contribution of the soldiers of the undivided India to the freedom of **France in the World War I**.
- This was announced by **External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj**. This will be the second such memorial in Europe.

➤ During the World War I, **Villers-Guislain** had witnessed a fierce battle in which of the British Indian cavalry regiments were heavily involved. The town was liberated on September 29, 2018.

➤ A bilateral Letter of Intent was signed between India and France in her presence **on cooperation in the field of conservation of pre-historic ornate caves and rock shelters**. The document signed between the ministry of culture of India and the ministry of culture of France will aid conservation efforts at the **Bhimbetka caves in India and the caves of Lascaux and Chauvet in France**.

US Developed the World's Smallest Computer "Michigan Micro Mote":

➤ The Researchers at the **University of Michigan** in the **US** have come out with the world's smallest computer – a device that measures just **0. 3 millimetres** and could help find new ways **to monitor and treat cancer**.

➤ **David Blaauw**, a professor of electrical and computer engineering led the development of the new system.

➤ In addition to the RAM and photovoltaics, the new micro-computing device – Michigan Micro Mote – **has processors and wireless transmitters and receivers**.

➤ This device is **smaller than a grain of rice**. These new microdevices lose all prior programming and data as soon as they are switched off.

India Plans Make Chabahar Port Operational By 2019:

➤ India is trying to make the **strategic Chabahar Port in Iran** operational by **2019**.

➤ It was announced by **Union Minister Road and Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari** in **Dushanbe, Tajikistan**.

➤ Gadkari was on a two-day visit to Tajikistan to represent India at a global conference on **"International Decade for Action: Water for Sustainable Development"**.

➤ Gadkari was addressing the Indian Community at the inauguration of the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre at the **Indian Embassy in Dushanbe**.

➤ Iran and India, in February, signed an agreement worth \$85 million to develop Chabahar Port in south-eastern Iran.

Tajikistan

- Capital: **Dushanbe**
- Currency: **Tajikistani somoni**

India And Bangladesh Navies to Join Hands:

➤ **India and Bangladesh** have agreed to institute a **Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT)** as an annual feature between the two Navies.

➤ The commencement of CORPAT is major step towards enhanced operational interaction between both Navies. The first edition will be

inaugurated by **Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba** during his visit there from June 24 to 29.

Bangladesh

- Capital: **Dhaka**
- Currency: **Bangladeshi taka**

World's Largest Multilateral Naval Exercise RIMPAC Began:

➤ The **world's largest multilateral naval exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC)** will begin in **Hawaii in the Western Pacific Ocean**.

The two-month long biennial exercise is likely to be attended by **navies of 26 countries including India**.

➤ **Indian Naval Ship Sahyadri** has already reached the **Pearl Harbour in Hawaii** to participate in the **26th edition of RIMPAC exercise**. The INS Sahyadri is commanded by **Captain Shantanu Jha** and it is a state-of-the-art indigenously built guided missile stealth frigate which is a part of the Eastern Fleet under the Eastern Naval Command.

➤ India's participation in the exercise provides a platform **for increased interoperability and development** of common understanding of procedures for maritime security operations.

➤ It is hosted and administered by the United States Navy's Pacific Fleet, **headquartered at Pearl Harbor**.

India Handed Over Dornier Aircraft to Seychelles President:

➤ India has handed over a **second Dornier aircraft to the President of Seychelles, Danny Faure** for enhancing the country's surveillance capabilities to tackle maritime.

➤ Prime Minister Modi had announced the gifting of a second Dornier aircraft during his landmark visit to **Seychelles in March 2015**. India has earlier gifted the Seychelles Coast Guard a fast track vessel, a Dornier aircraft, and two helicopters.

British Queen Elizabeth Approved Brexit Law:

➤ A Bill enacting **Britain's decision to leave the European Union (E. U.)** has become **law** after months of debate.

➤ Britain's **Queen Elizabeth** has granted royal assent to PM Theresa May's Brexit legislation. The announcement was made by House of Commons speaker John Bercow.

➤ Brexit is the impending withdrawal of the **United Kingdom from the European Union**. In a referendum on 23 June 2016, 51. 9% of the participating UK electorate voted to leave the EU, out of a turnout of 72. 2%.

UK

- Capital: **London**
- Currency: **Pound sterling**

India Pledges 5 Million Dollars for Palestinian Refugees:

➤ India has pledged **\$5 million** for the UN agency that helps **Palestinian refugees** during a campaign to make up for the shortfall in its funding after the US cut its contributions.

➤ The offer of the contribution was given to the organization known as UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA) . The agency faces a shortfall of **\$250 million, according to the UN**.

➤ The agency said that the actual shortfall for its budget would be **\$300 million** as it had been expecting **\$365 million from Washington(USA)** but has received only **\$65 million**.

➤ In March, India had announced at a conference in Rome that it was raising its annual contributions from **\$1. 25 million per year to \$5 million for the next three years**.

In a historic first, Saudi Arabia lifts ban on female drivers:

➤ Women across Saudi Arabia were legally allowed to drive for the **first time since 1957**.

➤ The National will bring you all of the latest news and reaction from the development, which was first announced by **King Salman in September 2017**. Some **six million women – or 65 per cent** of the female driving-age population – are expected to apply for a licence.

Pakistan to launch observatory satellite:

➤ The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has announced the launch of Pakistan's indigenously developed **285kg PakTES-1A observatory satellite** in July.

➤ Fitted with sensors and cameras, PakTES-1A will remain stationary 610km in space and its position relative to the sun will not change.

➤ Known as the **Remote Sensing Satellite (RSS)** it can be used **to study various features of Earth, determine mineral deposits**, and depending on the kinds of sensors and gadgets fitted.

➤ The navigation technology for the satellite was acquired from **China in 2012**.

Pakistan Placed On FATF's 'Grey List':

➤ The **global anti-terror financing firm, Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** has decided to keep **Pakistan on its 'grey list'**. The decision to place Pakistan on the global money-laundering watchdogs grey list was made during its **plenary meeting in Paris**.

➤ The **Finance Minister Shamshad Akhtar** urged the FATF to remove Pakistan from its grey list.

➤ The FATF is an **inter-governmental body** established in 1989 to combat terrorist financing and money laundering. The FATF had earlier put Pakistan on its grey list between 2012 and 2015.

FATF

- Headquarters: **Paris, France**
 - President: **Roger Wilkins**
 - Membership: **37**
- Pakistan**
- Capital: **Islamabad**
 - Currency: **Pakistani rupee**

Norway World’s Best Country in Traffic Safety:

- **Norway** has **least traffic accidents** in the world, leaving other European countries much behind, newspaper **Aftenposten reported**.
- The total number of traffic accidents in European Union has decreased only by 3 percent in four years.

➤ Last year Norway had 106 fatalities, which corresponds to 20 deaths per one million inhabitants. **Sweden** also has quite low rate of 25 fatalities, and both Britain and **Switzerland** have 27 fatalities per one million inhabitants.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMITS

SUMMIT	Key Points/ Discussion	Held in
International Conference on TRIPS-CBD Linkage	To revive WTO discussions on issues related to theft of traditional knowledge.	Geneva, Switzerland
IBSA (India, Brazil and South Africa) Ministerial Meet	Document titled "IBSA Declaration on South-South Cooperation." This document calls for contribution of each of the member of IBSA forum to greater understanding of development cooperation as a common endeavour of the global South.	Pretoria, South Africa
18 th Summit of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)	This is the first time India will be participating in the summit as a member. On issues concerning regional cooperation and world order.	Qingdao, China
44 th G7 Summit	This is the sixth time since 1981 that Canada has hosted the meetings. To discuss the oil shock, recession and global crisis. The 45th G7 summit or next G7 summit will be held in 2019 in France.	La Malbaie, Quebec, Canada
11 th World Hindi Conference	The theme of the Conference is 'Hindi Vishwa Aur Bharatiy Sanskriti'. It aims to increase the popularity of Hindi globally.	Swami Vivekanand International Convention Centre, Pailles Mauritius (Aug 18-20,2018)
International Conference on ICT (Information and Communication Technology)	The conference is organized by the Federation of Computer Association Nepal (CAN) . Theme of the conference is "Sustainable Development Goals for Smart Society". Aims to bring government and private sector together for developing a plan of action using sustainable ICT applications.	Kathmandu, Nepal
2+2 Dialogue- India & USA	To share perspectives on strengthening their strategic and security ties and exchange views on a range of bilateral, regional and global issues of mutual interest.	Washington, DC. , USA (On July 6 th , 2018)
23rd European Union Film Festival (EUFF-2018)	The festival is organized by Directorate of Film Festivals (DFF) under Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, partnering with the delegation of the European Union and embassies of EU Member States. The festival will improve cultural ties between India and European countries.	New Delhi, India
Twenty-eighth Plenary Meeting of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG)	Reiterated their firm support for the full, complete and effective implementation of the Treaty on Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). It was the first NSG meet since India got admitted into three out of four export control regimes. There are four export control regimes —MTCR, Australia group, Wassenaar arrangement & NSG.	Jurmala, Latvia
15 th Annual Asia and Oceania region intergovernmental ministerial meeting on anti-doping	Provide vital information-sharing opportunities for Governments and National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADOs) throughout the region.	Colombo, Sri Lanka
15th India-Australia Joint Ministerial Commission	To facilitate bilateral investment flows.	Canberra, Australia
"World Tolerance Summit"	Theme: "Prospering from Pluralism: Embracing Diversity through Innovation and Collaboration". Platform will seek innovative solutions and forge fruitful partnerships to help promote respect for diversity and productive pluralism.	Dubai, United Arab of Emirates (Nov 15-16, 2018)
Anti-doping sports conference	Titled: 'Clean Sport=Fair Outcome?' The conference is a joint initiative of the World Forum for Ethics in Business (WFEB) , Anti-Doping Norway and FairSport to propose a substantial agenda for action, enabling it to have an impact on the ongoing anti-doping reforms and policy framework.	Oslo, Norway

BANKING & BUSINESS

Financial literacy week: RBI

➤ The **Reserve Bank of India** has chosen customer protection as theme for the Financial Literacy Week beginning on **June 4** till **June**

8 will focus on **creating awareness among customers of banks** about financial products and services, good financial practices and going digital.

➤ The week will focus on four consumer protection messages like '**Know Your Liability**' for unauthorized electronic banking transaction and Good practices for a safe digital banking experience.

Second Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy Statement, 2018-19:

Resolution of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) : Reserve Bank of India

Policy Rate	Current Rate	Previous Rate
Repo Rate	6.25%	6.00%
Reverse Repo Rate	6.00%	5.75%
Marginal Standing Facility Rate	6.50%	6.25%
Bank Rate	6.50%	6.25%
CRR	4% (Unchanged)	4%
SLR	19.5% (Unchanged)	19.5%

➤ The MPC revised CPI inflation for **2018-19 to 4.8-4.9%** in the **first half** and **4.7%** in the **second half**. The MPC stated that the GDP growth rate for 2018-19 is retained at 7.4 percent.

RBI: Co-op banks can become small finance banks

➤ **The Reserve Bank of India** has decided to allow **urban co-operative banks (UCB) to convert into small finance banks (SFB)**. It is a move aimed at bringing these entities into mainstream banking.

➤ The decision is based on the recommendations made by the **High-Powered Committee** on Urban Cooperative Banks in August 2015. The **committee was chaired by R Gandhi**, the then Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank.

➤ A policy paper in this regard will be put out for public consultation by **30 September 2018**.

RBI: Nod for IDFC Bank, Capital First merger

➤ **IDFC Bank** has received the RBI's approval for merger of **Capital First, Capital First Home Finance and Capital First Securities** with the company.

➤ **Warburg Pincus** funded **non-banking financial company Capital First and IDFC Bank**, with this merger in an all-stock deal, are set to create a **Rs 88,000-crore** combined entity.

➤ The share swap ratio for the merger is fixed at **139:10**, meaning IDFC Bank will issue 139 shares for every 10 shares of Capital First.

IDFC Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Rajiv Lall**

RBI to set up Public Credit Registry (PCR) :

➤ **To provide a single-point and real-time source** for financial liabilities of a person or entity, **the Reserve Bank of India** has decided

to set up a **public credit registry (PCR)** in a modular and phased manner.

➤ It is an information repository that collects all loan information of individuals and corporate borrowers.

➤ A credit repository will help banks distinguish between a bad and a good borrower and accordingly offer attractive interest rates to good borrowers and higher interest rates to bad borrowers.

➤ The move is based on the recommendations of a committee it set up last year, **headed by Y. M. Deosthalee**.

RBI amends Gold Monetisation Scheme to make it more attractive:

➤ **The Reserve Bank of India** has amended the **Gold Monetisation Scheme (GMS) 2015**, whereby deposits can be placed with banks for broken periods such as **one year three months, or 13 years four months 15 days**.

➤ The designated banks are free to fix the interest rates on **short-term bank deposits (STBDs)**, which are for a short period of **one to three years** (with a facility of roll over). The interest is credited to the deposit accounts on the respective due dates, and can be withdrawn periodically or at maturity, as per the terms of the deposit.

➤ However, any pre-mature redemption of Medium and Long-Term Government Deposit MLTGD shall **be only in rupees**. Where the redemption of the **deposit is in gold**, an **administrative charge** shall be collected from the depositor. The interest accrued on **MLTGD** shall be calculated with reference to the **value of gold in terms of rupees** at the time of deposit and will be paid only in cash.

RBI releases draft guidelines to modify loan system for large borrowers:

➤ The Reserve Bank came out with **draft guidelines on loan system for delivery of bank credit** to improve discipline among larger borrowers.

➤ The draft stipulates a minimum level of 'loan component' in fund based working capital finance and a mandatory **Credit Conversion Factor (CCF)** for the undrawn portion of cash credit/ overdraft limits availed by large borrowers.

➤ In respect of borrowers having aggregate fund based **working capital limit of Rs 150 crore** and above from the banking system, a minimum level of 'loan component' of **40 per cent shall be effective from October 1, 2018**.

➤ Accordingly, for such borrowers, the outstanding 'loan component' must be equal to **at least 40 percent** of the sanctioned fund based working capital limit, including ad hoc credit facilities.

➤ The 40 per cent loan component will be revised to **60 per cent, with effect from April 1, 2019**.

RBI tightens Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) norms:

➤ **The RBI has tightened norms for Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS)** by making quoting of **permanent account number (PAN)** mandatory even for transactions **below USD 25,000**.

➤ Under the LRS, all resident individuals, including minors, are allowed to **freely remit up to USD 2,50,000 per financial year** for any permissible current or capital account transaction or a combination of both.

➤ Individuals can avail of foreign exchange facility for the purposes **within the limit of USD 2,50,000 only**.

RBI Revises Housing Loan Limits Under Priority Sector Lending:

➤ **The Reserve Bank** has altered **priority sector eligibility and classification norms**.

➤ The housing loan limits for eligibility **under priority sector lending** will be revised to **Rs 35 lakh in metropolitan centres (Rs 28 lakh earlier) (with population of ten lakh and above)**, and to **Rs 25 lakh from Rs 20 lakh earlier in other centres**.

➤ The overall cost of the dwelling unit in the metropolitan centre and at other centres does not exceed **Rs 45 lakh and Rs 30 lakh, respectively**.

➤ The existing limit for **family income of Rs 2 lakh per annum** for loans to housing projects for home construction economically weaker sections and low-income groups, is revised to **Rs 3 lakh per annum and Rs 6 lakh per annum** respectively in alignment with the income criteria specified under the **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**.

RBI Eases Norms for FPIs to Invest in Debt:

➤ The **Reserve Bank** has eased investment norms for **Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs)** in debt, especially into individual large corporates, a move that can help attract more overseas flows and thereby help arrest the recent fall in the rupee on one hand and also lift the recent fall in demand for corporate bonds.

➤ FPIs are allowed to invest in various debt market instruments such as **government bonds, treasury bills, state development loans and corporate bonds, but with certain limits and restrictions**. The RBI increased the FPIs cap on investment in government security to **30 per cent** of the outstanding stock of that security, **from 20 per cent earlier**.

➤ FPIs were allowed to invest in government bonds with a **minimum residual maturity of three years**. Short-term investments are defined

as investments with residual maturity up to one year. In the corporate bond segment, FPIs are permitted to invest with a minimum maturity of three years.

➤ The central bank has now allowed FPIs to invest in corporate bonds with minimum residual maturity of above one year. At the end of any day, all investments with residual **maturity of up to one year will be reckoned for the 20 per cent limit.**

➤ RBI said short-term investments by an FPI may exceed 20 per cent of total investments, only if the short-term investments consist entirely of investments **made on or before April 27, 2018, and not made after April 27, 2018.**

➤ The RBI said investment by any FPI, including investments by related FPIs, **should not exceed 50 per cent** of any issue of a corporate bond.

RBI Alters 'Relative' Definition to Check Outward Remittances:

➤ Concerned over funds sent abroad under the **'maintenance of close relative'** category of the **Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS)**, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has narrowed the definition of relatives to check the flow of funds.

➤ Hence, funds under the 'maintenance of close relative' category can be sent **only to immediate relatives such as parents, spouses, children and their spouses.** This has brought about by defining **'relatives' under the Companies Act, 2013 instead of the same act of 1956.**

RBI Imposes Rs.6-Cr Penalty on TMB:

➤ The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has imposed a **penalty of Rs 6 crore on Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB)** for failing to adhere to norms while issuing bonus shares to non-resident investors. TMB had issued these shares in contravention of master directions on issue and pricing of shares dated April 21, 2016.

➤ This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in RBI under the provisions of **Section 47A (1) (c) read with Section 46 (4) (i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.**

RBI Proposes BoM For Urban Cooperative Banks:

➤ The RBI has proposed the **constitution of a board of management (BoM)** in every **urban cooperative bank (UCB)** in addition to the **board of directors (BoD)**.

➤ In its 'Draft guidelines on BoM for UCBs', the RBI said the BoMs will be constituted by the BoDs. Existing UCBs having **deposit size exceeding ₹100 crore will put in place a BoM within a year.** Other banks have two years' time.

➤ The BoM will have a minimum of three members in UCBs having deposit size up to ₹100 crore, and five members in UCBs having deposit

size above Rs.100 crore. The maximum number of members in a BoM is 12.

Reserve Bank of India:

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- Governor: **Dr. Urjit Patel**
- Deputy Governors: **B. P. Kanungo, Dr. Viral V. Acharya, N. S. Vishwanathan, M K Jain**

Indian Oil Most Profitable PSU for 2nd Straight Year:

➤ **Fuel retailer Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)** has for the **second year in a row** beaten Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC) to become **India's most profitable state-owned company.**

➤ **Indian Oil Corporation**, which has for decades been India's biggest company by turnover, posted a record net profit of **Rs 21,346 crore in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018** (FY 2017-18), up 12 per cent from Rs 19,106 crore in the last fiscal. ONGC reported its FY18 numbers - 11.4 per cent rise in net profit to Rs 19,945 crore.

➤ Billionaire Mukesh Ambani-led **Reliance Industries** retained the crown of being **India's most profitable company** for the third year in a row, posting highest ever net profit of Rs 36,075 crore.

➤ **Tata Consultancy Services** with a net profit of Rs 25,880 crore was the **second most profitable company in the country.**

India and World Bank Signs \$500 Million Additional Financing for PMGSY:

➤ **India** has signed a **USD 500 million (Rs 3,371 crore) loan pact** with **World Bank** to provide additional financing for **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)** rural road projects.

➤ The \$500 million loan, from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), has a **3-year grace period, and a maturity of 10 years.**

➤ Under the project, **7,000 km** of climate resilient roads will be built, out of which **3,500 km** will be constructed using green technologies. The World Bank has supported PMGSY since its inception in 2004. So far it has invested over USD 1.8 billion in loans.

➤ The loan agreement for the project was signed by **Sameer Kumar Khare**, joint secretary, Ministry of Finance and **Junaid Ahmad**, country director, World Bank India.

India Releases Rs 33. 10 Cr to Nepal for 2 Road Projects:

➤ **India** has released **33. 10 Crore rupees** to Nepal towards cost of two road packages of **Birgunj-Thori Road** being implemented under **Postal Highway Projects in Nepal** with Government of India's grant assistance.

➤ The amount was handed over to Secretary of Minister for Physical Infrastructure and Transport,

Madhusudan Adhikari at **Singha Durbar** by Indian Mission to Nepal's Deputy Chief of Mission Dr Ajay Kumar.

➤ With this payment, the Government of India has released **a total of Rs 117. 63 Crores** to the Government of Nepal for implementing **14 packages** of the Postal Highway Projects. The construction of Dhangadhi-Bhajaniya-Satti road and Lamki-Tikapur-Khakraula road has been completed.

Facebook ties-up with NWC to launch digital literacy programme

➤ **Facebook** has entered into a partnership with **National Commission for Women (NCW)** to launch a **digital literacy programme** aimed at training 60,000 women in universities across India on safe use of the Internet, social media and email in a year.

➤ It has been launched in collaboration with **Cyber Peace Foundation**, the pilot programme will enable trainees to differentiate between credible and questionable information.

➤ The digital literacy programme will benefit women in universities across major cities in **Haryana, Delhi-NCR, Manipur, Sikkim, Meghalaya, Maharashtra, and Tamil Nadu.**

About NCW: The **National Commission for Women (NCW)** is a statutory body of the **Government of India**, generally concerned with advising the government on all policy matters affecting women. **Chairperson: Rekha Sharma**

Aditya Puri in Barron's list of top 30 CEO:

➤ **HDFC Bank's managing director Aditya Puri** has figured in the **top 30 global CEOs list** published by the **American financial magazine Barron's**. The international publication has included Puri in this prestigious list for the **fourth consecutive year.**

➤ In its 14th edition, the list of the world's best CEOs also includes **Jeff Bezos** of Amazon; **Warren Buffett** of Berkshire Hathaway; **Jamie Dimon** of JPMorgan Chase.

➤ The magazine divided the CEOs into three categories: visionary founders, growth leaders, and turnaround experts. **Puri** got a place in the **growth leaders category.**

India ranks 113rd in "END OF CHILDHOOD INDEX 2018":

➤ **India** has been placed at **113th position** in the list of 175 countries in **"End of Childhood Index 2018"** indexed by global child rights group, **Save the Children.**

➤ India has been improved its ranking in the world childhood index up from **116 in 2017**, but it has been put in the category of countries characterized by poverty and discrimination against girls.

➤ **Singapore** and **Slovenia** are placed at the top sharing the first place in the index and **Niger** figures at the end of the list at 175.

India to be shared mobility leader by 2030:

➤ **India** is expected to be a leader in **shared mobility by 2030** as rising share of electric and autonomous vehicles will improve shared mile economics, says a **Morgan Stanley** report.

➤ **By 2030**, Morgan Stanley expects shared miles to reach **35 per cent** of all the miles travelled in India and this will further increase to **50 per cent by 2040**.

Gail India to import 1st Russian LNG shipment:

➤ **India** will import its **first ever cargo of LNG from Russia** under a long-term deal as the **world's fourth-largest buyer of liquefied natural gas (LNG)** diversifies its import basket to meet its vast energy needs.

➤ State-owned gas utility **GAIL India Ltd** will bring the shipload of LNG from **Gazprom at Petronet Ltd's** import terminal at Dahej import terminal, **Gujarat**.

Women Wizard Rule Tech Programme launched by NASSCOM:

➤ In an effort to increase the number of women in senior levels in the Information Technology (IT) industry, **NASSCOM** has unveiled its '**Women Wizards Rule Tech**' programme for women techies.

➤ The initiative will aid women techies in core technologies like **IT-Information Technology Enabled Services (ITES)**, **Business Process Management (BPM)**, product and **Research and Development (R&D)** sectors by equipping them with the skills required for an edge in their career.

NASSCOM

- Chairperson: **Rishad Premji**
- Headquarters: **Noida, Uttar Pradesh**

SEBI Constitutes Committee for Direct Listing of Indian firms Abroad:

➤ **Market regulator, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)**, has formed an expert panel **to mull norms** for direct listing of Indian companies overseas.

➤ **At present**, listing of equity share capital of companies incorporated in India is not permitted on foreign exchanges and vice versa.

➤ The companies incorporated in India can list their debt securities on international exchanges (masala bonds), but their equity share capital can be listed abroad only **through the ADR/GDR route**.

➤ Similarly, companies incorporated outside India can access the Indian capital markets only **through the IDR route**. Thus, presently, direct listing of equity share capital of companies

incorporated in India is not permitted on foreign exchanges and vice versa. SEBI Executive Director **Surjit Prasad** would be the convenor of the committee.

SEBI

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Ajay Tyagi**

India Ranks 137 in Global Peace Index:

➤ **India has moved up four places to the 137th rank** among **163 countries** on the 2018 Global Peace Index. The Institute for Economics and Peace produces the **Global Peace Index**.

➤ It is due to a reduction in the level of violent crime driven by increased law enforcement, according to a report.

➤ The index is topped by **Iceland**, followed by **New Zealand, Portugal, Austria and Denmark**, whereas war-torn **Syria** remains the least peaceful country in the world, followed by **Afghanistan, Iraq, South Sudan, and Yemen**.

Infosys Acquires US-based WongDoody for \$75 million:

➤ India's second largest IT services firm **Infosys** has completed the acquisition of **US-based WONGDOODY**, a US-based digital creative and consumer insights agency, for a total consideration of up to **\$75 million**.

➤ **WONGDOODY is headquartered in Seattle** and founded in 1993.

Microsoft Acquires Github for \$7.5bn:

➤ **Microsoft** has agreed to acquire **GitHub**, a code sharing platform for software developers, in a **\$7.5bn deal**.

➤ GitHub was founded a decade ago in **San Francisco** as a tool that allows software developers to store, share and collaborate on their work.

➤ Microsoft Corporate Vice President **Nat Friedman**, founder of Xamarin will assume the role of **GitHub CEO**.

Truecaller acquires Chillr App:

➤ **The Truecaller** has announced its acquisition of **Indian payments startup Chillr** to strengthen its **payments** Truecaller will roll out credit and other financial services to Indian users in the coming months.

➤ **Chillr co-founder Sony Joy** will join as the vice president of **Truecaller Pay**. Truecaller has a user base of 150 million users in India. It also has 300 partners in the country, where it will increase its payments feature.

Microsoft Acquires Education Start-up Flipgrid:

➤ **Microsoft has announced the acquisition of Flipgrid**, a Minneapolis-based educational software startup.

➤ It has **20 million users all over the world**, including teachers, students, and parents, from

Pre-K all the way up to PhD candidates. In its three-year lifespan, Flipgrid had raised a modest **\$17 million** in venture funding.

➤ For Flipgrid customers, the biggest change is that the service will now be completely free for schools.

FDI inflows to India fall by \$4 billion last year:

➤ **Foreign Direct Investment to India decreased to 40 billion dollars** last year from **44 billion dollars in 2016** while outflows from India, the **main source of investment in South Asia**, more than **doubled**, according to a new trade report by the UN.

➤ According to the World Investment Report 2018 by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) global foreign direct investment flows **fell by 23 per cent in 2017, to USD 1.43 trillion from USD 1.87 trillion in 2016**.

➤ According to the report, outflows from India, the main source of **FDI in South Asia**, more than **doubled to USD 11 billion**. India's state-owned oil and gas company ONGC has been actively investing in foreign assets in the recent years.

Yes Bank Launches Deposit Scheme With An Eye To Raise Rs 1,000 Crore:

➤ Private sector lender **Yes Bank** launched a deposit scheme, which could fetch up to **8 per cent** for a tenure of little **over 18 months**.

➤ The bank is eyeing Rs 1,000 crore from the scheme '**Green Future: Deposit**' in next **three months**. The launch coincides the **World Environment Day**.

➤ This deposit account can be opened for **18 months and 8 days to 18 months and 18 days**, with peak interest rate of **7.50 per cent per annum** for a regular Green Future. For senior citizens, the account will offer an interest rate of **8 per cent per annum**.

YES Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Rana Kapoor**

OVL Gets First Equity Oil from Abu Dhabi Field:

➤ **ONGC Videsh Ltd** said it has received the first ever equity oil cargo from **Abu Dhabi's Lower Zakum oil field**. The consortium led by OVL includes **Bharat Petro Resources Ltd (BPRL)** and **Indian Oil Corp (IOC)**.

➤ The **Das blend crude oil** originates from the Lower Zakum (LZ) oilfield in Abu Dhabi, which currently produces approximately 400,000 barrels per day, reached **Mangalore port**.

CSCs will offer bank services: Goyal

➤ The **government will work to enable all 2.9 lakh common service centres (CSCs)** in the

country to operate as **business correspondents of banks.**

➤ Business correspondents are retail agents engaged by banks for providing services at locations other than a bank branch or an ATM.

➤ The Department of Telecom (DoT) , on the occasion, launched **5,000 WiFi choupals in partnership with CSC** which will provide **60,000 WiFi hotspots in rural areas.**

➤ CSC e-Governance CEO: **Dinesh Tyagi**

World Bank forecasts 7.3 per cent growth for India in FY 2018-2019:

➤ **The World Bank** has forecast a growth rate of **7.3 per cent for India** this year and **7.5 per cent** for the next two years, making it the fastest growing country among major emerging economies.

➤ A top World Bank official said India's economy is robust, resilient and has potential to deliver sustained growth.

➤ The growth in South Asia is projected to strengthen to **6.9 per cent in 2018 and to 7.1 per cent in 2019.**

HDFC Bank's raises additional share capital of Rs 24,000 crore:

➤ The Union Cabinet has approved **foreign direct investment (FDI) worth Rs 24,000 crore for HDFC Bank.**

➤ This is including the premium, over and above the previous approved limit of **Rs 10,000 crore**, such that the composite foreign shareholding in the bank shall not exceed **74 per cent** of the enhanced paid-up equity share capital of the bank.

➤ With the raising of this capital, FDI in the bank would hit the regulatory ceiling of **74 per cent**. Currently, the FDI in HDFC Bank stands at **72.62 per cent.**

HDFC Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Aditya Puri**

India Ranked 177th In Global Environment Performance Index:

➤ **India ranks 177 out of 180** in **Environmental Performance Index**. In 2016, the country was ranked 141 out of 180 countries.

➤ The State of India's Environment (SoE) is an annual compendium of environmental statistics put together by **Down To Earth magazine**, which Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) helps publish. India scored **5.75 out of 100** in air quality.

➤ India's disappointing performance and the gravity of the situation is further highlighted when compared with countries such as Switzerland and Japan which have scored over 90.

The Top 3 countries on the list are,

1. Switzerland

2. France
3. Denmark

WPI Inflation at 14-Month-High of 4.43% In May:

➤ **Inflation** based on **wholesale prices** shot up to a 14-month high of **4.43 per cent** in May on **increasing prices of petrol and diesel as well as vegetables.**

➤ The Wholesale Price Index (WPI) based inflation stood at 3.18 per cent in April and 2.26 per cent in May last year.

➤ According to government data released, inflation in food articles was at 1.60 per cent in May 2018, against 0.87 per cent in the preceding month.

➤ RBI mainly takes into account **retail inflation data while formulating monetary policy.**

PhonePe partners with Ola

➤ **The Flipkart-owned PhonePe** has partnered with **cab aggregator Ola** that will allow riders to book rides using the former's payment platform.

➤ PhonePe has also added **'Auto-pay'** feature that allows users to make payments seamlessly.

➤ It will enable businesses to reach out with their services to a highly relevant and rapidly growing base of over **100 million PhonePe users.**

➤ PhonePe co-founder & CTO: **Rahul Chari**

Japan's SoftBank to invest \$60 bn to \$100 bn in India's solar power generation:

➤ **SoftBank Group Corp** has decided to **invest \$60 billion-\$100 billion** in **solar power generation in India.**

➤ The company is expected to make the investment through a fund backed by Saudi Arabia's government. **Saudi Arabia** is the largest investor in **SoftBank's Vision Fund**, which raised over \$93 billion last year.

➤ India has set a target to achieve an operational **solar power capacity of 100 GW by 2022.**

5th Biggest Consumer Financial Services Company Worldwide: HDFC

➤ **The Housing finance major HDFC** has been ranked as the **5th biggest public company** globally in the **'consumer financial services category'** on a list compiled by **Forbes magazine.**

➤ **American Express** has topped this category, while **India bulls Housing Finance** is the **only other Indian company** (at 13th place) on the list. In the consumer financial services category, HDFC's rank has moved up from 7th place last year.

➤ Other consumer finance services companies that made it to the list include Capital One Financial at the 159 place, followed by Visa (164) , Orix (254) , PayPal (337) , Synchrony Financial

(340) , Discover Financial Services (356) , and Mastercard (367) , among others.

Google Makes 'App Maker' Available to Users:

➤ **Google has made "App Maker"**, its low-code tool for building business apps, generally available and open to all developers, after a year and a half since the launch of its beta version.

➤ The App Maker is now available to all **G Suite Business and Enterprise customers**, as well as **G Suite for Education customers.**

Reliance Industries Invests in India's First Carbon Fibre Unit:

➤ The Reliance Industries is investing in setting up **India's first carbon fibre manufacturing unit to cater to aerospace and defence needs.**

➤ The company **will also make low-cost and high-volume composite products** like modular toilets, homes and composites for windmill blades and rotor blades.

➤ One of the most common forms of composite in use today is **carbon fibre**. It is made by heating lengths of rayon, pitch or other types of fibre to extremely high temperatures in an oxygen-deprived oven.

US Surpassed India As Top Greenfield FDI Investment Destination:

➤ The US has surpassed India to become the **top destination for greenfield FDI investment** in 2017 with **USD 87.4 billion** recorded. A **green field investment** is a type of foreign direct investment (FDI) where a parent company builds its operations in a foreign country from the ground up.

➤ The number of greenfield FDI projects in **India** during the year fell sharply by 21 per cent to **637**. **The US** was also the highest ranked country for FDI by number of projects, recording **1,627**.

➤ In the **Asia and Pacific region, China** was on top in terms of **FDI in total number of new projects and capital investment**, followed by India, as per the FDI report.

MARG ERP Limited Partners with ICICI Bank:

➤ The **Marg ERP limited**, a leading Inventory and Accounting software solution company has partnered with **ICICI Bank.**

➤ It aims to offer an integrated payments platform to **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) customers**, using MARG's accounting software.

➤ This integration aims to promote **'Connected Banking'** and enables ICICI Bank's current account holders to securely connect their bank account with the MARG ERP software.

➤ It will enable businesses to initiate vendor & salary payments via **RTGS, NEFT or IMPS directly from this platform.**

Muthoot Fincorp Limited Announced Its Partnership with NSDC:

➤ The **Muthoot Fincorp Limited** has announced its partnership with **National Skill Development Corporation** to train over 10,000 youth over the next three years and make them job ready.

➤ With the partnership, Muthoot Fincorp claims to have become the **first major private sector player to partner with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** to launch the **Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY. 2) programme.**

➤ Under the scheme, Muthoot Fincorp targets to train over 10,000 people over the next three years and make them job ready. NSDC has approved a target of 3,000 candidates in the first year and 3,500 each in the subsequent two years.

➤ PMKVY is the flagship scheme of the **Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship.**

Amazon's Jeff Bezos is the world's richest with \$141 billion net worth: Forbes

➤ Amazon founder and CEO **Jeff Bezos** has become the richest man in the world with a net worth of \$141.9 billion. The World's Billionaires list was released by **Forbes.**

➤ **Bill Gates**, the principal founder of Microsoft Corporation is the second-richest man in the world with \$92.9 billion.

➤ **Warren Buffet**, one of the most successful investors in the world, trailed in the third place with a total of a wealth of \$82.2 billion.

World Bank Approves \$700 Mn for Bangladesh to Improve Primary Education:

➤ The World Bank has approved **\$700 million to help Bangladesh achieve its education for all vision by improving the primary education sector.**

➤ The **Quality Learning for All Program (QLEAP)** will cover more than 18 million children studying in pre-primary level to grade 5.

➤ It will also finance implementation of the government's **Fourth Primary Education Development Program (PEDP4)**.

Reliance announces the completion of Eagle Express cable system; starts 2020:

➤ **Reliance Communications (RCom)** subsidiary **Global Cloud Xchange (GCX)** has announced the completion of Indian data centre for **Eagle Subsea Network, scheduled to be fully operational by 2020.**

➤ The **Eagle Express cable system** will be the fastest submarine route between India and Key technology centres across the Middle East and Europe.

➤ The new green data centre, in **Dhirubhai Ambani Knowledge City (DAKC)**, Mumbai, has almost 4,50,000 square feet built-up area and 6,000-rack capacity.

➤ **Eagle Subsea Network** will represent the fastest Mumbai to Hong Kong route of undersea cables, as it avoids the outage-prone Malacca Strait.

Tata Trust launches North East Small Finance bank:

➤ Northeast India's first small bank, **North East Small Finance bank (NESFB)** started its services.

➤ **Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Nidhi (North East Microfinance Limited)** received the Small Finance Bank License from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on March 31, 2017.

➤ Tata Trust chairman Ratan Tata and Assam's finance minister Himanta Biswa Sarma launched the first **28 branches of the bank.** Tata, through his investment arm RNT Associates, has invested Rs 40 crore in the bank.

➤ North East Small Finance Bank Ltd which has a **net worth of Rs 300 Crore** is supported by infusion of funds from domestic and overseas investoRs.

➤ MD & CEO NESFB: **Rupali Kalita**

IRDAI Sets Up Panel to Review Norms for Marketing Firms:

➤ **The Insurance Regulator IRDAI** has set up a **10-member panel** to review norms related to **insurance marketing firm (IMF) with an aim to increase insurance penetration in the country.**

➤ The new distribution channel of IMF was introduced in 2015 by Irdai, with the objective of increasing insurance penetration through an area-wise registration approach.

➤ The committee, headed by **Suresh Mathur (ED-IMF, IRDAI)**, has been asked to revisit the IRDAI (Registration of Insurance Marketing Firms) Regulations, 2015.

IRDAI

- Headquarters: **Hyderabad**
- Chairman: **Subhash Chandra Khuntia**

True Balance partners with Bharat Bill Payment Operating Unit:

➤ **True Balance**, a Digital Wallet and Financial Services Platform has announced a tie up with **Bharat Bill payment operating Unit (BBPOU)**, an RBI conceptualized system, to **facilitate quick and easy bill payments.**

➤ The partnership with BBPOU will enable users to **reap maximum benefits while making payments** as well as gain an added advantage of True Balance features like Rate cutters, Smart alerts and One Tap Recharge.

➤ The BBPS is a centralized bill payment system that **allows users to use a single website or**

outlet to make multiple payments which may be repetitive like monthly mobile phone, gas and electricity bills.

