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Government Extends CLSS for MIG scheme till 31st march,2020:

- The Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs headed by Minister of State Hardeep S. Puri, extended the Credit-Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) for Middle Income Group (MIG) Scheme by another 12 months till March 31, 2020.
- Around 93, 007 beneficiaries have been covered till date and have already received Rs 1,960.45 crore of subsidy in the scheme under which the government provides a subsidy of up to Rs 2.67 lakh on home loans.
- The scheme covers two income segments in the MIG viz. Rs 6,00,001 to Rs 12,00,000 per annum for MIG-I and Rs 12,00,001 to Rs 18,00,000 per annum for MIG-II.

M Venkaiah Naidu conferred textiles awards in New Delhi:

- The Vice President of India, Shri M Venkaiah Naidu conferred awards 17 persons for their outstanding contribution in different fields of textiles sector during the day long 'National Conclave on Accomplishments and Way Forward for Textiles Sector' in New Delhi.
- During the ceremony Vice President, Shri Naidu was presented commemorative stamps on GI registered handicrafts.

Government sets up export promotion cell for MSMEs:

- Giriraj Singh, Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) informed the parliament that the MSME ministry has established an Export Promotion Cell with an aim to create a sustainable ecosystem for entire MSME development.
- Evaluation of readiness of MSMEs to export their products and services.
- Recognition of areas where improvements are required in order to be able to export effectively and efficiently.

Govt Releases 6-Crore LPG Connections under PMUY:

- The government gave out the 6-crore free cooking gas (LPG) connection as the scheme to make available cleaner fuel in every household kitchens under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY).

- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu handed over papers for an LPG connection to Jasmina Khatoon from Shivpark, Khanpur in New Delhi to mark the 6 crore LPG connections under PMUY.
- Beneficiaries will receive direct LPG subsidy through PAHAL (PratyakshaHastaantaritLaabh) digital payment scheme.

Parliament passes RTE Act amendment to abolish no detention policy:

- The Indian Parliament on January 3, 2018 passed the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018 that seeks to do away with the no-detention policy in schools.
- Under the current provisions of the Act, no student can be detained up to class VIII. The motion to pass the bill was accepted by voice vote in the upper house of the Parliament, the Rajya Sabha.
- The key aim behind the move is to rebuild the education system of the country, which is at present broken, as per the Union HRD Minister.

Rs 185 cr released since FY 2015-16 to enhance female literacy rate among Scheduled Tribes:

- The Centre has released around Rs 185 crore since financial year 2015-2016 to bridge the gap between literacy levels of tribal girls and the general female population.
- The scheme, being implemented through voluntary and non-governmental organisations, aims at reducing the dropout rate at the elementary level by creating the required ambience for the education of tribal girls.

Parliament passes National Council for Teacher Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018:

- The Indian Parliament passed the National Council for Teacher Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018, following the approval of the Rajya Sabha.
- The Bill seeks to amend the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) Act, 1993. The Bill was introduced by the Union Minister of Human Resource Development, Prakash Javadekar in Lok Sabha on December 18, 2017.
- The bill aims to grant retrospective recognition to Central and State institutions which had conducted teacher education courses

without approval by the Council. This will ensure that the future of about 17 thousand students having degrees from such institutions is secured.

Government Launches 'Swachh Survekshan 2019':

- Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister, Hardeep Singh Puri, launched the 'Swachh Survekshan 2019', the fourth edition of the annual nationwide cleanliness survey of urban India in New Delhi.
- The Swachh Survekshan 2019 aims to evaluate the achievements in the cleanliness level in urban areas of the country. It is launched as a part of 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan'.

Govt launches Green-Ag, GEF-assisted project, in partnership with FAO

- The Minister of State for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Shri Parshottam Rupala informed that the Government had launched a Global Environment Facility (GEF) assisted project namely, "Green - Ag: Transforming Indian Agriculture for global environment benefits and the conservation of critical biodiversity and forest landscapes" in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) during September, 2018.
- The project was launched in high-conservation-value landscapes of five States namely (i) Madhya Pradesh: Chambal Landscape, (ii) Mizoram: Dampa Landscape, (iii) Odisha: Similipal Landscape, (iv) Rajasthan: Desert National Park Landscape and v) Uttarakhand: Corbett-Rajaji Landscape.

Ministry of HRD constitutes a task force to look into the issue of JNV:

- The government has constituted a task force to look into the issues of suicides of the students in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas. The task force has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Psychiatrist, Dr Jitendra Nagpal.
- The task force will look into the circumstances leading to the suicidal deaths of students residing in the hostels of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas residential schools. It will also suggest ways and means to arrest the trend of suicides by students.

Govt Allocates Rs 10,900 Cr For Development Of 40 Satellite Launch Vehicles:

➤ According to **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** Chairman Dr K Sivan statement,the Union Government has allocated **10,900 crore rupees** for the development of 40 satellite launch vehicles in the next four years.

➤ Dr. Sivan also stated that **Chandrayan Mission** will be launched within **three months**. It will land in one part of the Moon which is still unexplored.

UGC decides to set up CARE to refine and strengthen research publication:

➤ **UGC** decides to set up **Consortium for Academic and Research Ethics (CARE)** to refine and strengthen research publication.

➤ UGC has constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. P. Balram, to review its quality mandate relating to promotion of Research and **to review the existing M.Phil/ Ph.D Regulations**.

➤ The good quality Research Journals in disciplines under Social Sciences, Humanities, Languages, Arts, Culture, Indian Knowledge Systems etc., will be maintained by CARE and referred to as 'CARE Reference List of Quality Journals'.

Lok Sabha passes "The DNA Technology (Use and Application) Regulation Bill – 2019":

➤ The Lok Sabha passed **"The DNA Technology (Use and Application) Regulation Bill, 2019"** by voice vote after a brief discussion.

➤ The Bill has been formulated recognizing the need for regulation of the use and application of **Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) technology**, for establishing identity of missing persons, victims, offenders, under trials and unknown deceased persons.

"Web- Wonder Women" Campaign launched to recognize Indian origin female drivers-of- change:

➤ **The Ministry of Women and Child Development**, Government of India, has launched an online campaign, **'#www: Web-WonderWomen'** to recognize the exceptional women who have been driving positive agenda of social change via social media.

➤ The partners of the campaign are: **Breakthrough and Twitter India**.

Indian Forest Service to be renamed as Indian Forest and Tribal Service: DoPT

➤ The **Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT)** proposed renaming of the **Indian Forest Service** as **Indian Forest and Tribal Service**.

➤ This was made after a directive from the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) suggested to do so.

Cabinet approves ST status to 6 Assam communities:

➤ Union Cabinet has approved **Scheduled Tribe (ST)** status to six communities of Assam.

➤ The communities that are proposed to be extended ST status include, Koch **Rajbongshi, Tai Ahom, Chutiya, Matak, Moran and the tea tribes**.

➤ The move came before the centre introduced the Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2019 in Lok Sabha, this amendment bill will give a status to the various tribal people

UDAN-3:Andaman to be first Island to operate seaplanes

➤ According to the **Ministry of Civil Aviation**, islands in **Andaman** will soon be connected by **seaplanes that can land on or take-off from the water**.

➤ under the **UdeDesh ka AamNagrik (UDAN)** scheme the government has approved flight operations on **13** water aerodrome routes in order to facilitate it.

IRCTC Partners with Bharti AXA General Insurance:

➤ **IRCTC- Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation**, the Railways' subsidiary, will offer insurance of up to **INR 50 lakh for free** for **air passengers** who book their tickets through its **portal**.IRCTC has tied up with **Bharti-Axa for the offer**.

➤ IRCTC has tied up with **Galileo**, a computer reservation system, for **powering the flight search engine**.

Bureau of Energy Efficiency and CPWD signed MoU for 5 years on promoting energy efficiency in buildings:

➤ The **Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)** and the **Central Public Works Department (CPWD)** signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on cooperation in building energy efficiency for five years.

➤ The MOU was signed by Shri Abhay Bakre, Director General, BEE and Shri Prabhakar Singh, Director General, CPWD.