Yes Bank gets SEBI nod for custodian of securities business enhancing its market offerings:

➤ **Yes Bank** has received approval from market regulator **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** for acting as custodian of securities.

➤ The Custodian of securities is a license granted by SEBI to **eligible entities allowing them to offer custodial services to financial market participants** including **foreign institutional investors (FIIs) and foreign portfolio investors (FPIs)**.

➤ This will complement the bank's existing capital market offerings and enable it to play a larger role in channelizing domestic and foreign investments into Indian financial market.

➤ **The bank** will also be opening **representative offices in London and Singapore** as per recent approval from the Reserve Bank of India.

SEBI Simplifies Buyback Regulations, Changes IPO Price Band Timeline:

➤ The **Securities and Exchange Board (SEBI)** has approved amendments to buyback and takeover regulations and changed the time for **announcing the price band of initial public offering (IPO) from 5 to 2 days.**

➤ As per the changes, the **buyback period has been redefined as the period between** the "board of director's resolution/date of declaration of results for a special resolution authorizing the buyback of shares and the date on which payment consideration is made to the shareholders".

➤ SEBI had made a proposal to bring changes based on suggestions made by the **regulator's Primary Market Advisory Committee (PMAC)**.

➤ The regulator has incorporated relevant provisions outlined under **Sections 68 and 70 of the Companies Act, 2013** in the new Buyback Regulations to make it self-contained.

Indian economy grows 7.7% in Q4, remains ahead of China as fastest growing:

➤ According to the **Central Statistics Office (CSO)** **India's GDP grew** at the fastest pace in seven quarters at **7.7 per cent in January-March**, retaining the fastest growing major economy tag on robust performance by manufacturing and service sectors as well as good farm output.

➤ India's economic expansion at 7.7 per cent was significantly higher than **China's 6.8 per cent in the January-March period.**

AIIB To Invest \$200 Mn In Infra Fund:

➤ The **Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)** plans to invest **USD 200 million** in a **fund of funds** set up by India to take **interest in infra projects**.

➤ They are investing USD 100 now and USD 100 million in the time to come. The USD 200-million will flow into the **NIIF (National Investment & Infrastructure Fund)**.

➤ This is the first time that the country is **hosting the annual summit of AIIB**, which will be addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

➤ India is the **second largest shareholder in AIIB** after **China** and is also the largest recipient of funds from the multilateral agency. **Nearly 25% of the total funds** committed by AIIB have been **committed for projects in India**, both in the government sector and the private sector.

AIIB

- Headquarters: **Beijing, China**
- President: **Jin Liqun**
- Membership: **64 Members; 22 prospective members**

World Bank: Global economy is healthy, but growth will slow

➤ The anti-poverty agency predicts global growth will decelerate slightly from a solid **3.1 per cent this year** to 3 per cent next year and **2.9 per cent in 2020**.

➤ The World Bank predicts that **US growth** will register 2.7 per cent in 2018, aided by tax cuts, before slowing to 2.5 per cent next year and 2 per cent in 2020. **China's growth** is projected at 6.5 per cent this year, 6.3 per cent in 2019 and 6.2 percent in 2020.

Subsidised crop loan to be under DBT mode, says RBI:

➤ **Interest subsidy scheme** on short-term crop loans of up to **Rs 3 lakh** will be implemented through the **DBT mode** from the current financial year, the RBI.

➤ The government has earmarked **Rs 15,000 crore** for **2018-19** towards interest subvention for short-term crop loans.

➤ **According to the RBI, Interest Subvention Scheme (ISS) 2018-19** will be required to be settled as applicable in Plan Scheme — Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and North East Region (NER), among others.

APPOINTMENTS

S. no	Designation	Current	Previous
1.	Director-General of Military Operations (DGMO) of Northern Command Army	Lt Gen Ranbir Singh	Lt Gen Anbu
2.	New Secretary in Ministry of Information & Broadcasting	Amit Khare	-
3.	New Vigilance Commissioner of India	Sharad Kumar	-
4.	New Chairman of DRDO	Sanjay Mitra (Current Defence Secretary of India)	Dr. S. Christopher

Indians form 2nd largest group of international students in US: Envoy

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

➤ Indians comprised **approximately 17 per cent** of the total number of international students and over the past five years, there has been a **86 per cent increase** in the number of Indian students studying in the United States.

➤ US consul general in Kolkata, **Craig Hall**, said that the United States is the top destination for foreign students worldwide and the number of Indian students in the US has increased in the last 10 years.

Mobile banking: Paytm tops volumes, Axis value

➤ At **17.2%**, **Axis Bank** commands the **largest value share of mobile banking transactions** but it's Paytm that tops volumes with 22%.

➤ However, Paytm's value share is a meagre 0.25%, according to **State Bank of India's (SBI) annual report for 2017-18** which has put out Reserve Bank of India's data for January 2018.

➤ **ICICI Bank** has a 17.1% share of transactions by value and 9.7% by volume. SBI's volume share has slipped by over 5 percentage points from nearly 25% at the end of March 2017 to 19.5% in January 2018.

Fitch Lowers Axis Bank's Outlook to Negative, Cuts ICICI Bank's Support Ratings:

➤ Global ratings agency **Fitch** said **ICICI Bank and Axis Bank** have "gaps" in their risk control mechanisms and has revised down its outlook on the latter to negative on sour assets worries.

➤ The agency cut its outlook on **Axis Bank's issuer default rating to negative from stable**, pointing out to the high proportion of NPAs and the limited capital buffers available, despite a recent infusion.

➤ The agency also **downgraded ICICI Bank's 'support rating'** to '3', from '2', apart from revising down its support rating floor to 'BB+', from 'BBB-'.

➤ But the **agency has affirmed the issuer default ratings and viability ratings** of ICICI Bank and Axis Bank at 'BBB-' and 'bbb-', respectively.

Exim Bank Extends \$10 Mn Loan Facility to Seychelles:

➤ The **Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank)** has extended **\$10 million worth of line of credit (LOC)** to Seychelles for **healthcare and procurement of goods and projects**.

➤ The LOC is the first tranche of the \$50 million sanctioned by the Exim Bank to the country.

➤ With this agreement for \$10 million, Exim Bank, till date, has extended two LOCs to Seychelles, taking the **total value to \$28 million**.

➤ Earlier this week, the bank had extended two LOCs aggregating **\$31 million to the Republic of Suriname** for upgradation of transmission line network and maintenance of Chetak helicopters there.

Adani Ports to Acquire 97 Per Cent Stake In Kattupalli:

➤ The country's leading port developer **Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ)** is all set to acquire **97 per cent stake in Marine Infrastructure Developer Private Limited (MIDPL)** - the developer and operator of **Kattupalli Port near Chennai for Rs 1950 crore**.

➤ Of the total amount, **Adani will be paying Rs 1,562 crore** towards settlement of dues of MIDPL, while **Rs 388 crore** is the consideration for the acquisition for the share.

➤ The balance 3 per cent will be held by **Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation** on behalf of the Tamil Nadu Government.

India Increases Grant from \$12 Million to \$15 Million to GEF:

➤ India will increase the money that it pays to the **Global Environment Facility (GEF)** for the **next four years**.

➤ India has decided to increase its **commitments from \$12 million to \$15 million** to the GEF's new four-year investment cycle.

➤ It was announced by the India's representative to **GEF Council Aparna Subramani**.

➤ GEF CEO: **Naoko Ishii**

5.	New Chairman of UPSC (Union Public Service Commission)	Arvind Saxena	Vinay Mittal
6.	New Secretary, Ministry of Coal	Dr. Inder Jit Singh	Susheel Kumar
7.	Ex-officio chairman of the North Eastern Council (NEC) .	Rajnath Singh (Union Home Affairs Minister)	-
8.	First woman Director General of Police (DGP) of Puducherry	S Sundari Nanda	S K Gautam
9.	Additional Charge of Tripura Governor	Keshari Nath Tripathi	Tathagata Roy (on Leave)
10.	Two Advisors of Jammu & Kashmir's Governor N N Vohra	BB Vyas Vijay Kumar	-
11.	Independent Director of Electronic Payment Services (EPS)	R Gandhi (Former RBI deputy governor)	-
12.	Non-executive chairman of Bandhan Bank	Harun Rasid Khan	-
13.	4 th Deputy Governor of RBI	M. K. Jain (former MD & CEO of IDBI Bank)	S S Mundra
14.	MD & CEO of IDBI Bank	B Sriram (former MD of State Bank of India)	-
15.	4 Whole Time Member of SEBI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ G. Mahalingam ➤ Madhabi Puri Buch ➤ Santosh Kumar Mohanty ➤ Ananta Barua 	-
16.	Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)	Senior bureaucrat S Ramesh	Vanaja N Sarna
17.	Re-elected MD & CEO of YES Bank	Rana Kapoor	-
18.	Chief Operating Officer of ICICI Bank	Sandeep Bakhshi	-
19.	New MD and CEO of ICICI Prudential Life	N. S. Kannan	Sandeep Bakhshi
20.	Advisor of One97 Communications (which runs Paytm)	R Gandhi (Former RBI deputy governor)	-
21.	President of India and South Asia operations of Uber.	Pradeep Parameswaran	Amit Jain
22.	Chief Finance Officer of General Motors	Dhivya Suryadevara (First female CFO of this company) (Indian American)	Chuck Stevens
23.	Next Ambassador of India to Republic of Lithuania	Tsewang Namgyal (Presently, Ambassador of India to the Republic of Poland)	-
24.	Next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Cuba	Madhu Sethi (Presently, Counsellor in the High Commission of India based at London)	-
25.	Next Ambassador of India To the State of Eritrea	Ravindra Prasad Jaiswal (Presently, Ambassador of India to the Republic of Sudan)	-
26.	Chairman of International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) First Vice-Chair of ICC	Paul Polman Ajay Banga	Sunil Bharti Mittal
27.	New chairperson of British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) .	Pippa Harris (Producer)	Jane Lush
28.	Elected President of the 73rd United Nations General Assembly.	Maria Fernanda Espinosa (Ecuador's Foreign Minister)	Miroslav Lajcak (Slovakian Foreign Minister)
29.	New Attorney General of Malaysia	Indian – Origin Tommy Thomas (First Non- Malaysian to take this charge)	Mohamad Apandi Ali
30.	World Economic Forum (WEF) Managing Board Member	Sarita Nayar	-
31.	New Prime Minister of Italian	Giuseppe Conte (Anti-establishment Five Star Movement (M5S))	Paolo Gentiloni
32.	New Prime Minister of Spain	Pedro Sanchez	Mariano Rajoy
33.	New Prime Minister of Jordan	Omar Razzaz	Hani Mulki
34.	New Prime Minister of Georgia	Mamuka Bakhtadze	Giorgi Kvirikashvili
35.	Re-elected President of Egypt for the second term	Abdel Fattah el-Sisi	Abdel Fattah el-Sisi
36.	President of Colombia	Ivan Duque	Juan Manuel Santos

	Vice- President of Colombia	Marta Lucia Ramirez (First Female Vice President)	
37.	Re-elected President of Turkey for the second term.	Recep Tayyip Erdoğan	Recep Tayyip Erdoğan
38.	First-Ever Visually Impaired Judge of Pakistan	Yousaf Saleem	
39.	Joins UNESCO to Promote Safe Cyberspace For Kids	Bollywood actress Sonakshi Sinha	

RESIGNATION:

- Chairman of Starbucks - **Howard Schultz**
- Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir - **Mehbooba Mufti** (People Democratic Party's (PDP)) .
- New Zealand Cricket Coach - **Mike Hesson**
- Chief Economic Advisor - **Arvind Subramanian** (due to family issue) .
- Real Madrid Coach - **Zinedine Zidane**
- Chief Executive of Australian Cricket - **James Sutherland**

➤ Pakistan's National Security Advisor - **Nasser Khan Janjua**

RETIREMENT:

- NASA astronaut - **Peggy Whitson** (First female to set the record for most time spent in space by a U. S. astronaut at 665 days) .

BRAND AMBASSADOR:

- **Sikkim government** - Renowned music composer **A R Rahman** (to promote and project the state's achievements nationally and globally)

, before he was an ambassador of tourism and business in the state.

- French Major **Safran - Priyanka Das** (for an initiative in France to encourage girls to follow scientific careers) .

➤ Online Fantasy Sports Platform **StarPick** - Indian football team captain **Sunil Chhetri**.

- Bengaluru-based realty firm **Sumadhura group - MS Dhoni**, the former Indian cricket captain.

AWARDS

S. no	Awards	Winners
1.	Pulitzer Prize 2018 for Music	Kendrick Lamar (for the album "DAMN" in 2017)
2.	'Hero to Animals Award' Category by PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals)	Assamese Singer Zubeen Garg
3.	FICCI Smart Policing Awards 2018	Vijay Goel (Statistics and Programme Implementation Minister)
4.	Padma Shri Award 2018	Tommy Koh (Former Singaporean diplomat)
5.	MVP Award at Basketball without Borders Asia 2018	Indian Sanjana Ramesh (Girl's side) Philippine's Rence Forthsky Padrigao (Boy's side)
6.	South Africa's Top Player Prize -Cricketer of the Year, One-Day International player of the year and players' player of the year.	Kagiso Rabada (World's No. 1 Test bowler)
7.	'Best Performing Social Sector Ministry' SKOCH Award for its Achievements and Initiatives.	Ministry of Women & Child Development
8.	Prime Minister's Award for outstanding contribution to promotion and development of yoga.	Nashik's Vishwas Mandlik (Individual - National Category) and The Yoga Institute in Mumbai (Organisation - National Category)
9.	Lifetime Achievement Award at the Rome Film Festival 2018	Martin Scorsese (Veteran Director)
10.	'India's Sportsperson of the Year' 2017 by the Sports Illustrated India magazine.	Kidambi Srikanth
11.	Femina Miss India 2018	Anukreethy Vas (Tamil Nadu)
12.	'Most Inspiring Icon of the year For Social Welfare' by the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF) .	Indian star cricketer Yuvraj Singh (for his contribution in the field of social welfare named 'YouWeCan')
13.	Lumière Award 2018 at the 10th Lumière Festival in Lyon, France.	Jane Fonda (American Actress)
14.	Japan's prestigious 'Nikkei Asia Prize for Culture and Community' category In Economic and Business Innovation Category In Science and Technology Category	Bindeshwar Pathak (Noted social reformer & founder of Sulabh International) Ma Jun (Chinese environmentalist) Nguyen Thanh Liem (Vietnamese doctor)
15.	China's first friendship medal	Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin
16.	First female Hall of Famer in UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship)	American fighter Ronda Rousey
17.	"Sports Icon of Year" award at the conclusion of the Sports Conclave	Rohan Bopanna (Indian Tennis Player)
18.	Polly Umrigar Award for the Best International Cricketer (Men) (2016-17 and 2017-18) at the BCCI Awards Best International Cricketer (Women) for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 seasons	India skipper Virat Kohli Harmanpreet Kaur and Smriti Mandhana
19.	Best Expectation Management Award in 2017-18 by Investor Relations Society India.	Corporation Bank
20.	Life Time Achievement award in IIFA Awards in Bangkok, Thailand.	Actor Anupam Kher
21.	International Women's Prize for Fiction 2018	Pakistani-British writer Kamila Shamsie (for the novel "Home Fire")
22.	Sansad Ratna Award 2018	Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance (Head: Veerappa Moily)
23.	'National Gopal Ratna' award from Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Radha Mohan Singh	Dhiraj Ram Krishna (for upkeep of the best dairy animals of indigenous breeds)

24.	French distinction of Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters (Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres)	French Actor Kalki Koechlin (contribution in enhancing Indo-French ties in cinema)
25.	'Chief Minister of the Year' award at the 52 nd Skoch Summit held in New Delhi. 'Gold Award' in infrastructure sector & 'Order of Merit'	Vasundhara Raje Sagarmala
26.	Living legend prize at the 25th annual Bharat Nirman awards function 'Achievers Awards' category Lifetime Achievement Category Social Welfare Activities Category Entrepreneurship Category	Veteran Bollywood actor Prem Chopra Actor Raza Murad Former India hockey captain Gurbux Singh & Ex-Governor of West Bengal Justice Shyamal K Sen Bharat J Mehra Praladha Rai Agarwala
27.	World Food Prize 2018	Economist Lawrence Haddad, Dr David Nabarro
28.	GreenCo Award presented by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for implementing best environment- friendly practices.	Golden Rock Railway Workshop at Tiruchi

India Smart Cities Award 2018:

Nine awards in three categories, i. e. , Project Award, Innovative Idea Award and City Award have been announced under the **India Smart Cities Awards**, which was launched on **June 25, 2017** by Hon'ble Housing and Urban Affairs Minister.

Category	Winner
'Indian Smart Cities Award'	Surat (Showcasing "great momentum" in the implementation of projects under Smart Cities Mission)
'Innovative Idea'	Bhopal [Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC)] Ahmedabad [Safe and Secure Ahmedabad (SASA) Project]
Under Project Awards 'Urban Environment'	Bhopal, Pune and Coimbatore (public bike sharing project public bike sharing project) , Jabalpur (waste-to energy plant project) .
'Social Aspects'	NDMC and Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) ('smart classrooms' project) Visakhapatnam ('smart campus project) , Pune ('lighthouse project')
'Culture and Economy'	Bhopal (B Nest Incubation Centre) and Jaipur (Conservation of Rajasthan School of Arts)
'Transport and Mobility'	Ahmedabad and Surat (Integrated Transit Management System (TMS))
'Water and Sanitation'	Ahmedabad
'Governance' and 'Built Environment'	Pune (PMC Care) and Smart Place Making

International Olympiad winners of 2017-18:

➤ **Shri P. P. Chaudhary** felicitates International Olympiad winners of 2017-18 and gave away awards to toppers and international rank holders from class IV to XII for the six Olympiad exams conducted by Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) .

➤ **120 students** have been awarded the SOF Scholarship of Excellence in English (SOF SEE) for the year 2017-18.

➤ Each winner receives a scholarship of **Rs.5000/- + a Merit Certificate.**

Indian Army Contingent Awarded United Nations Medal:

➤ The **7 Garhwal Rifles Infantry Battalion Group** was awarded the **United Nations Medal** for **"selfless service"** in the **peacekeeping mission in South Sudan.**

➤ The ceremony was attended by a number of military and civil dignitaries, including Brigadier General Mohammed Al Masoom, Commander **United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)** , and a host of senior commanders of various nationalities. India is a leading contributor to the United Nations Peacekeeping missions.

➤ According to the data obtained from **UN Peacekeeping Missions website**, India contributes over 6,000 troops in 14 missions across the world.

SPORTS

Asian Junior Athletics Championships 2018: Highlights

➤ The **2018 Asian Junior Athletics Championships** was the **18th edition** of the international athletics competition for Asian under-20 athletes, organised by the **Asian Athletics Association** and the **Japan Association of Athletics Federations.**

➤ The competition took place over four days from 7-10 June at **Gifu Nagaragawa Stadium in Gifu, Japan.**

➤ Top 3 Medal winning Country: **1. Japan** (14 G, 15 S, 12 B - Total 41 Medals)

➤ **2. China** (11 G, 8 S, 5 B - Total 24 Medals)

➤ **3. India** (5 G, 2 S, 10 B - Total 17 Medals)

India at the 2018 Asian Junior Athletics Championships

Name	Medal	Event
Anu Kumar (Men)	Gold	800 metres
Ajeet Kumar (Men)	Gold	5000 metres
Kamalraj Kanagaraj (Men)	Gold	Triple jump
Jisna Mathew (Women)	Gold	400 metres
Ashish Jakhar (Men)	Gold	Hammer throw
Damneet Singh (Men)	Silver	Hammer throw
Subha Venkatesan (Women) Rachna Nidhi Singh Jisna Mathew	Silver	4×400 m relay
Kartik Kumar (Men)	Bronze	10,000 metres
Prajwal Ravi (Men)	Bronze	4×100 m relay

Akash Kumar Nithin Balakumar Gurindervir Singh		
Sreeshankar (Men)	Bronze	Long jump
Ashish Bhalothia (Men)	Bronze	Shot put
Jisna Mathew (Women)	Bronze	200 metres
Durga Deore (Women)	Bronze	1500 metres
Poonam Sonune (Women)	Bronze	5000 metres
Abhinaya Shetty (Women)	Bronze	High jump
Priyadarshini Suresh (Women)	Bronze	Triple jump
Arpandeeep Bajwa (Women)	Bronze	Discus throw

French Open 2018: Highlights

> The 2018 French Open, also known as **Roland Garros**, was a Grand Slam tennis tournament played on outdoor clay courts. It was the **122nd edition of the French Open and the second Grand Slam event of 2018**.

> It took place at the Stade Roland Garros in Paris, France, from 27 May to 10 June and consisted of events for players in singles, doubles and mixed doubles play. Junior and wheelchair players also took part in singles and doubles events.

> **Rafael Nadal** was the defending champion in the **Men's Singles** and won his **11th French Open title**. **Simona Halep** won her first Grand Slam title.

Title	Winners
Men's Singles	Spain Rafael Nadal
Women's Singles	Romania Simona Halep
Men's Doubles	Pierre-Hugues Herbert Nicolas Mahut
Women's Doubles	Czech Republic Barbora Krejčíková & Czech Republic Kateřina Siniaková
Mixed Doubles	Chinese Taipei Latisha Chan / Croatia Ivan Dodig

Roger Federer Wins 98th ATP Title in Stuttgart:

> The top-seeded Swiss **Roger Federer** beat his Canadian opponent **Milos Raonic** for the 11th time in 14 meetings while winning a **first Mercedes Cup (Stuttgart title)**. Now, **Roger Federer claimed his 98th ATP title. The event was held in Germany**. Federer made a return to the top ATP ranking for the **sixth time**.

> **Tim Putz and Philipp Petzschner (Germany)** won in the Men's Doubles category after defeating (Poland) and R. Lindstedt (Sweden).

CWG gold medalist weightlifter Sanjita Chanu fails dope test:

> **The two-time Commonwealth Games champion Sanjita Chanu** tested positive for a banned anabolic steroid and was provisionally suspended by the international federation.

> She won a gold in the **women's 53kg category in the recent Gold Coast CWG 2018**.

> **IWLF Secretary General Sahdev Yadav** confirmed that Sanjita's 'A' sample has returned positive. If Sanjita's 'B' sample also tests positive, she is expected to be handed a maximum of four-year ban from the sport.

India to host 3rd Asia Cup International Bridge Championship 2018:

> **India** will host the **3rd Asia Cup International Bridge Championship** starting from June 4-11 and will see participation from countries including Australia, Bangladesh, China, Japan and Korea.

> The championship, **to be held in Goa**, will be contested in five categories namely men, women, mixed, super-mixed and senior.

> It is a trick-taking card game using a **standard 52-card deck**. It is played by four players in two competing partnerships, with partners sitting opposite each other around a table.

French Open: Nadal Earns 900th Win

> **The world No. 1 Rafael Nadal of Spain** has defeated Maximilian Marterer of Germany earning his career's **900th win** and advancing to the French Open quarter-finals.

> The **10-time French Open champion** got his **224th Grand Slam win**, surpassing Jimmy Connors of the US, but is still far behind record holder **Roger Federer of Switzerland (332)** and second-placed **Novak Djokovic of Serbia (244)**.

Virat Kohli in World's Highest Paid Athletes List:

> **India cricket captain Virat Kohli** is among the **world's highest-paid athletes**, according to a **Forbes' compilation** topped by **American boxing champion Floyd Mayweather**.

> Kohli, the only sportsperson from India to be featured in the list, **is ranked 83rd with earnings of USD 24 million**.

> The **'World's Highest-Paid Athletes 2018'** list is topped by **41-year-old Mayweather**, with **USD 285 million** earnings.

> **Argentine professional footballer Lionel Messi** is ranked **second** in the list, followed by

soccer **star Cristiano Ronaldo in the third place**.

Mithali becomes first Indian to score 2000 T20I runs:

> **India cricketer Mithali Raj** has become the **first batter** from the country to score **2000 runs in T20I cricket**. She achieved the feat during India's Women's T20 Asia Cup match against Sri Lanka in Kuala Lumpur.

> **Mithali is the seventh woman** batter to score 2,000 runs in T20Is, a list which is topped by **Charlotte Edwards (2,605)**, followed by **Stafanie Taylor (2,582)** and **Suzie Bates (2,515)**.

> When it comes to men's T20I, the list is led by **Martin Gupthill (2271)** followed by **Brendon McCullum (2140)** and **Virat Kohli (1983)**.

Harry Kane is the most valuable player of the FIFA World Cup 2018

> The lead striker from the **English National Team, Harry Kane** is named as most **valuable player** for the upcoming FIFA World Cup, which is set to begin from June 14 in **Russia**.

> **Lionel Messi** from the Spanish club FC Barcelona is at the fourth position with estimated transfer value at 184. 2 million euros. The 25-year-old Egyptian player **Mohamed Salah**, who represents Liverpool completes the top five and is worth 171. 3 million euros.

> In the list, Kane is followed by Brazilian ace player **Neymar**, who is worth 197. 5 million euros and **Kylian Mbappé** worth 186. 5 million euros.

Vettel takes 50th win in Canadian Grand Prix:

> Ferrari's **Sebastian Vettel** dominated the **Canadian Grand Prix** to retake the championship lead as Lewis Hamilton could finish only fifth for Mercedes.

> The victory was the **50th of the German's career** and left him on 121 points to Hamilton's 120 after seven races.

> Mercedes **Valtteri Bottas** took the second position and Red Bull's Max Verstappen took third.

Bangladesh won Women's Asia T20 Cup 2018:

> **Bangladesh** beat **India** to lift maiden **Women's Asia Cup T20 title**. The event was held at the **Kinrara Academy Oval in Kuala Lumpur**.

> India, who had lifted the title on all **six occasions** since the inception of the tournament in 2004, were aiming to lift a seventh title in Malaysia.

India beat Kenya to lift Intercontinental Cup football title:

> **India** won the **title of Intercontinental Cup Football Tournament** after 2-0 victory in the final against Kenya at the Mumbai Football Arena.

- Indian captain: **Sunil Chhetri**

Gavit Murli Kumar Wins Gold in Gouden Spike meet:

- **Indian long-distance runner, Gavit Murli Kumar** has clinched the Gold medal in the Gouden Spike meet at **Leiden, Netherlands.**

➤ The 21-year-old runner was born in Dang district of Gujarat. Murli Kumar finished the race in **28:43. 34**; recording the all-time second-best time in the event by an Indian.

➤ The current record holder for the best time is **Surendra Singh**, who completed the same event (10000 m) in 28:02. 89 at Vigo, Spain in 2008.

Sunil Chhetri: Second highest International goal scorer

- **Talismanic Indian football team captain Sunil Chhetri** became the joint second highest international goal scorer among active players along with **Argentine superstar Lionel Messi.**

➤ He made his **64th strike for the country** against Kenya in the Intercontinental Cup summit clash in Mumbai.

➤ Chhetri and Messi are currently in joint 21st in the all-time list of goal scorers. The Indian is just one goal below former **Chelsea** and Ivory Coast stalwart **Didier Drogba** (65 from 104 matches).

Boxer Saweety Boora Wins gold at Umakhanov Memorial Tournament:

- **Indian boxer Saweety Boora** claimed a gold medal in the Umakhanov Memorial Tournament after beating Anna Anfinogenova in the final in **Kaspiysk, Russia.**

➤ Among the men, world bronze-medallist **Gaurav Bidhuri** (56kg) had finished with a bronze after going down in the final.

FIFA Kickoff in Russia 2018:

- The **2018 FIFA World Cup** will be held in **Russia** from June 14 to July 15. A total of 64 soccer matches will be played in 11 venues (in 12 stadiums as Moscow hosts two stadiums) throughout the tournament.

➤ About 32 national teams have qualified in advance for the 2018 FIFA World Cup finals. The first World Cup was held in **Uruguay** in 1930. The 2014 Champion is **Germany.**

➤ The **2022 FIFA World Cup** is scheduled to be held at **Qatar.**

- **FIFA-The Federation Internationale de Football Association**

➤ President: **Gianni Infantino**

➤ Headquarters: **Zurich, Switzerland**

United States, Mexico and Canada Win Right to Host 2026 World Cup:

- The **2026 World Cup** will be held in the **United States, Canada and Mexico** after their joint bid beat Morocco's proposal to host it.

- The '**United 2026**' bid was selected by Fifa member nations, winning 134 votes compared to 65 for Morocco.

➤ The **2026 tournament** will be the biggest World Cup ever held - with 48 teams playing 80 matches over 34 days.

Smriti Mandhana Set To Become First Indian to Play In Kia Super League:

- **Indian women's cricket team opener Smriti Mandhana**, will become the first player from her country to appear in **England's Kia Super T20 League beginning July 22.**

➤ Smriti was signed by **Western Storm** and will represent them in the upcoming edition of the tournament that features six teams. She also scored over 826 runs with a highest score of 76 in the 40 T20 Internationals she has played so far.

➤ Mandhana has also played for **Brisbane Heat in the Women's Big Bash League in Australia.**

Shikhar Dhawan: The First-Ever Indian Batsman to Score a Century in the First Session of a Test Match:

- **Shikhar Dhawan** became the **first Indian cricketer** to score a century before lunch on the opening day of a Test. He scored **107 runs from 96 balls.**

➤ The previous record for the highest score by an Indian batsman was held by **Virender Sehwag, who scored 99** not out against West Indies in Gros Islet. Dhawan is only the sixth batsman overall to get to triple figures in the first session.

➤ The last batsman to hit a ton before lunch was **Australia opener David Warner**, against Pakistan in 2017.

Sanjita Chanu, Yuki Bhambri dropped from TOP Scheme:

- **Tennis player Yuki Bhambri and weightlifter Sanjita Chanu** dropped from the sports ministry's flagship programme, **Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)**, for different reasons.

➤ Bhambri was left out as he will not take part in the **Jakarta Asian Games** in August-September as the dates clash with the US Open, where he is expected to qualify for the main draw. Sanjita was dropped following her suspension by the **International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)** on alleged doping charges.

➤ The decisions were taken at the **Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) meeting** to clear funding proposals regarding training, competition and equipment needs.

Brooks Koepka Won US Open Golf Title 2018:

- The **American golfer Brooks Koepka** has made history as he became the first player in 29

years to win back-to-back US Open titles at **Shinnecock Hills in New York.** Brooks Koepka held off Tommy Fleetwood to retain his title

➤ The **World number one Dustin Johnson** finished third. With this, Koepka becomes the first player since Curtis Strange in 1988-89 to win back-to-back U. S. Open events.

ISSF Junior World Cup: Saurabh Chaudhary Sets World Record, Wins Gold

- The **Sixteen-year-old Indian shooter Saurabh Chaudhary** has set a new world record on the way to **winning a gold medal in the ISSF Junior World Cup in Suhl, Germany.**

➤ Saurabh shot a total of 243. 7 in the 10m air pistol event in the ongoing International Shooting Sport Federation tournament.

➤ **Korean shooter Lim Hojin (239. 6) won the silver and the chinese Wang Zhehao walked away with the bronze medal with a total score of 218. 7.**

India's Jinson Johnson Breaks 42-Year-Old 800m National Record:

- **Jinson Johnson broke a 42-year-old national record** to win the 800m and qualify for the Jakarta Asian Games in style on the second day of the Inter State Senior Athletics Championships.

➤ The Armyman from Kerala clocked **1:45. 65 secs**, eclipsing the record of Asian track stalwart of the **1970s**, Sriram Singh, who ran **1:45. 77 secs** while finishing seventh in the 800m final at the **1976 Montreal Olympics.**

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

Ravi Shankar Prasad releases Bhagat Singh's jail diary book in New Delhi:

- The **IT and Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad** has released **Bhagat Singh's jail diary** book at a function in New Delhi. The jail diary book is a compilation of Bhagat Singh's writings.
- Book publisher, Prabhat Prakashan has published the diary of Bhagat Singh.

Vice President Receives the Book 'Vedvigyan Alok':

- The **Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** has received the book **"Vedvigyan Alok"** (Maharishi Aitareya Mahidas Praneet - Aitareya Brahmina ki Vaigyanik Vyakhya) authored by **Acharya Agnivarat Naishtik.**

➤ The Book **Vedvigyan Alok** is the **scriptural verse in Vedas' prose.**

Penguin to publish AR Rahman's Authorised Biography:

- **An authorised biography of AR Rahman** will be out in August which will feature intimate

interviews with **AR Rahman**, as well as anecdotes from key people from his life.

➤ In "**Notes of a Dream: The Authorized Biography of AR Rahman**" by **Krishna Trilok**, the multiple Oscar winner opens up about his philosophies: hope, perseverance, positivity and love. Filmmaker **Danny Boyle** has written the foreword in the book.

WWF-India Launches First-Ever Nature-Themed Comic Book:

➤ The **World Wildlife Fund-India** has launched its first-ever comic book that also

celebrates the geographical diversity of the country.

➤ The book named '**The Great Indian Nature Trail with Uncle Bikky**' follows the travels of its protagonists **Uncle Bikky**, **Chunmun** and their dog **Duggu** as they learn about wildlife across India, and uses a humorous approach towards **raising knowledge and awareness for wildlife protection and conservation.**

➤ The book has been the joint work of **Rohan Chakravarty** and **Bijal Vachharajani**. The book was launched by **Bikram Grewal**, eminent ornithologist and author, and **Ravi Singh**, Secretary and CEO, WWF-India.

The Book "Ahimsa" To Be Published In India in August 2018:

➤ The book **Ahimsa** is about a woman joining **India's freedom movement** will be released in August. It is authored by **Supriya Kelkar**.

➤ The book speaks about the turmoil a 10-year-old girl, **Anjali**, is thrown into when her mother announces she is quitting her job to become a freedom fighter and follow **Mahatma Gandhi**.

➤ "**Ahimsa**", published by **Scholastic India**, is essentially about female empowerment and overcoming one's internal struggles and giving up one's biases.

IMPORTANT DAYS

IMPORTANT DAYS/EVENT	CELEBRATED/OBSERVED	THEME OF 2018
World Milk Day	June 1 st	Drink Move Be Strong
World Bicycle Day	June 3 rd	-
World Environment Day	June 5 th	Beat Plastic Pollution
World Oceans Day	June 8 th	Preventing plastic pollution and encouraging solutions for a healthy ocean
World Day against Child Labour 2018	June 12 th	Generation Safe & Healthy.
World Blood Donors Day	June 14 th	Blood connect us all
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	June 15 th	Moving from Awareness to Action through a Human Rights based approach.
World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	June 17 th	Land has true value – invest in it
International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict	June 19 th	The Plight and Rights of Children Born of War
World Refugee Day	June 20 th	Now More Than Ever, We Need to Stand with Refugees
International Yoga Day	June 21 st	Yoga for Peace
World Music Day	June 21 st	-
International Widows Day	June 23 rd	-
International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	June 26 th	Listening to children and youth is the first step to help them grow healthy and safe.
2 nd edition International Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSME) Day	June 27 th	The Youth Dimension
National Statistics Day	June 29 th	Quality Assurance in Official Statistics

OBITUARY

Name	Field	Country/ State
Timothy Pereira	Football	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Leela Menon ('Janmabhumi')	Journalist	Kochi, Kerala, India
Narayan Prasad Singh	lyricist	Odisha, India
Anthony Bourdain	US celebrity chef	USA
Maria Bueno ("The Tennis Ballerina")	Tennis	Brazil
David Douglas Duncan	Photo Journalist (World War II Photographer)	USA
L P Shahi	Politics (Union Minister)	Bihar, India
Laxman Patil-Bhosle	Socialist, Former vice-chairman of the Nashik District Central Cooperative Bank	Nashik, Maharashtra, India
Xavier Rutsa	Journalist	Nagaland, India
Shahzahan Bachchu	Eminent writer and publisher	Bangladesh
Adiraju Venkateswara Rao	Journalist	Hyderabad, Telangana, India
Nerella Venumadhav (Padma Shri Awardee)	Mimicry Artiste, ventriloquist	Warangal, Telangana, India
Peter Thomson	Golf	Australia
Charles Krauthammer (Pulitzer Prize-Winner)	Columnist and Pundit	USA
Kim Jong-pil	Ex- South Korean Prime Minister	South Korea

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

Q.1) The 13th edition of the Nepal-India joint military exercise will be held in which of the following state?

- a) Goa
- b) Jammu and Kashmir
- c) Uttarakhand
- d) Uttar Pradesh
- e) Himachal Pradesh

Q.2) Name the state animal of Andhra Pradesh.

- a) Asiatic lion
- b) Spotted Deer
- c) Black Buck
- d) Snow leopard
- e) Wild water buffalo

Q.3) PM Modi has launched BHIM, RuPay and SBI app in which of the following country, recently?

- a) Indonesia
- b) Malaysia
- c) Singapore
- d) Indonesia
- e) Qatar

Q.4) The launch marks the collaboration of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and NETS of Singapore in launching a cross-border digital payment system between the two nations. What is the abbreviation of "N" in NETS?

- a) Neutral
- b) National
- c) Network
- d) Natural
- e) Net

Q.5) Which of the following IT company has acquired US-based WONGDOODY for \$75 million?

- a) Infosys
- b) Tech Mahindra
- c) TCS
- d) Cognizant
- e) Infotech Ltd

Q.6) Which of the following company has become India's most profitable state-owned company for the second consecutive year?

- a) IOC
- b) ONGC
- c) Reliance Industries
- d) TCS
- e) Jio India

Q.7) What is the currency of Singapore?

- a) Riyal
- b) Dinar
- c) Peso
- d) Dollar
- e) Euro

Q.8) Who is the World Bank's new Country Director for India?

- a) Arjun Singh
- b) Junaid Ahmad
- c) Sameer Kumar Khare
- d) Suresh Mehta
- e) Kannan Kumaravel

Q.9) The Indian government has released how much amount to Nepal for 2 Road Projects?

- a) Rs 23.10 Cr
- b) Rs 13.10 Cr
- c) Rs 43.10 Cr
- d) Rs 53.10 Cr
- e) Rs 33.10 Cr

Q.10) Which of the following organisation has tied-up with NWC to launch digital literacy programme in collaboration with the Cyber Peace Foundation (CPF)?

- a) NPCI
- b) Facebook
- c) Twitter
- d) Whatsapp
- e) RBI

Q.11) Who has been appointed as the Army's Northern Command?

- a) Lt Gen Anbu
- b) Lt Gen Ranbir Singh
- c) Lt Gen Ranveer Kumar

d) Lt Gen Vinod Kumar

e) Lt Gen Vinay Mehta

Q.12) Which Indian cricketer has been honored with the 'Most Inspiring Icon of The Year for Social Welfare' award by the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF)?