➤ This MOU was in line with Government of India's vision **for achieving energy security, economic growth and environmental sustainability**.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan launched National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in New Delhi:

• The Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, **Dr. Harsh**

Vardhan launched National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in New Delhi.

• It will be a mid-term, five-year action plan with 2019 as the first year.

• It will be launched in the 43 smart cities falling in the list of the 102 non-attainment cities, under the Smart Cities program. Selection of 102 non-attainment cities identified with respect to 'Ambient Air Quality India' report of 2011-15 and WHO report of 2014-2018.

Ravi Shankar Inaugurates NIC Command & Control Centre at National Informatics Centre (NIC), New Delhi:

➤ **Ravi Shankar Prasad**,Minister for Electronics & IT and Law and Justice inaugurated **NIC's(National Informatics Centre)** Command & Control Centre (CCC) and Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence by NIC, it has stamina to transform societies in the regime of transparency and efficient governance.

➤ NIC as of now has **4 National Data Centres and 30 Mini Data Centres** across the country hosting over 10,000 e-Governance applications.

PM Releases Commemorative Coin of Rs. 350 To Mark Birth Anniversary of Guru Gobind Singh:

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi released a commemorative coin of **Rs. 350** in the national capital to mark the birth anniversary celebrations of **Guru Gobind Singh jee**.

➤ The Prime Minister was addressing a select gathering at his residence, 7 Lok Kalyan Marg after releasing the commemorative coin to mark the birth anniversary of Guru Gobind Singh jee.

US Launches New Innovation Initiative atRaisina Dialogue 2019:

➤ The **United States Chamber of Commerce's Global Innovation Policy Centre (GIPC)** launched an innovation initiative at the **Raisina Dialogue** in **New Delhi**.

➤ The initiative, titled **"Fair Value for Innovation"**, will examine economic underpinnings that would enable breakthrough innovation, and explore how policymakers can harness innovation capital in India and around the globe through research, advocacy, partnerships, and programs.

➤ "The promise of India's innovation ecosystem is real, and the U.S. industry has a stake in it," said Patrick Kilbride, Senior Vice President of GIPC.

Economic Quota Bill [103rd Constitution Amendment] Gets President's Assent:

➤ The President of India **Ram Nath Kovind**gave his assent to The Constitution (One

Hundred and Third Amendment) which aims to provide reservation in public employment and higher education for economically weaker sections.

➤ The Rajya Sabha had passed the **Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Amendment) Bill 2019**, which envisages giving up to 10% quota to economically weaker section. The Lok Sabha had passed the bill, the previous day, with 323 out of 326 MPs present voting in its favour.

Fifteenth Finance Commission to Visit Tripura:

➤ Furthering its dialogues with the different states of the country, the 15th Finance Commission will be visiting Tripura from 16 – 18 January 2019. The Commission led by the Chairman, **Dr. N.K. Singh** will include its Members and Senior Officials. This will be the 17th State of India that the Commission will be visiting.

➤ The Commission will also visit the **Palatana Thermal Power Project** in the State.

Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2019 officially came into force:

➤ The **President of India, Shri. Ram Nath Kovind** gave his assent to the **Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2019**. It was passed by the Parliament on **3rd January, 2019**.

➤ It has also been notified in the Gazette of India on January 16, 2019, which is when it came into force.

India’s 2nd Defence Innovation Hub to come up in Nashik:

➤ **Nashik in Maharashtra** will be the site of the country’s **second defence innovation hub** after **Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu**.

➤ **Union Minister of State for Defence Subhash Bhamre** stated that the defence innovation hub at Nashik will help local industries and entrepreneurs in the **country’s defence sector**.

FinMin launched the ‘Know Your Budget’ series to educate people on Twitter:

➤ **Finance Ministry** started **‘Know Your Budget’** series to educate people on Twitter about the importance of Union Budget and its making.

➤ The series began with explaining the terms: **Union Budget** and **Vote on Account**. The government on February 1, 2019 would unveil the interim Budget for **2019-20**.

Union Home Minister approves Task Force report on Space Technology in Border Management:

➤ **Rajnath Singh**, the Union Home Minister has approved the report of **Task Force** created by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) to identify **areas for use of Space Technology in improving Border Management**.

➤ The task force was headed by the Joint Secretary Border Management (BM) and included members from BSF, Department of Space and BM Division, MHA.

Saksham 2019, annual event of PCRA, launched by Petroleum ministry in New Delhi:

➤ **‘Saksham’**, an annual high intensity one-month long people-centric mega campaign of Petroleum Conservation Research Association (**PCRA**) was launched by the **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas**.

➤ **‘Saksham’ Cycle Day in 200 cities**, Cyclothons, Workshops for drivers of commercial vehicles, Nationwide campaign through Radio, TV, Digital Cinemas, Outdoor media etc. will be conducted, with a focus on reaching out to **various segments of fuel users**.

➤ It was launched by **Shri. Rajiv Bansal**, Addl Secretary & Financial Adviser Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. PCRA utilized the social media platforms for various customized campaigns through Facebook, twitter, MyGov platform.

Coins in the denomination of Rs 100 and Rs 5 to commemorate MGR’s 102nd birth anniversary:

➤ **Two Commemorative coins** in the denomination of **Rs 100** and **Rs 5** were released to mark the **102nd Birth Anniversary** of **late Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.G. Ramachandran**.

➤ Commemorative coins were released by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister **K Palaniswami** and **Deputy Chief Minister O Panneerselvam**.

➤ A 66 feet wide and 52 feet tall “Dr MGR Centenary Arch” which was constructed near Marina Beach was also unveiled.

Government constitutes NITI Aayog-led Committee to monitor drug prices:

➤ The government, acting through the **Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers**, has decided to establish a committee under **NITI Aayog**, that will be tasked with recommending price controls and monitoring the prices of specific **drugs and health products to ensure their affordability**.

➤ The Standing Committee on Affordable Medicines and Health Products (SCAMHP) which

will be headed by a NITI Aayog member (Health) will be the recommending body to National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA).

Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba commissions new Naval Air Base INS Kohassa:

➤ **Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba** commissioned the **new Naval Air Base ‘INS Kohassa’** at Diglipur in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

➤ The new airbase, named ‘INS Kohassa’ at Diglipur, will be used to handle operations of helicopters and small aircraft like the Dornier. The airport at Diglipur will be utilised for **both Defence and civil aircraft**.

Cabinet approves creation of the National Bench of the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT):

➤ The Union Cabinet chaired by **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** approved the creation of the **National Bench of the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT)** to ensure better resolution of GST-related disputes. The National Bench would be set up in **New Delhi**.

➤ The main **objective to create the bench is to fast-track the process of GST**-related dispute resolution and hear appeals related to disputes between states, as well as disputes between the Centre and states.

Union minister Gadkari laid foundation for Namami Ganga project in Agra and Mathura:

➤ **Nitin Gadkari**, Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation laid foundation stone for six **Namami Ganga project in Agra and Mathura**.

➤ There were four projects in Mathura that cost of Rs 511.74 crore. Out of the four, two were sewage projects. The first one was a integrated sewerage infrastructure in the city on Hybrid Annuity Mode with the motive of **‘One-City-One-Operator’**.

PSLV-C44 successfully launches Microsat-R and Kalamsat-V2:

➤ India’s **Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C44)** has successfully injected **Microsat-R** (Imaging Satellite) and **Kalamsat-V2** satellites into their designated orbits.

➤ It is lifted off at from the First Launch Pad at **Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota**. It is the **46th flight of PSLV** and **first flight of PSLV-DL** variant.