- a) Suresh Raina
- b) MS Dhoni
- c) Sachin Tendulkar
- d) Yuvraj Singh
- e) Virat Kohli

Q.13) Indian Sanjita Chanu, who failed in dope test recently belongs to which of the following sport?

- a) Badminton
- b) Tennis
- c) Shooting
- d) Swimming
- e) Weight Lifting

Q.14) Who is the Managing Director of HDFC Bank?

- a) Anand Krishnamurthy
- b) P R Seshadri
- c) Rana Kapoor
- d) Aditya Puri
- e) Rajiv B. Lall

Q.15) India and World Bank has signed \$500 Million Additional Financing for which of the following yojana, recently?

- a) PMSSY
- b) PMSBY
- c) PMMY
- d) PMJJB
- e) PMGSY

Q.16) Which of the following ministry has launched 'Seva Bhoj Yojna' to reimburse the Central Government share of Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST) and Integrated Goods and Service Tax (IGST)?

- a) Ministry of Culture
- b) Ministry of Rural Development
- c) Ministry of Human Resource Development
- d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- e) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

Q.17) How much budget amount has been allocated for 'SevaBhojYojna' for the financial years 2018-19 and 2019-20?

- a) Rs. 325 Crore
- b) Rs. 324 Crore
- c) Rs. 323 Crore
- d) Rs. 320 Crore
- e) Rs. 321 Crore

Q.18) Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act comes under which of the following year?

- a) 2010
- b) 2012
- c) 2013
- d) 2014
- e) 2015

Q.19) India's first national sports university will be held in which of the following state?

- a) Haryana
- b) Kerala
- c) Manipur
- d) Gujarat
- e) Maharashtra

Q.20) Who is the Air Chief Marshal of India?

- a) Birender Singh Dhanoa
- b) Norman Anil Kumar Browne
- c) Arup Raha
- d) Pradeep Vasant Naik
- e) Arjan Singh

Q.21) What is the currency of South Africa?

- a) Lev
- b) Dinar
- c) Euro
- d) Rand
- e) Riyal

Q.22) The International Conference on TRIPS-CBD Linkage will be held in which of the following city?

- a) Lisbon
- b) London
- c) Paris
- d) New Delhi
- e) Geneva

Q.23) India has signed the Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in Nursing with which of the following country?

- a) Malaysia
- b) Singapore
- c) Indonesia
- d) South Korea
- e) China

Q.24) What is the rank of India in End of Childhood Index 2018?

- a) 112
- b) 175
- c) 131
- d) 113
- e) 101

Q.25) Kendrick Lamar who received the 2018 Pulitzer Prize for Music hails from which country?

- a) UK
- b) USA
- c) Spain
- d) Germany
- e) Canada

Q.26) Assamese Zubeen Garg will be honoured with 'Hero to Animals Award'. He belongs to which of the following field?

- a) Actor
- b) Singer
- c) Sports person
- d) Scientist
- e) Politician

Q.27) Prime Minister Narendra Modi handed over the Padma Shri award to which of the following Singaporean diplomat?

- a) Lee Khoo Choy
- b) Steven J. Green
- c) Barry Desker
- d) Michael Tay
- e) Tommy Koh

Q.28) Who has been assumed charge as Secretary in the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting?

- a) Amarendra Kumar Dubey
- b) Rakesh Srivastava
- c) Upendra P. Singh
- d) Amit Khare
- e) Leena Nair

Q.29) Name the Real Madrid Football coach who resigned recently?

- a) Leonardo Jardim
- b) Jorge Sampaoli
- c) Zinedine Zidane
- d) Didier Deschamps
- e) Roberto Martinez

Q.30) What is the theme of World Milk Day 2018?

- a) Drink Move Be Strong
- b) World Class Nutrition
- c) Milk is the First Food for Human
- d) Raise a Glass
- e) Economic Development, Livelihoods, Nutrition

Q.31) Who has flagged off Humsafar Jodhpur Bandra Express at Bhagat Ki Kothi Railway Station in Rajasthan's Jodhpur, project worth over Rs 13,000 crore have been undertaken in Rajasthan currently?

- a) Harsh Vardhan
- b) Jagat Prakash Nadda
- c) Piyush Goyal
- d) Shripad Yesso Naik
- e) Suresh Prabhu

Q.32) Who will inaugurate the 3rd National Health Editors' Conference on Yoga at Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) in New Delhi?

- a) Jagat Prakash Nadda
b) Harsh Vardhan
c) Dharmendra Pradhan d) Shripad Yesso Naik
e) Piyush Goyal
- Q.33) Second edition of Oxford University Press' South Asia Conclave on July 4 held in _____.
- a) New Delhi b) Bangalore
c) Hyderabad d) Mumbai
e) Chennai
- Q.34) Name the surface-to-surface missile has successfully test-fired its indigenously developed nuclear-capable Long Range Ballistic Missile, which has a strike range of 5,000 km, off the Odisha coast.
- a) ENTAC b) Agni-5
c) Agni-4 d) Astra Missile
e) BrahMos
- Q.35) Which of the following company has adopted Hyderabad's Charminar develop it under Swachh Bharat mission?
- a) National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC)
b) Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC)
c) Oil India Ltd (OIL)
d) Gas Authority of India (GAIL)
e) Oil and Gas Company (ONGC)
- Q.36) The Reserve Bank of India has chosen customer protection as theme for the Financial Literacy Week beginning on _____ to _____.
- a) June 4th, June 10th b) June 4th, June 8th
c) June 4th, June 9th d) June 3rd, June 8th
e) June 5th, June 8th
- Q.37) MoEFCC and TERI entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to set up a resource efficiency cell in the Ministry. Expand MoEFCC.
- a) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Capital Change
b) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
c) Ministry of Efficiency, Forest and Climate Change
d) Ministry of Energy, Forest and Climate Change
e) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Change Climate
- Q.38) In which country Shangri-La Dialogue – Asia's premier defence and strategic affairs conference has taken place?
- a) Singapore b) Indonesia
c) Malaysia d) China
e) Russia
- Q.39) India has successfully carried out the flight test of SFDR propulsion-based missile from the Launch Centre-III of Integrated Test Range at Chandipur in Odisha. Expand SFDR.
- a) Shipment Fuel Ducted Ramjet
b) Structure Fuel Ducted Ramjet
c) Settled Fuel Ducted Ramjet
d) Surface Fuel Ducted Ramjet
e) Solid Fuel Ducted Ramjet
- Q.40) According to the Morgan Stanley report, India is expected to be a leader in shared mobility by _____ as rising share of electric and

- autonomous vehicles will improve shared mile economics.
- a) 2025 b) 2022
c) 2030 d) 2020
e) 2040
- Q.41) Who has felicitated International Olympiad winners of 2017-18, and gave away awards to toppers and international rank holders from class IV to XII for the six Olympiad exams conducted by Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF), recently?
- a) Shri Suresh Prabhu
b) Shri P.P. Chaudhary
c) Shri Piyush Goyal
d) Shri Harsh Vardhan
e) Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda
- Q.42) Who has been appointed ambassador for an initiative in working on satellite navigation for French major Safran to encourage girls to follow scientific careers and take it to higher education levels?
- a) Krithika Das b) Priyanka Das
c) Sulabha Das d) Sanjay Das
e) Sangeetha Das
- Q.43) Who has sworn in as Egyptian President, recently?
- a) Mohamed Morsi b) Abdel Fattah el-Sisi
c) Hosni Mubarak d) Sherif Ismail
e) Anwar Sadat
- Q.44) Name the former football international who represented Tata FC, died here last night after a prolonged illness.
- a) Simothy Pereira b) Aimothy Pereira
c) Rimothy Pereira d) Timothy Pereira
e) Kimothy Pereira
- Q.45) Who has won the MVP Award at Basketball without Borders Asia 2018?
- a) Akanksha Singh b) Geethu Anna Jose
c) Sanjana Ramesh d) Pratima Singh
e) Prashanti Singh
- Q.46) Name the World's No. 1 Test bowler, was named South Africa's Cricketer of the Year, recently.
- a) Lungi Ngidi b) Aiden Markram
c) David Wiese d) Rilee Rossouw
e) Kagiso Rabada
- Q.47) In which state Dahej import terminal is located?
- a) Goa b) Gujarat
c) Andhra Pradesh d) Odisha
e) Maharashtra
- Q.48) Which of the following ministry has launched 'Seva Bhoj Yojna'?
- a) Ministry of Culture
b) Ministry of Rural Development
c) Ministry of Human Resource Development
d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
e) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- Q.49) India and which of the following country will hold the inaugural 2+2 Dialogue?
- a) USA b) Thailand
c) Sri Lanka d) Pakistan
e) Singapore

- Q.50) Which of the following country's president Danny Faure arrived in Gujarat for his six-day visit to India?
- a) Turkmenistan b) Seychelles
c) Cuba d) Denmark
e) Mongolia
- Q.51) When is the International Widows Day observed?
- a) June 18 b) June 19
c) June 23 d) June 22
e) June 20
- Q.52) The Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Charles Krauthammer, who passed away recently hails from which of the following country?
- a) Indonesia b) Australia
c) USA d) Brazil
e) India
- Q.53) Who has been appointed as SBI's New Managing Director?
- a) Basant Seth b) Arijit Basu
c) P. K. Gupta d) Rajnish Kumar
e) Sanjiv Malhotra
- Q.54) Which of the following ministry has received the 'Best Performing Social Sector Ministry' SKOCH Award for its Achievements and Initiatives?
- a) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
b) Ministry of Women & Child Development
c) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
e) Ministry of Defence
- Q.55) What is the currency of Seychelles?
- a) Pound b) Riyal
c) Rupee d) Dollar
e) Dinar
- Q.56) Who is the secretary of state of United States America?
- a) Steven Mnuchin b) Michael Pompeo
c) Jeff Sessions d) Mike Pence
e) James Mattis
- Q.57) India will construct a war memorial in which of the following country?
- a) Bangladesh b) UK
c) Germany d) France
e) Sweden
- Q.58) The Women Wizard Rule Tech Programme was launched by which of the following organisation?
- a) SBI b) Facebook
c) NITI Aayog d) NASSCOM
e) Google
- Q.59) What is the capital of Mongolia?
- a) Accra b) Beirut
c) Dublin d) Ulaanbaatar
e) Riga
- Q.60) Where is the headquarters of AIIB located?
- a) Tokyo b) New York
c) Madrid d) Beijing
e) Paris
- Q.61) The oil refinery at Altanshiree Soum, Mongolia will be financed by the Government of

India through a Line of Credit of how much amount?

- a) 1 Billion USD b) 2 Billion USD
c) 6 Billion USD d) 5 Billion USD
e) 4 Billion USD

Q.62) The Mohanpura Irrigation Project will be built in which of the following state?

- a) Odisha b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Karnataka d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Kerala

Q.63) The 3rd AIIB Meeting was held at which of the following city?

- a) Bangkok b) New Delhi
c) Beijing d) Mumbai
e) New York

Q.64) The Union government has announced a package of how much amount aimed to provide relief to sugarcane farmers and to clear their dues?

- a) Rs 1,000 crore b) Rs 5,000 crore
c) Rs 8,000 crore d) Rs 7,000 crore
e) Rs 9,000 crore

Q.65) Which of the following state contributes the largest e-waste percentage in India?

- a) Tamil Nadu b) West Bengal
c) Maharashtra d) Gujarat
e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.66) Which of the following state has announced the complete ban on use of polythene throughout the state from July 31?

- a) Uttar Pradesh b) Bihar
c) Rajasthan d) Tamil Nadu
e) Uttarakhand

Q.67) Who is the CEO of Prasar Bharati?

- a) Ajaypal Singh b) S S Vempati
c) Dinesh Panwar d) Rajiv Bajaj
e) Venugopal Dhoot

Q.68) According to Henley Passport Index, which of the following passport is most powerful in the world?

- a) Singapore b) Japan
c) China d) South Korea
e) France

Q.69) What is the repo rate in Second Bi-monthly Monetary Policy?

- a) 6.00 percent b) 6.75 percent
c) 6.50 percent d) 6.25 percent
e) 5.25 percent

Q.70) Which of the following company has acquired GitHub for \$7.5bn?

- a) Cognizant b) Nikon
c) Microsoft d) Apple
e) None of these

Q.71) Who has been appointed as the new chairman of British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA)?

- a) Pippa Harris b) Jane Lush
c) David Lean d) Amanda Berry
e) Anne Morrison

Q.72) What is the currency of Malaysia?

- a) Dram b) Manat
c) Ringgit d) Peso e) Birr

Q.73) Who has received the 'National Gopal Ratna' award from Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Radha Mohan Singh?

- a) Manikanda Piriyan b) Dhiraj Ram Krishna
c) Muthu Kumaresan d) Ariruth Kanna
e) Priya Kumaravel

Q.74) Who is the of Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance?

- a) P Bhattacharya b) M Veerappa Moily
c) Shashi Tharoor d) Shanta Kumar
e) Murli Manohar Joshi

Q.75) Leela Menon who passed away recently is related to which of the following field?

- a) Journalist b) Dancer
c) Scientist d) Singer
e) Director

Q.76) The World No.1 Rafael Nadal gained his 900th win in French Open Title. He hails from which of the following country?

- a) Spain b) Germany
c) Italy d) UK
e) Switzerland

Q.77) The Rispana river flows along the banks of which of the following city?

- a) Patna b) Mysuru
c) Cochin d) Dehradun
e) Srinagar

Q.78) The World Bank has approved how much amount for Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY)?

- a) Rs.3000 crore b) Rs.5000 crore
c) Rs.6000 crore d) Rs.8000 crore
e) Rs.9000 crore

Q.79) Where did the eleventh edition of Geo Intelligence Asia 2018 held?

- a) India b) Israel
c) Japan d) Russia
e) Malaysia

Q.80) Who heads the Content Committee for 'Prime Ministers of India' Museum Project?

- a) Venugopal Prasad b) Shakti Sinha
c) Swapan Dasgupta d) Harish Kumar
e) Surendra Mehta

Q.81) Who heads the committee to evaluate policy on the country's special economic zones (SEZs)?

- a) Baba Kalyani b) K Kasturi Rajan
c) Krishnaswamy MN d) Durai Krishnan
e) Muhundhan Raj

Q.82) The Special Economic Zones Act comes under which of the following year?

- a) 2001 b) 2005
c) 2008 d) 2007 e) 2002

Q.83) The Bijli Bill Mafi Yojana 2018 has been launched in which of the following state?

- a) Bihar b) Gujarat
c) Chhattisgarh d) Madhya Pradesh
e) Karnataka

Q.84) Which of the following film has been screened in commemoration of the 125th year of Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha in South Africa?

- a) Gandhi
b) Gandhi, My Father
c) Word of Gandhi
d) The Making of a Mahatma
e) None of these

c) Word of Gandhi

d) The Making of a Mahatma

e) None of these

Q.85) The Union Cabinet has signed an MoU between India and which of the following country on technical cooperation in the field of sustainable and smart urban development?

- a) China b) Japan
c) Sweden d) Russia
e) Denmark

Q.86) Which of the following bank has received the RBI's approval for merger of Capital First, Capital First Home Finance and Capital First Securities?

- a) IDFC Bank b) Bank of Baroda
c) State Bank of India d) UCO Bank
e) Syndicate Bank

Q.87) Who has been appointed as the Next ambassador of India to ASEAN?

- a) Rudrendra Tandon b) Suresh K. Reddy
c) Azmal Kabir d) Abdullah Hassan
e) Vinoth Singh

Q.88) Where is the headquarters of Bandhan Bank located?

- a) Kolkata b) Mumbai
c) New Delhi d) Thrissur
e) Chennai

Q.89) What is the capital of Lithuania?

- a) Luanda b) Santiago
c) Nicosia d) Tallinn
e) Vilnius

Q.90) Who has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Cuba?

- a) Vikas Swarup b) Pradip Kumar
c) Madhu Sethi d) Ravi Bangar
e) Jaideep Sarkar

Q.91) Name the book that has won the international Women's Prize for Fiction 2018?

- a) The Idiot b) Manhattan Beach
c) The Mermaid and Mrs Hancock
d) Home Fire e) When I Hit You

Q.92) Who released the Bhagat Singh's jail diary book at a function in New Delhi?

- a) Sushma Swaraj
b) Ravi Shankar Prasad
c) Rajnath Singh d) Narendra Modi
e) Suresh Prabhu

Q.93) Who is the Chief Election Commissioner of India?

- a) Nasim Zaidi b) H. S. Brahma
c) Achal Kumar Jyoti d) Om Prakash Rawat
e) Sunil Arora

Q.94) India and which of the following country has signed an MoU to extend health cooperation for a period of three years starting from 2018 to 2020?

- a) Norway b) China
c) Sweden d) Germany
e) UAE

Q.95) According to QS World University Rankings 2019, which is the Best University in the World?

- a) Stanford University

- b) Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 c) University of Cambridge
 d) University of California
 e) Harvard University
- Q.96) What is the rank of India in global peace Index 2018?
 a) 128th b) 133rd
 c) 136th d) 137th e) 175th
- Q.97) The Kaleshwaram project will be built across which of the following river?
 a) Krishna River b) Musi River
 c) Godavari River d) Bhima River
 e) Wardha River
- Q.98) According to the Sample Registration System (SRS), which of the following state has topped the list with 46 Maternal Mortality Ratio?
 a) Tamil Nadu b) Uttar Pradesh
 c) Uttarakhand d) Kerala
 e) Maharashtra
- Q.99) What is the currency of Gautemaela?
 a) Lev b) Koruna
 c) Nakfa d) Lari
 e) Quetzal
- Q.100) The World's first EPR nuclear reactor is located in which of the following country?
 a) Japan b) Russia
 c) USA d) India
 e) China
- Q.101) Who has planned to implement the public credit registry (PCR)?
 a) Reserve Bank of India b) Govt of India
 c) State Governments d) State Bank of India
 e) None of these
- Q.102) Which of the following persons would get the Life Time Achievement award in IIFA Awards?
 a) Dilip Kumar b) Anupam Kher
 c) Gurudutt Shirali d) Rajesh Khanna
 e) Naseeruddin Shah
- Q.103) Which of the following bank gets Best Expectation Management Award in 2017-18 by Investor Relations Society India?
 a) Canara Bank
 b) Bank of India c) Corporation Bank
 d) Union Bank of India e) Bandhan Bank
- Q.104) Who will be presented with the prestigious Polly Umrigar award for the best international cricketer (2016-17 and 2017-18) at the BCCI Awards?
 a) Shikhar Dhawan b) Virat Kohli
 c) MS Dhoni d) Ajinkya Rahane
 e) Hardik Pandya
- Q.105) When is the World Oceans Day observed?
 a) June 7 b) June 8
 c) June 5 d) June 6 e) June 4
- Q.106) The most popular lyricist Narayan Prasad Singh, who passed away recently hails from which of the following state?
 a) Odisha b) Gujarat
 c) Maharashtra d) Jharkhand
 e) West Bengal
- Q.107) What is the currency of Thailand?
 a) Dalasi b) Baht

- c) Shekel d) Tenge
 e) Dener
- Q.108) The Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) has sanctioned how much loan amount for the Kerala's LIFE Mission?
 a) Rs.5,000 crore b) Rs.4,000 crore
 c) Rs.7,000 crore d) Rs.2,000 crore
 e) Rs.6,000 crore
- Q.109) The government has earmarked how much amount for 2018-19 towards interest subvention for short-term crop loans?
 a) Rs 17,000 crore b) Rs 12,000 crore
 c) Rs 15,000 crore d) Rs 14,000 crore
 e) Rs 13,000 crore
- Q.110) The Minister of State for Defence Subhash Ramrao Bhamre has inaugurated 578-metre-long Theng Tunnel in which of the following state?
 a) Bihar b) Sikkim
 c) Assam d) Nagaland
 e) Mizoram
- Q.111) Which of the following state government has launched "Business First Portal"?
 a) Gujarat b) Telangana
 c) Karnataka d) Punjab
 e) Rajasthan
- Q.112) Who is the current Finance Minister of India?
 a) Piyush Goyal b) Rajnath Singh
 c) Harsh Vardhan d) Arun Jaitley
 e) Radha Mohan Singh
- Q.113) Who heads the committee for recommendations on setting up an asset reconstruction or an asset management company for faster resolution of bad loans?
 a) Vineeth Raj b) Surya Kumar
 c) Sunil Mehta d) Rajiv Kanna
 e) Harsha Mehta
- Q.114) Which of the following state has been declared as the Open Defecation Free (ODF) State recently?
 a) Karnataka b) Tamil Nadu
 c) Gujarat d) Telangana
 e) Andhra Pradesh
- Q.115) Gold Monetization Scheme was launched by which year?
 a) 2018 b) 2015
 c) 2017 d) 2016 e) 2014
- Q.116) Under Gold Monetization Scheme, any pre-mature redemption of Medium and Long-Term Government Deposit will be given in which of the following format?
 a) In Gold b) Only 50% Gold
 c) In Rupees d) Only 50% Cash
 e) No Pre-Maturity
- Q.117) Which of the following cricket player became the first Indian to score 2000 T20I runs?
 a) Rupanjali Shastri b) Kavita Ro
 c) Jaya Sharma d) Mamta Kanojia
 e) Mithali Raj
- Q.118) Who is the most valuable player of the FIFA World Cup 2018?
 a) Mohamed Salah b) Harry Kane

- c) Lionel Messi d) Kylian Mbappe
 e) Neymar
- Q.119) Who is the author the book "Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly"?
 a) Nell Zink
 b) Michele Young-Stone c) Emma Trevaayne
 d) Kurt Vonnegut e) Anthony Bourdain
- Q.120) The tennis legend Maria Bueno, who has passed away recently hails from which of the following state?
 a) Brazil b) Germany
 c) Spain d) UK
 e) France
- Q.121) The Gifu Nagaragawa Stadium is located in which of the following country?
 a) China b) Russia
 c) Oman d) Japan
 e) India
- Q.122) Rohan Bopanna, who received the "Sports Icon of Year" award is related to which of the following field?
 a) Badminton b) Swimming
 c) Tennis d) Squash
 e) Cricket
- Q.123) Which of the following country hosted the Geo-Intelligence Asia 2018 seminar?
 a) Algeria b) Pakistan
 c) China d) Australia
 e) India
- Q.124) What is the theme of the seminar Geo-Intelligence Asia 2018?
 a) 'GeoSynchc: A Force Multiplier for Defence and Industrial Security'.
 b) 'GeoSpatial: A Force Multiplier for Delight and Industrial Security'.
 c) 'GeoSpatial: A Force Multiplier for Defence and Industrial Security'.
 d) 'GeoSpatial: A Fraction Multiplier for Defence and Industrial Security'.
 e) 'Geocentral: A Force Multiplier for Defence and Industrial Security'.
- Q.125) Which state government signed a MoU with Hyderabad-based Pullela Gopichand Badminton Foundation (PGBF) for the establishment of P Gopichand Badminton Academy?
 a) Bihar b) Rajasthan
 c) Odisha d) Kerala
 e) Karnataka
- Q.126) Who has inaugurated a 16 MW solar 'PV power plant' set up by the defence PSU Bharat Electronics LTD at the Heavy Vehicle Factory in Avadi, Chennai?
 a) Nirmala Sitharaman b) Rajnath Singh
 c) Piyush Goel d) Suresh Prabhu
 e) D.V Sadananda Gowda
- Q.127) Which of the following bank launched a deposit scheme named 'Green Future: Deposit', which could fetch up to 8 per cent for a tenure of little over 18 months?
 a) Laxmi Vilas Bank b) Soft Bank

- c) HDFC Bank d) ICICI Bank
e) Yes Bank
- Q.128) _____ has received the first ever equity oil cargo from Abu Dhabi's Lower Zakum oil field, the consortium led by OVL includes Bharat Petro Resources Ltd (BPRL) and Indian Oil Corp (IOC).
- a) Reliance Petroleum
b) Oil India Ltd
c) Indraprastha Gas
d) Indian Oil Corporation Ltd
e) ONGC Videsh Ltd.
- Q.129) Who has been concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the State of Eritrea?
- a) Mrs. Nagma M. Mallick
b) Ravindra Prasad Jaiswal
c) Akshay Kumar
d) Mr Vikas Swarup
e) Shri Pradip Kumar Yadav
- Q.130) Mike Hesson belongs to which of the following sport?
- a) Hockey b) Badminton
c) Tennis d) Volley Ball
e) Cricket
- Q.131) Which of the following middle-distance runner had claimed a gold in the men's 800 metres in Asian Junior Athletics Championships at Gifu in Japan?
- a) Brenda Martinez b) Anu kumar
c) Arpandeeep Kaur Bajwa d) Ajee Wilson
e) Habitam ALEMU
- Q.132) Who had claimed a bronze in the women's discus throw in Asian Junior Athletics Championships at Gifu in Japan?
- a) Arpandeeep Kaur Bajwa
b) Anu kumar c) Habitam Alemu
d) Jade Lally e) Seema Punia
- Q.133) David Douglas Duncan passes away recently. He was the famous _____
- a) Painter b) Photographer
c) Politician d) Artist
e) Actor
- Q.134) Name the Indian Navy operation that rescued 38 Indians from Socotra island in Yemen?
- a) Operation Nivo Star b) Operation Nif Stare
c) Operation Nistar d) Operation Nine star
e) Operation Nistare
- Q.135) Name the ship that was the part of a operation to rescue Indians Socotra island in Yemen?
- a) Vipul b) Sunayna
c) Sindhughosh d) Aditya
e) Shishumar
- Q.136) What is the strike range of India's first indigenous, long-range artillery gun "Dhanush"?
- a) 56 km b) 45 km
c) 40 km d) 28 km
e) 38 km
- Q.137) Which is the first Indian state to use auto-disable syringes?
- a) Arunachal Pradesh b) Karnataka

- c) Kerala d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Arunachal Pradesh
- Q.138) When is the World Hepatitis Day observed?
- a) June 12 b) June 11
c) July 21 d) July 28 e) June 13
- Q.139) Name the government-run institute that signed an agreement on first transfer of technology for lithium-ion batteries?
- a) ECCRI b) CEERI
c) CECRI d) CCERI e) CERRI
- Q.140) In which of the following year the National Electric Mobility Mission should be completed?
- a) 2025 b) 2020
c) 2023 d) 2028 e) 2030
- Q.141) Name the first Indian International airport to have an automated smart facial recognition system.
- a) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport
b) Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport
c) Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport
d) Chaudhary Charan Singh Airport
e) Biju Patnaik International Airport
- Q.142) How many observer nations are in Shanghai Cooperation Organization?
- a) 4 b) 6
c) 5 d) 9
e) 8
- Q.143) Who is the Secretary General of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization?
- a) António Guterres b) Rashid Alimov
c) Filippo Grandi d) Li Yong
e) Taleb Rifai
- Q.144) Where did the 44th G7 summit held?
- a) France b) Germany
c) Canada d) USA
e) Italy
- Q.145) Simona Halep, who won the French Open 2018 hails from which of the following country?
- a) Austria b) Romania
c) Poland d) France
e) Netherlands
- Q.146) Who has won the Canadian Grand Prix 2018?
- a) Max Verstappen b) Sebastian Vettel
c) Valtteri Bottas d) Lewis Hamilton
e) Daniel Ricciardo
- Q.147) Which of the following bank has entered into a bancassurance partnership with Aditya Birla Health to provide insurance services to customers?
- a) Axis Bank b) RBL Bank
c) Karur Vysya Bank d) Federal Bank
e) Syndicate Bank
- Q.148) Who has been appointed as the vigilance commissioner?
- a) KV Chowdary b) Sharad Kumar
c) TM Bhasin d) Vinay Raj
e) Kalyan Kumar
- Q.149) By defeating whom, the world number one Rafael Nadal won an 11th French Open title?

- a) Nicolas Mahut b) Ivan Dodig
c) Dominic Thiem d) Novak Djokovic
e) Roger Federer
- Q.150) India's first national police museum will be launched in which of the following city?
- a) New Delhi b) Mumbai
c) Pune d) Chennai
e) Hyderabad
- Q.151) In which state second India-US colloquium on Earth Observations and Sciences for Society and Economy held?
- a) Maharashtra b) Goa
c) Kerala d) Gujarat
e) Rajasthan
- Q.152) Name the app launched by Ministry of Railways that will enable travellers to lodge complaints?
- a) Help Travellers b) Rail Complaints
c) Rail MADAD d) Rail Mantra
e) Help Pro
- Q.153) Union Government is likely to launch how much crore for the Credit Enhancement Fund (CEF) in July 2018 to facilitate infrastructure investments by insurance and pension funds?
- a) Rs 300 crore b) Rs 400 crore
c) Rs 200 crore d) Rs 500 crore
e) Rs 800 crore
- Q.154) How many members are in BIMSTEC?
- a) 8 b) 9
c) 7 d) 10
e) 11
- Q.155) India will host the first military exercise of the BIMSTEC in which of the following city?
- a) Cochin b) Pune
c) Mumbai d) Kolkata
e) Visakhapatnam
- Q.156) What is the toll-free number to contact Subhadra Vahini group?
- a) 192 b) 182
c) 145 d) 167
e) 189
- Q.157) Name the Indian Ambassador to Nepal.
- a) Nirupama Rao b) Arun Kumar Singh
c) Manjeev Singh Puri d) Navtej Sarna
e) Benegal Rama Rau
- Q.158) The Government of India has released a total of how much Nepali rupees to the Government of Nepal for implementing Nepal-Bharat Maitri Irrigation Project?
- a) 267.6 million b) 227.6 million
c) 210.6 million d) 216.6 million
e) 207.6 million
- Q.159) Which of the following country has agreed to provide India hydrological data of the Brahmaputra River in flood season?
- a) Bangladesh b) Myanmar
c) Pakistan d) China
e) None of these
- Q.160) The 11th World Hindi Conference will be held in which of the following country?
- a) Mauritius b) Germany
c) Egypt d) UK

- e) Indonesia
 Q.161) The World Bank has forecast a growth rate of how much percent for India in FY 2018-2019?
 a) 8.3 percent b) 6.9 percent
 c) 8.1 percent d) 7.5 percent
 e) 7.3 percent
 Q.162) India beat which of the following country to lift Intercontinental Cup football title?
 a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
 c) Kenya d) Australia
 e) China
 Q.163) The government will work to enable all 2.9 lakh CSCs in the country to operate as business correspondents of banks. What is the abbreviation of "S" in CSCs?
 a) Service b) Sector
 c) Senior d) Secretary
 e) Syndicate
 Q.164) When is the World Day against Child Labour observed?
 a) June 18 b) June 15
 c) June 12 d) June 16
 e) June 11
 Q.165) Who flagged off the 1st batch Kailash Mansarovar Yatra?
 a) Rajen Gohain b) VK Singh
 c) Ramdas Athawale d) Kiren Rijju
 e) Vijay Sampla
 Q.166) The Pangong Lake is located in which of the following state?
 a) Uttarakhand b) Himachal Pradesh
 c) Jammu & Kashmir d) Manipur
 e) Sikkim
 Q.167) The Swachh Iconic Places project is coordinated by which of the following ministry?
 a) Ministry of Agriculture, Farmers Welfare
 b) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 c) Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
 d) Ministry of Urban Affairs
 e) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
 Q.168) What is currency of Suriname?
 a) Pound b) Euro
 c) Dollar d) Peso
 e) Lira
 Q.169) The Swedish furniture major IKEA opens its store in which of the following city in India?
 a) New Delhi b) Pune
 c) Mumbai d) Hyderabad
 e) Cochin
 Q.170) NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) has selected 3,000 additional schools for the establishment of ATIs for nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial spirit among secondary school children across India. What is the abbreviation of "T" in ATI?
 a) Thinker b) Thinkering
 c) Tink d) Tinkering
 e) Tankering
 Q.171) Where did the 13th edition of exercise SURYA KIRAN-XIII held?
 a) Gujarat b) Uttarakhand
 c) Rajasthan d) Maharashtra

- e) Uttar Pradesh
 Q.172) When is the International Yoga Day observed?
 a) July 15 b) June 21
 c) June 15 d) June 12
 e) June 13
 Q.173) The US President Donald Trump and North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un has signed a vague denuclearization agreement in which of the following country?
 a) USA b) Singapore
 c) China d) North Korea
 e) Japan
 Q.174) What is the currency of North Korea?
 a) Dollar b) Won
 c) Lev d) Rial
 e) Riyal
 Q.175) The International Conference on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) will be held in which of the following country?
 a) France b) India
 c) Nepal d) Pakistan
 e) Germany
 Q.176) When is the Green Mizoram Day observed?
 a) June 10 b) June 9
 c) June 13 d) June 18
 e) June 11
 Q.177) According to the RBI draft guidelines on loan system for large borrowers, 'loan component' must be equal to at least how much percent of the sanctioned fund based working capital limit, including ad hoc credit facilities shall be effective from Oct 1st, 2018 ?
 a) 51 percent b) 41 percent
 c) 45 percent d) 40 percent
 e) 39 percent
 Q.178) The Truecaller has announced its acquisition of which of the following app to strengthen its payments business in the country?
 a) Mobikwik b) mRuppee
 c) Oxigen Wallet d) FTcash
 e) Chillr
 Q.179) Sunil Chhetri is related to which of the following sports?
 a) Hockey b) Tennis
 c) Discus Throw d) Cricket
 e) Football
 Q.180) Which state has created a world record of distributing maximum number of bee-boxes in one day?
 a) Rajasthan b) Karnataka
 c) Jammu and Kashmir d) Kerala
 e) Uttar Pradesh
 Q.181) Which of the following ministry is the parent agency of KVIC?
 a) Ministry of Finance
 b) Ministry of Minority Affairs
 c) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
 d) Minister of Law and Justice

- e) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
 Q.182) Which of the following state has laid foundation stones for more than 100 schemes, worth Rs 875 crore, of the state bridge construction corporation?
 a) Madhya Pradesh b) Gujarat
 c) Chhattisgarh d) Bihar
 e) Maharashtra
 Q.183) The Solar Charkha Mission will disburse subsidy of how much amount to the artisans?
 a) Rs. 450 crore b) Rs. 730 crore
 c) Rs. 225 crore d) Rs. 550 crore
 e) Rs. 670 crore
 Q.184) Which of the following organisation has prepared the Composite Water Management Index as a useful tool to assess and improve the performance in efficient management of water resources?
 a) NABARD b) GOI
 c) NITI Aayog d) State Govt
 e) Ministry of Water Resources
 Q.185) According to SBI, which of the following bank has largest value share of mobile banking transactions by 17.2%?
 a) IndusInd Bank b) Axis Bank
 c) HDFC Bank d) YES Bank
 e) ICICI Bank
 Q.186) "Notes of a Dream" is the Biography of which of the following celebrity?
 a) PV Sindhu b) AR Rahman
 c) Narendra Modi d) Mithali Raj
 e) MS Dhoni
 Q.187) What is the Currency of Georgia?
 a) Lev b) Manat
 c) Riyal d) Lari
 e) Euro
 Q.188) Where is the headquarters of SEBI located?
 a) New Delhi b) Mumbai
 c) Lucknow d) Hyderabad
 e) Pune
 Q.189) Which of the following bank has raised additional share capital of Rs 24,000 crore. With the raising of this capital, FDI in the bank will hit the regulatory ceiling of 74 per cent?
 a) HDFC Bank b) Axis Bank
 c) Bank of India d) Union Bank of India
 e) Bank of Baroda
 Q.190) Who has been re-appointed as the MD and CEO of Yes Bank?
 a) Venkat Kumar b) Sunil Mehta
 c) Rana Kapoor d) Chandru Raj
 e) Vineesh Kumar
 Q.191) Who has been honoured with Japan's prestigious 'Nikkei Asia Prize for Culture and Community' 2018?
 a) Manmohan Singh b) Bindeshwar Pathak
 c) Narayana Murthy d) Nirmala Kannan
 e) Priya Krishnakumar
 Q.192) The 10th Lumière Festival will be held in which of the following city?

- a) Berlin b) Tokyo
 c) Lyon d) Lisbon
 e) Paris
- Q.193) The 2022 FIFA World Cup will be held in which of the following country?
 a) Qatar b) Mexico
 c) US d) Canada
 e) Morocco
- Q.194) The eminent writer and publisher Shahzahan Bachchu, who passed away recently hails from which of the following country?
 a) Pakistan b) India
 c) Bangladesh d) Sri Lanka
 e) China
- Q.195) The first and the biggest Garudeshwar tribal freedom fighter's museum will be built in which of the following state?
 a) Maharashtra b) Kerala
 c) Jharkhand d) Andhra Pradesh
 e) Gujarat
- Q.196) Which of the following state has launched the 'Water Literacy' campaign to create awareness about the importance of water conservation in the State?
 a) Haryana b) Kerala
 c) Andhra Pradesh d) Uttar Pradesh
 e) Karnataka
- Q.197) According to Niti Aayog, which state has been topped in the composite water management Index?
 a) Maharashtra b) Jharkhand
 c) Himachal Pradesh d) Gujarat
 e) Madhya Pradesh
- Q.198) What is the theme of 106th Indian Science Congress?
 a) Minerals' share in the war
 b) The Indian village – its past, present and future
 c) Impact of life sciences on man
 d) Future India: Science & Technology
 e) Science and progress
- Q.199) The 'utsonmobile' application was launched under which of the following ministry?
 a) Ministry of Minority Affairs
 b) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
 c) Ministry of Railways
 d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries
 e) Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
- Q.200) The Central government has approved a tourism infrastructure development project fund of how much amount for Himachal Pradesh to be funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB)?
 a) Rs 2,620 crore b) Rs 1,500 crore
 c) Rs 1,470 crore d) Rs 1,000 crore
 e) Rs 1,900 crore
- Q.201) Under Ayushman Bharat - National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM), will have a benefit coverage of how much amount for per family per year?
 a) Rs 10 lakh b) Rs 1 lakh
 c) Rs 8 lakh d) Rs 3 lakh
 e) Rs 5 lakh
- Q.202) What is the abbreviation of "S" in RSBY?