Microsat-R was successfully injected into**intended orbit of 274 km.**

Prime Minister launches PravasiTeerth Darshan Yojana:

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has launched the **PravasiTeerth Darshan Yojana** under which a group of Indian diaspora will be taken on a government-**sponsored tour of religious places in India twice a year.**
- All people of Indian-origin aged **45 to 65 can apply and a group** will be selected out of them with first preference given to people from ‘Girmitiya countries’ such as **Mauritius, Fiji, Suriname, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, and Jamaica.**
- He also released two books – ‘**Kashi: The Universe of Crafts and Textiles**’ & ‘**Indian Textiles: History, Splendour, Grandeur**’.
- He also unveiled a plaque to mark the inauguration of an Integrated Textile Office Complex, at**Chowkaghat.**

Cabinet decides to strengthen NE autonomous councils:

- Cabinet has approved the landmark amendment to **Article 280** of the Constitution to increase powers of Autonomous Councils in **Sixth Schedule areas of North East.**
- The proposed amendment will give more powers to Autonomous District Councils of **Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura** KarbiAnglong Autonomous Territorial Council and Dima Hasao Autonomous Territorial Council.
- The **State Election Commissions** will hold elections to Autonomous Councils, village and municipal councils in the scheduled areas of Assam, Mizoram and Tripura. **One-third of seats** will be reserved for women in the village and municipal councils. At least **two nominated members** in all autonomous councils will be women.

SC to take ‘in-chamber’ decision on pleas against Article 35A:

- The Supreme Court said it will be taking an “**in-chamber**” **decision** on the listing of petitions challenging the **constitutional validity of Article 35-A**, which provides special rights and privileges to permanent residents of **Jammu and Kashmir.**
- The oral observation came from a **Bench led by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi** in response to an oral mentioning for early hearing of the petitions.

Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore Inaugurates National Declamation Contest on Patriotism and Nation Building:

- Minister of State for Youth Affairs & Sports (Independent Charge) **Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore**inaugurated the National Declamation Contest (24th& 25th January) organized by **Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS)** with the support of Department of Youth Affairs.
- The aim of the National Declamation Contest is **to further strengthen the spirit of Nationalism and Patriotic feeling** amongst youth and masses for wholehearted participation in nation building.

Ministry of Defence Launches ‘RDP INDIA 2019’:

- As a new initiative in sync with the Digital India campaign of the Government, Ministry of Defence had launched a **mobile app ‘RDP India 2019’** on the Republic Day, with the intent of making available the highlights of the Republic Day event, not only to the spectators at Rajpath, but also to the general public all over the world.
- This app **contains information about the Parade on Rajpath**, New Delhi, including Order of the March, details of the tableaux presented by different States and Ministries, children cultural performances, fly past and names of recipients of Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2019.The app also had the provision for live streaming of the Parade.

BFW, Universal Robots to Co>Create Robots for MSMEs:

- **Bharat Fritz Werner Ltd (BFW)**, a Bengaluru-based machining solution provider, has partnered with Universal Robots, a Danish robot maker and a leader in collaborative robots, to co-create robots for **MSME sector.**
- BFW and Universal Robots plan to redefine the production processes by **deploying the robotic arms through modular, flexible and user-friendly integration solution platform – Arjun.**
- This aims to disrupt the traditional production set-up of MSME segment with top-notch automation solutions and will dramatically **impact productivity, quality and working conditions.**

IIT Ropar launches Android App to help visually impaired recognise currency:

- The **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Ropar**, has developed an app **Roshni** that would help the**Visually Impaired** to recognise **currency notes**.It is often difficult for the visually impaired people to identify the denomination of the currency note.
- To assist them easily determine denomination of INR currency notes, a team from IIT Ropar, Punjab has developed an

Android App “**Roshni**”, using image **processing and analytics**.This app was launched in**Chandigarh.**

- The team prepared a rich dataset of more than **13000 images of INR currency notes under varied real-world conditions**.The user has to bring the currency note in front of the phone camera and the App would give an audio intimation about the currency note denomination.

Venkaiah Naidu Presents ChhatraViswakarma and Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) Awards:

- The Vice president of India Shri **M Venkaiah Naidu** presented the **2nd ChhatraViswakarma Award** to Students and their mentors and **Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana Yojana (SAGY)** awards to institution at an event organized by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) at New Delhi.
- The theme of 2nd ChhatraViswakarma Award was ‘**Empowerment of villages through technologies**’ whereas the theme of Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana was “**Developed Village – Developed Nations**”.

Government approves setting up of three new naval air squadrons:

- Government approved Setting up of **Three Naval air Squadrons in Gujarat and Tamil Nadu.** This Decision is taken to enrich the Indian Navy’s Overall Strength.
- In addition to this approval Government of India also approved recruitment of ManPower for Dornier Surveillance Squadrons located in Kerala and Andaman Islands.
- In 2016, contract for procurement of **Dornier 228 maritime surveillance aircraft was signed with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited.**

Veer Savarkar International Airport Declared As Authorized Immigration Check Post:

- **Veer Savarkar International Airport** in **Port Blair** has been declared as an **authorized Immigration Check post** for entry into/exit from India with valid travel documents for all classes of passengers.
- Andaman and Nicobar Police has been appointed as the ‘**Civil Authority**’ for the purpose of the immigration check post. The announcement was made by Information, Public Relations and Tourism Division of Andaman and Nicobar Administration.

Indian Navy inducted two Fast Interceptor Craft (FIC) into its fleet at Nagapattinam:

- The **Indian Navy** inducted two **Fast Interceptor Craft (FIC)** at **Nagapattinam,**

Tamil Nadu, to boost coastal security.The vessels were acquired for **Sagar Prahari Bal**, a unit of the Navy.

➤ The boats can carry a variety of armament from heavy machine guns to grenade launchers with the upper deck canopies bullet-proof.

STATES NEWS

ANDHRA PRADESH

Chandrababu Naidu launches ‘NCBN app’ to connect with commoners:

➤ Chief Minister **N. Chandrababu Naidu** launched the **Prana Raksha** web application developed by the Chittoor police at Kuppam, **Andhra Pradesh**.

➤ The app has been designed to save the **lives of road accident victims** and reach out to women in distress.

➤ The Prana Raksha app, which works on the SoS and panic button features, would enable users to immediately contact the police.

Andhra CM Chandrababu Naidu unveils schemes for marginalized Brahmins:

➤ **Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu** unveiled various welfare scheme for the **marginalized and economically backward Brahmins** through AP Brahmin Welfare Corporation such as distribution of Cars to the **Unemployed Brahmin youths, loans and subsidies**.

➤ Andhra Pradesh is the **first state** of the country which has established a Brahmin Corporation which aims to help poor people of Brahmin families by providing financial assistance for **education, coaching, entrepreneurship, skill development and welfare and culture**.

Andhra’s Polavaram irrigation project creates Guinness World Records:

➤ **The Polavaram irrigation project in Andhra Pradesh** created two **Guinness World Records** for ‘**pouring the highest amount of concrete**’ and ‘**largest continuous concrete pour in 24 hours**’.

➤ The Polavaram irrigation project is located in **West Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh**. The project has entered the Guinness World Records for pouring 32,100 cubic meters of concrete non-stop in 24 hours.

ANDHRA PRADESH

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

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

The Diffo Bridge in Arunachal Pradesh being inaugurated by defence minister Nirmala Sitharaman:

➤ **The Union Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman** inaugurated the **426.60 m long Pre-Stressed Concrete Box Girder type Diffo bridge over Diffo river** on Roing – Koronu- Paya road in **Arunachal Pradesh**.

➤ The construction of the bridge began in 2011. The total cost to build the bridge was **Rs 4,847.83 lakh** and was funded by the Union ministry of road transport and highways.

India’s longest single lane steel cable suspension bridge opens in Arunachal Pradesh:

➤ Arunachal Pradesh **Chief Minister Pema Khandu** inaugurated India’s longest 300-meter single-lane **steel cable suspension bridge** over Siang River in Upper Siang district of state bordering China.

➤ The suspension bridge, also known as **Byorung Bridge** was built at a cost of Rs 4,843 crore and funded by the ministry of development of North Eastern Region under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources scheme.

Arunachal govt declares Pakke Hornbill Fest as ‘state festival’:

➤ **Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister, Pema Khandu** declared **PakkePaga Hornbill Festival (PPHF)** as the “**State Festival**” during a valedictory ceremony of the fourth edition of the festival at Seijosa in East Kameng district, Arunachal Pradesh.

➤ In the PPHF festival is celebrated to the first time in 2015 to recognize the role played by the resident Nyishi tribe in conserving hornbills in the **Pakke Tiger Reserve (PTR)**.

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

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

ASSAM

Dedicated RPF women squad “JOYTI BAHINI” launched in Guwahati:

➤ **The Northeast Railway sector** has launched a dedicated woman squad ‘**JYOTI BAHINI**’ to enhance security of women in railway station and trains. The ‘JoymatiBahini’ was launched recently by NF Railway’s Inspector General and Principal Chief Security Commissioner **B B Mishra**.

➤ This has been launched in **Kamkhya** station of **Guwahati**. In case of emergency the number allotted to seek help of this squad is 182.

ASSAM

- Capital: **Dispur**
- Chief minister: **SarbanandaSonowal**
- Governor: **Jagdish Mukhi**

GOA

Nitin Gadkari to Inaugurate Cable Stay Bridge over River Mandovi in Goa:

➤ Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping, Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation **Shri Nitin Gadkari** will inaugurate the newly built, **5.1 km long, four-lane, cable stayed bridge over river Mandovi in Goa**.

➤ It will facilitate routing of Mumbai bound traffic coming in from **Bangalore via Ponda route and Old Goa towards NH-17**, bypassing the main **Panjim City**.

GOA

- Capital: **Panaji**
- Chief minister: **Manohar Parrikar**
- Governor:**Mridula Sinha**

GUJARAT

Gujarat Becomes 1st State to Implement 10% Quota To EWS:

➤ **Gujarat Government** has announced that the benefits of **10 per cent quota for Economically Weaker sections of general category in educational institutions and government jobs** will be applicable from midnight tonight.

➤ Official release said that this 10 per cent quota for the economically weaker class from the general category will be over and above the existing 49 per cent quota for SC, ST and OBC.

AIR Ahmedabad correspondent reports that Gujarat is the first state to implement Government’s historic and unprecedented decision to implement the 10 per cent reservation for general category poor candidates.

➤ The Centre had taken the decision **under Article 46** of Guiding Principles of Constitution of India after Amendment of the **Articles 15 and 16**, incorporating 10 per cent reservation for Economically Weaker Sections.

GUJARAT

- Chief Minister: **Vijay Rupani**
- Governor: **Om Prakash Kohli**
- Capital: **Ahmedabad**

HARYANA

Haryana government approves 11 projects to resurrect Saraswati river:

➤ **Haryana Saraswati Heritage Development Board (HSHDB)** met under the chairmanship of chief minister **Manohar Lal Khattar** and approved 11 major projects, including the **restoration of heritage sites**, along the course of the river.

➤ These include the construction of SombSaraswati barrage, Saraswati reservoir and Adi Badri dam on Somb river, a tributary of the Yamuna that originates in the Shivalik Hills.

HARYANA

- Capital: **Chandigarh**
- Chief Minister: **Manohar Lal Khattar**

- Governor:**Satyadev Narayan Arya**

JAMMU & KASHMIR

Gadkari To Inaugurate First Inter-State Bridge in Jammu And Kashmir

- Nitin Gadkari to inaugurate first inter-state bridge in **Jammu and Kashmir**. It was built at a cost of **Rs 150 crore** in a span of three and a half years linking areas of **Katthua district with Punjab**.
- The bridge also called as Keediyar-Gandiyar bridge is 1.2 km-long on the river Ravi.

Jammu and Kashmir Governor gives assent to Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill, 2014

- Jammu and Kashmir Governor **Satya Pal Malik** gave his assent to **Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill 2014**. The bill will grant reservation to people belonging to the **Pahari community** for government jobs.
- The amendment creates a separate category for the person belonging to Pahari community, clan or tribe having distinct, cultural ethnic and linguistic identify among the Socially and Educationally Backward classes (other than SC and ST).

JAMMU & KASHMIR

- Capital: **Jammu (winter), Srinagar (Summer)**
- Chief Minister: **Vacant (presidential rule)**
- Governor: **Satya Pal Malik**

JHARKHAND

One-day Global Skill Summit 2019 held in Ranchi, Jharkhand:

- The one-day Global Skill Summit 2019 was held in **Ranchi, Jharkhand**. It is the only state where overall three global summits were organized in a row merely in four years by the state government.
- The theme of the Summit was: **‘Skilling Youth, Enabling Youth’**. It was under the **#MOMENTUM JHARKHAND** campaign.

JHARKHAND

- Capital: **Ranchi**
- Chief Minister: **Raghubar Das**
- Governor: **DraupadiMurmu**

KARNATAKA

DoS Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated ISRO’s UNNATI in Bengaluru:

- Minister of State in Department of Space **Dr. Jitendra Singh** inaugurated the 1st batch of UNNATI programme of **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** in **Bengaluru, Karnataka**.
- The full form of **UNNATI** is: **Unispace Nanosatellite Assembly and Training** programme.

- It has been launched by ISRO as part of initiative by **United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs** to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE-50).

KARNATAKA

- Capital: **Bangalore**
- Chief minister: **H. D. Kumaraswamy**
- Governor:**VajubhaiVala**

KERALA

Kerala State Cabinet approved Kerala Pravasi Welfare Act:

- The **Kerala State Cabinet** decided to recommend the Governor to promulgate an Ordinance amending the **Kerala Pravasi Welfare Act**.
- The Act aims at providing a regular income for **Non-Resident Keralites (NoRKs) returning home**.
- The amount collected through the scheme will be used to fund development activities taken up by Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB) and other agencies.

Central approved formation of Centre for Classical Language in Tirur, Kerala:

- The **Union Government** issued its nod for setting up the Centre for Classical Language at the ThunchathEzhuthachan Malayalam University in **Tirur, Kerala**.
- As per the notification, the state government will enter into an MOU with the Union Ministry of **Human Resources Development**.
- The centre is aimed at study and research and other aspects of Malayalam language and its development.

Kochi to get India’s largest public sector refinery:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation an **integrated refinery expansion complex** of the public sector Bharat Petroleum Corporation in **Kochi, Kerala**.
- He also laid the foundation stone for a petrochemical complex at the refinery and a skill development institute at **Ettumanoor** besides **inaugurating a mounded storage vessel at the LPG bottling plant of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited**.

Kerala Government launch a ‘Pravasi Dividend Pension Scheme’ to provide regular pension to Non-Resident Keralites:

- Kerala’s **Governor P. Sathasivam** in his address to the state assembly announced Kerala government will soon launch a **‘Pravasi Dividend Pension Scheme’** to provide regular pension to Non-Resident Keralites. This scheme

is a part of welfare measures towards **PravasiMalayalis**.

- Under the scheme, a regular pension would be provided to Non – Resident Keralites on a one-time payment of Rs.5 Lakh where the payment would be deposited with Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB) for financing infrastructure projects.

Kerala

- Capital: **Thiruvananthapuram**
- Chief Minister: **Pinarayi Vijayan**
- Governor: **P Sathasivam**

MADHYA PRADESH

MP Govt bans purchase of new vehicles, ACs:

- Government of **Madhya Pradesh, Kamal Nath**, banned the purchase of new vehicles and air conditioners (ACs) by the government departments **due to huge debt of the state**.
- Also, the expenditure incurred on office items has been limited on the basis of the difference between the allocated budget for these expenses in the financial year 2018-19 and the expenditure incurred in the financial year 2017-18.

Madhya Pradesh

- Capital: **Bhopal**
- Chief Minister: **Kamal Nath**
- Governor:**Anandiben Patel**

MAHARASHTRA

PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates Country’s First National Museum of Indian Cinema in Mumbai:

- **Prime Minister of India**, Shri Narendra Modi launched the Country’s First **National Museum of Indian Cinema in Mumbai, Maharashtra**, that seeks to portray over a century-old journey of movies in India.
- The state-of-the-art museum has been built at a cost of Rs 140.61 crore and is housed in two buildings – the New Museum Building and the 19th century historic palace Gulshan Mahal – in the Films Division campus in Mumbai.