- a) Swachh b) Sanitation
 c) Swasthya d) Seva
 e) Service
- Q.203) The first Representative Office of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) was established in which of the following city?
 a) Dhaka b) Thimphu
 c) Male d) Hanoi
 e) Bangkok
- Q.204) Which of the following country has approved a deal to sell the Indian military six AH-64E Apache attack helicopters for \$930 million?
 a) Brazil b) UK
 c) France d) US
 e) Israel
- Q.205) What is the rank of India in Environmental Performance Index 2018?
 a) 137th b) 177th
 c) 167th d) 155th
 e) 132nd
- Q.206) Who has been appointed as the secretary of ministry of coal?
 a) Susheel Kumar b) Inderjit Singh
 c) Nripendra Misra d) Rajesh Kotecha
 e) Ravi Kant
- Q.207) Who is the ex-officio chairman of the North Eastern Council (NEC)?
 a) President
 b) Prime Minister
 c) Home Minister
 d) Tribal Affairs Minister
 e) External affairs Minister
- Q.208) Name the Indian who has been appointed as the Chief Finance Officer of General Motors?
 a) Vinitha Shankar b) Kavitha Kumar
 c) Dhivya Suryadevara d) Leela Sundaram
 e) Meena Krishnaswamy
- Q.209) What is the theme of World Blood Donor Day 2018?
 a) Every blood donor is a hero
 b) Give the gift of life: donate blood
 c) Safe blood for saving mothers
 d) Blood connect us all
 e) Thank you for saving my life
- Q.210) The government has approved how much amount per family to West Pakistan Refugees settled in J&K?
 a) Rs.1.5 lakh b) Rs.5.5 lakh
 c) Rs.2.5 lakh d) Rs.3.5 lakh
 e) Rs.4.5 lakh
- Q.211) Who is the first woman Director General of Police (DGP) of Puducherry?
 a) Sheeba Mehta b) Thara Magesh
 c) Tharni Murugan d) Sundari Nanda
 e) Priya Venu
- Q.212) Where is the headquarters of PFRDA located?
 a) Hyderabad b) Mumbai
 c) New Delhi d) Pune
 e) Chennai

- Q.213) Piyush Goyal has dedicated NLCIL's Three Solar Power Projects of how much megawatt to the Nation. The power produced from these units will be given to Tamil Nadu Power Generation and Distribution Company (TANGEDCO) at a cost of Rs.4.41/- per unit?
 a) 100 MW b) 250 MW
 c) 200 MW d) 150 MW
 e) 300 MW
- Q.214) What is the constituency of current finance minister?
 a) Deoria, Uttar Pradesh
 b) Maharashtra, Rajya Sabha
 c) Gujarat, Rajya Sabha
 d) Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh
 e) Hajipur, Bihar
- Q.215) Which of the following chief minister has won the outstanding Leadership in Development Award from Georgetown University and CSIS in US?
 a) Pema Khandu
 b) Nara Chandrababu Naidu
 c) Sarbananda Sonowal
 d) Nitish Kumar
 e) Devendra Fadnavis
- Q.216) The 23rd European Union Film Festival (EUFF-2018) will be held in which of the following country?
 a) Germany b) Italy
 c) France d) Netherlands
 e) India
- Q.217) Which payment platform has partnered with cab aggregator Ola that will allow riders to book rides using that payment platform itself?
 a) PhonPe b) Citrus
 c) Paypal d) DirecPay
 e) InstaMojo
- Q.218) Which of the following country is the largest investor in SoftBank's Vision Fund?
 a) Japan b) India
 c) US d) China
 e) Saudi Arabia
- Q.219) Which of the following company has topped the consumer financial services category released by Forbes magazine?
 a) Orix
 b) Indiabulls Housing Finance
 c) American Express
 d) HDFC
 e) PayPal
- Q.220) Who has been appointed as the Prime Minister of Jordan?
 a) Abdullah Ensour b) Hani Mulki
 c) Omar al-Razzaz d) Fayez al-Tarawneh
 e) Awn Shawkat Al-Khasawneh
- Q.221) What is the currency of Jordan?
 a) Dollar b) Euro
 c) Pound d) Dinar
 e) Riyal
- Q.222) Adiraju Venkateswara Rao who passed away recently is related to which of the following field?

- a) Journalist b) Actor
c) Scientist d) Sand Artist
e) Politician
- Q.223) Name the world's most experienced female spacewalker who retired recently?
a) Sally Ride b) Peggy Whitson
c) Anne McClain d) Ellen Collins
e) Shannon Lucid
- Q.224) Sanjita Chanu is related to which of the following sport?
a) Tennis b) Weightlifting
c) Swimming d) Squash
e) Badminton
- Q.225) Which of the following state has launched 24x7 'mobile policing' service?
a) Bihar b) Arunachal Pradesh
c) Tripura d) Assam
e) Nagaland
- Q.226) Which of the following ministry has launched Swajal Scheme in 115 Aspirational districts of India to provide villages with piped water supply powered by solar energy?
a) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
b) Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
c) Ministry of Minority Affairs
d) Ministry of Railways
e) Ministry of Women & Child Development
- Q.227) Name the DRDO rocket system that has been converted into guided missile with enhanced range and accuracy to hit its targets, recently.
a) Trishul b) Prithvi
c) Warheads d) Akash
e) Pinaka
- Q.228) The Dam Safety Bill provide for the establishment of National Dam Safety Authority as a regulatory body which shall discharge functions to implement the policy, guidelines and standards for dam safety in the country, comes under which of the following year?
a) 2015 b) 2016
c) 2018 d) 2019
e) 2014
- Q.229) The 'Yoga Ambassadors Tour' was launched by which of the following state government?
a) Uttar Pradesh b) Gujarat
c) Kerala d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Karnataka
- Q.230) Where did the twenty-eighth plenary meeting of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) held?
a) Colombia b) Laos
c) Cyprus d) Latvia
e) Haiti
- Q.231) Which of the following company plans to set up India's first carbon fibre manufacturing unit to cater to aerospace and defence needs?
a) BEL b) Nectar Ltd
c) Reliance Industries d) TATA
e) Hindustan Pvt Ltd

- Q.232) Which of the following country is the top destination for greenfield FDI investment in 2017?
a) Japan b) Germany
c) USA d) India
e) Switzerland
- Q.233) The Marg ERP limited, a leading Inventory and Accounting software solution company has partnered with which private sector bank to offer an integrated payments platform to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) customers, using Marg's accounting software?
a) Axis Bank b) ICICI Bank
c) HDFC Bank d) IndusInd Bank
e) Federal Bank
- Q.234) Name the first major private sector company to partner with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to train over 10,000 youth over the next three years and make them job ready, under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY.2) programme?
a) Power Finance Corporation Limited
b) Bajaj Finance Limited
c) Muthoot Finance Ltd
d) Tata Capital Financial Services Ltd
e) Cholamandalam Finance
- Q.235) What is the abbreviation of "K" in PMKVY?
a) Kifayati b) Kisan
c) Kendra d) Krishi
e) Kaushal
- Q.236) The PMKVY is the flagship scheme of which of the following ministry?
a) Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship
b) Ministry of Human Resource Development
c) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
d) Ministry of Women & Child Development
e) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- Q.237) Roger Federer won the first Mercedes Cup in Stuttgart by defeating which of the following person?
a) M. Matkowski b) Tim Putz
c) Milos Raonic d) Philipp Petzschner
e) Rafael Nadal
- Q.238) When is the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day observed?
a) June 18 b) June 17
c) June 12 d) June 15
e) June 16
- Q.239) What is the theme of world day to combat desertification and drought?
a) Link between land degradation and migration
b) Land has true value – invest in it
c) Protect Earth. Restore Land. Engage People
d) Women and Desertification
e) Social Dimensions of Desertification: Migration and Poverty
- Q.240) Who heads the seven-member committee to examine the feasibility of the idea and the way to implement MNREGA with the agriculture sector?
a) Nitish Kumar b) Vijay Rupani

- c) Shivraj Singh Chouhan d) Mamata Banerjee
e) Pawan Chamling
- Q.241) Who is the Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog?
a) Rajiv Kumar b) Sanjay Kumar
c) Amitabh Kant d) Krishna Kumar
e) Vinod Mehta
- Q.242) Which of the following organisation has tied up with the National Commission for Women (NCW) to conduct a digital literacy programme aimed at training women scholars in Panjab University?
a) Whatsapp b) Facebook
c) Twitter d) Apple
e) Google
- Q.243) The Centre has planned to set up the country's biggest 5th data centre in which of the following city with a capacity to host five lakh virtual servers?
a) Mumbai b) Bhopal
c) Hyderabad d) Chennai
e) Bengaluru
- Q.244) Which of the following country has successfully launched a Glonass-M positioning satellite?
a) North Korea b) NASA
c) India d) Russia
e) China
- Q.245) Name the super-computer that has been launched by U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)?
a) Titan 2.0 b) Summit
c) TaihuLight 2.0 d) Vinlight
e) Sunway
- Q.246) According to forbes, who has become the richest man in the world with a net wealth of \$141.9 billion?
a) Bill Gates b) Jeff Bezos
c) Warren Buffet d) Mukesh Ambani
e) John Mehta
- Q.247) The World Bank approves \$700 Mn for which of the following country to Improve Primary Education?
a) Pakistan b) Indonesia
c) India d) Bangladesh
e) Myanmar
- Q.248) The Eagle Express cable system will be established by which of the following country?
a) Denmark b) China
c) India d) Japan
e) Netherlands
- Q.249) What is the net worth of North East Small Finance Bank Ltd?
a) Rs.500 Crore b) Rs.300 Crore
c) Rs.350 Crore d) Rs.250 Crore
e) Rs.200 Crore
- Q.250) Who has been appointed as the Chief Operating Officer of ICICI bank?
a) Shankar Krishna b) Sandeep Bakhshi
c) N.S. Kannan d) Narayanan
e) Keerthi vasanthan
- Q.251) What is the currency of Colombia?
a) Euro b) Peso

- c) Dinar
e) Riel
Q.252) Who has won the US Open Golf Title 2018?
a) Brooks Koepka
c) Dustin Johnson
e) Winwood
Q.253) Who has been appointed as the president of South Asia operations of Uber?
a) Barry Diller
b) Pradeep Parameswaran
c) Dara Khosrowshahi
e) Ivan Duque
Q.254) What is the capital of Greece?
a) Minsk
c) Kabul
e) Ottawa
Q.255) Recently, which of the following gun has successfully completed its final user trials and is ready for induction into the Army. It is an upgraded version of the Swedish Bofors gun procured by India in the mid-1980s?
a) Haubits
c) Howitzer
e) Catapult
Q.256) The Gun Carriage Factory of India is located in which of the following city?
a) Jaipur
c) Jabalpur
e) Ranchi
Q.257) According to 11th Common Review Mission (CRM) report, how much percent reduction has been shown in MMR (Maternal Mortality Ratio) since 2013?
a) 23%
c) 25%
e) 22%
Q.258) Which of the following ministry has launched National Digital Library in India?
a) Ministry of Human Resource Development
b) Ministry of Minority Affairs
c) Ministry of Rural Development
d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
e) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
Q.259) Kaiga Atomic Power station is located in which of the following state?
a) Gujarat
c) Karnataka
e) Rajasthan
Q.260) Which of the following university will set up a yoga centre inside the campus, named yoga gram (village)?
a) Banaras Hindu University
b) Jadavpur University
c) Jawaharlal Nehru University
d) Visva-Bharati University
e) Savitribai Phule Pune University
Q.261) Nepal and China has signed eight agreements worth how much amount at the Nepal Embassy in Beijing?
a) \$2.28 billion
c) \$2.26 billion

- d) Riyal
b) Tommy Fleetwood
d) Hinnat Johnson
d) Richard Barton
d) Richard Barton
d) Athens
d) Dhanush
d) Chandigarh
d) 24%
d) 26%
d) Andhra Pradesh
d) \$2.25 billion
d) \$2.24 billion

- e) \$2.23 billion
Q.262) Name the US Permanent Representative to the United Nations, who announced the withdrawal from United Nations Human Rights Council?
a) Christoph Heusgen
b) Mary Elizabeth Flores
d) Danny Danon
Q.263) Who heads the committee of IRDAI that aims to increase insurance penetration in the country?
a) Vinu Sinha
c) Suresh Mathur
e) Shakar Krishna
Q.264) Which ministry has assured that it will become a "net zero" carbon emitter by 2030?
a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
b) Ministry of Railways
c) Ministry of Earth Science
d) Ministry of Environment
e) Ministry of Climate Change
Q.265) Which of the following technology giant has partnered with Union Water Resources Ministry to generate flood warnings?
a) Facebook
c) Google
e) Reliance Tech Ltd
Q.266) Which of the following Digital Wallet has tied up with Bharat Bill payment operating Unit (BBPOU) to facilitate quick and easy bill payments?
a) Paytm
c) BHIM
e) Fast Cash
Q.267) Who has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of the Sikkim government?
a) Amitabh Bachan
c) A R Rahman
e) Aishwarya Rai
Q.268) Name the Australian golfing legend who passed away recently.
a) Adam Scott
c) John Williamson
e) Michael Toss
Q.269) When is the World Refugee Day observed?
a) June 15
c) June 21
e) June 20
Q.270) The world's first International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics was launched at which of the following university?
a) Osmania University
b) Amity Institute of Forensic Sciences
c) Gujarat Forensic Sciences University
d) Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar University
e) Bundelkhand University
Q.271) In which of the following state government has launched 'i-Hariyali' Mobile App under 'Mission Tandarust Punjab' aimed at increasing the state's green cover?
a) Punjab
c) Haryana

- b) SS Chaudri
d) KN Kumaravel
b) SS Chaudri
d) KN Kumaravel
b) Apple
d) Unido
b) True Balance
d) PhonePe
b) Anushka Sharma
d) MS Dhoni
b) Peter Thomson
d) Tinto William
b) June 12
d) June 19
b) Gujarat
d) Odisha

- e) Bihar
Q.272) The 'Adopt a Heritage' Scheme comes under which of the following ministry?
a) Ministry of Tourism
b) Minister of Parliamentary Affairs
c) Ministry of Culture
d) Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation
e) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
Q.273) Name the 100th city to receive funding under the Centre's flagship Smart Cities Mission after evaluation of the proposal submitted by it, the Housing and Urban Affairs ministry.
a) Nagpur
c) Shillong
e) Ranchi
Q.274) The wind-solar hybrid power policy in Gujarat will have a coverage period of how many years that provides encouragement to renewable power producers supplying to the grid as well as to those having captive use?
a) 5 years
c) 2 years
e) 3 years
Q.275) Which organisation provides data security for National Health Resource Repository (NHRR) to strengthen evidence-based decision making and develop a platform for citizen and provider-centric services by creating a robust, standardized and secured IT-enabled repository of India's healthcare resources?
a) Cisco
c) FireEye
e) ISRO
Q.276) Name the author of the book "Vedvigyan Alok".
a) Ajay Prabhakar
b) Ashoka Mitran
c) Acharya Agnivarat Naishthik
d) Bal Govind Dwivedi
e) Harivansh Rai Bachchan
Q.277) The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has commissioned fast patrol vessel (FPV) ICGS Rani Rashmoni in which coast?
a) Kolkata
c) Mumbai
e) Pune
Q.278) The 7-Star Gram Panchayat Rainbow scheme was launched by which of the following state to give star rankings to its panchayats on the basis of seven social parameters?
a) Tamil Nadu
c) Assam
e) West Bengal
Q.279) Where is the headquarters of World Anti-Doping Agency located?
a) Montreal, Canada
c) Paris, France
e) Geneva, Switzerland
Q.280) Which of the following private-sector bank gets SEBI nod for custodian of securities business?
a) Karur Vysya Bank

- b) Catholic Syrian Bank c) ICICI Bank
d) Karnataka Bank e) Yes Bank
- Q.281) The RBI has tightened norms for Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) by making quoting of Permanent Account Number (PAN) is mandatory for transactions below how much amount?
- a) USD 15,000 b) USD 35,000
c) USD 30,000 d) USD 25,000
e) USD 12,000
- Q.282) Name the former RBI Deputy Governor, who has been appointed as the advisor of Paytm.
- a) Viral V. Acharya b) S. S. Mundra
c) N. S. Vishwanathan d) R. Gandhi
e) Anand Sinha
- Q.283) Who has been appointed as the chief of IDBI Bank for a period of three months?
- a) Ragav Kumar R b) Sushant Singh
c) Rita Kapoor d) Vinay Singh
e) B Sriram
- Q.284) What is the theme of International Yoga Day 2018?
- a) Yoga for Youth b) Yoga for Peace
c) Yoga for Health d) Yoga for Purity
e) Yoga for Strength
- Q.285) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has adopted which of the following village in Delhi for its Swachhata Abhiyaan?
- a) Araria b) Jagatpur
c) Bhagalpur d) Jabalpur
e) Bhopal
- Q.286) What is the currency of Cuba?
- a) Riyal b) Peso
c) Dinar d) Euro
e) Pound
- Q.287) Recently in which of the following state governor's rule has been imposed for the fourth time in the last decade?
- a) Jammu and Kashmir b) Bihar
c) Karnataka d) West Bengal
e) Jharkhand
- Q.288) India and which of the following country agreed to enhance economic cooperation, particularly in sustainable water development?
- a) Cuba b) Kyrgyzstan
c) Tajikistan d) Mauritius
e) Suriname
- Q.289) Which of the following state witnessed a world record by conducting the largest yoga session to mark the 4th International Yoga Day?
- a) Tamil Nadu b) Rajasthan
c) Maharashtra d) Nagaland
e) Gujarat
- Q.290) To bring the convergence of the Priority Sector Lending guidelines for housing loans with the Affordable Housing Scheme, the housing loan limits for eligibility under priority sector lending will be revised to how much amount in metropolitan centres?
- a) Rs 15 lakh b) Rs 35 lakh
c) Rs 40 lakh d) Rs 28 lakh

- e) Rs 45 lakh
- Q.291) The existing limit for loans to housing projects of economically weaker sections has been revised to how much amount?
- a) Rs 2 lakh per annum
b) Rs 3 lakh per annum
c) Rs 1.5 lakh per annum
d) Rs 4 lakh per annum
e) Rs 6 lakh per annum
- Q.292) Which of the following organisation has acquired Flipgrid, a Minneapolis-based educational software startup?
- a) IBM b) Apple
c) Facebook d) Microsoft
e) Google
- Q.293) The Securities and Exchange Board (SEBI) has approved amendments to buyback and takeover regulations and changed the time for announcing the price band of initial public offering (IPO) from 5 days to ____.
- a) 2 days b) 8 days
c) 4 days d) 3 days
e) 1 days
- Q.294) By replacing whom, B V R Subrahmanyam has been appointed as the Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir?
- a) Vinod Singh b) BB Vyas
c) Sudarshan Mehta d) Suresh Kanna
e) Manik Raja
- Q.295) Who has been appointed as Chairman of International Chamber of Commerce?
- a) Ashwani Lohani b) Dipak Misra
c) K. K. Venugopal d) Paul Polman
e) R. Chidambaram
- Q.296) Which of the following city has bagged the smart city award under 'Governance' and 'Built Environment' categories by the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry?
- a) Bhopal b) Jabalpur
c) Surat d) Jaipur
e) Pune
- Q.297) The Yoga Institute in Mumbai has been set up in which of the following year?
- a) 1991 b) 1978
c) 1996 d) 1925
e) 1918
- Q.298) Who has been conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Rome Film Fest?
- a) Denis Villeneuve b) Alfonso Cuarón
c) Roman Polanski d) Martin Scorsese
e) Michael Haneke
- Q.299) What is the capital of Tajikistan?
- a) Nairobi b) Bissau
c) Dushanbe d) Muscat
e) Valletta
- Q.300) Which of the following state government has launched Suryashakti Kisan Yojana, solar power scheme for farmers enabling them to generate electricity for their captive consumption as well as sell surplus power to grid and earn extra buck?
- a) Maharashtra b) Haryana

- c) Rajasthan d) Kerala
e) Gujarat
- Q.301) In which of the following cities CEMS (Centre of Excellence in Maritime & Shipbuilding) labs will be established?
- a) Chennai and New Delhi
b) New Delhi and Jaipur
c) Pune and Mumbai
d) Mumbai and Vizagapatam
e) Chennai and Bengaluru
- Q.302) The 22nd edition of Sindhu Darshan festival is celebrated for which of the following river?
- a) Jhelum b) Ganga
c) Indus d) Yamuna
e) Sutlej
- Q.303) What is the size of the world's smallest computer Michigan Micro Mote?
- a) 0.5 millimetres b) 0.9 millimetres
c) 0.4 millimetres d) 0.3 millimetres
e) 0.6 millimetres
- Q.304) India and which of the following country have agreed to institute a Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) as an annual feature between the two Navies?
- a) Maldives b) Mauritius
c) Sri Lanka d) Bangladesh
e) Myanmar
- Q.305) Which of the following bank plans to invest USD 200 million for infra projects of India, that will flow into the NIIF (National Investment & Infrastructure Fund)?
- a) World Bank b) AIIB
c) ADB d) NDB
e) None of these
- Q.306) Who has been newly elected as the president of Turkey?
- a) Ahmet Necdet Sezer b) Abdullah Gul
c) Recep Tayyip Erdogan
d) Husamettin Cindoruk e) Turgut Ozal
- Q.307) Who has been conferred with the 'Chief Minister of the Year' Award at the 52nd Skoch Summit?
- a) Pinarayi Vijayan
b) Shivraj Singh Chauhan
c) Naveen Patnaik
d) Vasundhara Raje
e) Yogi Adityanath
- Q.308) Who has won the French Grand Prix 2018?
- a) Max Verstappen b) Sebastian Vettel
c) Lewis Hamilton d) Daniel Ricciardo
e) Kimi Raikkonen
- Q.309) Who is the largest shareholder in AIIB?
- a) Indonesia b) China
c) UK d) India
e) Japan
- Q.310) When is the "Day of the Seafarer" observed?
- a) June 21 b) June 26
c) June 25 d) June 23
e) June 22

Q.311) Where did the World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2018 held?

- a) Ukraine b) Thailand
c) Tunisia d) Venezuela
e) Slovenia

Q.312) Donald Hall who passed away recently is related to which of the following field?

- a) Swimmer b) Director
c) Actor d) Poet
e) Dancer

Q.313) Sandeep Sejwal is related to which of the following sports?

- a) Squash b) Badminton
c) Chess d) Swimming
e) Tennis

Q.314) What is the currency of Tajikistan?

- a) Somoni b) Baht
c) Franc d) Lilangeni
e) Euro

Q.315) Where did Saudi Aramco and the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to jointly develop and build an integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex?

- a) Karnataka b) Jammu and Kashmir
c) Maharashtra d) Rajasthan
e) Gujarat

Q.316) Which of the following has passed a 'No Toilet No Bride' resolution to ensure the safety and well-being of its womenfolk?

- a) Punjab b) Haryana
c) Rajasthan d) Gujarat
e) West Bengal

Q.317) Who has approved a proposal for setting up a committee to lay down standards for metro rail systems in the country?

- a) Arun Jaitley b) Nitin Gadkari
c) Rajnath Singh d) Narendra Modi
e) Ramnath Govind

Q.318) The 'Paani Bachao, Paise Kamao' scheme for checking the depletion of groundwater has been launched by which of the following state government?

- a) Jammu & Kashmir b) Rajasthan
c) Gujarat d) West Bengal
e) Punjab

Q.319) Which of the following ministry has launched the 4th National Review and Consultation to review the progress relating to maintenance and cleanliness of Iconic Places?

- a) Ministry of Food Processing Industries
b) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
d) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
e) Ministry of Drinking Water Supply

Q.320) Which country will host a two-day "World Tolerance Summit", With its theme, "Prospering from Pluralism: Embracing Diversity through Innovation and Collaboration"?

- a) Ukraine
b) United Arab Emirates
c) Uruguay

d) United Kingdom

e) United States

Q.321) Which of the following country lifts ban on female drivers for the first time since 1957?

- a) Saudi Arabia b) South Africa
c) USA d) South Korea
e) Sri Lanka

Q.322) An anti-doping sports conference titled 'Clean Sport=Fair Outcome?' was held at _____ to address the issue of doping menace.

- a) Abuja b) Pyongyang
c) Islamabad d) Oslo
e) Muscat

Q.323) Who took charge as Whole-Time Member (WTM) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for a three-year tenure?

- a) Anand Rajeshwar Baiwar
b) Jayarama Bhat
c) Santosh Kumar Mohanty
d) Ajay Tyagi
e) Shikha Sharma

Q.324) Which of the following archer Wins Gold at Salt Lake World Cup held at Samsun, Turkey?

- a) Kim Woo-jin b) Brandy Elison
c) Abhishek Verma d) Jyothi Surekha
e) Deepika Kumari

Q.325) Who has been roped in as brand ambassador Realty firm Sumadhura group?

- a) MS Dhoni b) Ashwin
c) Virat Kohli d) Aamir Khan
e) Akshay Kumar

Q.326) Which state government has formed a Study Committee for Floating Solar Power Plant in Ujani dam?

- a) Karnataka b) Maharashtra
c) Uttar Pradesh d) Gujarat
e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.327) According to Thomson Reuters Foundation, which is the third most dangerous country for women in the world?

- a) India b) Canada
c) Syria d) US
e) Afghanistan

Q.328) Who has launched a Passport Seva app for seamless application and issue of passports?

- a) Nitin Jairam Gadkari b) Narendra Modi
c) Arun Jaitley d) Sushma Swaraj
e) Ravi Shankar Prasad

Q.329) Name the first-ever Nature-Themed Comic Book released by World Wildlife Fund-India?

- a) Trees and Fishes of India
b) Smoke and Ashes
c) The Great Indian Nature Trail with Uncle Bikky
d) 'Ocean Rimmed World': The Ocean giveth, but the ocean also taketh away
e) Seashore Life of India

Q.330) Name the Indian Naval Ship that will participate in the 26th edition of RIMPAC exercise?

- a) INS Betwa b) INS Gomati
c) INS Shivalik d) INS Tabar

e) INS Sahyadri

Q.331) India has handed over a Dornier aircraft recently to which of the following country for enhancing the country's surveillance capabilities to tackle maritime threats?

- a) Indonesia b) Myanmar
c) Bangladesh d) Seychelles
e) Thailand

Q.332) India has pledged how much amount to UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA)?

- a) \$1.5 million b) \$2 million
c) \$3 million d) \$5 million
e) \$6 million

Q.333) Who will be conferred with the French distinction of Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters for her contribution in enhancing Indo-French ties in cinema?

- a) Sophie Marceau b) Eva Green
c) Isabelle Adjani d) Kalki Koechlin
e) Laetitia Casta

Q.334) When is the UN Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprise day observed?

- a) June 23 b) June 21
c) June 24 d) June 25
e) June 27

Q.335) Who is the author of the book "Ahimsa"?

- a) R. K. Narayan b) Mulk Raj Anand
c) Supriya Kelkar d) Khushwant Singh
e) Jai Ratan

Q.336) Name the drug which has been banned by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recently?

- a) Nimesulide b) Heparin
c) Oxytocin d) Diclofenac
e) Azithromycin

Q.337) Andhra Pradesh has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which of the following country to accelerate the construction work of its new capital, Amaravati?

- a) USA b) Singapore
c) Japan d) UK
e) China

Q.338) The insurance coverage for women under the BJD's health insurance proposal has been raised to how much amount?

- a) Rs 3 lakh b) Rs 7 lakh
c) Rs 8.3 lakh d) Rs 6 lakh
e) Rs 9 lakh

Q.339) India has increased the grant for Global Environment Facility (GEF) from \$12 million to how much amount?

- a) \$13 million b) \$15 million
c) \$16 million d) \$12 million
e) \$ 20 million

Q.340) Which of the following country will host a two-day "World Tolerance Summit"?

- a) Russia b) UK
c) UAE d) India
e) South Korea

Q.341) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of Rs 6 crore on which of the

following bank for failing to adhere to norms while issuing bonus shares to non-resident investors?

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Tamilnad Mercantile Bank
- c) Karur Vysya Bank
- d) Canara Bank
- e) Bank of India

Q.342) Who has been appointed as a whole time member of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)?

- a) Sethu Kannan
- b) Suresh Kumar
- c) Anant Barua
- d) Sunil Mehta
- e) Rakesh Kumar

Q.343) Which edition of Skoch Summit 2018 held in New Delhi?

- a) 22nd
- b) 52nd
- c) 2nd
- d) 32nd
- e) 12th

Q.344) Which of the following project has received the 'Order of Merit' at the Skoch Summit 2018?

- a) SWADHAR Greh
- b) Unnati
- c) Sagarmala
- d) Swachh Bharat
- e) None of these

Q.345) Who has won the World Food Prize 2018?

- a) Robert F. Chandler and Verghese Kurien
- b) John Niederhauser and Nevin S. Scrimshaw
- c) Edward F. Knipling and Muhammad Yunus
- d) Lawrence Haddad and David Nabarro
- e) Henry Beachell and Gurdev Khush

Q.346) Who has won a gold medal in 10m air pistol at the ISSF Junior World Cup in Germany?

- a) Shivam Shukla
- b) Saurabh Chaudhary
- c) Rituraj Singh
- d) Gaaythri Nithyanadam
- e) Yashaswini Singh Deswal

Q.347) Which of the following state government has launched 'Kanya Van Samruddhi Yojana' Scheme?

- a) Bihar
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Kerala
- d) Maharashtra
- e) Karnataka

Q.348) The book named "Unfinished" is the biography of which of the following celebrity?

- a) Viswanathan Anand
- b) Priyanka Chopra
- c) Virat Kohli
- d) AR Rahman
- e) Amitabh Bachan

Q.349) Which of the following bank has extended \$10 million worth of line of credit (LOC) to Seychelles for healthcare and procurement of goods and projects?

- a) World Bank
- b) ADB
- c) EXIM Bank
- d) AIIB
- e) NDB

Q.350) What is the theme of National Statistics Day 2018?

- a) Quality Assurance in Official Statistics
- b) Administrative Statistics
- c) Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare
- d) Social Development
- e) Labour and Employment Statistics

ENGLISH VOCABULARY

1) Accelerating

Meaning: Increase in rate, amount, or extent.

Example: "Inflation started to accelerate"

Synonyms: Speed up, Hurry up.

Antonyms: Block, Postponed

2) Coalition

Meaning: A temporary alliance for combined action, especially of political parties forming a government.

Example: "A coalition between Liberals and Conservatives"

Synonyms: Alliance, Union

Antonyms: Disconnection, Disunion

3) Erosion

Meaning: The gradual destruction or diminution of something.

Example: "The erosion of support for the party"

Synonyms: Abrasion, Dissolution

Antonyms: Strengthening, Rebuilding

4) Riots

Meaning: A violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd.

Example: "Riots broke out in the capital"

Synonyms: Uproar, Rampage

Antonyms: Peace, Calmness

5) Doldrums

Meaning: A state or period of stagnation or depression.

Example: "The mortgage market has been in the doldrums for three years"

Synonyms: Depression, Melancholy.

Antonyms: Concern, Excitement

6) Portends

Meaning: Be a sign or warning that (something, especially something momentous or calamitous) is likely to happen.

Example: "The eclipses portend some major events"

Synonyms: Presage, Augur

Antonyms: Depress

7) Disparate

Meaning: Essentially different in kind; not able to be compared.

Example: "They inhabit disparate worlds of thought"

Synonyms: Different, Unlike

Antonyms: Homogeneous

8) Artisans

Meaning: A worker in a skilled trade, especially one that involves making things by hand.

Example: "Street markets where local artisans display handwoven textiles, painted ceramics, and leather goods"

Synonyms: Craftsman, Smith

Antonyms: Apprentice

9) Cheer

Meaning: Give comfort or support to.

Example: "He seemed greatly cheered by my arrival"

Synonyms: Encourage, Motivate

Antonyms: Discourage

10) Recurrent

Meaning: Occurring often or repeatedly.

Example: "She had a recurrent dream about falling"

Synonyms: Repeated, Repetitive

Antonyms: Isolated, Single

11) Concern

Meaning: A matter of interest or importance to someone.

Example: "Housing is the concern of the Housing Executive"

Synonyms: Responsibility, Affair

Antonyms: Pastime, disinterest

12) Ensured

Meaning: Make certain that (something) will occur or be the case.

Example: "The client must ensure that accurate records are kept"

Synonyms: Clinch, Confirm

Antonyms: Contradict, neglect

13) Reforms

Meaning: Make changes in (something, especially an institution or practice) in order to improve it.

Example: "The Bill will reform the tax system"

Synonyms: Improve, Better

Antonyms: Preserve, Maintain

14) Debt

Meaning: The state of owing money.

Example: "The firm is heavily in debt"

Synonyms: Insolvent, Bankrupt

Antonyms: In credit

15) Optimistic

Meaning: Hopeful and confident about the future.

Example: "The optimistic mood of the Sixties"

Synonyms: Cheerful, Cheery

Antonyms: Pessimistic, Negative

16) Tumbled

Meaning: Fall rapidly in amount or value.

Example: "Property prices tumbled"

Synonyms: Plummet, Plunge

Antonyms: Rise, Soar

17) Hostile

Meaning: Showing or feeling opposition or dislike; unfriendly.

Example: "A hostile audience"

Synonyms: Antagonistic, Aggressive

Antonyms: Friendly, Mild

18) Apprehensive

Meaning: Anxious or fearful that something bad or unpleasant will happen.

Example: "He felt apprehensive about going home"

Synonyms: Anxious, Worried

Antonyms: Confident

19) **Constructed**

Meaning: Form (an idea or theory) by bringing together various conceptual elements.

Example: "poetics should construct a theory of literary discourse"

Synonyms: Formulate, Form

Antonyms: Destroy, Disorder

20) **Lampooned**

Meaning: Publicly criticize (someone or something) by using ridicule, irony, or sarcasm.

Example: "The actor was lampooned by the press"

Synonyms: Satirize, Mock

Antonyms: approve, Support

21) **Hedge**

Meaning: A way of protecting oneself against financial loss or other adverse circumstances.

Example: "Index-linked gilts are a useful hedge against inflation"

Synonyms: Safeguard, Protection

Antonyms: Opening

22) **Prudent**

Meaning: Acting with or showing care and thought for the future.

Example: "No prudent money manager would authorize a loan without first knowing its purpose"

Synonyms: Wise, Sagacious

Antonyms: Unwise, Imprudent

23) **Upheavals**

Meaning: A violent or sudden change or disruption to something.

Example: "Major upheavals in the financial markets"

Synonyms: Disruption, Upset

Antonyms: Stability, Tranquillity

24) **Negotiate**

Meaning: Try to reach an agreement or compromise by discussion.

Example: "They refused to negotiate with the rebels"

Synonyms: Talk, Confer

Antonyms: Confuse, Refuse

25) **Propelled**

Meaning: Drive or push something forwards.

Example: "The boat is propelled by using a very long paddle"

Synonyms: Push/move forwards, Move.

Antonyms: Discourage, Repress

26) **Optimism**

Meaning: Hopefulness and confidence about the future or the success of something.

Example: "The talks had been amicable and there were grounds for optimism"

Synonyms: Hopefulness, Hope.

Antonyms: Depression, Distrust

27) **Rebound**

Meaning: Bounce back through the air after hitting something hard.

Example: "His shot hammered into the post and rebounded across the goal"

Synonyms: Bounce, Bounce back.

Antonyms: Destroy, Hurt

28) **Heartening**

Meaning: Make more cheerful or confident.

Example: "She was heartened to observe that the effect was faintly comic"

Synonyms: Cheer up, Cheer.

Antonyms: Depressing, Discouraging

29) **Appreciably**

Meaning: To an appreciable extent; considerably.

Example: "Profits have grown appreciably over the last four years"

Synonyms: Considerably, Substantially.

Antonyms: Slightly, Insignificantly

30) **Revival**

Meaning: An improvement in the condition, strength, or fortunes of someone or something.

Example: "A revival in the fortunes of the party"

Synonyms: Improvement, rallying.

31) **Consumption**

Meaning: The action of using up a resource.

Example: "Industrialized countries should reduce their energy consumption"

Synonyms: Using up, Use.

Antonyms: Creation, Expansion

32) **Sobering**

Meaning: Make or become sober after drinking alcohol.

Example: "That coffee sobered him up"

Synonyms: Become sober, Become clear-headed.

Antonyms: Calm, Facile

33) **Spur**

Meaning: A thing that prompts or encourages someone; an incentive.

Example: "Wars act as a spur to practical invention"

Synonyms: Stimulus, Incentive.

Antonyms: Block, Deterrent

34) **Bullish**

Meaning: Aggressively confident and self-assertive.

Example: "He has campaigned courageously despite difficulties that would have stopped many more bullish men"

Synonyms: Optimistic, Hopeful.

Antonyms: Gloomy, Distressed

35) **Tepid**

Meaning: Showing little enthusiasm.

Example: "The applause was tepid"

Synonyms: Unenthusiastic, Apathetic

Antonyms: Enthusiastic, Keen

36) **Eschew**

Meaning: Deliberately avoid using; abstain from.

Example: "He appealed to the crowd to eschew violence"

Synonyms: Abstain from, Refrain from.

Antonyms: Embrace, Meet

37) **Stick**

Meaning: Adhere or cling to something.

Example: "The plastic seats stuck to my skin"

Synonyms: Adhere, Cling.

Antonyms: Whole

38) **Prudence**

Meaning: The quality of being prudent; cautiousness.

Example: "We need to exercise prudence in such important matters"

Synonyms: Wisdom, Judgement.

Antonyms: Neglect, Disregard

39) **Whirlwind**

Meaning: Used with reference to a very energetic person or a tumultuous process.

Example: "A whirlwind of activity"

Synonyms: Rapid, Lightning.

Antonyms: Slow, Sluggish

40) **Dissipating**

Meaning: (With reference to a feeling or emotion) disappear or cause to disappear.

Example: "The concern she'd felt for him had wholly dissipated"

Synonyms: Disappear, Vanish.

Antonyms: Appear, Collect

41) **Embellished**

Meaning: Make (something) more attractive by the addition of decorative details or features.

Example: "Blue silk embellished with golden embroidery"

Synonyms: Decorate, Adorn.

Antonyms: Decrease, Simplify

42) **Wrangling**

Meaning: Have a long, complicated dispute or argument.

Example: "The bureaucrats continue wrangling over the fine print"

Synonyms: Argue, Quarrel.

Antonyms: Agree, Concur

43) **Disbanded**

Meaning: (With reference to an organized group) break up or cause to break up.

Example: "The unit was scheduled to disband"

Synonyms: Break up, Disperse.

Antonyms: Destroy, Disperse

44) **Convinced**

Meaning: Cause (someone) to believe firmly in the truth of something.

Example: "Robert's expression had obviously convinced her of his innocence"

Synonyms: Persuade, Satisfy

Antonyms: Doubtful, Unsure

45) **Rattled**

Meaning: Make (someone) nervous, worried, or irritated.

Example: "She turned quickly, rattled by his presence"

Synonyms: Unnerve, Disconcert.

Antonyms: Appease, Placate

46) **Assenting**

Meaning: Express approval or agreement.

Example: "The Prime Minister assented to the change"

Synonyms: Agree to, Accept.

Antonyms: Dissent, Disagree

47) **Disenchantment**

Meaning: A feeling of disappointment about someone or something you previously respected or admired; disillusionment.