PM Modi launches road, sewerage projects in Maharashtra:

- **PM Modi** launched the **four-laning** of Solapur-Osmanabad section of NH-211, underground sewerage system and three sewage treatment plants.
- It was launched in road and underground sewerage system projects developed at an investment of **Rs.1,100 crore**.
- Mr. Modi also laid the foundation stone for a Rs.1,811 crore housing project of 30,000 units under the **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**. Mr. Modi commissioned the four-laned 98.717 km

Solapur- Tuljapur-Osmanabad section on NH-211 (New NH-52).

2nd Regional Conference on “Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)” held at Mumbai

➤ Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities organized the 2nd regional conference at Nehru Centre, Mumbai, on a scheme titled ‘Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)’.

➤ The conference consisted of Programme Implementing Agencies (PIAs) from the Western Region of the country which further would culminate in a National Conference in New Delhi.

➤ The Regional Conference was organized in order to disseminate the provisions of the revised scheme (2018) and to create better linkages between the department, agencies and stakeholders associated with the scheme.

India Africa Field Training Exercise (IAFTX)- 2019 held in Pune:

➤ The final planning conference to work out the modalities for Indian Africa Field Training Exercise (IAFTX)-2019 is being conducted at Pune on 23-24 January 2019.

➤ The joint training exercise is being conducted with more than a dozen African countries & India. It aims at synergising humanitarian mine action and joint peace operations.

➤ The IAFTX-2019 is a positive step towards growing political and military ties with the member nations of African continent and will boost the already strong strategic cooperation between the countries.

2nd World Orange Festival Begins in Nagpur:

➤ The second World Orange Festival has begun in Nagpur. The festival, while offering its famed oranges to the world, will also showcase and brand the exquisite fruit in order to boost its export.

➤ Agricultural experts and scientists from various countries will participate in the workshops and guide farmers.

MAHARASHTRA

- Capital: Mumbai
- Chief Minister: Devandra Fadnavis
- Governor: Vidyasagar Rao

MANIPUR

PM inaugurated 12 projects worth over Rs. 1500 crore on his a day visit to Imphal, Manipur:

➤ On the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi’s one day visit to Imphal, Manipur, he

inaugurated 12 projects worth over Rs. 1500 crore.

➤ Addressing a public gathering, he inaugurated 12 projects consisting of eight key development projects related to water supply and tourism and four schemes in Manipur.

MANIPUR

- Capital: Imphal
- Chief Minister: Shri. N Biren Singh
- Governor: Dr. Najma A. Heptulla

ODISHA

Naveen Patnaik announced extension of free health services under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana:

➤ Odisha Chief Minister, Shri Naveen Patnaik announced the extension of free health services under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) to all medical colleges and hospitals of Odisha from 1st February 2019.

➤ Earlier the free health services under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana also known cashless care were available to all at sub-centres in villages and district headquarters hospitals.

Dharmendra Pradhan launched Ujjwala sanitary napkin initiative in Odisha:

➤ Union Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launched the Ujjwala Sanitary Napkin initiative in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

➤ To provide access to hygiene products and employment to opportunities in every district of the state.

➤ Around 100 local manufacturing units will be set up by oil marketing companies at Common Service Centres (CSCs) across 93 blocks in all 30 districts of Odisha in the first phase.

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik launches Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA):

➤ Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik launches Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) Naveen Patnaik launched Rs 10,000 crore Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) scheme.

➤ This scheme consists of a life insurance of Rs.2 lakh for 57 lakh farmers and would grant them crop loans at zero percent interest.

Odisha CM hiked Rs.200 per month under Madhu Babu Pension Yojana scheme:

➤ Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik announced in a video conference on “Ama Gaon, Ama Bikash” a hike of Rs 200 per month in the social security pension under Madhu Babu Pension Yojana (MBPY).

➤ The state government launched Madhu Babu Pension Yojana on January 1, 2008, by

merging two pension schemes –Old Age Pension and Odisha Disability Pension schemes.

Odisha C.M Naveen Patnaik Announces Interest-Free Loans for Women Self-Help Groups:

➤ The chief minister also distributed financial assistance of Rs. 3,000 each to six lakh women self-help groups as part of the state government’s efforts to digitally empower women. There are around six lakh WSHGs in Odisha.

➤ During the convention, Mr Patnaik launched a scheme to distribute Rs. 15,000 seed money per group to three lakh new self-help groups. He also handed over revolving fund of Rs. 25 lakhs to 338 block federations.

➤ The chief minister announced incentives of Rs. 500 per month for anganwadi workers and Rs. 200 for helpers.

ODISHA

- Capital: Bhubaneswar
- Chief Minister: Naveen Patnaik
- Governor: Ganeshi Lal

SIKKIM

Sikkim will become first state to roll out Universal Basic Income:

➤ Sikkim, though being a smallest state have set a initiative to introduce UBI in the entire nation.

➤ Sikkim’s long lasting chief minister and head of Sikkim’s ruling party (Sikkim democratic front) Pawan Kumar Chamling, quoted that if everything goes right then Sikkim would be the first state to implement UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME SYSTEM and execute it by 2022.

SIKKIM

- Capital: Gangtok
- Chief Minister: Pawan Kumar Chamling
- Governor: Ganga Prasad

TELANGANA

Two-day conference on ‘Envisioning Agro Solutions for Smart and Sustainable Agriculture’ at Hyderabad:

➤ Vice-President of India Shri Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the 2-days Agri-Vision 2019 conference on ‘envisioning Agro-solutions for smart and Sustainable Agriculture” in Hyderabad, Telangana. The conference was concluded on 18th January 2019.

➤ The Agro-vision 2019 conference was jointly organized by the Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University (PJTSAU), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Cornell University, USA.

MNJ Institute becomes the first State-run hospital in Telangana to enter into Guinness Book of World Records:

- **MNJ Institute of Oncology and Regional Cancer Centre** has become the **first State-run hospital** in Telangana to enter into **Guinness Book of World Records**.
- The Guinness recognition to the hospital has come for conducting the largest men’s health awareness programme on prostate cancer, which was attended by 487 men in a single day.

Secunderabad Railway Station is the first Railway station to hoist Tricolour National flag on a 100 feet tall pole:

- **Secunderabad Railway Station, in Hyderabad**, became the **first railway station** of South-Central Railway (SCR) zone to hoist a huge tricolour on a 100-foot tall pole.
- This was done according to the Railway Board’s order to hoist the national flag at **75 A1** category railway stations.

IIT-Hyderabad Announces Launch Of Full-Fledged B.Tech In Artificial Intelligence :

- A full-fledged B-Tech programme in **Artificial Intelligence** would be introduced by the **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Hyderabad**, from the coming academic year.
- The new course will have an intake of around 20 students would be through the JEE-Advanced test.

- Besides **IIT, Carnegie Mellon University** and **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)**, both of which are in the US, offer full-fledged B.Tech programmes in AI.

TELANGANA

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

TRIPURA

Tripura unveils official logo for its tea:

- The **Tripura government** has unveiled an **official logo for the state’s tea** to popularise the beverage and to promote the potentiality of tourism.
- The logo features Tripura’s iconic landmark, the **“Neermahal”** which is the largest and one-of-its-kind water palace in India.
- The palace located around 53 km west of Agartala, was built by then Tripura King Bir Bikram Kishore DebbarmanManikyā (1908-1947) in the middle of **Rudrasagar Lake**.

TRIPURA

- Capital: **Agartala**
- Chief Minister:**Biplab Kumar Deb**
- Governor:**Kaptan Singh Solanki**

UTTAR PRADESH

15th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Begins At Varanasi:

- The 3-day event of the **15th edition of Pravasi Bhartiya Divas** begins at **Varanasi** in Uttar Pradesh for the first time.
- **‘Role of Indian Diaspora in building New India’** is the theme for this year. Information and Broadcasting Minister **Rajyavardhan Rathore** inaugurated several exhibitions including a digital exhibition on the theme of **‘Ek Bharat Swacch Bharat: Sardar Patel and Gandhi keSapno ka Bharat**.

PM Modi inaugurated 6th International Rice Research Institute in Varanasi:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Varanasi and Ghazipur in Uttar Pradesh. He dedicated the **6th International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)**, South Asia Regional Center (ISARC) to the nation in **Varanasi**.
- He also released a commemorative postal stamp on Maharaja Suheldev.
- The Institute is built at the campus of National Seed Research and Training Center (NSRTC) in Varanasi. During the visit, he laid the foundation stone of medical College in Ghazipur.

DeenDayal Veterinary University, to set up first goat fertility lab in the state of Uttar Pradesh:

- The **DeenDayal Veterinary University** in Uttar Pradesh proposed to set up the **first goat fertility lab** in the state under Rastriya Krishi Vikas Yojna at the cost of Rs 22 crore.
- The University has entered into a contract with Pradeshik cooperative Dairy Federation for marketing.
- It aims to achieve 4% annual growth in agriculture through development of Agriculture and its allied sectors.

Centre Approves Renaming of Allahabad As Prayagraj:

- The Union Home Ministry (MHA) approved the Uttar Pradesh government’s proposal to rename **Allahabad as Prayagraj**.
- MHA had earlier approved the renaming of the British-era railway station **Robertsgang as Sonbhadra, Farah Town** railway station near **Mathura** and iconic **Mughalsarai** junction after **DeenDayal Upadhyay** — both in Uttar Pradesh.
- The Centre had also approved the renaming of **Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport** in Mumbai as **Chhatrapati Shivaji ‘Maharaj’ International Airport**, earlier.

UP govt to give pension of Rs 500 to destitute persons:

- UP government announced to give a monthly **pension of Rs.500** to the **destitute women** in **Varanasi**. The pension will be provided to Hindu sadhus who are above the age of **60**. The scheme is also likely to benefit the seers in Uttar Pradesh.
- This measure came immediately after the implementation of 10 per cent reservation for economically weak in the general category in the upcoming educational year.

President of India inaugurated Gandhian Resurgence Summit in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh

- President of India **Shri. Ramnath Nath Kovind** inaugurated the three-day **Gandhian Resurgence Summit** on the occasion of Father of the Nation **Mahatma Gandhi’s 150 birth** anniversary at **Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh**. It concludes on 19th January,2019.
- The summit was organised by the Parmarath Niketan, the HarijanSevak Sangh and the Global Interfaith WASH Alliance.

UP third state to approve quota for poor among upper castes:

- **Uttar Pradesh** became the **third state** after **Jharkhand and Gujarat** to approve the **10 per cent reservation** for **economically backward** among upper castes in jobs and educational institutions.
- The Approval was given in a meeting headed by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister, Yogi Adityanath.

UTTAR PRADESH

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

WEST BENGAL

WB govt announces two initiatives for farmers:

- The West Bengal government announced **two welfare initiatives** for farmers. Both initiatives, which are part of the **‘Krishi KrishakBondhu’ scheme** came into effect from **January 1,2019**.
- The first of the two initiatives will provide **Rs 2 lakh** to the family of a **deceased farmer** (farmers aged between **18 to 60 years dies a natural or unnatural death**, the state government_will pay his family Rs 2 lakh). Under the second initiative, farmers would get **Rs 2,500 twice a year** for growing a single crop on one acre of land.

WEST BENGAL

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

NATIONAL SUMMITS

Summit	Key points/Theme	Held in
106th Indian Science Congress (ISC)-2019	Theme: 'Future India: Science and Technology'	Jalandhar, Punjab
29th Indian Paint Conference – 2019	Theme: 'Paints Pe Charcha – NayeAayaam'	Agra, Uttar Pradesh
India Steel 2019 – Exhibition and Conference	The event provides an opportunity for all the stakeholders to deliberate and identify ways to contribute towards building a robust roadmap for the further growth of the steel sector.	Mumbai, Maharashtra
9-day long International Kite Festival	It marks the Uttarayan or Makar Sankranti, the day when winter season starts changing to summer and farmers welcome the approaching harvest season, at Sabarmati River.	Ahmedabad, Gujarat
Indian Panorama Film Festival	The festival is being organized by the Directorate of Film Festivals, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	New Delhi, India
4th Edition of Raisina Dialogue	Theme: "A World Reorder: New Geometries; Fluid Partnerships; Uncertain Outcomes".	New Delhi, India
1st 'National Consultation on Child Protection'	The objectives of the meeting are to follow up on the exercise of monitoring of the CCIs by States/UTs, to deliberate upon various aspects of child protection.	New Delhi, India
32 nd Meeting of GST Council	The limit of Annual Turnover in the preceding Financial Year for availing Composition Scheme for Goods shall be increased to Rs 1.5 crore.	New Delhi, India
National Youth Parliament Festival 2019	It is inaugurated byMinister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Col Rajyavardhan Rathore	New Delhi, India
10th edition of the India Rubber Expo – 2019	To improve productivity of the sector enabling India's efforts to become a 5 trillion-dollar economy.	Mumbai, Maharashtra
2 Day Global Investors Summit	The state government would soon unveil e-vehicle policy to give a boost to electric vehicles manufacturing in the state. It is inaugurated by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
25th International conference and exhibition on terrestrial and satellite broadcasting, BES EXPO 2019	Theme: "Next Gen Broadcasting in the IT World"	New Delhi, India
Second World Integrated Medicine Forum 2019	This forum will strengthen regulatory framework worldwide, to assure that the users of Homoeopathy could have wider access to quality-assured homeopathic medicines.	Goa, India

INTERNATIONAL

Germany Gives Nod to \$8 Billion Tunnel Link to Denmark:

- German authorities gave their approval to an **US\$8 billion (6.30 billion pounds)** rail and road tunnel linking **Denmark and Germany**, despite environmental objections.
- It is part-funded by the European Union. The **19 km (11.8 mile) Fehmarnbelt link**, connecting the Danish island of Lolland to the island of Fehmarn on the German side, was due to be completed in 2024.
- The project, priced at **52.6 billion** Danish crowns (\$8.1 billion), comprises a four-lane motorway and a two-track railway. It is part-funded by the European Union.

Venezuela’s President breaks diplomatic relations with US over:

- **Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro** is breaking off diplomatic relations with the **United States** and is giving embassy personnel 72 hours to get out of the country.
 - Maduro made his announcement after President Donald Trump officially recognized Juan Guaido as Venezuela’s interim leader.
- Venezuela**
- Capital- **Caracas**
 - Currency- **Venezuelan bolívar**

US Adventurer Completes 1st Unaided Solo Trek Across Antarctica:

- A **33-year-old man Colin O’Brady** from the **United States** become the first person to

complete a **solo trek** across **Antarctica** without any assistance.

- He finished the 1,500km journey across the frozen continent in 54 days, lugging his supplies on a sled as he skied in bone-chilling temperatures from north to south.

Uzbekistan promotes 2019 as year of investment in backdrop of wider business with India:

- **President of Uzbekistan, ShavkatMirziyoyev** announced 2019 as the **'Year of Active Investment and Social Development'** in the backdrop of proposed investments from India to boost the economy of the Central Asian country, in his annual address to the Parliament.

➤ The President stated that concrete measures will be taken on creating an open economy, radically improving the business environment and investment climate and reducing the state presence in the economy.

U.S, Israel quit UNESCO citing bias:

- **The United states of America (USA)** and **Israel** officially quit the **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)** amid concerns that the organization fosters anti-Israel bias.
- UNESCO was established in 1945 after the end of world war II to foster peace and it is best known for its World Heritage programs which designates cultural sites and aims to preserve traditions.
- Both the countries filed the notice to withdraw from the organization in 2017.

UNESCO

- Headquarters: **Paris, France**
- Director-General: **Audrey Azoulay**

Qatar to withdraw from OPEC in January 2019:

- **Qatar** has withdrawn its membership from Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).
- Qatar, which joined OPEC in **1961** and is the first Middle East country to withdraw from the organisation.
- The decision came amid the ongoing **diplomatic and economic blockade imposed** on the country by its Persian Gulf neighbours and several Arab states.