Example: "Their growing disenchantment with the leadership"

Synonyms: Disillusionment, Disappointment.

Antonyms: Achievement, Encouragement

48) **Striking**

Meaning: Attracting attention by reason of being unusual, extreme, or prominent.

Example: "The murder bore a striking similarity to an earlier shooting"

Synonyms: Noticeable, Obvious.

Antonyms: Ineffective, Regular

49) **Cliff**

Meaning: A steep rock face, especially at the edge of the sea.

Example: "A coast path along the top of rugged cliffs"

Synonyms: Scar, Precipice

Antonyms: Canyon, Decline

50) **Integrity**

Meaning: The quality of being honest and having strong moral principles.

Example: "A gentleman of complete integrity"

Synonyms: Honesty, Uprightness.

Antonyms: Dishonour, Deceit

51) **Creep up**

Meaning: If the value or amount of something creeps up, it slowly increases.

Example: Over the last year, the rate of inflation has crept up to almost seven percent.

Synonyms: Increase, Intensify

Antonyms: Decrease

52) **Persisting**

Meaning: Continue in an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition.

Example: "the minority of drivers who persist in drinking"

Synonyms: Persevere, Continue

Antonyms: Abandon, Stop

53) **Flak**

Meaning: Strong criticism.

Example: "you must be strong enough to take the flak if things go wrong"

Synonyms: Criticism, Censure

Antonyms: Approval, Praise

54) **Cursory**

Meaning: Hasty and therefore not thorough or detailed.

Example: "a cursory glance at the figures"

Synonyms: Casual, Superficial

Antonyms: Thorough, Painstaking

55) **Gearing up**

Meaning: To prepare for something that you have to do, or to prepare someone else for something.

Example: Politicians are already gearing up for the election.

Synonyms: Preparing

Antonyms: Disarrange, Disallow

56) **Intensifying**

Meaning: Become or make more intense.

Example: "the dispute began to intensify"

Synonyms: Escalate, Increase

Antonyms: Lessen, Abate

57) **Pitfalls**

Meaning: A hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty.

Example: "The pitfalls of buying goods at public auctions"

Synonyms: Hazard, Danger

Antonyms: Advantage, Security

58) **Slash**

Meaning: Reduce (a price, quantity, etc.) greatly.

Example: "the workforce has been slashed by 2,000"

Synonyms: Reduce, Cut

Antonyms: Raise, Create

59) **Narrative**

Meaning: A spoken or written account of connected events; a story.

Example: "a gripping narrative"

Synonyms: Account, Description

Antonyms: Rambling

60) **Reckons**

Meaning: Establish by calculation; be of the opinion.

Example: "his debts were reckoned at £300,000"

Synonyms: Calculate, Compute

Antonyms: Remove, Neglect

61) **Anomaly**

Meaning: Something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected.

Example: "there are a number of anomalies in the present system"

Synonyms: Peculiarity, Irregularity

Antonyms: Conformity, Regularity

62) **Deficit**

Meaning: The amount by which something, especially a sum of money, is too small.

Example: "An annual operating deficit"

Synonyms: Shortfall, Deficiency.

Antonyms: Advantage, Perfection

63) **Embolden**

Meaning: Give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.

Example: "emboldened by the claret, he pressed his knee against hers"

Synonyms: Encourage, Hearten

Antonyms: Dishearten, Discourage

64) **Vulnerable**

Meaning: Exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, either physically or emotionally.

Example: "we were in a vulnerable position"

Synonyms: Endangered, Unsafe

Antonyms: Invulnerable, Resilient

65) **Pinch**

Meaning: (of a shoe) hurt (a foot) by being too tight.

Example: "my new shoes pinch my big toe"

Synonyms: Hurt, Pain

Antonyms: Freedom, Release

66) **Corollary**

Meaning: A direct or natural consequence or result.

Example: "the huge increases in unemployment were the corollary of expenditure cuts"

Synonyms: Consequence, Result

Antonyms: Cause, Origin

67) **Prevalence**

Meaning: The fact or condition of being prevalent; commonness.

Example: "the prevalence of obesity in adults"

Synonyms: Generality, Regularity

Antonyms: Infrequency, rareness

68) **Paying off**

Meaning: If something you have done pays off, it is successful.

Example: All her hard work paid off in the end, and she finally passed the exam.

Synonyms: Achieving, Fulfilling

Antonyms: Begin, Employ

69) **Communicable**

Meaning: (of a disease) able to be transmitted from one sufferer to another; contagious or infectious.

Example: "the fight against communicable disease"

Synonyms: Contagious, Infectious

Antonyms: Incontractable, Noncontagious

70) **Lagging**

Meaning: Fail to keep up with another or others in movement or development.

Example: "they waited for Tim who was lagging behind"

Synonyms: Straggle, Dawdle

Antonyms: Lead, Hurry

71) **Rampant**

Meaning: (especially of something unwelcome) flourishing or spreading unchecked.

Example: "political violence was rampant"

Synonyms: Uncontrolled, Unchecked

Antonyms: Controlled, Under control

72) **Loopholes**

Meaning: An ambiguity or inadequacy in the law or a set of rules.

Example: "they exploited tax loopholes"

Synonyms: Escape, Clause

Antonyms: Normality, Custom

73) **Passed off**

Meaning: To happen.

Example: The pop festival passed off peacefully, despite the fears of local residents.

Synonyms: Occurring, Happening

Antonyms: Keep, Eject

74) **Triggering**

Meaning: Cause (an event or situation) to happen or exist.

Example: "an allergy can be triggered by stress or overwork"

Synonyms: Active, Stimulate

Antonyms: Prevent, Check

75) **Make up**

Meaning: Compensate for something lost, missed, or deficient.

Example: "I'll make up the time tomorrow"

Synonyms: Expiate, Requite

Antonyms: Disagree, Tell truth

76) **Fathom**

Meaning: Understand (a difficult problem or an enigmatic person) after much thought.

Example: "The locals could not fathom out the reason behind his new-found prosperity"

Synonyms: Understand, Comprehend

Antonyms: Guess, Neglect

77) **Paramount**

Meaning: More important than anything else; supreme.

Example: "The interests of the child are of paramount importance"

Synonyms: Cardinal, Foremost

Antonyms: Smallest, Lesser

78) **Tackling**

Meaning: Make determined efforts to deal with (a problem or difficult task) .

Example: "Police have launched an initiative to tackle rising crime"

Synonyms: Address, Approach

Antonyms: Forget, Conclude

79) **Rebels**

Meaning: A person who rises in opposition or armed resistance against an established government or leader.

Example: "Tory rebels"

Synonyms: Mutineer, Agitator

Antonyms: Loyalist, Adherent

80) **Conglomerate**

Meaning: A thing consisting of a number of different and distinct parts or items that are grouped together.

Example: "The Earth is a specialized conglomerate of organisms"

Synonyms: Mixture, Combination

Antonyms: Similar, Individual

81) **Depletion**

Meaning: Reduction in the number or quantity of something.

Example: "The depletion of the ozone layer"

Synonyms: Exhaustion, Use

Antonyms: Augmentation

82) **Denizens**

Meaning: A person, animal, or plant that lives or is found in a particular place.

Example: "Denizens of field and forest"

Synonyms: Inhabitant, Resident

Antonyms: Alien, Guest

83) **Elevated**

Meaning: Raise or lift (something) to a higher position.

Example: "The exercise will naturally elevate your chest and head"

Synonyms: Raise, Upraise

Antonyms: Lower

84) **Effluents**

Meaning: Liquid waste or sewage discharged into a river or the sea.

Example: "Industrial effluent"

Synonyms: Sewage, Effluvia

Antonyms: Confluent, Feeder

85) **Embankments**

Meaning: A bank of earth or stone built to carry a road or railway over an area of low ground.

Example: "A railway embankment"

Synonyms: Bank, Mound

Antonyms: Accommodate, Bulge

86) **Ethos**

Meaning: The characteristic spirit of a culture, era, or community as manifested in its attitudes and aspirations.

Example: "A challenge to the ethos of the 1960s"

Synonyms: Spirit, Character

Antonyms: Body, Physicality

87) **Largesse**

Meaning: Generosity in bestowing money or gifts upon others.

Example: "Presumably public money is not dispensed with such largesse to anyone else"

Synonyms: Generosity, Liberality

Antonyms: Meanness, Miserliness

88) **Scarce**

Meaning: (Especially of food, money, or some other resource) insufficient for the demand.

Example: "As raw materials became scarce, synthetics were developed"

Synonyms: Short, Meagre

Antonyms: Plentiful, Abundant

89) **Heed**

Meaning: Pay attention to; take notice of.

Example: "He should have heeded the warnings"

Synonyms: Mind, Follow

Antonyms: Disregard

90) **Jeopardising**

Meaning: Put (someone or something) into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure.

Example: "A devaluation of the dollar would jeopardize New York's position as a financial centre"

Synonyms: Endanger, Imperil

Antonyms: Safeguard

91) **Exhaust**

Meaning: Use up (resources or reserves) completely.

Example: "The country has exhausted its treasury reserves"

Synonyms: Consume, Finish

Antonyms: Replenish, Restock

92) **Anecdotal**

Meaning: (Of an account) not necessarily true or reliable, because based on personal accounts rather than facts or research.

Example: "While there was much anecdotal evidence there was little hard fact"

Synonyms: Informal, Unreliable

Antonyms: Experimental, Scientific

93) **Farce**

Meaning: An event or situation that is absurd or disorganized.

Example: "The debate turned into a drunken farce"

Synonyms: Absurdity, Mockery

Antonyms: Tragedy, Solemnity

94) **Indigenous**

Meaning: Originating or occurring naturally in a particular place; native.

Example: "The indigenous peoples of Siberia"

Synonyms: Native, Aboriginal

Antonyms: Expatriate, Migrant

95) **Foolhardy**

Meaning: Recklessly bold or rash.

Example: "It would be foolhardy to go into the scheme without support"

Synonyms: Reckless, Rash

Antonyms: Wise

96) **Euphemism**

Meaning: A mild or indirect word or expression substituted for one considered to be too harsh or blunt when referring to something unpleasant or embarrassing.

Example: "The jargon has given us 'downsizing' as a euphemism for cuts"

Synonyms: Substitute, Understatement

Antonyms: Dysphemism

97) **Intriguing**

Meaning: Arouse the curiosity or interest of; fascinate.

Example: "I was intrigued by your question"

Synonyms: Interest, Fascinate

Antonyms: Bore

98) **Blatant**

Meaning: (Of bad behaviour) done openly and unashamedly.

Example: "Blatant lies"

Synonyms: Flagrant, Glaring

Antonyms: Inconspicuous, Subtle

99) **Gossip**

Meaning: Casual or unconstrained conversation or reports about other people, typically involving details which are not confirmed as true.

Example: "He became the subject of much local gossip"

Synonyms: Tittle-tattle, Whispers

Antonyms: Facts, The truth

100) **Dictatorships**

Meaning: Government by a dictator.

Example: "The effects of forty years of dictatorship"

Synonyms: Despotism, Autocracy

Antonyms: Democracy

101) **Hypocrisy**

Meaning: The practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case.

Example: "His target was the hypocrisy of suburban life"

Synonyms: Pietism, Humbug

Antonyms: Honesty, Sincerity

102) **Greed**

Meaning: Intense and selfish desire for something, especially wealth, power, or food.

Example: "Mercenaries who had allowed greed to overtake their principles"

Synonyms: Avarice, Rapacity

Antonyms: Generosity, Temperance

103) **Cynical**

Meaning: Doubtful as to whether something will happen or whether it is worthwhile.

Example: "Most residents are cynical about efforts to clean mobsters out of their city"

Synonyms: Sceptical, Doubtful

Antonyms: Optimistic, Credulous

104) **Barbarity**

Meaning: Extreme cruelty or brutality.

Example: "The barbarity displayed by the terrorists"

Synonyms: Brutality, Savagery

Antonyms: Benevolence

105) **Stemming**

Meaning: Originate in or be caused by.

Example: "Many of the universities' problems stem from rapid expansion"

Synonyms: Issue from, Originate from

Antonyms: Cause, Give rise to

106) **Rapacity**

Meaning: Aggressive greed.

Example: "The rapacity of landowners seeking greater profit from their property"

Synonyms: Greed, Avarice

Antonyms: Unselfishness

107) **Ample**

Meaning: Enough or more than enough; plentiful.

Example: "There is ample time for discussion"

Synonyms: Enough, Sufficient

Antonyms: Meagre, Insufficient

108) **Touted**

Meaning: Attempt to persuade people of the merits of.

Example: "She was touted as a potential Prime Minister"

Synonyms: Commend, Endorse

Antonyms: Blame, Discourage

109) **Exodus**

Meaning: A mass departure.

Example: "the annual exodus of sun-seeking Canadians to Florida"

Synonyms: Withdrawal, Evacuation

Antonyms: Arrival

110) **Contradiction**

Meaning: The statement of a position opposite to one already made.

Example: "the second sentence appears to be in flat contradiction of the first"

Synonyms: Denial, Refutation

Antonyms: Confirmation, Reaffirmation

111) **Retaining**

Meaning: Not abolish or alter; maintain.

Example: "the rights of defendants must be retained"

Synonyms: Maintain, Continue

Antonyms: Abolish, Alter

112) **Dampen**

Meaning: Make less strong or intense.

Example: "nothing could dampen her enthusiasm"

Synonyms: Lessen, Decrease

Antonyms: Heighten

113) **Coalesce**

Meaning: Come together to form one mass or whole.

Example: "The puddles had coalesced into shallow streams"

Synonyms: Unite, Join together.

Antonyms: Divide, Disconnect

114) **Viable**

Meaning: Capable of working successfully; feasible.

Example: "the proposed investment was economically viable"

Synonyms: Workable, Feasible

Antonyms: Impracticable

115) **Exacerbated**

Meaning: Make (a problem, bad situation, or negative feeling) worse.

Example: "the exorbitant cost of land in urban areas only exacerbated the problem"

Synonyms: Aggravate, Worsen

Antonyms: Calm, Reduce

116) **Amidst**

Meaning: Surrounded by; in the middle of.

Example: "Our dream home set amid magnificent rolling countryside"

Synonyms: In the middle of, Surrounded by.

Antonyms: Beyond, Advance

117) **Provocative**

Meaning: Causing anger or another strong reaction, especially deliberately.

Example: "a provocative article"

Synonyms: Annoying, Irritating

Antonyms: Soothing

118) **Preserving**

Meaning: Retain (a condition or state of affairs) .

Example: "a fight to preserve local democracy"

Synonyms: Continue, Conserve

Antonyms: Discontinue, Abandon

119) **Cagey**

Meaning: Reluctant to give information owing to caution or suspicion.

Example: "a spokesman was cagey about the arrangements his company had struck"

Synonyms: Secretive, Guarded

Antonyms: Frank, Open

120) **Dent**

Meaning: Have an adverse effect on; diminish; mark with a dent.

Example: "this neither deterred him nor dented his enthusiasm"

Synonyms: Diminish, Weaken

Antonyms: Increase

121) **Deploy**

Meaning: Move (troops or equipment) into position for military action.

Example: "forces were deployed at strategic locations"

Synonyms: Position, Station

Antonyms: Concentrate

122) **Scrutiny**

Meaning: Critical observation or examination.

Example: "every aspect of local government was placed under scrutiny"

Synonyms: Inspection, Survey

Antonyms: Glance

123) **Sluggish**

Meaning: Slow-moving or inactive.

Example: "a sluggish stream"

Synonyms: Inactive, Quiet

Antonyms: Busy, Brisk

124) **Demonstrable**

Meaning: Clearly apparent or capable of being logically proved.

Example: "the demonstrable injustices of racism"

Synonyms: Verifiable, Plain

Antonyms: Unverifiable

125) **Unconditional**

Meaning: Not subject to any conditions.

Example: "unconditional surrender"

Synonyms: Unqualified, Unreserved

Antonyms: Conditional

126) **Breakthrough**

Meaning: A sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development.

Example: "a major breakthrough in the fight against AIDS"

Synonyms: Advance, Development

Antonyms: Setback

127) **Conflict**

Meaning: A prolonged armed struggle.

Example: "regional conflicts"

Synonyms: War, Action

Antonyms: Peace

128) **Shunned**

Meaning: Persistently avoid, ignore, or reject (someone or something) through antipathy or caution.

Example: "he shunned fashionable society"

Synonyms: Avoid, Evade

Antonyms: Accept, Seek

129) **Vast**

Meaning: Of very great extent or quantity; immense.

Example: "a vast plain full of orchards"

Synonyms: Huge, Extensive

Antonyms: Tiny

130) **Appetite**

Meaning: A strong desire or liking for something.

Example: "her appetite for life"

Synonyms: Craving, Longing

Antonyms: Aversion

131) **Truce**

Meaning: An agreement between enemies or opponents to stop fighting or arguing for a certain time.

Example: "the guerrillas called a three-day truce"

Synonyms: Ceasefire, Armistice

Antonyms: Fighting

132) **Decisive**

Meaning: Settling an issue; producing a definite result.

Example: "the archers played a decisive part in the victory"

Synonyms: Deciding, Conclusive

Antonyms: Insignificant

133) **Turnout**

Meaning: The number of people attending or taking part in an event, especially the number of people voting in an election.

Example: "We reckon that thirty-five per cent is a good turnout for local elections"

Synonyms: Attendance, Audience

Antonyms: Origin, Source

134) **Cautious**

Meaning: (Of a person) careful to avoid potential problems or dangers.

Example: "A cautious driver"

Synonyms: Careful, Wary

Antonyms: Incautious, Reckless

135) **Aggressive**

Meaning: Ready or likely to attack or confront; characterized by or resulting from aggression.

Example: "He's very uncooperative and aggressive"

Synonyms: Hostile, Belligerent

Antonyms: Meek, Friendly

136) **Crucial**

Meaning: Decisive or critical, especially in the success or failure of something.

Example: "Negotiations were at a crucial stage"

Synonyms: Pivotal, Critical

Antonyms: Minor

137) **Wane**

Meaning: (Of a state or feeling) decrease in vigour or extent; become weaker.

Example: "Confidence in the dollar waned"

Synonyms: Decrease, Decline

Antonyms: Increase, Grow

138) **Fading**

Meaning: Gradually grow faint and disappear.

Example: "The light had faded and dusk was advancing"

Synonyms: Fail, Dwindle

Antonyms: Increase

139) **Harassment**

Meaning: Aggressive pressure or intimidation.

Example: "The state also grants us the right to pursue this belief without any form of persecution or harassment"

Synonyms: Persecution, Intimidation

Antonyms: Cooperation, Assistance

140) **Dissidents**

Meaning: A person who opposes official policy, especially that of an authoritarian state.

Example: "A dissident who had been jailed by a military regime"

Synonyms: Dissenter, Objector

Antonyms: Conformist

141) **Prone**

Meaning: Likely or liable to suffer from, do, or experience something unpleasant or regrettable.

Example: "Farmed fish are prone to disease"

Synonyms: Susceptible, Vulnerable

Antonyms: Resistant, Immune

142) **Tactical**

Meaning: Showing adroit planning; aiming at an end beyond the immediate action.

Example: "In a tactical retreat, she moved into a hotel with her daughters"

Synonyms: Calculated, Prudent

Antonyms: Unwise, Spontaneous

143) **Undeniable**

Meaning: Unable to be denied or disputed.

Example: "It is an undeniable fact that some dogs are easier to train than others"

Synonyms: Indisputable, Inarguable

Antonyms: Debatable, Questionable

144) **Lofty**

Meaning: Of a noble or elevated nature.

Example: "An extraordinary mixture of harsh reality and lofty ideals"

Synonyms: Noble, Exalted

Antonyms: Base, Lowly

145) **Sombre**

Meaning: Having or conveying a feeling of deep seriousness and sadness.

Example: "He looked at her with a sombre expression"

Synonyms: Solemn, Earnest

Antonyms: Cheerful

146) **Elite**

Meaning: A select group that is superior in terms of ability or qualities to the rest of a group or society.

Example: "The elite of Britain's armed forces"

Synonyms: Best, Pick

Antonyms: Dregs

147) **Lauded**

Meaning: Praise (a person or their achievements) highly.

Example: "The obituary lauded him as a great statesman and soldier"

Synonyms: Praise, Extol

Antonyms: Condemn, Criticize

148) **Pulling**

Meaning: Exert force on (someone or something) so as to cause movement towards oneself.

Example: "He pulled her down on to the couch"

Synonyms: Tug, Haul.

149) **Totalitarian**

Meaning: Relating to a system of government that is centralized and dictatorial and requires complete subservience to the state.

Example: "A totalitarian regime"

Synonyms: Authoritarian, Fascistic

Antonyms: Democratic, Liberal

150) **Impoverished**

Meaning: Exhaust the strength or vitality of.

Example: "The soil was impoverished by annual burning"

Synonyms: Weaken, Sap

Antonyms: Strengthen, Enrich

151) **Inducted**

Meaning: Admit (someone) formally to a post or organization.

Example: "Arrangements for inducting new members to an organization"

Synonyms: Admit to, Allow into

Antonyms: Bar from

152) **Veracity**

Meaning: Conformity to facts; accuracy.

Example: "Officials expressed doubts concerning the veracity of the story"

Synonyms: Truthfulness, Accuracy

Antonyms: Falsity

153) **Bonhomie**

Meaning: Cheerful friendliness; geniality.

Example: "He exuded good humour and bonhomie"

Synonyms: Geniality, Conviviality

Antonyms: Coldness

154) **Conciliatory**

Meaning: Intended or likely to placate or pacify.

Example: "A conciliatory approach"

Synonyms: Placatory, Pacific

Antonyms: Antagonistic

155) **Amid**

Meaning: Surrounded by; in the middle of.

Example: "Our dream home, set amid magnificent rolling countryside"

Synonyms: Among, Between

Antonyms: Surrounding

156) **Prerequisite**

Meaning: A thing that is required as a prior condition for something else to happen or exist.

Example: "Sponsorship is not a prerequisite for any of our courses"

Synonyms: Precondition, Condition

Antonyms: Non-essential

157) **Interim**

Meaning: In or for the intervening period; provisional.

Example: "An interim arrangement"

Synonyms: Provisional, Temporary

Antonyms: Permanent

158) **Blistering**

Meaning: (Of criticism) expressed with great vehemence.

Example: "A blistering attack on the government's transport policy"

Synonyms: Savage, Vicious

Antonyms: Mild

159) **Erratic**

Meaning: Not even or regular in pattern or movement; unpredictable.

Example: "Her breathing was erratic"

Synonyms: Unpredictable, Variable

Antonyms: Predictable, Consistent

160) **Incentives**

Meaning: A thing that motivates or encourages someone to do something.

Example: "Give farmers an incentive to improve their land"

Synonyms: Inducement, Motivation

Antonyms: Deterrent, Disincentive

161) **Embraces**

Meaning: Accept (a belief, theory, or change) willingly.

Example: "besides traditional methods, artists are embracing new technology"

Synonyms: Accept, Adopt

Antonyms: Reject

162) **Incessant**

Meaning: (of something regarded as unpleasant) continuing without pause or interruption.

Example: "the incessant beat of the music"

Synonyms: Ceaseless, Constant

Antonyms: Intermittent, Occasional

163) **Inevitable**

Meaning: Certain to happen; unavoidable.

Example: "war was inevitable"

Synonyms: Unavoidable, Inescapable

Antonyms: Avoidable, Uncertain

164) **Chaos**

Meaning: Complete disorder and confusion.

Example: "snow caused chaos in the region"

Synonyms: Disorder, Disarray

Antonyms: Order

165) **Unbridled**

Meaning: Uncontrolled; unconstrained.

Example: "a moment of unbridled ambition"

Synonyms: Unconstrained, Uncontrolled

Antonyms: Restrained

166) **Espousing**

Meaning: To become involved with or support an activity or opinion.

Example: Vegetarianism is one cause she does not espouse.

Synonyms: Adopt, Embrace

Antonyms: Reject, Oppose

167) **Exotic**

Meaning: Attractive or striking because colourful or out of the ordinary.

Example: "youths with exotic haircuts"

Synonyms: Striking, Colourful

Antonyms: Unremarkable, Conventional

168) **Instigating**

Meaning: Bring about or initiate (an action or event) .

Example: "they instigated a reign of terror"

Synonyms: Start, Initiate

Antonyms: Halt

169) **Disdain**

Meaning: The feeling that someone or something is unworthy of one's consideration or respect.

Example: "her upper lip curled in disdain"

Synonyms: Contempt, Scorn

Antonyms: Admiration, Respect

170) **Lulled**

Meaning: Make (someone) feel deceptively secure or confident.

Example: "the rarity of earthquakes there has lulled people into a false sense of security"

Synonyms: Assuage, Ease

Antonyms: Aggravate

171) **Agitations**

Meaning: A state of anxiety or nervous excitement.

Example: "she was wringing her hands in agitation"

Synonyms: Anxiety, Distress

Antonyms: Calmness, Relaxation

172) **Indignation**

Meaning: Anger or annoyance provoked by what is perceived as unfair treatment.

Example: "the letter filled Lucy with indignation"

Synonyms: Resentment, Affront

Antonyms: Contentment

173) **Bygone**

Meaning: Belonging to an earlier time.

Example: "relics of a bygone age"

Synonyms: Past, Former

Antonyms: Present, Recent

174) **Contaminated**

Meaning: Make (something) impure by exposure to or addition of a poisonous or polluting substance.

Example: "the site was found to be contaminated by radioactivity"

Synonyms: Pollute, Adulterate

Antonyms: Purify

175) **Augmenting**

Meaning: Make (something) greater by adding to it; increase.

Example: "he augmented his meagre income by plying for hire as a ferryman"

Synonyms: Increase, Expand

Antonyms: Decrease

176) **Judicious**

Meaning: Having, showing, or done with good judgement or sense.

Example: "the judicious use of public investment"

Synonyms: Wise, Sensible

Antonyms: Injudicious, Foolish

177) **Tightening**

Meaning: Make or become tight or tighter.

Example: "He tightened up the clips"

Synonyms: Secure, Make fast.

Antonyms: Allow, Release

178) **Robust**

Meaning: Strong and healthy; vigorous.

Example: "the Caplan family are a robust lot"

Synonyms: Strong, Powerful

Antonyms: Weak, Frail

179) **Tainted**

Meaning: Affect with a bad or undesirable quality.

Example: "his administration was tainted by scandal"

Synonyms: Tarnish, Blacken

Antonyms: Improve

180) **Radical**

Meaning: Advocating or based on thorough or complete political or social change; representing or supporting an extreme or progressive section of a political party.

Example: "a radical American activist"

Synonyms: Revolutionary, Progressive

Antonyms: Conservative, Reactionary

181) **Decline**

Meaning: Diminish in strength or quality; deteriorate.

Example: "her health began to decline"

Synonyms: Deteriorate, Crumble

Antonyms: Flourish

182) **Formidable**

Meaning: Inspiring fear or respect through being impressively large, powerful, intense, or capable.

Example: "a formidable opponent"

Synonyms: Forbidding, Daunting

Antonyms: Easy, Weak

183) **Mysterious**

Meaning: Difficult or impossible to understand, explain, or identify.

Example: "his colleague had vanished in mysterious circumstances"

Synonyms: Puzzling, Strange

Antonyms: Straightforward

184) **Scepticism**

Meaning: A sceptical attitude; doubt as to the truth of something.

Example: "these claims were treated with scepticism"

Synonyms: Doubt, Suspicion

Antonyms: Conviction, Belief

185) **Integral**

Meaning: Necessary to make a whole complete; essential or fundamental.

Example: "games are an integral part of the school's curriculum"

Synonyms: Essential, Basic

Antonyms: Incidental, Peripheral

186) **Conducive**

Meaning: making a certain situation or outcome likely or possible.

Example: "the harsh lights and cameras were hardly conducive to a relaxed atmosphere"

Synonyms: Favourable, Valuable

Antonyms: Unfavourable

187) **Din**

Meaning: A loud, unpleasant, and prolonged noise.

Example: "The fans made an awful din"

Synonyms: Uproar, Racket

Antonyms: Silence, Quiet

188) **Undisputed**

Meaning: Not disputed or called in question; accepted.

Example: "The undisputed heavyweight champion of the world"

Synonyms: Undoubted, Unchallenged

Antonyms: Doubtful, Disputed

189) **Esoteric**

Meaning: Intended for or likely to be understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge or interest.

Example: "Esoteric philosophical debates"

Synonyms: Abstruse, Obscure

Antonyms: Simple, Familiar

190) **Dismal**

Meaning: Causing a mood of gloom or depression.

Example: "The dismal weather made the late afternoon seem like evening"

Synonyms: Dingy, Dim

Antonyms: Bright, Cheerful

191) **Feasible**

Meaning: Possible and practical to do easily or conveniently.

Example: "The Dutch have demonstrated that it is perfectly feasible to live below sea level"

Synonyms: Practicable, Workable

Antonyms: Impracticable, Impossible

192) **Recipient**

Meaning: A person or thing that receives or is awarded something.

Example: "The recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize"

Synonyms: Beneficiary, Receiver

Antonyms: Donor

193) **Deterrent**

Meaning: A thing that discourages or is intended to discourage someone from doing something.

Example: "Cameras are a major deterrent to crime"

Synonyms: Disincentive, Damper

Antonyms: Incentive, Encouragement

194) **Mischief**

Meaning: Playful misbehaviour, especially on the part of children.

Example: "She'll make sure Danny doesn't get into mischief"

Synonyms: Badness, Misbehaviour

Antonyms: Solemnity

195) **Suspicious**

Meaning: Having or showing a cautious distrust of someone or something.

Example: "He was suspicious of her motives"

Synonyms: Doubtful, Unsure

Antonyms: Trustful, Trusting

196) **Gauges**

Meaning: Estimate or determine the amount, level, or volume of.

Example: "Astronomers can gauge the star's intrinsic brightness"

Synonyms: Measure, Calculate.

Antonyms: Extreme, Estimate

197) **Desperately**

Meaning: Used to emphasize the extreme degree of something.

Example: "He desperately needed a drink"

Synonyms: Seriously, Gravely

Antonyms: Slightly

198) **Strident**

Meaning: (Of a sound) loud and harsh; grating.

Example: "His voice had become increasingly strident"

Synonyms: Harsh, Raucous

Antonyms: Soft, Dulcet

199) **Curtail**

Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

Example: "Civil liberties were further curtailed"

Synonyms: Reduce, Cut

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

200) **Keener**

Meaning: Having or showing eagerness or enthusiasm.

Example: "A keen gardener"

Synonyms: Eager, Anxious

Antonyms: Reluctant, Apathetic

201) **Mock**

Meaning: Tease or laugh at in a scornful or contemptuous manner.

Example: "Opposition MPs mocked the government's decision"

Synonyms: Ridicule, Deride

Antonyms: Friendly, Open

202) **Handcuffs**

Meaning: Put handcuffs on (someone) .

Example: "He was led into court handcuffed to a policeman"

Synonyms: Manacle, Fetter

Antonyms: Free

203) **Scrapping**

Meaning: Abolish or cancel (a plan, policy, or law) .

Example: "he supports the idea that road tax should be scrapped"

Synonyms: Abandon, Drop

Antonyms: Keep, Restore

204) **Outstanding**

Meaning: Not yet paid, resolved, or dealt with.

Example: "much of the work is still outstanding"

Synonyms: Undone, Neglected

Antonyms: Complete, Paid

205) **Reluctance**

Meaning: Unwillingness or disinclination to do something.

Example: "she sensed his reluctance to continue"

Synonyms: Unwillingness, Disinclination

Antonyms: Willingness, Eagerness

206) **Burgeoning**

Meaning: Begin to grow or increase rapidly; flourish.

Example: "manufacturers are keen to cash in on the burgeoning demand"

Synonyms: Expand, Boom

Antonyms: Shrink

207) **Campaign**

Meaning: An organized course of action to achieve a goal.

Example: "An election campaign"

Synonyms: Crusade, Drive

Antonyms: Inaction

208) **Mitigate**

Meaning: Make (something bad) less severe, serious, or painful.

Example: "drainage schemes have helped to mitigate this problem"

Synonyms: Alleviate, Reduce

Antonyms: Aggravate, Increase

209) **Rescinding**

Meaning: Revoke, cancel, or repeal (a law, order, or agreement) .

Example: "the government eventually rescinded the directive"

Synonyms: Revoke, Repeal

Antonyms: Enforce, Enact

210) **Cruelty**

Meaning: Cruel behaviour or attitudes.

Example: "he has treated her with extreme cruelty"

Synonyms: Brutality, Ferocity

Antonyms: Compassion, Mercy

211) **Set out**

Meaning: Begin a journey.

Example: "he set out early next morning"

Synonyms: Start, Embark

Antonyms: Arrive

212) **Anxiety**

Meaning: A feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something with an uncertain outcome.

Example: "he felt a surge of anxiety"

Synonyms: Worry, Concern

Antonyms: Calmness, Serenity

213) **Drew**

Meaning: Use (one's experience, talents, or skills) as a resource.

Example: "Sue has a lot of past experience to draw on"

Synonyms: Utilize, Use

Antonyms: Plant, Grow

214) **Deliberate**

Meaning: Done consciously and intentionally.

Example: "a deliberate attempt to provoke conflict"

Synonyms: Intentional, Calculated

Antonyms: Accidental, Unintentional

215) **Enrage**

Meaning: Make (someone) very angry.

Example: "the students were enraged at these new rules"

Synonyms: Anger, Infuriate

Antonyms: Placate, Calm

216) **Enforce**

Meaning: Cause (something) to happen by necessity or force.

Example: "there is no outside agency to enforce cooperation between the players"

Synonyms: Compulsory, Obligatory

Antonyms: Voluntary

217) **Insurmountable**

Meaning: Too great to be overcome.

Example: "An insurmountable problem"

Synonyms: Insuperable, Unconquerable.

Antonyms: Voluntary

218) **Spiralling**

Meaning: Show a continuous and dramatic increase.

Example: "inflation continued to spiral"

Synonyms: Soar, Escalate

Antonyms: Fall

219) **Minuscule**

Meaning: Extremely small; tiny.

Example: "a minuscule fragment of DNA"

Synonyms: Tiny, Minute

Antonyms: Vast, Huge

220) **Commensurate**

Meaning: Corresponding in size or degree; in proportion.

Example: "salary will be commensurate with age and experience"

Synonyms: Equivalent, Equal

Antonyms: Disproportionate

221) **Eventually**

Meaning: In the end, especially after a long delay, dispute, or series of problems.

Example: "eventually, after midnight, I arrived at the hotel"

Synonyms: Finally, Ultimately

Antonyms: Immediately, Never

222) **Vicious**

Meaning: Deliberately cruel or violent; serious or dangerous.

Example: "a vicious assault"

Synonyms: Brutal, Savage

Antonyms: Gentle, Benevolent

223) **Inclusion**

Meaning: The action or state of including or of being included within a group or structure.

Example: "They have been selected for inclusion in the scheme"

Synonyms: Incorporation, Addition

Antonyms: Exclusion, Omission

224) **Tremendous**

Meaning: Very great in amount, scale, or intensity.

Example: "Penny put in a tremendous amount of time"

Synonyms: Enormous, Immense

Antonyms: Tiny, Small

225) **Bolstered**

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: "The fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence"

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support

Antonyms: Undermine

226) **Affirmation**

Meaning: The action or process of affirming something.

Example: "He nodded in affirmation"

Synonyms: Assertion, Declaration

Antonyms: Denial, Refutation

227) **Articulated**

Meaning: Express (an idea or feeling) fluently and coherently.

Example: "They were unable to articulate their emotions"

Synonyms: Express, Voice

Antonyms: Bottle up

228) **Verbatim**

Meaning: In exactly the same words as were used originally.

Example: "Subjects were instructed to recall the passage verbatim"

Synonyms: Literally, Exactly

Antonyms: Loosely, Imprecise

229) **Deprivation**

Meaning: The lack or denial of something considered to be a necessity.

Example: "Sleep deprivation"

Synonyms: Dispossession, Withdrawal

Antonyms: Possession

230) **Conceding**

Meaning: Admit or agree that something is true after first denying or resisting it.

Example: "I had to concede that I'd overreacted"

Synonyms: Admit, Acknowledge

Antonyms: Deny

231) **Flawed**

Meaning: Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection.

Example: "A fatally flawed strategy"

Synonyms: Unsound, Defective

Antonyms: Sound

232) **Reiterating**

Meaning: Say something again or a number of times, typically for emphasis or clarity.

Example: "She reiterated that the government would remain steadfast in its support"

Synonyms: Repeat, Restate

Antonyms: Take back

233) **Stunting**

Meaning: Prevent from growing or developing properly.

Example: "Some weeds produce chemicals that stunt the plant's growth"

Synonyms: Inhibit, Impede

Antonyms: Promote, Encourage

234) **Entail**

Meaning: Involve (something) as a necessary or inevitable part or consequence.

Example: "A situation which entails considerable risks"

Synonyms: Necessitate, Require

Antonyms: Exclude, Untangle

235) **Stance**

Meaning: The attitude of a person or organization towards something; a standpoint.

Example: "The party is changing its stance on Europe"

Synonyms: Attitude, Stand

Antonyms: Inaction, Deface

236) **Relying**

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example: "I know I can rely on your discretion"

Synonyms: Depend, Count

Antonyms: Distrust

237) **Affluent**

Meaning: (Especially of a group or area) having a great deal of money; wealthy.

Example: "The affluent societies of the western world"

Synonyms: Wealthy, Opulent

Antonyms: Poor, Impoverished

238) **Disruptive**

Meaning: Innovative or ground breaking.

Example: "breaking a disruptive technology into the market is never easy"

Synonyms: Innovative, Inventive

Antonyms: Unimaginative, Conservative

239) **Resilience**

Meaning: The ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape; elasticity.

Example: "nylon is excellent in wear ability, abrasion resistance and resilience"

Synonyms: Flexibility, Pliability

Antonyms: Rigidity, Fragility

240) **Imperative**

Meaning: Of vital importance; crucial.

Example: "immediate action was imperative"

Synonyms: All-important, Vital

Antonyms: Unimportant, Optional

241) **Acclaim**

Meaning: Enthusiastic and public praise.

Example: "she has won acclaim for her commitment to democracy"

Synonyms: Praise, Applause

Antonyms: Criticism

242) **Out of hand**

Meaning: Not under control.

Example: "things were getting a bit out of hand at the picket line"

Synonyms: Uncontrollable, Difficult

Antonyms: Manageable, Controllable

243) **Uninspiring**

Meaning: Not producing excitement or interest.