Qatar

- Capital: **Doha**
- Currency: **Qatari riyal**

France to introduce tax on global internet, technology firms:

- **France** will introduce its own tax on large **internet and technology companies** from **January 1**.
- France has been pushing hard for a new so-called **"GAFA tax"** — named after **Google, Apple, Facebook and Amazon** -to ensure the global giants pay a fair share of taxes on their massive business operations in Europe.
- French finance Minister **Bruno Le Maire** says the tax on large internet and technology companies will be introduced from January 1 and expects to collect \$570 million.

France

- Capital: **Paris**
- Currency: **Euro, CFP Franc**
- President: **Emmanuel Macron**

IOHR launched world's first television channel dedicated to human rights has been launched in London:

- **World's first television** channel dedicated to **human rights** was launched in **London** by the **International Observatory of Human Rights (IOHR)**.
- It would be a web-based channel would bring human rights issues to audiences in over 20 countries across Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

President Trump signs 'Asia Reassurance Initiative Act' into law:

- US president has signed the **'Asia Reassurance Initiative Act'**. The law aims at countering the **encroaching influence and growing threat** from China, and to **reinvigorate U.S. leadership in Asia**.
- The act aims to establish a multifaceted U.S. strategy to increase U.S. security, **economic interests, and values in the Indo-Pacific region**.

Arunima Sinha, First Female Amputee to Scale Mt Everest:

- Setting a first-of-its-kind record, **Indian mountaineer 30-year-old Arunima Sinha** became the **first female** amputee to climb **Mount Vinson**, the highest peak of **Antarctica**.
- She was also the world's **first woman amputee** to climb Mount Everest .With this, Arunima has created a world record by becoming the first female amputee to climb 5 mountains of the world.

Japan launches Epsilon-4 rocket with 7 satellites:

- **Japan** launched the **Epsilon - 4 rocket** carrying 7 satellites developed by private sector companies and Universities from the Uchinoura Space Center in **Kagoshima**.
- The Epsilon series was developed in a bid to put small satellites into orbit at a low cost.

Rio named as World Capital of Architecture for 2020 by UNESCO:

- **The Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro** has been named as the **World Capital of Architecture** for **2020** by the UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).
- Rio will be the first city to receive the title under a programme launched together by UNESCO and the International Union of Architects (UIA) in November 2018. Earlier **Paris and Melbourne** secured the position.

Iran approved anti-money laundering bill for ease of business:

- **Iranian council** known as the **Expediency Council** approved an **anti-money laundering** bill to ease trade.

- This bill will be in line with the standards set by the **Financial Action Task Force (FATF)**.

Iran

- Capital: **Tehran**
- Currency: **Iranian rial**

Palestine took over the Chair of the Group of 77 (G-77) for 2019 from Egypt:

- **Palestine** took over the chairmanship of the **Group of 77** from **Arab Republic of Egypt**.
- Prior to this, Egypt was the previous Chair of the bloc which is a coalition of 134 developing countries, along with China.
- The decision to elect Palestine as **2019 Chair of the G77** was taken in September 2018 by the foreign ministers of the Groups' member States.
- The main functions of G 77 is to promote **collective economic interests and enhance joint negotiating capacity with UN Agencies** and to promote **South-South cooperation for development**.

AAI Signs MoU with SAMEER for Boosting Communication:

- **Airports Authority of India (AAI)** signed MoU with **Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering and Research (SAMEER)** for joint research programs in the field of Communication Navigation and Surveillance (CNS).
- The MOU, on the one hand, will provide for the transfer of skill by **SAMEER** experts in the areas of **Radio Frequency, Millimetre Wave and Antenna-related** solutions to **AAI** domain experts, while on the other hand, it will pave way for exposure for the SAMEER researchers to the challenging Aviation field.
- Ranade affirmed that the MOU would provide for the synergy of capabilities of both the organisations in their respective domains leading to mutually beneficial and lasting solutions in the ever-growing field of Aviation.

ASI declared 6 monuments of national importance in 2018:

- **The 125-year-old Old High Court Building in Nagpur, Maharashtra, and two Mughal-era monuments in Agra — Haveli of Agha Khan and Hathi Khana** — are among the **six** monuments declared protected and of national importance by the **Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)** in 2018.
- The ancient **Neemrana Baori** in **Rajasthan's Alwar** district; the **Group of Temples at RanipurJharail** in Odisha's Bolangir district; and the **Vishnu Temple in Kotali**, Pithoragarh district, Uttarakhand, are the three other monuments that have been listed.

Union Cabinet approves 10% reservation for economically weaker sections in general category:

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved **10 % quota** in jobs and educational institutions for **economically weaker sections** in **general category**.
- For the implementation of the quota, **Articles 15 and 16 of the Constitution** will have to be amended.
- The reservation will also be availed for admission in higher in higher educational institutions.**Article 15**states that the State shall not discriminate against any citizen on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth or any of them.
- **Article 16** guarantees the Equality of opportunity in matters of public employment with no discrimination being done on basis of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth.

Guatemala unilaterally terminate the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG) agreement:

- **The Foreign Minister of Guatemala Sandra Jovel** notified the United Nations secretary-general about the Government’s decision to terminate the agreement which established the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG).
- UN Secretary-General **Antonio Guterres** has “strongly rejected” the Guatemalan Government’s decision to unilaterally terminate the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG).

Guatemala

- Capital: **Guatemala City**
- Currency: **Guatemala Quetzal**
- Prime Minister: **Benjamin Netanyahu**

Macedonia To Be Renamed Republic of North Macedonia:

- **Macedonia’s parliament**has passed an amendment to the constitution to rename the country **Republic of North Macedonia**, as agreed with Greece to put an end to a 27-year dispute.
- The countries struck the deal on the new name in June, but Macedonia will start using it only after the parliament in Athens also ratifies the agreement.

Facebook to Set Up Institute for AI Ethics with Initial Investment of \$7.5 Million:

- Social media giant **Facebook** announced that it will create an independent Institute for Ethics in **Artificial intelligence (AI)** with an initial investment of **\$7.5 million** over a period of five years.
- **Technical University of Munich (TUM)** in Germany will collaborate with this project which aims to **explore fundamental issues affecting the use and impact of AI**.

India, Japan Undergo Disaster Control Exercise: Yokohama

- **Indian and Japanese Coast Guards** started disaster, search and rescue exercises off the coast of**Yokohama** in Japan. **ICGS Shaunak** is the main Indian Coast Guard Ship taking part in the drills.
- **Rajendra Singh**, Chief of Indian Coast Guard and his Japanese counterpart **Shuichi Iwanami** reviewed the drills.The Coast guards of India and Japan was working together after the establishment of deeper ties between the two countries.

Indian Navy commenced largest ever coastal defence Exercise SEA VIGIL:

- **Indian Navy** commenced largest ever coastal defence exercise **SEA VIGIL** in Indian

Coast. It covered 7516.6km Indian Coastline and **Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)** of India.

- The exercise is conducted in collaboration with Ministry of Defence, Home Affairs, Shipping, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Fisheries, Customs, State Governments and other agencies of Centre and States.
- The aim of the **Exercise Sea Vigil** is to validate the effectiveness of measures taken since terror attack in Mumbai.

Shanghai opens world’s longest 3D-printed concrete bridge:

- **Shanghai** is now home to the **world’s longest 3D-printed concrete bridge**, produced by a team from the **Tsinghua University School of Architecture in Beijing**.
- The pedestrian crossing was modelled on the famed **Zhaozhou Bridge**, which was built between **589 and 618 in Hebei province**, northern China, and is the country’s oldest standing bridge.

Govt declares sugarcane juice as ‘national drink’ of Pakistan:

- The Pakistan government declared **sugarcane juice** as the “**national drink**” of the country.They came at this decision after asking People’s opinion in twitter to choose one among orange,carrot and sugarcane.