Example: "an uninspiring game that United scarcely deserved to win"

Synonyms: Boring, Dreary

Antonyms: Inspiring, Exciting

244) **Patchy**

Meaning: Not of the same quality throughout; inconsistent.

Example: "your coursework was patchy"

Synonyms: Deficient, Insufficient

Antonyms: Complete, Comprehensive

245) **Lackadaisical**

Meaning: Lacking enthusiasm and determination; carelessly lazy.

Example: "a lackadaisical defence left Spurs adrift in the second half"

Synonyms: Careless, Lazy

Antonyms: Enthusiastic, Excited

246) **Ambitious**

Meaning: (of a plan or piece of work) intended to satisfy high aspirations and therefore difficult to achieve.

Example: "an ambitious enterprise"

Synonyms: Difficult, Exacting

Antonyms: Unambitious, Easy

247) **Disclosure**

Meaning: The action of making new or secret information known.

Example: "a judge ordered the disclosure of the government documents"

Synonyms: Revelation, Declaration

Antonyms: Concealment

248) **Scourge**

Meaning: A person or thing that causes great trouble or suffering.

Example: "the scourge of mass unemployment"

Synonyms: Affliction, Plague

Antonyms: Blessing, Godsend

249) **Sweeping**

Meaning: Wide in range or effect.

Example: "we cannot recommend any sweeping alterations"

Synonyms: Extensive, Wide-ranging

Antonyms: Narrow, Restricted

250) **Depreciating**

Meaning: Diminish in value over a period of time.

Example: "the latest cars will depreciate heavily in the first year"

Synonyms: Devalue, Cheapen

Antonyms: Appreciate

251) **Revive**

Meaning: To start to grow, develop, or become successful again, or to make something do this.

Example: Ministers are hoping to set up a programme to revive the ailing agricultural sector.

Synonyms: Revitalize, Refresh

Antonyms: Abolish

252) **Pledge**

Meaning: Formally declare or promise that something is or will be the case.

Example: "The Prime Minister pledged that there would be no increase in VAT"

Synonyms: Promise, Swear

Antonyms: Breach, Break

253) **Belligerent**

Meaning: Hostile and aggressive.

Example: "the mood at the meeting was belligerent"

Synonyms: Hostile, Aggressive

Antonyms: Friendly, Peaceable

254) **Tariffs**

Meaning: A tax or duty to be paid on a particular class of imports or exports.

Example: "The reduction of trade barriers and import tariffs"

Synonyms: Tax, Duty

Antonyms: Debt, Whole

255) **Slimmer**

Meaning: (Of something abstract, especially a chance or margin) very small.

Example: "There was just a slim chance of success"

Synonyms: Slight, Small

Antonyms: Good, Strong

256) **Pious**

Meaning: Making or constituting a hypocritical display of virtue.

Example: "His pious platitudes"

Synonyms: Insincere, Self-righteous

Antonyms: Sincere

257) **Startling**

Meaning: Very surprising, astonishing, or remarkable.

Example: "He bore a startling likeness to their father"

Synonyms: Surprising, Astonishing

Antonyms: Predictable, Ordinary

258) **Controversial**

Meaning: Giving rise or likely to give rise to controversy or public disagreement.

Example: "Years of wrangling over a controversial bypass"

Synonyms: Contentious, Moot

Antonyms: Uncontroversial, Anodyne

259) **Tethered**

Meaning: Tie (an animal) with a rope or chain so as to restrict its movement.

Example: "The horse had been tethered to a post"

Synonyms: Tie, Hitch

Antonyms: Unleash, Release

260) **Perilous**

Meaning: Full of danger or risk.

Example: "A perilous journey south"

Synonyms: Dangerous, Risky

Antonyms: Safe, secure

261) **Full-blown**

Meaning: Fully developed.

Example: "The onset of full-blown AIDS in persons infected with HIV"

Synonyms: Complete, Advanced

Antonyms: Partial

262) **Fragility**

Meaning: The quality of being easily broken or damaged.

Example: "Osteoporosis is characterized by bone fragility"

Synonyms: Frailty, Weakness

Antonyms: Robustness

263) **Chaotic**

Meaning: In a state of complete confusion and disorder.

Example: "The political situation was chaotic"

Synonyms: Disorderly, Confused

Antonyms: Orderly

264) **Slim**

Meaning: (Of something abstract, especially a chance or margin) very small.

Example: "There was just a slim chance of success"

Synonyms: Slight, Small

Antonyms: Good, Strong

265) **Contrary**

Meaning: Perversely inclined to disagree or to do the opposite of what is expected or desired.

Example: "She is sulky and contrary where her work is concerned"

Synonyms: Perverse, Awkward

Antonyms: Accommodating, Obliging

266) **Subsequent**

Meaning: Coming after something in time; following.

Example: "The theory was developed subsequent to the earthquake of 1906"

Synonyms: Following, Upcoming

Antonyms: Previous, Prior

267) **Notorious**

Meaning: Famous or well known, typically for some bad quality or deed.

Example: "Los Angeles is notorious for its smog"

Synonyms: Infamous, Scandalous

Antonyms: Unknown, Faceless

268) **Lenient**

Meaning: (Of a punishment or person in authority) more merciful or tolerant than expected.

Example: "In the view of the Court the sentence was too lenient"

Synonyms: Merciful, Clement

Antonyms: Merciless, Severe

269) **Trap**

Meaning: An unpleasant situation from which it is hard to escape.

Example: "they fell into the trap of relying too little on equity finance"

Synonyms: Ambush, Lure

Antonyms: Blessing, Honesty

270) **Ally**

Meaning: A person or organization that cooperates with or helps another in a particular activity.

Example: "He was forced to dismiss his closest political ally"

Synonyms: Associate, Colleague

Antonyms: Enemy, Opponent

271) **Vocal**

Meaning: Expressing opinions or feelings freely or loudly.

Example: "He was vocal in condemning the action"

Synonyms: Vociferous, Outspoken

Antonyms: Taciturn, Reticent

272) **Flouted**

Meaning: Openly disregard (a rule, law, or convention) .

Example: "The advertising code is being flouted"

Synonyms: Defy, Scorn

Antonyms: Observe

273) **Inescapable**

Meaning: Unable to be avoided or denied.

Example: "Political reform was inescapable"

Synonyms: Unavoidable, Inevitable.

Antonyms: Escapable

274) **Slapped**

Meaning: Impose a fine or other penalty on.

Example: "The government had slapped an embargo on imports"

Synonyms: Impose, Levy.

Antonyms: Caress, Dignity

275) **Pertaining**

Meaning: Be in effect or existence in a specified place or at a specified time.

Example: "Their economic circumstances are vastly different from those which pertained in their land of origin"

Synonyms: Exist, Be the order of the day.

276) **Appalling**

Meaning: Causing shock or dismay; horrific.

Example: "The cat suffered appalling injuries during the attack"

Synonyms: Shocking, Horrific.

Antonyms: Beautiful, Pleasant

277) **Turbulence**

Meaning: A state of conflict or confusion.

Example: "Political turbulence"

Synonyms: Turmoil, Instability.

Antonyms: Calm, Peace

278) **Inflammatory**

Meaning: (Especially of speech or writing) arousing or intended to arouse angry or violent feelings.

Example: "Inflammatory remarks"

Synonyms: Provocative, Provoking.

Antonyms: Calming, Pleasing

279) **Debate**

Meaning: A formal discussion on a particular matter in a public meeting or legislative assembly, in which opposing arguments are put forward and which usually ends with a vote.

Example: "Last night's debate on the Education Bill"

Synonyms: Discussion, Exchange of views.

Antonyms: Agreement, Peace

280) **Manoeuvres**

Meaning: A movement or series of moves requiring skill and care.

Example: "Snowboarders performed daring manoeuvres on precipitous slopes"

Synonyms: Operation, Exercise

Antonyms: Tightness, Browbeat

281) **Evoke**

Meaning: Bring or recall (a feeling, memory, or image) to the conscious mind.

Example: "The sight evoked pleasant memories of his childhood"

Synonyms: Bring to mind, Call to mind.

Antonyms: Ignore, Silence

282) **Divergent**

Meaning: Tending to be different or develop in different directions.

Example: "Divergent interpretations"

Synonyms: Differing, Varying.

Antonyms: Uniform, Similar

283) **Vindictive**

Meaning: Having or showing a strong or unreasoning desire for revenge.

Example: "The criticism was both vindictive and personalized"

Synonyms: Vengeful, Out for revenge.

Antonyms: Gentle, Helpful

284) **Insidious**

Meaning: Proceeding in a gradual, subtle way, but with very harmful effects.

Example: "Sexual harassment is a serious and insidious problem"

Synonyms: Stealthy, Subtle.

Antonyms: Honest, Sincere

285) **Patronage**

Meaning: The power to control appointments to office or the right to privileges.

Example: "Recruits are selected on merit, not through political patronage"

Synonyms: Power of appointment, Right of appointment.

Antonyms: Attack, Opposition

286) **Apprehension**

Meaning: Anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen.

Example: "He felt sick with apprehension"

Synonyms: Anxiety, Angst.

Antonyms: Peace, Trust

287) **Allegation**

Meaning: A claim or assertion that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically one made without proof.

Example: "He made allegations of corruption against the administration"

Synonyms: Claim, Assertion.

288) **Rationale**

Meaning: A set of reasons or a logical basis for a course of action or belief.

Example: "He explained the rationale behind the change"

Synonyms: Reason(s), Reasoning.

Antonyms: Profession, Charge

289) **Resolved**

Meaning: Firmly determined to do something.

Example: "Constance was resolved not to cry"

Synonyms: Determined to, Bent on.

Antonyms: Refuse, Begin

290) **Festering**

Meaning: (Of a negative feeling or a problem) become worse or more intense, especially through long-term neglect or indifference.

Example: "Below the surface, the old antagonisms festered"

Synonyms: Rankle, Chafe.

Antonyms: Improve, Heal

291) **Vetoed**

Meaning: Exercise a veto against (a decision or proposal) .

Example: "The president vetoed the bill"

Synonyms: Reject, Turn down.

Antonyms: Approved, Allowed

292) **Locked Horns**

Meaning: Engage in conflict.

Example: "Drug companies are locking horns in a legal battle over patents"

Synonyms: Quarrel, Disagree.

Antonyms: Agree, Assist

293) **Evocative**

Meaning: Bringing strong images, memories, or feelings to mind.

Example: "Powerfully evocative lyrics"

Synonyms: Reminiscent, Suggestive.

Antonyms: Honest, Easy

294) **Regime**

Meaning: A government, especially an authoritarian one.

Example: "Ideological opponents of the regime"

Synonyms: Government, Rule

Antonyms: Yielding, Surrender

295) **Heightened**

Meaning: Make or become more intense.

Example: "The pleasure was heightened by the sense of guilt that accompanied it"

Synonyms: Intensify, Increase.

Antonyms: Moderate, Facile

296) **Depicted**

Meaning: Portray in words; describe.

Example: "Youth is depicted as a time of vitality and good health"

Synonyms: Describe, Detail.

Antonyms: Distort, Suppress

297) **Erection**

Meaning: The action of erecting a structure or object.

Example: "Fees will be levied for the erection of monuments"

Synonyms: Construction, Building.

Antonyms: Damage, Collapse

298) **Ticklish**

Meaning: (Of a situation or problem) difficult or tricky and requiring careful handling.

Example: "Her skill in evading ticklish questions"

Synonyms: Problematic, Tricky.

Antonyms: Stable, Strong

299) **Insistence**

Meaning: The fact or quality of insisting that something is the case or should be done.

Example: "Alison's insistence on doing the washing-up straight after the meal"

Synonyms: Demand, Bidding.

Antonyms: Flexibility, Blemish

300) **Realm**

Meaning: A field or domain of activity or interest.

Example: "The realm of applied chemistry"

Synonyms: Domain, Sphere.

Antonyms: Sky

BANKING AWARENESS

Q.1) PMVVY 2018 is a senior citizen welfare scheme to protect the citizens above 60 years of age against a future fall in their interest income due to uncertain market conditions. Expand PMVVY?

- a) Pradhan Mantri Vikas Vaya Yojana
- b) Pradhan Mantri Vandana Vaya Yojana
- c) Pradhan Mantri Vaya Van Yojana
- d) Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana
- e) Pradhan Mantri Vikas Vandana Yojana

Q.2) Who has been appointed as the Chief Operating officer of ICICI Bank?

- a) Rakesh Sharma
- b) N.S. Kannan
- c) Dinabandhu Mohapatra
- d) P.S. Jayakumar
- e) Sandeep Bakhshi

Q.3) _____ refers to an account that a bank holds in a foreign currency in another bank.

- a) Nostro account
- b) Vostro account
- c) NRI account
- d) NRE account
- e) Demat account

Q.4) Aex is the stock exchange of which of the following countries?

- a) India
- b) China
- c) Canada
- d) Brazilian
- e) Netherlands

Q.5) Where is the Headquarter of World Bank?

- a) Bangkok
- b) Paris
- c) London
- d) Washington D.C
- e) New York

Q.6) Which of the following bank has approved Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY), a Rs.6000 crore Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, to be implemented over a period of five years from 2018-19 to 2022-23?

- a) World Bank
- b) Reserve Bank of India
- c) National Housing Bank
- d) Regional Rural Bank
- e) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Q.7) Reserve Bank of India stated that interest subsidy scheme on short-term crop loans of up to three lakh rupees will be implemented through the (DBT) mode from the current financial year. What is the abbreviation of DBT?

- a) Development Benefit Transfer
- b) Data Benefit Transfer
- c) Demand Benefit Transfer
- d) Direct Benefit Transfer
- e) Draft Benefit Transfer

Q.8) Which of the following airlines has sought proposals for short-term loans worth Rs 1, 000 crore to meet urgent working capital requirements according to PTI report?

- a) Jet Airways
- b) IndiGo
- c) Air India
- d) Air Asia
- e) Air India Express

Q.9) FDI to India decreased to 40 billion dollars last year from 44 billion dollars in 2016 while outflows from India, according to the report by the World Investment Report. What is the abbreviation of FDI?

- a) Fund Direct Investment
- b) Financial Dealer Investment
- c) Foreign Dealer Investment
- d) Financial Direct Investment
- e) Foreign Direct Investment

Q.10) MIGA is an international financial institution which offers political risk insurance and credit enhancement guarantees. What is the abbreviation of MIGA?

- a) Multilateral International Guarantee Agency
- b) Multiple Investment Gardening Agency
- c) Multilateral Institute Guarantee Agency
- d) Multiple Investment Guarantee Agency
- e) Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency

Q.11) GSDP was launched as pilot project in 2017 by MoEFCC in partnership with NSDA Agency to develop green skilled workers having technical knowledge and commitment to sustainable development. Expand NSDA?

- a) Natural Skill Development Agency
- b) National Skill Development Agency
- c) National Skill Development Affairs
- d) National Skill Development Assistance
- e) National Skill Deployment Agency

Q.12) NASDAQ is the stock exchange of which of the following countries?

- a) Jakarta
- b) United states
- c) Mexican
- d) Hong Kong
- e) French

Q.13) Merval is the stock exchange of which of the following countries?

- a) China
- b) India
- c) French
- d) Argentina
- e) Jakarta

Q.14) CDR is the ratio of how much a bank lends out of the deposits it has mobilised. What is the abbreviation of CDR?

- a) Currency Deficit Ratio
- b) Capital Deficit Ratio
- c) Currency Deposit Ratio
- d) Credit Deposit Ratio
- e) Capital Deposit Ratio

Q.15) According to the Finance Minister Piyush Goyal, how much billion scams against the backdrop of several cases of frauds, including the scam at PNB, unearthed recently?

- a) USD 2 billion
- b) USD 5 billion
- c) USD 7 billion
- d) USD 10 billion
- e) USD 15 billion

Q.16) Who has been appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of ICICI Bank, recently?

- a) MK Sharma
- b) Indra Nooyi

- c) Chanda Kochhar
- d) MD Mallya
- e) Shikha Sharma

Q.17) CP in the global financial market, is an unsecured promissory note with a fixed maturity of not more than 364 days. What is the abbreviation of "C" in CP?

- a) Commercial
- b) Concurrent
- c) Currency
- d) Credit
- e) Capital

Q.18) How many General managers has been appointed as the executive directors at various public-sector banks by banks Board Bureau (BBB) ?

- a) 12
- b) 25
- c) 22
- d) 30
- e) 35

Q.19) Who has been appointed as the Chief executive of Bank of Baroda (BoB), become the successor of Axis Bank CEO Shikha Sharma?

- a) P S Jayakumar
- b) V Srinivasan
- c) Rajiv Anand
- d) Shikha Sharma
- e) Sanjaya Sharma

Q.20) How much crore loss of public sector banks raised in 2017-18, as against a net profit of Rs 473.72 crore in the previous fiscal?

- a) Rs 35, 168 crore
- b) Rs 85, 370 crore
- c) Rs 25, 168 crore
- d) Rs 45, 160 crore
- e) Rs 35, 162 crore

Q.21) Finance Minister has given more powers to RBI to deal effectively with frauds like the ones allegedly committed by diamond jeweller Nirav Modi in which bank?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) Punjab National Bank
- c) Canara bank
- d) Indian bank
- e) Indian Overseas Bank

Q.22) How much amount has been approved by Union Cabinet to M/s. HDFC Bank Ltd. to raise its additional share capital?

- a) Rs.24, 000 crore
- b) Rs.22, 000 crore
- c) Rs.27, 000 crore
- d) Rs.30, 000 crore
- e) Rs.35, 000 crore

Q.23) Who was appointed as the chairman by the Government of India to study the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Policy of India?

- a) Baba Kalyani
- b) Ravindra Sannareddy
- c) Neel Raheja
- d) Arun Misra
- e) Ragul Bajaj

Q.24) How much amount has been allotted / sanctioned by HUDCO for the LIFE Mission of Kerala to construct homes for all the shelter-less?

- a) Rs.2, 000 crore
- b) Rs.3, 000 crore
- c) Rs.4, 000 crore
- d) Rs.5, 000 crore
- e) Rs.3, 000 crore

Q.25) The Reserve Bank of India has decided to allow which bank to convert into Small Finance

Banks (SFBs), aimed at bringing these entities into mainstream banking, recently?

- a) Urban co-operative banks (UCB)
- b) Regional Rural Banks (RRB)
- c) Public Sector Bank (PSB)
- d) Private Sector Bank (PSB)
- e) Commercial Banks

Q.26) Which of the following bank has received RBI's approval for the merger of Capital First, Capital First Home Finance and Capital First Securities?

- a) IDFC Bank
- b) IDBI Bank
- c) HDFC Bank
- d) Axis Bank
- e) South Indian Bank

Q.27) Who has been appointed as the non-executive chairman for Bandhan Bank?

- a) Harun Rasid Khan
- b) Chandra Shekhar Ghosh
- c) Pravir Kumar Vohra
- d) Shri Tsewang Namgyal
- e) R Gandhi

Q.28) An EEFC is an account maintained in foreign currency with a bank dealing in foreign exchange. What is the abbreviation of EEFC?

- a) Electronic Earners Foreign Currency
- b) Exchange Earners Foreign Capital
- c) Electronic Earners Foreign Currency
- d) Export Earners Foreign Currency
- e) Exchange Earners Foreign Currency

Q.29) In which state's HUDCO has sanctioned Rs.4000 crore loan to construct homes for all the shelter-less in the State?

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Karnataka
- c) Kerala
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Odisha

Q.30) Who has been re-appointed as the MD and CEO Of Yes Bank?

- a) Rana Kapoor
- b) Ashok Chawla
- c) Ajai Kumar
- d) Brahm Dutt
- e) Aditya Puri

Q.31) How much amount has been approved by world bank to help Bangladesh achieve its education for all vision by improving the primary education sector?

- a) \$300 million
- b) \$500 million
- c) \$900 million
- d) \$700 million
- e) \$400 million

Q.32) BoP is the record of all international financial transactions made by a country's residents. What is the abbreviation of "P" in BoP?

- a) Portfolio
- b) Paper
- c) Price
- d) Payments
- e) Plan

Q.33) ECGC provides export credit insurance support to Indian exporters and is controlled by the Ministry of Commerce. What is the abbreviation of "E" in ECGC?

- a) Exchange
- b) Electronic

- c) Eternal
- d) Export
- e) External

Q.34) Harun Rasid Khan has been appointed as the non-executive chairman for Bandhan Bank. He was the former _____.

- a) Governor of RBI
- b) Executive Director of Canara Bank
- c) Director of Indian Bank
- d) Deputy governor of RBI
- e) Director of Indian Overseas Bank

Q.35) DICGC is used for the purpose of providing insurance of deposits and guaranteeing of credit facilities to the customers of banks. What is the abbreviation of DICGC?

- a) Deposit Insurance and Credit Granting Corporation
- b) Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Co-ordination
- c) Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation
- d) Deficit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation
- e) Deficit Insurance and Credit Granting Corporation

Q.36) FCCI is the association of Indian business organizations, dedicated to promoting the growth and global competitiveness of Indian businesses. What is the abbreviation of "F" in FCCI?

- a) Federation
- b) Fiscal
- c) Foundation
- d) Formation
- e) Formulation

Q.37) FIMMDA is an association of Scheduled Commercial Banks, Public Financial Institutions, Primary Dealers and Insurance Companies is a voluntary market body for the bond, money and derivatives markets. What is the abbreviation of "MM" in FIMMDA?

- a) Money Movement
- b) Market Management
- c) Monetary Market
- d) Market Money
- e) Money Market

Q.38) FLAS is required to be submitted directly by all the Indian companies which have received FDI and/or made FDI abroad in the previous year(s) including the current year. What does the abbreviation of FLAS?

- a) Fiscal Liabilities and Assigns Survey
- b) Foreign Liabilities and Assets Survey
- c) Firm Liabilities and Assets Survey
- d) Fiscal Liabilities and Assets Survey
- e) Foreign Liabilities and Assigns Survey

Q.39) FPI is the entry of funds into a country where foreigners deposit money in a country's bank or make purchases in the country's stock and bond markets sometimes for Speculation. What is the abbreviation of FPI?

- a) Foreign Postal Investment

- b) Foreign Provident Investment
- c) Foreign Portfolio Influence
- d) Foreign Portfolio Interest
- e) Foreign Portfolio Investment

Q.40) MD Mallya has been appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of ICICI Bank, recently. He was the former chairman of _____.

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) Indian Bank
- c) Indian Overseas Bank
- d) Canara Bank
- e) Vijaya Bank

Q.41) FRBMA is used to institutionalize financial discipline, reduce India's fiscal deficit, improve macroeconomic management and the overall management of the public funds by moving towards a balanced budget and strengthen fiscal prudence. What is the abbreviation of FRBMA?

- a) Firm Responsibility and Budget Management Act
- b) Fiscal Repository and Budget Management Act
- c) Foreign Responsibility and Budget Management Act
- d) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act
- e) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Monetary Act

Q.42) GFD is the excess of total expenditure including loans net of recovery over revenue receipts (including external grants) and non-debt capital receipts. What is the abbreviation of GFD?

- a) Gross Fixed Deposit
- b) Gross Fiscal Deficit
- c) Gross Focal Deficit
- d) Gross Fiscal Deposit
- e) Gross Fixed Deficit

Q.43) IFS is a compilation of financial data collected from various sources, covering over 200 countries worldwide, which is published monthly by the International Monetary Fund. What is the abbreviation of IFS?

- a) International Fiscal Statistics
- b) International Financial Survey
- c) International Financial Statistics
- d) Interior Financial Statistics
- e) Internal Financial Statistics

Q.44) IBRD is an international financial institution that offers loans to middle-income developing countries. What is the abbreviation of "R" in IBRD?

- a) Revolution
- b) Rapid
- c) Reinforcement
- d) Resource
- e) Reconstruction

Q.45) ICAR is an autonomous body responsible for co-ordinating agricultural education and research in India. What is the abbreviation of ICAR?

- a) Indian Council of Agricultural Reconstruction
- b) International Council of Agricultural Resource
- c) Indian Council of Agricultural Resource
- d) Indian Council of Agricultural Research
- e) International Council of Agricultural Research

Q.46) IFAD is an international financial institution and a Specialised agency of the United Nations dedicated to eradicating poverty and hunger in rural areas of developing countries. What is the abbreviation of "D" in IFAD?

- a) Distribution b) Degrade
c) Division d) Deployment
e) Development

Q.47) LAF is a monetary policy tool which allows banks to borrow money through repurchase agreements. What is the abbreviation of A in LAF?

- a) Loss b) Liquidity
c) Lubricant d) Liabilities
e) Least

Q.48) MSS is a monetary policy intervention by the RBI to withdraw excess liquidity (or money supply) by selling government securities in the economy. What is the abbreviation of MSS?

- a) Marginal Standardizing scheme
b) Market Stabilization Schedule
c) Marginal Stabilization Scheme
d) Money Stabilization Scheme
e) Market Stabilization Scheme

Q.49) OECD is a group of 37-member countries that discuss and develop economic and social policy. What is the abbreviation of "E" in OECD?

- a) Evolution b) Expert
c) Exchange d) Export
e) Economic

Q.50) National stock exchange is also known as _____

- a) DOW b) Index NZX 50
c) NASDAQ d) Nikkei
e) Nifty

Q.51) Name the index of Singapore stock exchange?

- a) Merval b) Shanghai
c) Sensex d) S & P 500
e) Straits

Q.52) _____ Exchange was incorporated under the recommendations of high powered Manohar J. Pherwani Committee.

- a) National Stock Exchange
b) Bombay Stock Exchange
c) London Stock Exchange
d) China Stock Exchange
e) Taiwan Stock Exchange

Q.53) Which of the following is the function of Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) ?

- a) To regulate the business of the stock market and other securities market
b) To prohibit insider trading in securities market
c) To promote and regulate the self-regulatory organisations
d) To prohibit fraudulent and unfair trade practices in securities market
e) All of the above

Q.54) Name the main benchmark of Mexican Stock Exchange is _____.

- a) MGSE b) Aex
c) DOW d) S&P 500
e) IPC

Q.55) What is Money Market?

- a) Is a market that trades in primary rather than the manufactured products.
b) Is a market where financial instruments with high liquidity and very short maturities are traded.
c) Is a form of risk management primarily used to hedge against the risk of a contingent, uncertain loss.
d) Is a global decentralised market for the trading of currencies.
e) Is the financial market for derivatives, financial instruments which are derived from other forms of assets

Q.56) _____ is a company that assigns credit ratings to institutions that issue debt obligations such as mortgage backed securities.

- a) Credit Rating Agency
b) International Cultivar Registration Authorities
c) Insurance Regulatory and development Authority
d) Credit Rating Information Services of India Limited
e) None of these

Q.57) FTSE 100 is the Stock Exchange of which of the following country?

- a) United States b) Taiwan
c) Singapore d) New Zealand
e) London

Q.58) AIFIs is a group composed of Development Finance Institutions and Investment Institutions that play a pivotal role in the financial markets.

In the term AIFIs, "F" stands for?

- a) Federation b) Federal
c) Fiscal d) Functional
e) Financial

Q.59) AMC is a company that invests its clients' pooled funds into securities that match declared financial objectives. What does AMC stands for?

- a) Authorised Money Changers
b) Asset Management Company
c) Authorised Money Capital
d) Authorised Market Company
e) Authorised Management Capital

Q.60) ANBC is a term used in defining the various targets under Priority Sector Lending. In the term ANBC, "N" stands for?

- a) National b) Net
c) Network d) Neutral
e) Number

Q.61) _____ is the financial market for derivatives, financial instruments like futures

contracts or options, which are derived from other forms of assets.

- a) Capital Market
b) Foreign Exchange Market
c) Insurance Market
d) Money Market
e) Derivative Market

Q.62) _____ is a financial market in which long-term debt (over a year) or equity-backed securities are bought and sold.

- a) Derivatives Market
b) Foreign Exchange Market
c) Capital Market
d) Insurance Market
e) Money Market

Q.63) TSX is the stock exchange of which of the following country?

- a) Singapore b) Canada
c) Taiwan d) UK
e) Netherlands

Q.64) ANSI is a private non-profit organization that oversees the development of voluntary consensus standards for products, services, processes, systems, and personnel in the United States. In the term ANSI, "A" stands for?

- a) American b) Asian
c) African d) Asset
e) Authorised

Q.65) APACS is to support the systems behind UK payments, such as Bacs, CHAPS and the Cheque and Credit Clearing Company. In the term APACS, "P" stands for?

- a) Payment b) Primary
c) Poverty d) Pacific
e) Portfolio

Q.66) APEC is a forum for 21 Pacific Rim member economies that promotes free trade throughout the Asia-Pacific region. In the term APEC, "E" stands for?

- a) External b) Electronic
c) Economic d) Enterprise
e) Exchange

Q.67) ARCIL, company, that offers services for the resolution of non-performing assets upon acquisition from banks and financial institutions in India. In the term ARCIL, "R" stands for?

- a) Reconstruction b) Regulation
c) Rate d) Risk
e) Ratio

Q.68) BACS became a wholly owned subsidiary of the new home for UK retail payments, the New Payment System Operator. In the term BACS, "A" stands for?

- a) Automatic b) Automated
c) Association d) Accounts
e) Additional

Q.69) BC are retail agents engaged by banks for providing banking services at locations other than

a bank branch/ATM. In the term BC, "B" stands for?

- a) Board
- b) Banking
- c) Balance
- d) Business
- e) Benefits

Q.70) _____ is a market that trades in primary economic sector rather than manufactured products.

- a) Commodity Market
- b) Capital Market
- c) Money Market
- d) Insurance Market
- e) Derivatives Market

Q.71) BCBS is the primary global standard setter for the prudential regulation of banks and provides a forum for regular cooperation on banking supervisory matters. In the term BCBS, "S" stands for?

- a) Supervision
- b) Services
- c) Section
- d) System
- e) Settlements

Q.72) BFS was constituted in November 1994 as a committee of the Central Board of Directors to exercise 'undivided attention to supervision'. In the term BFS, "F" stands for?

- a) Financial
- b) Fixed
- c) Foreign
- d) Federal
- e) Floating

Q.73) BIFR was an agency of the government of India, part of the Department of Financial Services of the Ministry of Finance. In the term BIFR, "I" stands for?

- a) Industrial
- b) International
- c) India
- d) Information
- e) Insurance

Q.74) CAAP the regulatory capital framework places increased emphasis on risk management and banks are required to employ suitable procedures and systems in order to ensure their capital adequacy. In the term CAAP, "C" stands for?

- a) Computer
- b) Capital
- c) Credit
- d) Clearing
- e) Customer

Q.75) Delhi Pathankot flight under UDAN scheme has been launched by which of the following minister to improve regional connectivity as per the UDAN?

- a) Vipin Parmar
- b) Suresh Prabhu
- c) Yogi Adityanath
- d) Rajnath Singh
- e) Piyush Goel

Q.76) BPLR is the rate at which commercial banks charge their customers who are most credit worthy. In the term BPLR, "P" stands for?

- a) Process
- b) Poverty
- c) Prime
- d) Payment
- e) processing

Q.77) BIS is an international financial institution owned by central banks which "fosters international monetary and financial cooperation

and serves as a bank for central banks". In the term BIS, "I" stands for?

- a) International
- b) Institutions
- c) Income
- d) Intelligence
- e) Inclusion

Q.78) CAMELS is a supervisory rating system originally developed in the U.S. to classify a bank's overall condition and it is applied to every bank and credit union in the U.S. In the term CAMELS, "S" stands for?

- a) Swaps
- b) Sensitivity
- c) Statistical
- d) Scientific
- e) Subsidiary

Q.79) CBLO is a money market instrument that represents an obligation between a borrower and a lender as to the terms and conditions of a loan. In the term CBLO, "B" stands for?

- a) Banking
- b) Based
- c) Bonds
- d) Borrowing
- e) Board

Q.80) CBN is a service provided by a group of networked bank branches where customers may access their bank account and perform basic transactions from any of the member branch offices. In the term CBN, "B" stands for?

- a) Banking
- b) Basel
- c) Bonds
- d) Board
- e) Benchmark

Q.81) CCF converts the amount of a free credit line and other off-balance-sheet transactions (with the exception of derivatives) to an EAD (exposure at default) amount. In the term CCF, "F" stands for?

- a) Foreign
- b) Financial
- c) Farmer
- d) Free
- e) Factor

Q.82) CCI is a statutory body of the Government of India responsible for enforcing the Competition Act, 2002 throughout India and to prevent activities that have an appreciable adverse effect on competition in India. In the term CCI, "I" stands for?

- a) International
- b) India
- c) Import
- d) Inclusion
- e) Income

Q.83) CCIL is a Central Counterparty (CCP) which was set up in April 2001 to provide clearing and settlement for transactions in Government securities, foreign exchange and money markets in the country. In the term CCIL, the first "C" stands for?

- a) Council
- b) Central
- c) Centralised
- d) Clearing
- e) Centre

Q.84) CDR mechanism is a voluntary non-statutory mechanism under which financial institutions and banks come together to restructure the debt of companies facing financial

difficulties due to internal or external factors, in order to provide timely support to such companies. In the term CDR, the "C" stands for?

- a) Corporate
- b) Commercial
- c) Council
- d) Central
- e) Computer

Q.85) CDs is a savings certificate with a fixed maturity date, specified fixed interest rate and can be issued in any denomination aside from minimum investment. In the term CDs, the "C" stands for?

- a) Certificate
- b) Corporate
- c) Central
- d) Cash
- e) Council

Q.86) CFMS, is a system set up, operated and maintained by the Reserve Bank of India hereinafter referred to as the 'Bank' to enable operations on current accounts maintained at various offices of the Bank, through standard message formats in a secure manner. In the term CFMS, the "F" stands for?

- a) Funds
- b) Floating
- c) Free
- d) Fixed
- e) Farmer

Q.87) CHAPS was originally established in London by the Bankers Clearing House in February 1984, transferring to the CHAPS and Town Clearing Company Limited in December 1985. In the term CHAPS the "H" stands?

- a) House
- b) Human
- c) Held
- d) Horse
- e) Hindu

Q.88) CHIPS is a United States private clearing house for large-value transactions by 2015 it was settling well over US\$1.5 trillion a day in around 250, 000 interbank payments in cross border and domestic transactions. In the term CHIPS the "I" stands for?

- a) Interbank
- b) Internal
- c) Intensive
- d) Indirect
- e) Indian

Q.89) CIBIL is a credit information company operating in India. It maintains credit files on 600 million individuals and 32 million businesses. In the term CIBIL the "C" stands for?

- a) Capital
- b) Cost
- c) cash
- d) Credit
- e) Chief

Q.90) CMA means that certain, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Manager and the Borrower, as amended, modified, waived, supplemented, restated or replaced from time to time in a manner approved by the Administrative Agent. In the term CMA the "C" stands for?

- a) Collateral
- b) Capital
- c) Corporate
- d) Company
- e) Cash

Q.91) CNP transaction is a payment card transaction made where the cardholder does not or cannot physically present the card for a merchant's visual examination at the time that an order is given, and payment effected. In the term CNP the "C" stands for?

- a) Card
- b) Capital
- c) Credit
- d) Chief
- e) Central

Q.92) CPs is an unsecured, short-term debt instrument issued by a Corporation, typically for the financing of accounts receivable, inventories and meeting short-term liabilities. In the term CPs the "C" stands for?

- a) Commercial
- b) Chief
- c) Customer
- d) Committee
- e) Capital

Q.93) CRAR is a standard metric to measure balance sheet strength of banks. In the term CRAR the second "R" stands for?

- a) Ratio
- b) Relationship
- c) Reserve
- d) Risk
- e) Rate

Q.94) CSIR was established by the Government of India in 1942 is an autonomous body that has emerged as the largest research and development organisation in India. In the term CSIR the "C" stands for?

- a) Capital
- b) Council
- c) Central
- d) Convertible
- e) Contract

Q.95) CSO is a responsible for coordination of statistical activities in India, and evolving and maintaining statistical standards. In the term CSO the "C" stands for?

- a) Central
- b) Council
- c) Company
- d) Core
- e) Computer

Q.96) CWO was established during 1957 to provide logistics support to the agricultural sector. In the term CWO the "W" stands for?

- a) Warehousing
- b) World
- c) Whole sale
- d) Wholly
- e) Working

Q.97) A DD is a negotiable instrument similar to a bill of exchange. What does DD stands for?

- a) Demand Draft
- b) Demand Data
- c) Draft Denomination
- d) Document Discriminator
- e) Data Description

Q.98) DFI or development bank is a financial institution which includes multilateral development banks, bilateral development banks, microfinance institutions, community development financial institution and revolving loan funds. What does DFI stands for?

- a) Direct Foreign Investment

- b) Development Financial Institutions
- c) Development Foreign Investment
- d) Depository Financial Institution
- e) Dougados Functional Index

Q.99) DFID is a United Kingdom government department responsible for administering overseas aid. The goal of the department is "to promote sustainable development and eliminate world poverty". What does DFID Stands for?

- a) Department for International Development
- b) Department of Foreign and International Development
- c) Division for International Development
- d) Department First Identification
- e) Department for Insurance Development.

Q.100) DICGC is a subsidiary of Reserve Bank of India, was established on 15 July 1978, for the purpose of providing insurance of deposits and guaranteeing of credit facilities. In the term DICGC the "D" stands for?

- a) Deposit
- b) Differential
- c) Derivative
- d) Domestic
- e) Debt

Q.101) DPG is issued by the bank at request of customer when he purchases goods or machineries from a creditor on the terms of payment after a specified time in lump sum or in instalments. In the term DPG the "D" stands for?

- a) Deferred
- b) Development
- c) Direct
- d) Deposit
- e) District

Q.102) In India (DP) is described as an Agent (law) of the depository. The relationship between the DPs and the depository is governed by an agreement made between the two under the Depositories Act. In the term DP the "P" stands for?

- a) Poverty
- b) Prime
- c) Processes
- d) Pacific
- e) Participants

Q.103) To facilitate the debt recovery involving banks and other financial institutions with their customers, DRTs were set up after the passing of Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act (RDBBFI), 1993. In the term DRT the "T" stands for?

- a) Tenure
- b) Trade
- c) Tax
- d) Tribunals
- e) Tariff

Q.104) In personal finance, DSCR refers to a ratio used by bank loan officers in determining debt servicing ability. In the term DSCR the "D" stands for?

- a) Debt
- b) Domestic
- c) Direct
- d) Directorate
- e) Differential

Q.105) DTA or DTZ means an area within India that is outside the Special Economic Zone.

Any area which is not under the jurisdiction of a custom bonded area is called a DTA. In the term DTA the "A" stands for?

- a) Agriculture
- b) Assets
- c) Action
- d) Area
- e) Action

Q.106) ECBs are loans in India made by non-resident lenders in foreign currency to Indian borrowers, to facilitate access to foreign money by Indian corporations and PSUs (public sector undertakings). In the term ECBs the "E" stands for?

- a) External
- b) Economic
- c) Exchange
- d) Export
- e) Earnings

Q.107) ECS is an electronic mode of funds transfer from one bank account to another. It can be used by institutions for making payments such as distribution of dividend interest, salary, pension, among others. In the term ECS the "S" stands for?

- a) Service
- b) Session
- c) Sector
- d) Software
- e) Systems

Q.108) The Directorate of Enforcement is a law enforcement agency and economic intelligence agency responsible for enforcing economic laws and fighting economic crime in India. In the term ED the "E" stands for?

- a) Environment
- b) External
- c) Enforcement
- d) Economic
- e) European

Q.109) EEFC is an account maintained in foreign currency with an authorised dealer i.e. a bank dealing in foreign exchange. In the term EEFC the "F" stands for?

- a) Floating
- b) Federal
- c) Fixed
- d) Foreign
- e) Food

Q.110) EFT is the electronic transfer of money from one bank account to another, either within a single financial institution or across multiple institutions, via computer-based systems, without the direct intervention of bank staff. What does EFT stands for?

- a) Emotionally focused therapy
- b) Emotional Freedom Techniques
- c) Electronic Fund Transfer
- d) Exchange Fund Transfer
- e) Exchange Freedom funds

Q.111) EFTA is a regional trade organization and free trade area consisting of four European states: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland. In the term EFTA the "T" stands for?

- a) Travel
- b) Trust
- c) Trade
- d) Tariff
- e) Tribunals

Q.112) Who has been appointed as MD & CEO of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance for five years?

- a) Rakesh Sharma
- b) N.S. Kannan
- c) P.S. Jayakumar
- d) Dinabandhu Mohapatra
- e) Sandeep Bakhshi

Q.113) Which of the following state government has launched "Ganga Hariteema Yojana" in 27 districts aims at enhancing green cover in catchment areas of river Ganga and control land erosion?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) West Bengal
- d) Karnataka
- e) Rajasthan

Q.114) Which of the following state government has announced 'water ATM policy' that aims to provide clean drinking water to people at public places in cities, through 'Water ATMs' at every 400 metres?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) West Bengal
- e) Rajasthan

Q.115) Which of the following ministry has launched the Uttar Pradesh Neem Project at Kathaura initiated by the Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited (GNFC) in vision to vision of Neem coated urea in the interest of millions of farmers of the country?

- a) Union minister of Finance
- b) Union minister of Commerce and Industry
- c) Union Cabinet Minister for Textile, Information & Broadcasting
- d) Union minister for External Affairs
- e) Union minister for Internal Affairs

Q.116) Balasubramanyam Sriram has been appointed the managing director and chief executive officer of IDBI Bank for a period of three months. Whom did he replace?

- a) Rajnish Kumar
- b) T C Venkat Subramanian
- c) Mahesh Kumar Jain
- d) Jai Kumar Garg
- e) Ashwani Kumar

Q.117) _____ is held in the currency of the country where money is on deposit.

- a) NRE account
- b) NRI account
- c) Demat account
- d) Nostro account
- e) Vostro account

Q.118) Which state government has launched the Rupashree scheme for marriage of poor girls?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Uttarakhand
- d) West Bengal
- e) Himachal Pradesh

Q.119) Punjab govt launched a mobile app named _____ under 'Mission Tandarust' to provide clean and fresh air to the people of Punjab as well as contribute towards improving the green cover in the state..

- a) DASTAK
- b) e-FRRO

- c) i-Hariyali
- d) NCBN
- e) GOBAR

Q.120) Samagra Shiksha scheme which aims at improving quality of education, using technology to empower children and teachers has been launched by which of the following ministry?

- a) Ministry of External Affairs
- b) Ministry of Science and technology
- c) Ministry of Women and Child Development
- d) Ministry of Urban Development
- e) Ministry of Human Resource Development

Q.121) Who has been appointed as the 4th deputy governor of the reserve bank of India?

- a) T C Venkat Subramanian
- b) Rajnish Kumar
- c) Ashwani Kumar
- d) Mahesh Kumar Jain
- e) S.S. Mundra

Q.122) OCI is an immigration status authorized for a foreign citizen of Indian origin to live and work in the Republic of India indefinitely. What is the abbreviation of "C" in OCI?

- a) Co-operative
- b) Citizenship
- c) Cumulative
- d) Credit

Q.123) Person of Indian origin is also called as _____.

- a) Overseas Indian
- b) Foreign Indian
- c) Foreign origin
- d) Senior Indian
- e) Foreign Overseas

Q.124) The Senior Citizen Saving Scheme or SCSS is a short-term government saving scheme meant for the Indian citizens of the age of more than _____ years.

- a) 65
- b) 60
- c) 55
- d) 70
- e) 50

Q.125) What is the maturity period of Sukanya Samridhi Yojana?

- a) 18 Years
- b) 25 Years
- c) 21 Years
- d) 22 Years
- e) 15 Years

Q.126) PPF is one of the best investment plans for the investors in which the lock-in period of investment is on the higher side, 15 years. What is the abbreviation of PPF?

- a) Public Provisional Fund
- b) Profit Provident Fund
- c) Public Profit Fund
- d) Provident Public Fund
- e) Public Provident Fund

Q.127) NSC is a popular investment scheme in which the interest offered under NSC is 7.6% currently, for April - June 2018. What is the abbreviation NSC?

- a) Native Service Certificate
- b) Native Savings Certificate
- c) National Savings Commission
- d) National Savings Certificate
- e) National Service Certificate

Q.128) Headquarters of Yes Bank is in _____

- a) Gurgaon
- b) Kolkata
- c) Bengaluru
- d) Delhi
- e) Mumbai

Q.129) KVP is a saving certificate scheme which was first launched in 1988 by India Post. What is the abbreviation of KVP?

- a) Kisan Vikas Plan
- b) Kisan Vikas Patra
- c) Koushal Vikas Patra
- d) Koushal Vilas Patra
- e) Kisan Vikas Portfolio

Q.130) _____ is a type of loan product having a cash credit limit with a fully savings module designed to take care of farmer's interest.

- a) Composite Cash Capital
- b) Composite Cash Credit
- c) Demand Cash Credit
- d) Deficit Cash Credit
- e) Composite Capital Credit

Q.131) _____ means term deposit for specific period but withdrawable on giving at least one complete banking days' notice.

- a) Demand deposit
- b) Bulk deposit
- c) Term deposit
- d) Time deposit
- e) Notice deposit

Q.132) _____ means a form of non-interest bearing demand deposit where from withdrawals are allowed any number of times depending upon the balance in the account or up to a particular agreed amount.

- a) Demand Account
- b) Bulk Account
- c) Foreign Account
- d) Current Account
- e) Fixed Account

Q.133) _____ is a financial instrument provided by banks or NBFCs which provides investors a higher rate of interest than a regular savings account, until the given maturity date

- a) Fixed Deposit
- b) Term Deposit
- c) Time Deposit
- d) Demand Deposit
- e) Bulk Deposit

Q.134) _____ accounts means a deposit received by the bank, which is withdrawable on demand.

- a) Fiscal Deposit
- b) Term Deposit
- c) Demand Deposits
- d) Demand Deficit
- e) Time Deposit

Q.135) _____ are investment deposits made for a predetermined period of time, ranging from a few months to several years.

- a) Fiscal Deficit
- b) Time Deficit
- c) Demand Deficit
- d) Demand Deposits
- e) Time Deposits

Q.136) What is the abbreviation of CASA in Banking Terms?

- a) Current Account Simple Account
- b) Capital Account Savings Account
- c) Central Account Statistical Account
- d) Current Account Savings Account
- e) Cash Account Savings Account

Q.137) The Union home ministry flagged off the e-FRRO scheme to expedite visa services for foreigners visiting India. What is the abbreviation of e-FRRO?

- a) e-Foreigners Rural Regional Office
- b) e-Foreigners Regional Registration Office
- c) e-Foreigners Registration Regional Office
- d) e-Foreigners Rural Registration Office
- e) e-Foreigners Registration Rural Office

Q.138) NRO Account refers to funds deposited with an Indian financial institution opened by an Indian national with the intention of becoming an NRI. What is the abbreviation of NRO?

- a) Non-Revenue Officer
- b) Non-Residential Officer
- c) Non-Revenue Ordinary
- d) Non-Residential Ordinary
- e) Non-Residential Origin

Q.139) Name the scheme has launched by State Finance Minister Jayant Malliya in Indore, Madhya Pradesh to encourage cashless transactions in the state, recently.

- a) Mission 41 k
- b) Arogya Raksha
- c) Swachh survekshan
- d) Digital Dakiya
- e) Aanandan Scheme

Q.140) NSC, is an Indian Government Savings Bond, primarily used for small savings and income tax saving investments in India. What is the abbreviation of "S" in NSC?

- a) Small
- b) Service
- c) Savings
- d) Simple
- e) Supreme

Q.141) What is the tagline of Punjab National bank?

- a) Honours Your Trust
- b) Good People to Grow
- c) Where Every Individual is committed
- d) The Name You Can Bank upon
- e) The Banker to Every Indian

Q.142) FCNR is a term deposit account that can be maintained by NRIs and PIOs in foreign currency. What is the abbreviation of FCNR?

- a) Financial Current Non-Residents Account
- b) Foreign Currency Non-Residents Account
- c) Foreign Currency Non-Repatriable account
- d) Financial Currency Non-Repatriable Account
- e) Financial Currency Non-Residents Account

Q.143) Headquarters of RBL Bank is in _____.

- a) Gurgaon
- b) Kolkata
- c) Mumbai
- d) New Delhi
- e) Chennai

Q.144) _____ is a term denoting a certain measure of the amount of money in a national economy and it used depending on the local practice.

- a) Liquid Money
- b) Broad Money
- c) Narrow Money
- d) Wide Money
- e) Call Money

Q.145) The Central Government of India is going to launch "Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)" in which of the following state, will provide free LPG gas connections to the eligible people of the state?

- a) Karnataka
- b) Gujarat
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Telangana
- e) West Bengal

Q.146) _____ is a category of money supply that includes all physical money such as coins and currency, demand deposits and other liquid assets held by the central bank.

- a) Liquid Money
- b) Call Money
- c) Narrow Money
- d) Borrow Money
- e) Board Money

Q.147) Name the scheme that has launched by Haryana government to address 10 issues, including cleanliness and pollution, in 46 developmental blocks of the state.

- a) Poshan Abhiyaan scheme
- b) Kusum scheme
- c) Laqshya scheme
- d) Parivartan scheme
- e) Khushi Scheme

Q.148) The Union Government has signed how much amount loan agreement with World Bank for National Nutrition Mission (POSHAN Abhiyaan) for 315 districts across all states and union territories.

- a) \$ 380 million
- b) \$ 220 million
- c) \$ 300 million
- d) \$ 250 million
- e) \$ 200 million

Q.149) In which of the following state the World's Largest Solar Park has launched, recently?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Karnataka
- c) Gujarat
- d) Rajasthan
- e) West Bengal

Q.150) Which of the following bank has approved \$700 million to help Bangladesh achieve its education for all vision by improving the primary education sector?

- a) New Development Bank
- b) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- c) Asian Development Bank
- d) The World Bank
- e) International Monetary Fund

Q.151) The IFC is an international financial institution that offers investment, advisory, and asset-management services to encourage private-sector development in developing countries. In the term IFC "C" stands for?

- a) Capital
- b) Corporation
- c) Currency
- d) Company
- e) Control

Q.152) IFCI, previously an Indian government owned development bank to cater to the long-term finance needs the industrial sector. In the term IFCI "F" Stands for?

- a) Finance
- b) Foreign
- c) Fiscal
- d) Fiscal

e) Fixed

Q.153) IFSC code is an alphanumeric code that is used to identify the particular branch of a participating bank in either of the popular electronic fund's settlement options in India, namely RTGS and NEFT. In the term IFSC "S" stands for?

- a) System
- b) Sample
- c) Survey
- d) Swaps
- e) Standard

Q.154) IIBI was established in 1971 by resolution of the Parliament of India u/s 617 of the Companies Act, with a view to converting the institution into a full-fledged development financial institution. In the term IIBI, "B" stands for?

- a) Bank
- b) Benefit
- c) Banking
- d) Based
- e) Balance

Q.155) IMF is an international organization that aims to promote global economic growth and financial stability, to encourage international trade, and to reduce poverty. In the term IMF "I" stands for?

- a) International
- b) Indian
- c) Integrated
- d) Internal
- e) Initial

Q.156) IRA can open an individual retirement account with a financial services firm, such as a bank, brokerage firm, or investment company, as custodian. In the term IRA "R" stands for?

- a) Rating
- b) Retirement
- c) Registration
- d) Regulatory
- e) Rural

Q.157) ISO is an international standard-setting body composed of representatives from various national standards organizations, to promote worldwide proprietary, industrial and commercial standards. In the term ISO "O" stands for?

- a) Organisation
- b) Operation
- c) Origin
- d) Outcome
- e) Overseas

Q.158) The INFINET is the communication backbone of the Indian Banking and Financial Sector, which caters mainly to inter-bank applications like RTGS, Delivery Vs Payment, Government Transactions, Automatic Clearing House, etc. In the term INFINET "F" stands for?

- a) Financial
- b) Free
- c) Floating
- d) Foreign
- e) Forward

Q.159) IPO or stock market denotes when a private company or corporation raises investment capital by offering its stock to the public for the first time. In the term IPO, "P" stands for?

- a) Public
- b) Payment
- c) Provider
- d) Patra

e) Process
 Q.160) HDFC Life (HDFC Standard Life Insurance Company) is a long-term life insurance provider with its headquarters in Mumbai, offering individual and group insurance. In the term HDFC, "H" stands for?
 a) Housing b) Head
 c) Held d) Heritage
 e) Human
 Q.161) HTM securities refer to debt securities which an investor holds until maturity. In the term HTM "M" stands for?
 a) Maturity b) Margin
 c) Minimum d) Merchant
 e) Magnetic
 Q.162) The HUDCO is a government-owned corporation in India, wholly owned by the Union Government and is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation. In the term HUDCO "U" stands for?
 a) Urban b) Undivided
 c) Universe d) Union
 e) Unit
 Q.163) IBA has formed for development, coordination and strengthening of Indian banking, and assist the member banks in various ways including implementation of new systems and adoption of standards among the members. In the term IBA, "B" stands for?
 a) Banks b) Basel
 c) Basic d) Benefit
 e) Banking
 Q.164) Name the scheme launched by Assam government which aims to make quality health care affordable to every individual member of a family in the state.
 a) Saubhagya b) Van Dhan Scheme
 c) Atal-Amrit Abhiyan d) Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar
 e) Pravasi Pension
 Q.165) IBPC are instruments issued by scheduled commercial banks only to raise funds or to deploy short term surplus. In the term IBPC "I" stands for?
 a) Inter b) Internal
 c) Interest d) Insurance
 e) Intermediate
 Q.166) The ICAI is the national professional accounting body of India. In the term ICAI "C" stands for?
 a) Card b) Chartered
 c) Capital d) Credit
 e) Certificate
 Q.167) ICAAP provides details of how the bank assesses its individual capital needs and manages its capital position. In the term ICAAP "I" stands for?
 a) Internal b) Insurance

c) Instrument d) Investment
 e) Individual
 Q.168) ICICI Bank is an Indian multinational banking and financial services company headquartered in Mumbai, Maharashtra. In the term ICICI the first "I" stands for?
 a) Industrial b) Infrastructure
 c) Institute d) Indian
 e) Investment
 Q.169) ICRA is an Indian independent and professional investment information and credit rating agency. In the term ICRA, "R" stands for?
 a) Rating b) Regional
 c) Rate d) Return
 e) Rural
 Q.170) A GDR is a bank certificate issued in more than one country for shares in a foreign company. In the term GDR "G" stands for?
 a) General b) Gross
 c) Global d) Graphics
 e) Government
 Q.171) FRRO is a mandatory requirement by the Government of India under which all foreign nationals (excluding overseas citizens of India) visiting India on a long-term visa (more than 180 days) are required to register themselves with a Registration Officer within 14 days of arriving in India. In the term FRRO, second "R" stands for?
 a) Regional b) Registration
 c) Regulation d) Resident
 e) Regular
 Q.172) GIC of India is a state-owned enterprise in India. It was the sole reinsurance company in the Indian insurance market until the insurance market was open to foreign reinsurance players by late 2016. In the term GIC "C" stands for?
 a) Corporation b) Credit
 c) Customer d) Card
 e) Centre
 Q.173) GNP is an estimate of total value of all the final products and services turned out in a given period by the means of production owned by a country's residents. In the term GNP, "P" stands for?
 a) Public b) Private
 c) Product d) Produce
 e) Popular
 Q.174) The ICSID is an international arbitration institution established in 1966 for legal dispute resolution and conciliation between international investors. In the term ICSID, "C" stands for?
 a) Centre b) Company
 c) Character d) Capital
 e) Corporation
 Q.175) IDBI is an Indian government-owned financial service company, headquartered in Mumbai. IDBI was established as a subsidiary of

RBI (Reserve Bank of India). In the term IDBI, "I" stands for ?
 a) Investment b) Industrial
 c) Indian d) Institute
 e) Integrated
 Q.176) IDR is a financial instruments that allow different companies to mobilize funds from Indian markets by offering entitlement to foreign equity and getting instead on Indian stock exchanges. In the term IDR, "D" stands for?
 a) Depository b) Dealer
 c) Dues d) Domestic
 e) Development
 Q.177) The IDRBT is a unique institution exclusively focused on Banking Technology, established by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in 1996. In the term IDRBT, "R" stands for?
 a) Resource b) Receipt
 c) Research d) Requirement
 e) Recognition
 Q.178) The IDFC Bank is an Indian banking company with headquarters in Mumbai that forms part of IDFC, an integrated infrastructure finance company on 6 November 2015. In the term "D" stands for?
 a) Development b) Division
 c) Depository d) Discipline
 e) Default
 Q.179) GATT's primary purpose was to increase international trade by eliminating or reducing various tariffs, quotas and subsidies while maintaining meaningful regulations. What does GATT Stands for?
 a) General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
 b) General Agreement on Trades and Tariffs
 c) General Assignment on Trades and Tariffs
 d) General Arrangement on Tariffs and Trade
 e) Ghana Association on Tariffs and Trade
 Q.180) FSS is special application software that records all the financial activity within a business organization. In the term FSS, "F" stands for?
 a) Financial b) Field
 c) Fixed d) Functional
 e) Federal
 Q.181) The state government of Karnataka has announced the launch of Karnataka Arogya Bhagya Scheme to provide _____.
 a) free of cost viral load testing for 12 lakh PLHIV on treatment
 b) facility of electricity power to each house
 c) information on education and offer guidance to students
 d) inputs for conservation, cultivation and technology
 e) free medical help for over 14 million families in the state
 Q.182) FIP is the RBI designed financial inclusion measures to be implemented by commercial

banks to provide banking services in unbanked villages. In the term FIP, "P" stands for?

- a) Plan
- b) Process
- c) Prices
- d) Payment
- e) Point

Q.183) A (FIs) is a company engaged in the business of dealing with financial and monetary transactions, such as deposits, loans, investments and currency exchange. In the term FI, "F" stands for?

- a) Financial
- b) Floating
- c) Free
- d) Farmer
- e) FERA

Q.184) A FII is an investor or investment fund registered in a country outside of the one in which it is investing. In the term FII, "F" stands for?

- a) Foreign
- b) Financial
- c) Force
- d) Funds
- e) Facility

Q.185) FIMMDA is a voluntary market body for the bond, Money and Derivatives Markets. In the term FIMMDA "D" stands for?

- a) Derivatives
- b) Deposit
- c) Direct
- d) Domestic
- e) Development

Q.186) The FERA was legislation passed in India in 1973 that imposed strict regulations on certain kinds of payments, the dealings in foreign exchange forex and securities and the transactions which had an indirect impact on the foreign exchange and the import and export of currency. In the term FERA, "R" stands for?

- a) Regular
- b) Regulation
- c) Rate
- d) Regional
- e) Registration

Q.187) FCNRA account that can be opened with an Indian bank by a non-resident Indian or a person of Indian origin in foreign currency is FCNR account. In the term FCNRA, "F" stands for?

- a) Foreign
- b) Fixed
- c) Free
- d) Floating
- e) Federal

Q.188) The FDIC is an independent federal agency insuring deposits in U.S. banks and thrifts in the event of bank failures. In the term FDIC, "I" stands for?

- a) Insurance
- b) Investment
- c) Inclusion
- d) Intelligence
- e) Import

Q.189) A FDI is an investment in the form of a controlling ownership in a business in one country by an entity based in another country. What does FDI Stands for?

- a) Foreign Direct Investment
- b) Foreign Detection Investment
- c) Foreign Direct Index
- d) Foreign Deferred Investment
- e) Foreign Direct Information

Q.190) FD is a financial instrument provided by banks or NBFCs which provides investors a higher rate of interest than a regular savings account, until the given maturity date. In the term FD, "F" stands for?

- a) Fixed
- b) Foreign
- c) Financial
- d) Facility
- e) Forward

Q.191) Which state government has announced Mukhyamantri Mahila Kosh Scheme on the occasion of International Women's Day, will provide pension to all such women who are single (unmarried) after they turn 50 years of age?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Gujarat
- c) Karnataka
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- e) Maharashtra

Q.192) FCD is a type of debt security in which the whole value of the debenture is convertible into equity shares at the issuer's notice. In the term FCD, the "C" stands for?

- a) Credit
- b) Capital
- c) Coverage
- d) Convertible
- e) Contract

Q.193) FCCB is a type of convertible bond issued in a currency different than the issuer's domestic currency. In the term FCCB the "B" stands for?

- a) Basel
- b) Bonds
- c) Board
- d) Banks
- e) Benefit

Q.194) FCA are quite simply assets that are valued based on a currency other than the firm's "home" currency. In the term FCA the "C" stands for?

- a) Currency
- b) Capital
- c) Convergence
- d) Corporation
- e) Contract

Q.195) The FATF, also known by its French name, Grouped 'action financière (GAFI), is an intergovernmental organization founded in 1989 on the initiative of the G7 to develop policies to combat money laundering. In the term, FATF the "A" stands for?

- a) Agriculture
- b) Action
- c) Asset
- d) Account
- e) Association

Q.196) Exim Bank of India is the premier export finance institution of the country that seeks to build value by integrating foreign trade and investment with the economic rise of India. In the term Exim, the "E" stands for?

- a) Economic
- b) Export
- c) European
- d) Equated
- e) Electronic

Q.197) An ETF, is a marketable security that tracks an index, a commodity, bonds, or a basket of assets like an index fund. Unlike mutual funds, an ETF trades like a common stock on a stock exchange. In the term ETF, the "F" stands for?

- a) Fund
- b) Fixed
- c) Foreign
- d) Farmer
- e) Foreign

Q.198) EPS is the portion of a company's profit allocated to each outstanding share of common stock. In the term EPS, the "S" stands for?

- a) Share
- b) Service
- c) Sector
- d) Software
- e) Systems

Q.199) An (EMI) is defined as a fixed payment amount made by a borrower to a lender at a specified date each calendar month. In the term EMI, the "E" stands for?

- a) Equated
- b) Enforcement
- c) Electronic
- d) Equally
- e) Enforcement

Q.200) EFTPOS is an electronic payment system involving electronic funds transfers based on the use of payment cards, such as debit or credit cards, at payment terminals located at points of sale. In the term EFTPOS, the "T" stands for?

- a) Transfer
- b) Tariff
- c) Trading
- d) Travel
- e) Tribunals

SIMPLIFICATION

Q.1) 20% of 240+54% of 20-20% of 360= (?) - 15

- a) 1.8 b) 2.4 c) 5.6
d) 2.8 e) 1.2

Q.2) $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{6}{7} \times \frac{15}{19} \times (?) = 96$

- a) 234 b) 254 c) 266
d) 276 e) 289

Q.3) $\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{6}{11} \times \frac{14}{15} \times \frac{33}{72} \times 120 = (?)$

- a) 15 b) 18 c) 21
d) 16 e) 12

Q. 4) What value should come in place of the question mark (?) in the given question.

$$\frac{84 \times 456}{2 \times \sqrt{1296}} = (?)^3 + \sqrt{\frac{50 \times 288}{36}}$$

- a) 7 b) 9 c) 11
d) 6 e) None of these

Q.5) 15% of 34600+ 27% of 11500+ 32% of 46600= (?)

- a) 23207 b) 24208 c) 15208
d) 23407 e) 23702

Q.6) 23% of 26300+ 13% of 29000 =18% of (?)

- a) 56450 b) 55540 c) 56250
d) 55450 e) 54550

Q.7) $\frac{221 \times 779}{13 \times 19} + 3 = 7 \times (?)$

- a) 43 b) 97 c) 100
d) 102 e) 104

Q.8) 2.321 + 5.212 + 16.563 + 0.904 = (?)²

- a) 30 b) 25 c) 6
d) 5 e) 4

Q.9) $13 \times 3 + 1^{700} + 2^{697-699+4} = \left\{ \frac{180}{12} - (12 \times 3 - 20 - 3) \right\} \times (?)$

- a) 22 b) 32 c) 44
d) 72 e) 91

Q.10) 45+20% of 800+200= x

- a) 425 b) 405 c) 395
d) 410 e) 450

Q.11) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} = x - \frac{1}{16}$

- a) 1 b) 2 c) $\frac{15}{16}$
d) $\frac{14}{16}$ e) $\frac{17}{16}$

Q.12) 400+150+200+300 = x- 1200

- a) 2150 b) 2250 c) 2500
d) 2400 e) 2000

Q.13) $\sqrt{17 \times 13 + 29 + 150} = x$

- a) 21 b) 19 c) 22
d) 18 e) 20

Q.14) 15% of 200 + 20% of 400 - 35% of 200 = x

- a) 80 b) 70 c) 10
d) 20 e) 40

Q.15) 120% of 200 + 400 + $\sqrt{3600} = x$

- a) 500 b) 600 c) 700
d) 800 e) 1000

Q.16) 240×2+300×4+150×3 = x

- a) 2240 b) 2430 c) 2230
d) 2130 e) 2530

Q.17) 25% of 800+ 30% of 1000 = x+40% of 300

- a) 480 b) 360 c) 380
d) 350 e) 400

Q.18) $1\frac{1}{3} + 2\frac{2}{9} - 3\frac{1}{6} + 4\frac{2}{9} = x$

- a) $3\frac{7}{18}$ b) $7\frac{11}{18}$ c) $6\frac{13}{18}$
d) $5\frac{1}{2}$ e) $4\frac{11}{18}$

Q.19) 350 + 400+ 45% of 2000 = x+700

- a) 900 b) 950 c) 800
d) 750 e) 1000

Q.20) $\frac{2}{7}$ of 1596 × 4 = $\frac{1}{2}$ of ?

- a) 3217 b) 3648 c) 3898
d) 3649 e) 3684

Q.21) 5376 ÷ 12 ÷ ? = 64

- a) 21 b) 14 c) 49
d) 7 e) 3

Q.22) 128 × 15 ÷ 5 + 2² = ?

- a) 388 b) 324 c) 389
d) 402 e) 412

Q.23) $8\frac{1}{3} \times 2\frac{2}{5} \times ? = 12$

- a) $\frac{4}{5}$ b) $\frac{2}{3}$ c) $\frac{3}{5}$
d) $\frac{3}{7}$ e) $\frac{4}{7}$

Q.24) $\sqrt{784} \times 3 - 80 \div 16 \times ? = 632$

- a) -141.6 b) 109.6 c) 116.9
d) -112.5 e) -109.6

Q.25) ? = (22×5) + (12×10) - (4×15)

- a) 140 b) 170 c) 180
d) 165 e) 290

Q.26) ? = 15% of 120-22% of 150+11% of 200

- a) -4 b) 9 c) 11
d) 7 e) 37

Q.27) 2⁷ = 64 ÷ 32 × 8 ÷ 16

- a) 1 b) 2 c) 0
d) -1 e) None of these

Q.28) ? = $2\frac{3}{5} + 1\frac{2}{5} + 3\frac{7}{10}$

- a) $7\frac{7}{10}$ b) $6\frac{7}{10}$ c) $7\frac{9}{10}$
d) $8\frac{1}{10}$ e) None of these

Q.29) ? = $\frac{\frac{1}{8} \times 88}{\frac{2}{3} \times 33} + (11 \times 2)$

- a) 22 b) 23 c) 28
d) 16 e) 26

Q.30) 15+?=12+434-182+46-35

- a) 280 b) 255 c) 260
d) 275 e) None of these

Q.31) ? = $\frac{\sqrt{64 \times \sqrt{36}}}{\sqrt[3]{8}} \times \sqrt{16}$

- a) 48 b) 96 c) 84
d) 56 e) 78

Q.32) $\frac{2}{2} = (2.5 \times 18) + \left(\frac{14}{\sqrt{4}}\right) - 3^2$

- a) 44 b) 52 c) 74
d) 86 e) 96

Q.33) ? = 18% of 350 + 15% of 180 + 12% of 50

- a) 82 b) 96 c) 74
d) 98 e) 72

Q.34) ? = $\frac{(23+4^2) \times (12-3^2)}{4^2 - (5 \times 3)}$

- a) 121 b) 119 c) 117

d) 115 e) None of these

Q.35) $\frac{221 \times 2}{\sqrt{289}} = (?) \times (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 3)$

- a) 8 b) 10 c) 6
d) 2 e) 12

Q.36) 150% of 2000+10% of 21870= (?) +2111

- a) 3012 b) 3016 c) 3076
d) 3011 e) 3009

Q.37) 1.987 + 2.9854+ 2.7654+38765 +876 + 0.2622 = (?)

- a) 31245 b) 31256 c) 39649
d) 45793 e) 23454

Q.38) $(3 \times 3 - \sqrt{25}) \times (?) = (19.5 \times 22) + (14.5 \times 8) + (167.25 \times 4)$

- a) 303.5 b) 203.5 c) 120
d) 300 e) 40

Q.39) $\sqrt{14400} \times 1.5 - \sqrt{14641} \times \frac{3}{11} = (?) + 9^2 - 1$

- a) 77 b) 66 c) 65
d) 78 e) 67

Q.40) 2188 + 6374 - 637 + 2313 = ? - 321 + 1234

- a) 7325 b) 8788 c) 9325
d) 9725 e) 5677

Q.41) 28% of 250 + 12% of 200 - 34% of 550 = ?

- a) 81 b) 82 c) -87
d) 99 e) -93

Q.42) 13 × 14 × 15 ÷ 3 × 4 × 5 = ? × 100

- a) 189 b) 177 c) 182
d) 191 e) 197

Q.43) 27 ÷ (9 ÷ 3) × 11 + 234 - 412 = ? - 122

- a) -199 b) -201 c) 58
d) 198 e) 43

Q.44) 0.234 + 1.234 + 0.555 - 2.55 + 24 = ? + 0.473

- a) 27 b) 32 c) 34
d) 23 e) 26

Q.45) $\sqrt{529} + \sqrt{576} - \sqrt{361} \times 2 = ?$

- a) 8 b) 9 c) 38
d) 27 e) 13

Q.46) 11% of 2300 + 15% of 440 × $\sqrt{196} = ? + 177$

- a) 1134 b) 1210 c) 1354
d) 1000 e) 1177

Q.47) $\frac{34}{42} \times \frac{15}{17} \times \frac{21}{18} \times 84 = ?$

- a) 89 b) 77 c) 85
d) 90 e) 70

Q.48) $2\frac{1}{4} + 5\frac{1}{7} - 1\frac{3}{8} + 2\frac{11}{14} = ?$

- a) $8\frac{15}{56}$ b) $8\frac{45}{56}$ c) $7\frac{25}{58}$
d) $9\frac{14}{47}$ e) $8\frac{21}{38}$

Q.49) 2 × 12 × 22 × 3 - 1212 = ?

- a) 327 b) 381 c) 314
d) 372 e) 311

Q.50) 55% of 980 × 75% of 680 + 60% of 990 ÷ 60% of 90 = ? - $\frac{5}{9}$ of 162 ÷ $\frac{5}{2}$ of 36

- a) 274368 b) 274902 c) 274911
d) 274132 e) None of these

Q.51) $3\frac{2}{5} + 1\frac{4}{15} - 10\frac{5}{9} - 13^2 + 12^2 + \frac{1}{9} = ? + \frac{20}{45}$

- a) -45 b) -39 c) -34
d) -31 e) None of these

Q.52) $\frac{(0.96+2.38)^3}{0.96^2 + 2.38^2 + 1.92 \times 2.38} = ? - 10.66 - 5.66 + 3.66$

- a) 18 b) 15 c) 21
 d) 16 e) None of these
- Q.53) $26\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{2}{5}\% \text{ of } 1500 - \frac{12}{5}\% \text{ of } 775 = ?$
 a) 1789 b) -2891 c) -1789
 d) 1879 e) None of these
- Q.54) $1850 + \sqrt{3136} \div \sqrt[3]{64} = ? - 259$
 a) 2123 b) 1605 c) 2145
 d) 1679 e) None of these
- Q.55) $\sqrt{256 - (196 \times \frac{3}{4})} + ? = 12$
 a) 32 b) 35 c) 36
 d) 38 e) 30
- Q.56) $25\% \text{ of } 20\% \text{ of } 15\% \text{ of } (?) = 3$
 a) 400 b) 420 c) 540
 d) 320 e) 280
- Q.57) $(4\frac{1}{5} - 3\frac{2}{7}) \times \frac{7}{8} = (?)$
 a) 0.5 b) 0.1 c) 0.8
 d) 0.6 e) 1.2
- Q.58) $\frac{3}{7} \text{ of } \frac{4}{17} \text{ of } \frac{7}{13} \text{ of } (?) = 84$
 a) 1456 b) 1678 c) 1580
 d) 1547 e) 1356
- Q.59) $4(100 \times (?) - 20) = 20\% \text{ of } 120$
 a) 0.26 b) 0.24 c) 0.28
 d) 0.32 e) 0.42
- Q.60) $\frac{3}{10} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times (?) = 75$
 a) 3225 b) 3250 c) 3125
 d) 3520 e) 3525
- Q.61) $35\% \times (3\frac{2}{5} + 4\frac{2}{7}) = (?)$
 a) 2.58 b) 3.24 c) 2.56
 d) 3.12 e) 2.69
- Q.62) $(\sqrt{\frac{676 \times 625}{169}}) \times (?)\% = 10$
 a) 25 b) 20 c) 30
 d) 36 e) 40
- Q.63) $\frac{11}{17} \times \frac{13}{19} \times (?) = 143$
 a) 332 b) 356 c) 342
 d) 323 e) 312
- Q.64) $2\% \text{ of } 5\% \text{ of } 7\% \text{ of } 100000 = (?)$
 a) 5 b) 2 c) 9
 d) 10 e) 7
- Q.65) $11^2 + 13^2 \times 7^2 - ? = 28^2 \div \sqrt[3]{343}$
 a) 8210 b) 8274 c) 7860
 d) 8290 e) None of these
- Q.66) $\frac{\sqrt{7921} + \sqrt{6241}}{168} = ?$
 a) 0 b) 12 c) 15
 d) 25 e) 1
- Q.67) $20\% \text{ of } 285 - 16\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{8}{9} \text{ of } 261 - \frac{9}{8} \text{ of } 216 = ?$
 a) 6 b) -5 c) -4
 d) 9 e) -11
- Q.68) $1114 + 114.1 + 141.4 - 11.41 - 111.4 = ? - 11.14$
 a) 1275.38 b) 1257.83 c) 1345.43
 d) 1354.34 e) None of these
- Q.69) $2015 \div 155 + 7 + ?^2 = 69$
 a) 49 b) 14 c) 7
 d) 12 e) 54

- Q.70) $15\% \text{ of } 200 + 20\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 120 = x$
 a) 61.6 b) 71.6 c) 81.6
 d) 91.6 e) None of these
- Q.71) $5\frac{1}{5} + 7\frac{2}{5} + 13\frac{3}{5} = x$
 a) 26.2 b) 28.2 c) 36.2
 d) 38.2 e) None of these
- Q.72) $7.04 + 18.06 + 5.90 + 12.5 = x$
 a) 40.5 b) 41.5 c) 42.5
 d) 43.5 e) None of these
- Q.73) $\frac{40}{8} + \frac{54}{9} + \frac{70}{10} + \frac{88}{11} = x$
 a) 16 b) 26 c) 36
 d) 46 e) None of these
- Q.74) $5.5 \times 2 + 6.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 4 + 33 = x$
 a) 85 b) 90 c) 95
 d) 100 e) None of these
- Q.75) $555.5 + 444.4 + 111.1 = x$
 a) 1115 b) 1110 c) 1111
 d) 1112 e) None of these
- Q.76) $3^x \times 81 \times 27 = 3^{19}$
 a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
 d) 15 e) None of these
- Q.77) $\frac{5}{8} \text{ of } 120 + \frac{8}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{4}{9} \text{ of } 81 = x$
 a) 202 b) 201 c) 200
 d) 199 e) None of these
- Q.78) $153 + 224 + 333 - 55 = x$
 a) 650 b) 655 c) 660
 d) 665 e) None of these
- Q.79) $12\% \text{ of } 50 + 10\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 150 = x$
 a) 54 b) 52 c) 50
 d) 48 e) None of these
- Q.80) $25\% \text{ of } 2500 + 12.5\% \text{ of } 6800 + (?) = 39^2$
 a) 40 b) 43 c) 29
 d) 46 e) 48
- Q.81) $\frac{779}{19} + \frac{1147}{31} + \frac{2303}{47} - 2 = (?)^3$
 a) 3 b) 4 c) 5
 d) 6 e) 7
- Q.82) $\frac{\sqrt{1849}}{731} \times 391 + \sqrt{3^2 - 2^2 - 1} = (?)^2$
 a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
 d) 5 e) 6
- Q.83) $1.234 + 3.543 + 6.765 + 87.65 + (?) = (2.5 + 1.2 \times 4 + 1.2 + 1.5)^2$
 a) 0.807 b) 0.808 c) 0.765
 d) 0.864 e) None of these
- Q.84) $350 \times 2 + 1.2 \times 5 + 6.2 \times 5 + 1.5 \times 2 = (?)\% \text{ of } 2000$
 a) 39% b) 27% c) 37%
 d) 20% e) 23%
- Q.85) $12^2 + 23^2 \times 1.25 - 18^2 = ?$
 a) 422.45 b) 481.25 c) 438.75
 d) 323.25 e) 429.50
- Q.86) $1\frac{2}{5} + 5\frac{7}{2} - 6\frac{5}{6} + 2\frac{1}{3} = ?$
 a) $4\frac{9}{5}$ b) $5\frac{29}{32}$ c) $3\frac{5}{6}$
 d) $5\frac{2}{5}$ e) None of these
- Q.87) $1.5 \times 3.2 \times 7.5 + 23.5 + ? = 304 + 2.5$
 a) 367 b) 289 c) 247
 d) 234 e) 310

- Q.88) $\frac{\sqrt{2916}}{24} \times \frac{316}{27} \div \frac{16}{219} \times 128 = ?$
 a) 42936 b) 42019 c) 41920
 d) 41490 e) 46136
- Q.89) $165 + 14.5 \times 4 + ? = 198 + 28$
 a) 3 b) 5 c) 11
 d) 12 e) 9
- Q.90) $4\frac{1}{9} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \div 20\frac{23}{16} \times 1\frac{36}{111} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times x = 16$
 a) 11 b) 9 c) 10
 d) 8 e) 12
- Q.91) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times x^3$
 a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
 d) 5 e) 6
- Q.92) $\frac{5}{11} \text{ of } \frac{2}{17} \text{ of } 3\frac{6}{15} \text{ of } 1\frac{5}{17} \text{ of } x = 2452$
 a) 10450 b) 10241 c) 10330
 d) 10660 e) None of these
- Q.93) $2\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{36}{15} + x = 4$
 a) 3.5 b) 4 c) 3
 d) 2 e) 2.5
- Q.94) $(128 \div 8) \times (1\frac{1}{5} + 4\frac{4}{5}) + 44 \times \frac{13}{1456} \times 112 = 2x$
 a) 43 b) 92 c) 70
 d) 40 e) None of these
- Q.95) $\sqrt{256} = x^2 - 224 + 180 \div 12$
 a) 25 b) 225 c) 15
 d) 625 e) None of these
- Q.96) $\frac{210}{15} \times \frac{176}{8} \div \frac{5}{60} \times \frac{221}{17} = x$
 a) 48268 b) 48048 c) 48008
 d) 48028 e) None of these
- Q.97) $2 \times (\frac{1}{16})\% \text{ of } 2400 - (\frac{3}{15})\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$
 a) 10 b) 3 c) 5
 d) 1 e) None of these
- Q.98) $25\% \text{ of } 360 + 15\% \text{ of } 220 - 140 \times \frac{2}{7} - 20 = x$
 a) 53 b) 73 c) 63
 d) 68 e) None of these
- Q.99) $105 \times 1335 \div \sqrt{225} = x + \sqrt{169}$
 a) 9342 b) 9332 c) 9164
 d) 9316 e) None of these
- Q.100) $256 + \sqrt{529} - 15 \times 12 = ? + 72$
 a) 34 b) 56 c) 72
 d) 48 e) 27
- Q.101) $\frac{1}{3} \times 987 + 15\% \text{ of } 940 + ? = 267$
 a) 203 b) 213 c) -203
 d) -222 e) -237
- Q.102) $345 + 543 + 453 + 354 = ?$
 a) 1659 b) 1695 c) 1879
 d) 1873 e) 1768
- Q.103) $1854.5 + 984.75 + 1171.23 - ? = 565.48$
 a) 3545 b) 3354 c) 3544
 d) 3445 e) 3454
- Q.104) $12 \div 4 \times 24 + \sqrt{1764} = ? \times 4$
 a) 25.5 b) 32.4 c) 28.5
 d) 29.7 e) 43.6
- Q.105) $\sqrt{552 + (8 \times 3)} + 346 + 432 + 246 + (?) = 1089$
 a) 35 b) 32 c) 41
 d) 38 e) 25

- Q.106) $\frac{102}{17} \times \frac{156}{13} + \sqrt{9\frac{1}{81} - \frac{1}{81}} = (?)$
 a) 72 b) 75 c) 70
 d) 65 e) 76
- Q.107) $1\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{2}{5} + \sqrt{\left(3\frac{1}{289} - \frac{9 \times 3}{289}\right)} + \frac{15}{17} = (?)$
 a) 4 b) 5 c) 2
 d) 3 e) 1
- Q.108) $133.242 + 1314.24 + 144.21 + 244.35 + 1413.53 - 0.572 = (?)$
 a) 3249 b) 2455 c) 3246
 d) 4326 e) 3454
- Q.109) $\frac{\sqrt{676}}{36} \times \frac{\sqrt{1024}}{\sqrt{169}} \times (6 \times 3) + 1431 + 34 = (?)$
 a) 1498 b) 1232 c) 1499
 d) 1525 e) None of these
- Q.110) $12^2 \times \frac{2}{18} + \sqrt[3]{14884} + (?) = (6.5 \times 2)^2$
 a) 41 b) 39 c) 21
 d) 31 e) 11
- Q.111) $12 \times 12.5 + 18 \times (?) = (19 + 1)^2 + (16.25 \times 4)$
 a) 16.5 b) 18.5 c) 17.5
 d) 12.5 e) 10.5
- Q.112) $\frac{221}{21} \times \frac{567}{17} - (?) = 18^2$
 a) 37 b) 18 c) 9
 d) 3 e) 27
- Q.113) $2.334 + 54.24 + 45.24 - (?) = 8.23 + 21.32 + 10.45 + 0.814$
 a) 82 b) 62 c) 61
 d) 16 e) 59
- Q.114) $\sqrt[3]{4913} + (23.324 + 4324.24 + 313.3 - 0.864) = (?)$
 a) 4698 b) 4688 c) 4378
 d) 4677 e) 4489
- Q.115) $\sqrt{6724} \times 1.5 - \sqrt{12321} \times \frac{7}{2} + 29^2 - 1 = x$
 a) 564.5 b) 574.5 c) 546.5
 d) 585.5 e) 486.5
- Q.116) $x = 52^2 + 3 \times 2 + 4000 \div 2$ of 25% of 1600
 a) 2155 b) 2715 c) 2615
 d) 2705 e) None of these
- Q.117) $x = (69.3 \times 15.2) + (4.5 \times 18.5) + (7.25 \times 44)$
 a) 1355.61 b) 1445.61 c) 1455.61
 d) 1545.61 e) 1544.61
- Q.118) Simplify the following and find the Z+X

$$X=4 \quad Y=2 - \left(\frac{\frac{1}{3 + \frac{1}{x - \frac{1}{5 + \frac{1}{6 - \frac{1}{2}}}}}}{\frac{Z}{2633}} \right) = Y \times (X + 2.101 + 0.202 + 12.101 - 3.202 - 5.101 - 6.101)$$

 a) 1826 b) 4459 c) 17840
 d) 16836 e) Data insufficient
- Q.119) Simplify the following and find the Z + X.

$$X = \text{remainder of } (6^{6^{6^{6^{\dots}}}}) \div 10$$

$$Y = X \times \left(\frac{1}{1 \times 2} + \frac{1}{2 \times 3} + \frac{1}{3 \times 4} + \frac{1}{4 \times 5} + \dots + \frac{1}{99 \times 100} \right) \quad Z \times Y = \left(Y + \frac{3}{50} \right) \times 297$$

- a) 506 b) 526 c) 306
 d) 566 e) 286
- Q.120) $\left(\frac{16\frac{15}{47} \times 39\frac{45}{82} \times 53\frac{9}{71} \right) = x \times \left(\frac{1296}{11664} \times \frac{15}{14} \times \frac{1106}{395} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1476 \times 1633 \times 141} \right)$
 a) 18 b) 21 c) 24
 d) 16 e) None of these
- Q.121) $\frac{78\% \text{ of } 8900}{9^{1.5-7+(\frac{7}{2})+3}} + 126 + 6^4 + 7^3 - 8^4 - (9 \times 7)^1 = \frac{3^{\left(\frac{3}{4} + 0.5 + 1.25\right) + 2.5 + 1}}{x \cdot 3^{\left(1.5 + \frac{1}{2} + 2.5\right) + 0.5}} + 98^2 - 109^2$
 a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
 d) 15 e) None of these.
- Q.122) 20% of 1500+15% of 1700+12% of 2000-25% of 1000+ 13×7+0.005
 a) 576.006 b) 636.005 c) 742.007
 d) 876.972 e) None of these
- Q.123) $x = \frac{(1775)^3 - (1225)^3}{(1775)^2 + 1775 \times 1225 + (1225)^2}$
 a) 3000 b) 500 c) 400
 d) 550 e) None of these
- Q.124) $16^4 \div 4^4 \times 2^8 = 2^x \div 32^2 \times 2^4$
 a) 25 b) 19 c) 20
 d) 21 e) None of these
- Q.125) 30% of 200+2/3 of 300- $\frac{4}{5}$ × 1000=?
 a) +540 b) 320 c) -540
 d) 320 e) none of these
- Q.126) $30.8 + 2.20 + 3.00 \times 6 \times 1 = 18 \times ?$
 a) 2.733 b) 3 c) 2.533
 d) 3.53 e) 2.833
- Q.127) $\frac{18.5}{5} + \frac{24}{6} - \frac{10.5}{5} = \frac{?}{8} + \frac{19}{20}$
 a) 42.8 b) 37.2 c) 54.8
 d) 52.8 e) None of these
- Q.128) $(\sqrt{8} + 13)^2 = ? + 3\sqrt{841} + 113$
 a) $51\sqrt{2} - 10$ b) $52\sqrt{2} - 23$ c) $52\sqrt{2} - 30$
 d) $51\sqrt{2} + 30$ e) None of these
- Q.129) 78% of 1680+65% of 1740+123% of 1500=?
 a) 4286.4 b) 4186.4 c) 4276.4
 d) 4186 e) None of these
- Q.130) $32^2 + 89^2 + 17^2 = 15^2 + 23^2 + 49^2 + ?$
 a) 6089 b) 5089 c) 6079
 d) 5079 e) None of these
- Q.131) $\frac{1}{7} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{9} - 2\frac{1}{3} + 4\frac{7}{5} = ?$
 a) $5\frac{101}{315}$ b) $4\frac{101}{315}$ c) $5\frac{110}{315}$
 d) $6\frac{110}{315}$ e) None of these
- Q.132) $0.\bar{6} + 0.\bar{7} + 0.\bar{9} + 0.\bar{69} = ?$
 a) $3\frac{1}{2}$ b) $\frac{34}{99}$ c) 2.131313
 d) 3.141414 e) None of these
- Q.133) $\frac{11}{30} - \left[\frac{1}{6} + \left[\frac{1}{5} + \left[\frac{7}{12} - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) \right] \right] \right] = ?$
 a) 1.5 b) -1.5 c) 1
 d) 0 e) None of these
- Q.134) $\frac{3}{11} \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} \right) \dots \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{120} \right) \right] = ?$
 a) 121 b) 11 c) 10.6
 d) 7.82 e) None of these

- Q.135) If $X = 2 + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1+\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} \right)}$ then the value of $4x + \frac{7}{3} = ?$
 a) 11 b) 34/3 c) $11\frac{2}{3}$
 d) 5 e) None of these
- Q.136) If $a - b = 3$ and $a^2 + b^2 = 29$, find the value of ab .
 a) 10 b) 12 c) 15
 d) 18 e) None of these
- Q.137) $35 \times \sqrt{324} \div 7 - 73 = ? - \sqrt{16641}$
 a) 119 b) 128 c) 146
 d) 136 e) None of these
- Q.138) $(\sqrt{100})^2 + (\sqrt{9})^3 = ?$
 a) 50 b) 25 c) 127
 d) 225 e) 175
- Q.139) $8000 \div (5 \times 2) + 774 - 191.667 \times 3 = ?$
 a) 1000 b) 1280 c) 1180
 d) 1080 e) 1500
- Q.140) $\sqrt{225} \times \sqrt{64} \times 2 \times 11 = ?$
 a) 4150 b) 2640 c) 3005
 d) 1250 e) 2050
- Q.141) $(749 - \sqrt{105625} - 124) \div (\sqrt{1572516} - 1104) = ?$
 a) 2 b) 4 c) 6
 d) 8 e) 12
- Q.142) $x^2 + 16 - 2^2 + 68 = 9^2$, find the value of $X?$
 a) 3 b) 2 c) 1
 d) 5 e) 6
- Q.143) $\frac{(4^2 + 3^2)}{5} = \sqrt{?}$
 a) 4 b) 25 c) 5
 d) 16 e) 369
- Q.144) $1.01 + 3.03 + 2.02 + 4.04 + 5.05 = ?$
 a) 15.05 b) 12.05 c) 15.15
 d) 14.15 e) 16.45
- Q.145) $\frac{4x+6}{5x+6} = \frac{11}{13}$ find the value of $X?$
 a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
 d) 3 e) 2
- Q.146) 17% of 300 is $\frac{1}{3}$ of X , then find out the value of 10% of $X?$
 a) 5.13 b) 15.6 c) 51.3
 d) 15.3 e) 31.5
- Q.147) $1513 + 4513 - 2513 - 1753 = x \times 2$, find the value of $x?$
 a) 740 b) 880 c) 450
 d) 720 e) 680
- Q.148) $\left(\frac{1}{7} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6} \right)$ of 42 = ?
 a) 73 b) 97 c) 67
 d) 69 e) 86
- Q.149) $11^2 + \sqrt{25} - 26 = X^2$ find the value of $X?$
 a) 11 b) 9 c) 12
 d) 7 e) 10
- Q.150) $\frac{15}{16} \times \frac{16}{17} \times \frac{17}{18} \dots \dots \dots \frac{179}{180} = ?$
 a) $\frac{1}{15}$ b) $\frac{1}{10}$ c) $\frac{1}{8}$
 d) $\frac{1}{12}$ e) $\frac{1}{20}$
- Q.151) $21 \times 14 \div 3 + 12 - 21 = ?$
 a) 99 b) 89 c) 79
 d) 69 e) 59

- Q.152) $21 \times 11 + 4 - 8 \times 16 \div 4 = ?$
 a) 203 b) 213 c) 224
 d) 209 e) 229
- Q.153) $15 \times 15 + 15 \div 15 - 15 + 115 = ?$
 a) 316 b) 327 c) 326
 d) 314 e) 321
- Q.154) $\sqrt{2601} \times 64 \div \sqrt{64} = ? \times \frac{12}{13}$
 a) 421 b) 467 c) 431
 d) 442 e) 458
- Q.155) $13\% \text{ of } 200 - 2.5\% \text{ of } 1000 \times 12\% \text{ of } 50 = ? - 125$
 a) 5 b) 1 c) 0
 d) 8 e) 9
- Q.156) $4321 + 4433 - 2434 + 431 - 417 - 488 = ?$
 a) 5836 b) 5386 c) 5766
 d) 5846 e) 5486
- Q.157) $2.5^2 + 1.6^2 + 1.4^2 - 2.7^2 = ?$
 a) 18.06 b) 34.8 c) 3.48
 d) 42.9 e) 4.29
- Q.158) $\frac{42}{462} \times \frac{7}{49} \times \frac{98}{4} \times \frac{22}{14} \times 6 = ?$
 a) 3 b) 4 c) 6
 d) 7 e) 8
- Q.159) $11\% \text{ of } 200 + 45\% \text{ of } 60 - 8\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
 a) 43 b) 38 c) 31
 d) 29 e) 39
- Q.160) $32 + 4378 - 322 \div 2 \times 3 + \sqrt{841} = ?$
 a) 3896 b) 3998 c) 4023
 d) 4189 e) 3956
- Q.161) $\frac{11}{13} \times 104 - \frac{11}{27} \times 108 + \frac{5}{6} \times 336 = ?$
 a) 334 b) 324 c) 312
 d) 342 e) 326
- Q.162) $? = 14\% \text{ of } 350 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ of } 270 - 11\% \text{ of } 300$
 a) 112 b) 216 c) 196
 d) 262 e) 242
- Q.163) $? = (1.2 \times 25) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times 32\right) + (3.5 \times 22)$
 a) 82.6 b) 81.4 c) 71.4
 d) 84.1 e) 82.1
- Q.164) $? = \sqrt[3]{64} \div \sqrt{256} \times 8^2 \times \frac{1}{2^2}$
 a) 4 b) 1 c) 3
 d) 2 e) 5
- Q.165) $? = \left(\frac{24}{16} \times \frac{9}{15} \times \frac{8}{12} \times \frac{45}{27}\right)$
 a) 6 b) 7 c) 1
 d) 3 e) 4
- Q.166) $\frac{7}{4} = (12 + 35) \times (12^2 - (18 \times 7))$
 a) 3384 b) 3128 c) 3484
 d) 3834 e) None of these
- Q.167) $? = 2\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{7}{8} + \frac{22}{4} + \frac{25}{8}$
 a) $12\frac{3}{4}$ b) $9\frac{1}{2}$ c) $10\frac{1}{8}$
 d) $9\frac{1}{8}$ e) $11\frac{1}{8}$
- Q.168) $? = 13 \times \frac{91}{7} - 3 \times 13$
 a) 160 b) 132 c) 128
 d) 130 e) None of these
- Q.169) $? = \frac{5^3 - 12^2 + 7^2 - 11^2}{\sqrt{4}}$
 a) 42.5 b) -44.5 c) -45.5
 d) 90 e) -85
- Q.170) $23\% \text{ of } 200 + ? = 25\% \text{ of } 480 + 160\% \text{ of } 50 + 125\% \text{ of } 10$
 a) 166.5 b) 154.4 c) 168.2
 d) 186.6 e) 156.6
- Q.171) $? = \frac{\frac{12 \times 60}{18} \times 132 \times \frac{4}{6}}{\frac{15}{17} \times 51}$
 a) 136 b) 614 c) 138
 d) 126 e) 128
- Q.172) $\frac{201}{67} \times 12 + 18\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
 a) 78 b) 81 c) 62
 d) 71 e) 80
- Q.173) $2.5 \times 3.5 \times 1.5 \times 26 = ? + 0.25$
 a) 339 b) 382 c) 341
 d) 388 e) 321
- Q.174) $13 + 12^2 - 11 + 8^3 - 33 = ?^2$
 a) 225 b) 625 c) 5
 d) 25 e) 15
- Q.175) $15 \times 4 \div 20 + 156 - 13 \times 5 = ?$
 a) 99 b) 97 c) 78
 d) 81 e) 94
- Q.176) $5\frac{4}{9} + 3\frac{2}{9} + 8\frac{5}{9} - 7\frac{7}{9} = ?$
 a) $5\frac{8}{9}$ b) $5\frac{1}{3}$ c) $4\frac{2}{3}$
 d) $7\frac{3}{9}$ e) $9\frac{4}{9}$
- Q.177) $56\% \text{ of } 650 + 87\% \text{ of } 200 - 21\% \text{ of } 800 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 = ?$
 a) 377 b) 376 c) 328
 d) 388 e) 387
- Q.178) $\frac{13}{17} \times 51 + \frac{4}{9} \times 144 - \frac{2}{3} \times 51 + 111 = ?$
 a) 172 b) 154 c) 180
 d) 159 e) 150
- Q.179) $4555 + 8646 + 231 - 5436 - 21 + 54 = ?$
 a) 8123 b) 8029 c) 7929
 d) 7156 e) 8213
- Q.180) $\frac{1}{68} \times \frac{16}{21} \times \frac{7}{5} \times \frac{45}{4} \times 289 = ?$
 a) 51 b) 53 c) 49
 d) 62 e) 57
- Q.181) $1.29 + 12.9 + 19.2 - 29.1 - 0.92 \times 2 = ?$
 a) 3.55 b) 2.45 c) 1.25
 d) 2.50 e) 4.15
- Q.182) $20\% \text{ of } 300 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 + 10\% \text{ of } 80 = x$
 a) 66 b) 76 c) 86
 d) 96 e) None of these
- Q.183) $9.09 + 6.08 + 12.07 + 15.05 = x$
 a) 42.29 b) 43.29 c) 44.29
 d) 45.29 e) None of these
- Q.184) $8\frac{1}{6} + 9\frac{5}{6} + 5\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{1}{2} = x + \frac{7}{6}$
 a) 24 b) 35 c) 32
 d) 25 e) None of these
- Q.185) $2.5 \times 4 + 3.5 \times 2 + 4.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 8 = x$
 a) 97 b) 98 c) 99
 d) 100 e) None of these
- Q.186) $\frac{24}{6} + \frac{141}{3} + \frac{84}{4} + \frac{75}{5} = x$
 a) 82 b) 83 c) 84
 d) 85 e) None of these
- Q.187) $11.11 + 22.22 + 33.67 + 44 = x$
 a) 99 b) 110 c) 111
 d) 112 e) None of these
- Q.188) $4^3 \times 256 \times 4 = 4^{2x}$
 a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
 d) 7 e) None of these
- Q.189) $\frac{30}{6} \text{ of } 4 + \frac{4}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{45}{9} \text{ of } 5 = x$
 a) 85 b) 75 c) 79
 d) 89 e) None of these
- Q.190) $182 + 222 - 121 + 252 = x$
 a) 565 b) 535 c) 545
 d) 525 e) None of these
- Q.191) $20\% \text{ of } 225 + 12\% \text{ of } 750 + 18\% \text{ of } 300 = x$
 a) 184 b) 185 c) 186
 d) 187 e) None of these
- Q.192) $30\% \text{ of } 1500 + 40\% \text{ of } 3700 + 19\% \text{ of } 7000 = x$
 a) 3380 b) 3170 c) 3260
 d) 3340 e) 3080
- Q.193) $2000 \times 15 + 4500 \times 2 = x + 15000$
 a) 26000 b) 20000 c) 18000
 d) 16000 e) 24000
- Q.194) $1000 + 1500 + 2500 - 10\% \text{ of } 20000 = x$
 a) 1500 b) 2000 c) 2500
 d) 3000 e) 3500
- Q.195) $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{8} + \frac{17}{16} - \frac{3}{16} = x$
 a) $\frac{3}{4}$ b) $\frac{5}{4}$ c) $\frac{7}{4}$
 d) $\frac{3}{2}$ e) None of these
- Q.196) $78 \times 2 + 44 \times 3 - 27 \times 5 = x$
 a) 157 b) 151 c) 159
 d) 153 e) 149
- Q.197) $10000 + 1400 \times 5 + 20\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$
 a) 17200 b) 17020 c) 19200
 d) 19020 e) 18200
- Q.198) $25\% \text{ of } 3000 + \frac{45}{15} \times 1200 = x$
 a) 4530 b) 5430 c) 4350
 d) 4450 e) 4250
- Q.199) $1200 + 2500 + 5400 + 7500 + 8400 + x = 30000$
 a) 4000 b) 3000 c) 2000
 d) 8000 e) 5000
- Q.200) $70\% \text{ of } 25000 + 150 \times 20 - 10000 = x$
 a) 10000 b) 11500 c) 9500
 d) 12000 e) 10500
- Q.201) $1\frac{1}{4} + 3\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - 4\frac{3}{8} = x$
 a) $1\frac{5}{8}$ b) $2\frac{3}{8}$ c) $1\frac{1}{8}$
 d) $2\frac{5}{8}$ e) $3\frac{3}{8}$
- Q.202) $(1296 + (?)) \div 4 = 576$
 a) 1004 b) 1005 c) 1010
 d) 1008 e) 1020
- Q.203) $20\% \text{ of } (?) + 40\% \text{ of } 500 = 280$
 a) 200 b) 300 c) 400
 d) 240 e) 280
- Q.204) $1356 + 357 - 246 = 3755 - (?)$
 a) 2290 b) 2288 c) 2456
 d) 2480 e) 2454
- Q.205) $\frac{\sqrt{256}}{\sqrt[3]{512}} \times (154 - 131) = (?)$
 a) 45 b) 52 c) 46
 d) 64 e) 58

- Q.206) $((1334 + (?)) \div 3) + ((124 + 136) \div 4) = 695$
 a) 556 b) 473 c) 467
 d) 588 e) 548
- Q.207) $426 + 3713 + 241 + 2461 + (?) = 7023$
 a) 197 b) 164 c) 182
 d) 164 e) 146
- Q.208) $40\% \text{ of } 1920 + 60\% \text{ of } 3290 = (?)$
 a) 2632 b) 3286 c) 2742
 d) 2538 e) 3288
- Q.209) $\sqrt{21 + \sqrt{211 + \sqrt{196}}} = (?)$
 a) 5 b) 6 c) 4
 d) 7 e) 8
- Q.210) $\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{5}{7} \times 2625 = (?)$
 a) 679 b) 750 c) 684
 d) 890 e) 970
- Q.211) $2\frac{1}{3} - 6\frac{2}{5} + 7\frac{2}{7} = \frac{13^2}{7}$
 a) 51.5 b) 50.5 c) 52.5
 d) 54.5 e) 55.5
- Q.212) $15 \times 6 + 13 \times 5 - 17 \times 8 \div 2 = 29 \times ?$
 a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
 d) 5 e) 6
- Q.213) $35\% \text{ of } 420 + 46\% \text{ of } 250 - 30\% \text{ of } 140 = 20 \times ?$
 a) 15 b) 9 c) 7
 d) 13 e) 11
- Q.214) $5^2 \times 35^6 \times 7^3 \times 5 = 35^{11} \times 35^2$. Which of the following symbol will come on the place of question mark?
 a) \times b) $+$ c) $-$
 d) \div e) \pm
- Q.215) $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{14} + \frac{1}{2} - ? = 1$
 a) $\frac{15}{14}$ b) $\frac{2}{7}$ c) $\frac{13}{28}$
 d) $\frac{1}{56}$ e) $\frac{1}{4}$
- Q.216) $123.5 + 134.01 + 45.555 + 67.876 = ?$
 a) 370.491 b) 347.941 c) 370.941
 d) 379.041 e) 374.941
- Q.217) $14^2 + 12^2 - 15^2 + 7^3 = ? + 18^2$
 a) 136 b) 137 c) 135
 d) 134 e) 130
- Q.218) $0.1 + 0.12 + 0.123 + 0.1234 + 0.12345 = ?$
 a) 1.28685 b) 0.58985 c) 0.56595
 d) 0.58495 e) 1.24985
- Q.219) $-34 + 6^2 + 8^2 - 6 \times 8 = ?$
 a) 16 b) 19 c) 18
 d) 17 e) 21
- Q.220) $1.2 \times 5 + 4 \times 0.8 - 8 \div 0.4 = ?$
 a) 10.8 b) 11.8 c) -12.7
 d) 9.7 e) -10.8
- Q.221) $987 + 876 + 765 + 654 = 345 + 456 + 567 + 789 + ?$
 a) 890 b) 1125 c) 725
 d) 675 e) 925
- Q.222) $4591 + 3421 - 4531 - 6754 + x = 1$
 a) 3272 b) 3273 c) 3275
 d) 3276 e) 3274

- Q.223) $30\% \text{ of } 450 + 45\% \text{ of } 300 = 150\% \text{ of } X$, find the value of X?
 a) 160 b) 180 c) 240
 d) 270 e) 135
- Q.224) $25^2 + 45 + 33^2 = 1276 + x$
 a) 483 b) 484 c) 485
 d) 486 e) None of these
- Q.225) $\frac{(12 \times 13) + (13 \times 12)}{12} = x$
 a) 13 b) 169 c) 144
 d) 24 e) 26
- Q.226) Find $21 + 22 + 23 + 24 + \dots + 48 + 49 + 50$.
 a) 1065 b) 1025 c) 1115
 d) 655 e) None of these
- Q.227) $3\frac{1}{7} + 8\frac{2}{7} + 12\frac{3}{7} = x$
 a) 43.86 b) 33.86 c) 23.86
 d) 13.86 e) None of these
- Q.228) $22.22 + 88.88 + 55.55 + 45.55 = x$
 a) 212.2 b) 213.3 c) 214.4
 d) 215.5 e) None of these
- Q.229) $7^{2x} = 49 \times 343 \times 7^3$
 a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
 d) 4 e) None of these
- Q.230) $\frac{25}{28} \text{ of } 112 + \frac{22}{11} \text{ of } 25 + 12.5\% \text{ of } 400 = x$
 a) 250 b) 200 c) 150
 d) 100 e) None of these
- Q.231) $255 + 445 + 200 - 300 = x$
 a) 400 b) 500 c) 600
 d) 700 e) None of these
- Q.232) $? = 42\% \text{ of } 500 - 35\% \text{ of } 400 + 8\% \text{ of } 50$
 a) 88 b) 72 c) 74
 d) 81 e) 84
- Q.233) $8^7 = \frac{16}{64} \times 256 \times \frac{2^3}{4^2}$
 a) $2\frac{1}{3}$ b) $1\frac{2}{3}$ c) $2\frac{2}{3}$
 d) $2\frac{3}{5}$ e) None of these
- Q.234) $? = \frac{34 \times 12}{48 \times 2} \times \frac{15 \times 45}{3 \times 25}$
 a) 38.25 b) 41.55 c) 36.50
 d) 31.75 e) 41.75
- Q.235) $? = \sqrt{121} \times \frac{\sqrt{225}}{33} \times \sqrt{49}$
 a) 70 b) 35 c) 105
 d) 15 e) 65
- Q.236) $? = 33.03 + 133.33 - 333.33 + 1030.30$
 a) 813.33 b) 873.33 c) 893.03
 d) 843.33 e) 863.33
- Q.237) $? = \frac{4}{7} \text{ of } 77 + \frac{3}{10} \text{ of } 120 - \frac{2}{9} \text{ of } 108$
 a) 46 b) 96 c) 56
 d) 86 e) None of these
- Q.238) $? = \frac{3}{4}\% \text{ of } 1600 - \frac{2}{5}\% \text{ of } 2500 + \frac{11}{9}\% \text{ of } 900$
 a) 13 b) 11 c) 12
 d) 21 e) 14
- Q.239) $? = \frac{(4^3)^2}{16} \times \frac{96}{3 \div 27} \times \sqrt[3]{27}$
 a) 1436 b) 1156 c) 1186
 d) 1296 e) 1269
- Q.240) $? = \sqrt{16 + \sqrt{70 + \sqrt{117 + \sqrt{16}}}}$

- a) 25 b) 5 c) 4
 d) 7 e) None of these
- Q.241) $\frac{7^2}{2} = \frac{44}{11} \times \frac{128}{12^2} \times 3^4$
 a) 26 b) 576 c) 24
 d) 16 e) 36
- Q.242) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $\frac{98! \times 96! \times 109! \times 198!}{197! \times 95! \times 97! \times 108!} = 56448x$
 a) 3487 b) 3957 c) 3497
 d) 3597 e) None of these
- Q.243) Find the value of x and answer the given questions.
 $18 \times 99 \times 17 - 89.5\% \text{ of } 39000 = x - \frac{140275}{25}$
 a) 900 b) 1000 c) 2200
 d) 1250 e) 950
- Q.244) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $49 \frac{7}{198} \times \frac{94446}{87381} + \frac{12643}{269} = x$
 a) 90 b) 100 c) 220
 d) 250 e) 150
- Q.245) Find the value of x and answer the given question.
 $\frac{9^{7+7} + 9^{\frac{2}{8} + \frac{247}{504}}}{3^9} = 3^x$
 a) 10 b) 3 c) 0
 d) 9 e) 18
- Q.246) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $7845 - 9859.14 + 8945.94 + x = 23 \times 138 + \frac{2303}{47} + 45\% \text{ of } 9804$
 a) 803 b) 873 c) 773
 d) 793 e) 703
- Q.247) $\sqrt{676} \times 25 + 19 \times (4)^2 - 609 \div 29 = ?$
 a) 920 b) 933 c) 940
 d) 931 e) 900
- Q.248) $32 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \left(\frac{5}{7} \right)^2 \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$
 a) 5 b) 6 c) 7
 d) 8 e) 9
- Q.249) $50\% \text{ of } \{186 \div 3 \times 30 \div 6 \times 60 \div 12 + (34 \times 64)\} = ?$
 a) 1750 b) 1754 c) 1863
 d) 1850 e) 1650
- Q.250) $4\frac{1}{9} \times \frac{41}{2} \div 1\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{9}{41} \times (?) = 74$
 a) 8 b) 9 c) 10
 d) 11 e) 7

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ANSWER KEY:

1. (d), 2. (e), 3. (a), 4. (e), 5. (d), 6. (a), 7. (d), 8. (c), 9. (e), 10. (e), 11. (b), 12. (b), 13. (d), 14. (d), 15. (a), 16. (d), 17. (a), 18. (c), 19. (a), 20. (b), 21. (b), 22. (a), 23. (a), 24. (c), 25. (a), 26. (a), 27. (a), 28. (e), 29. (c), 30. (a), 31. (d), 32. (d), 33. (d), 34. (d), 35. (c), 36. (a), 37. (e), 38. (b), 39. (e), 40. (a), 41. (d), 42. (b), 43. (c), 44. (e), 45. (d), 46. (e), 47. (b), 48. (e), 49. (e), 50. (e), 51. (e), 52. (a), 53. (e), 54. (e), 55. (b), 56. (a), 57. (e), 58. (e), 59. (b), 60. (b), 61. (e), 62. (c), 63. (b), 64. (a), 65. (a), 66. (c), 67. (a), 68. (b), 69. (d), 70. (a), 71. (a), 72. (a), 73. (a), 74. (b), 75. (b), 76. (c), 77. (a), 78. (b), 79. (d), 80. (a), 81. (e), 82. (b), 83. (d), 84. (a), 85. (a), 86. (a), 87. (a), 88. (a), 89. (d), 90. (a), 91. (a), 92. (a), 93. (a), 94. (b), 95. (a), 96. (a), 97. (a), 98. (b), 99. (a), 100. (a), 101. (a), 102. (e), 103. (d), 104. (a), 105. (d), 106. (a), 107. (a), 108. (c), 109. (d), 110. (c), 111. (c), 112. (b), 113. (b), 114. (c), 115. (c), 116. (c), 117. (e), 118. (d), 119. (c), 120. (e), 121. (d), 122. (b), 123. (a), 124. (b), 125. (c), 126. (e), 127. (d), 128. (e), 129. (b), 130. (b), 131. (e), 132. (d), 133. (a), 134. (c), 135. (e), 136. (d), 137. (b), 138. (d), 139. (d), 140. (c), 141. (d), 142. (c), 143. (c), 144. (b), 145. (d), 146. (c), 147. (d), 148. (e), 149. (b), 150. (d), 151. (b), 152. (a), 153. (a), 154. (a), 155. (a), 156. (b), 157. (a), 158. (a), 159. (a), 160. (a), 161. (a), 162. (a), 163. (a), 164. (c), 165. (a), 166. (b), 167. (a), 168. (a), 169. (a), 170. (c), 171. (b), 172. (a), 173. (c), 174. (a), 175. (b), 176. (a), 177. (c), 178. (a), 179. (a), 180. (a), 181. (e), 182. (a), 183. (a), 184. (a), 185. (a), 186. (b), 187. (a), 188. (a), 189. (a), 190. (a), 191. (d), 192. (d), 193. (b), 194. (a), 195. (b), 196. (b), 197. (a), 198. (a), 199. (a), 200. (a)

SIMPLIFICATION

ANSWER KEY:

1. (a), 2. (c), 3. (d), 4. (e), 5. (a), 6. (e), 7. (c), 8. (d), 9. (a), 10. (b), 11. (a), 12. (b), 13. (e), 14. (e), 15. (c), 16. (d), 17. (c), 18. (e), 19. (b), 20. (b), 21. (d), 22. (a), 23. (c), 24. (e), 25. (b), 26. (d), 27. (c), 28. (a), 29. (e), 30. (c), 31. (b), 32. (d), 33. (b), 34. (c), 35. (d), 36. (c), 37. (c), 38. (a), 39. (e), 40. (c), 41. (e), 42. (c), 43. (e), 44. (d), 45. (b), 46. (d), 47. (e), 48. (b), 49. (d), 50. (b), 51. (d), 52. (d), 53. (c), 54. (a), 55. (b), 56. (a), 57. (c), 58. (d), 59. (a), 60. (c), 61. (e), 62. (b), 63. (d), 64. (e), 65. (d), 66. (e), 67. (a), 68. (b), 69. (c), 70. (c), 71. (a), 72. (d), 73. (b), 74. (e), 75. (c), 76. (a), 77. (d), 78. (b), 79. (d), 80. (d), 81. (c), 82. (d), 83. (b), 84. (c), 85. (b), 86. (d), 87. (c), 88. (e), 89. (a), 90. (d), 91. (a), 92. (e), 93. (a), 94. (c), 95. (c), 96. (b), 97. (d), 98. (c), 99. (b), 100. (e), 101. (c), 102. (b), 103. (d), 104. (c), 105. (c), 106. (b), 107. (d), 108. (a), 109. (e), 110. (d), 111. (c), 112. (e), 113. (c), 114. (d), 115. (b), 116. (b), 117. (c), 118. (c), 119. (c), 120. (a), 121. (b), 122. (b), 123. (d), 124. (e), 125. (c), 126. (e), 127. (b), 128. (b), 129. (a), 130. (c), 131. (b), 132. (d), 133. (d), 134. (b), 135. (c), 136. (a), 137. (c), 138. (c), 139. (a), 140. (b), 141. (a), 142. (c), 143. (b), 144. (c), 145. (a), 146. (d), 147. (b), 148. (d), 149. (e), 150. (d), 151. (b), 152. (a), 153. (c), 154. (d), 155. (b), 156. (d), 157. (c), 158. (a), 159. (d), 160. (e), 161. (b), 162. (c), 163. (b), 164. (d), 165. (c), 166. (a), 167. (b), 168. (d), 169. (c), 170. (a), 171. (e), 172. (b), 173. (c), 174. (d), 175. (e), 176. (e), 177. (d), 178. (c), 179. (b), 180. (a), 181. (b), 182. (c), 183. (a), 184. (d), 185. (b), 186. (e), 187. (c), 188. (a), 189. (d), 190. (b), 191. (e), 192. (c), 193. (e), 194. (d), 195. (c), 196. (d), 197. (a), 198. (c), 199. (e), 200. (e), 201. (c), 202. (d), 203. (c), 204. (b), 205. (c), 206. (a), 207. (c), 208. (c), 209. (b), 210. (b), 211. (c), 212. (b), 213. (e), 214. (d), 215. (a), 216. (c), 217. (d), 218. (b), 219. (c), 220. (e), 221. (b), 222. (e), 223. (b), 224. (a), 225. (e), 226. (a), 227. (c), 228. (a), 229. (d), 230. (b), 231. (c), 232. (c), 233. (b), 234. (a), 235. (b), 236. (e), 237. (c), 238. (a), 239. (d), 240. (b), 241. (c), 242. (d), 243. (b), 244. (b), 245. (d), 246. (e), 247. (b), 248. (d), 249. (c), 250. (e)