Israel Touts Successful Test of Arrow-3 Missile Interceptor:

- **Israel** successfully tested the Arrow 3 missile system from Central Israel,it is done in collaboration with American Missile Defense Agency.
- **Arrow 3**is considered to be the next step in the defence system,which would help the Israel Military Force to attack their enemies from a greater distance and greater height.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMITS

Summit	Key points/theme	Held in
48 th World Economic Forum Annual Meet	Theme: ‘Globalization 4.0: Shaping a Global Architecture in the Age of the Fourth Industrial Revolution’	Davos, Switzerland
4th Edition of Arab Economic and Social Development Summit	To make a joint statement on a 29-item agenda that ranges from discussions on an Arab free trade zone and the economic effect of Syrian refugees on host countries.	Beirut, Lebanon
7th ASEAN-India Tourism Ministers meeting	Union Tourism Minister K. J. Alphons, co-chaired the 7th Meeting of Tourism Ministers of ASEAN-India with Minister of Culture, Sports and Tourism of Viet Nam, Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Thien.	Ha Long City, Viet Nam
First India-Central Asia Dialogue	Aims at taking forward the bilateral relations which have strengthened following the Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit to all the five Central Asian nations – Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan,	Samarkand, Uzbekistan

	Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan – in 2015 and the EAM’s tour across the region in August 2018.	
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LIST OF AGREEMENTS/MOU’S SIGNED BY INDIA WITH VARIOUS COUNTRIES:

Country	Prime Minister	Key Areas	Capital/Currency
Australia	Scott Morrison	To collaborate with SIMTARS (Safety in Mines, Testing and Research Station) for implementation of risk-based safety management system, providing training and modernising R&D laboratory of DGMS (Directorate General of Mines Safety)	Canberra/ Australian Dollar
Morocco	SaadeddineOthmani	On cooperation in the area of Cyber Security	Rabat/ Moroccan dirham
Sri Lanka	RaniIWickremasinghe	To provide modern infrastructural facilities to Swami Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies of Eastern University in Batticaloa district of Sri Lanka.	Colombo, Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte /Rupee
Mongolia	UkhnaagiinKhürelsükh	In the field of art and culture & to strengthen Embassy of Mongolia and International Chamber of Media and Entertainment Industry (ICMEI).	Ulaanbaatar/ Mongolian tögrög
Uzbekistan	Abdulla Aripov	Long Term Contract with for Supply of Uranium ore concentrates to widen its source base for the nuclear fuel.	Tashkent/Uzbekistani som
Afghanistan	Ashraf Ghani (President)	For 26 projects worth 9.5 million dollars in the field of infrastructure, public services such as health clinics and governance-related projects.	Kabul/ Afghan Afghani
Japan	Shinzō Abe	Dr. C.S. Mohapatra, Additional Secretary, Department of Economic affairs, Government of India and Mr. Katsuo Matsumoto, Chief Representative, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) signed the Loan Agreement under Japan’s Official Development Assistance Loan Program.	Tokyo/Yen
Maldives	Ibrahim Mohamed Solih (President)	On the facilitation of visa arrangements.	Male/ Maldivian Rufiyaa

BANKING & ECONOMY

RBI NEWS

RBI Initiates Industrial Outlook Survey and Services and infrastructure Outlook Survey:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has initiated two surveys namely, Industrial Outlook Survey (IOS), and Services and Infrastructure Outlook Survey (SIOS).
- The two quarterly surveys aim to examine the current situation including the job scenario
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in India’s manufacturing, services and infrastructure sector.

18th edition of India’s Fiscal Stability Report was released by RBI:

- The central bank of India, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released 18th Fiscal Stability Report of India.
- This report has been prepared by the Sub-Committee of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC) on the risks to financial stability, the strength of the financial

system and the development and regulation of the financial sector.

- This is the first such report that has been published after Mr. Shaktikanta Das became governor in December following Urjit Patel’s departure.

RBI Lifts Six Month Ban from Paytm Payments Bank:

- After almost six months of the ban, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed Paytm

Payments Bank to restart opening new accounts for its consumers.

➤ Paytm Payments Bank stopped enrolling new customers in June 2018, following an audit by the RBI, which made certain observations about the process the company follows in **acquiring new customers and its adherence to know-your-customer (KYC) norms.**

Paytm

- Managing director and CEO: **Satish Kumar Gupta**

RBI limits customer liability in fraudulent PPI transactions:

➤ **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** issued a notification for all authorised **non-bank Prepaid Payment Instrument (PPI) Issuers** in order to limit the **liability of Customers** in unauthorised electronic payment transactions in **Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs)** comprising mobile wallets, prepaid payments cards, and paper vouchers such as Sodexo.

➤ The RBI said frauds due to third-party breach where neither the customer nor the **PPI** issuer is at fault, there cannot be any liability for the customer, in case the incident is reported within **three** days.

➤ If the fraud is reported between **three** and **seven** days, **customer liability** will amount to the transaction value or **Rs.10,000**, whichever is lower whereas for fraud reported over seven days, the liability of the customer will be according to the board-approved policy of the PPI issuer.

RBI allows ‘tokenisation’ for more secure card transactions:

➤ **The Reserve Bank of India** has allowed **tokenization of debit, credit and prepaid card** transactions to enhance the safety of the digital payment’s ecosystem in the country.

➤ “Tokenisation and de-tokenisation” shall be performed only by the authorized card network and recovery of original Permanent Account Number (PAN) should be feasible for the authorized card network only.

Nepal’s central bank asked RBI to declare new Indian currency notes legal in a written plea:

➤ **The Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB)**, Nepal’s central monetary authority, wrote to the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** to legalize Indian currency notes of denominations higher than Rs 100 in Nepal.

➤ The Indian bank bills **Rs 200, Rs 500 and Rs 2,000** which are greater than the said amount has been asked to be made legal tender

in Nepal, under the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA).

RBI expected to pay government up to Rs 40,000 crore interim dividend:

➤ **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** is likely to transfer an interim dividend of up to **Rs 30,000 crore to Rs 40,000 crore** (\$4.32 billion-\$5.8 billion) to the government by March.

➤ The funds are crucial to meet the fiscal deficit target of 3.3 percent of the GDP for the financial year ending in March, as the government’s revenue shortfall may be as high as Rs 1 lakh crore.

RBI injected 10,000 crore rupees into the system through the purchase of government securities

➤ The **Reserve Bank of India** announced that it will inject **10,000 crore rupees** into the system to increase liquidity through **open market operations (OMOs).**

➤ The offers have been instructed to be submitted in electronic format on the **RBI Core Banking Solution (E-Kuber) system.**

➤ It also plans to inject liquidity under OMOs for 50,000 crore rupees in January 2019.

➤ The central bank has so far injected **Rs.20,000** through OMOs in January 2019.

RBI fined Bank of Maharashtra with 1 Crore:

➤ Reserve Bank of India (RBI), imposed a Rs 1-crore penalty on state-owned Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) for non-compliance of Know Your Customer (KYC) guidelines and fraud-classification norms.

➤ The penalty has been imposed on failure of the bank to follow the rules and regulation issued by the RBI.

➤ In the year 2018, the RBI had imposed a penalty of Rs 1 crore on BoM on account of **delay on the part of the bank to detect and report fraud in accounts.**

RBI

- **Headquarters:** Mumbai
- **Governor:**Shaktikanta Das

OTHER BANKING & FINANCIAL NEWS

Allahabad Bank, SBI Life join hand for bancassurance partnership:

➤ A **‘bancassurance’** pact was signed between **State-owned Allahabad Bank and SBI Life Insurance** to sell the policies of the insurer from over **3,200 branches of the Allahabad Bank.**

➤ The agreement was signed in the presence of Allahabad Bank Managing Director (MD) and

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mallikarjuna Rao and SBI Life MD & CEO Sanjeev Nautiyal.

Allahabad Bank

- Headquarters: **Kolkata**
- MD & CEO: **S Mallikarjuna Rao**

Govt Allows Iranian Bank To Open Mumbai Branch:

➤ **Nitin Gadkari** has announced that the government has allowed an **Iranian bank Pasargad Bank** to open a branch in Mumbai within the **next three months.** Alongside, India’s UCO Bank will open a branch **in Iran.**

➤ The move is aimed at circumventing US trade and investment sanctions as India builds a strategic port in the West Asian country.

Insolvency and Bankruptcy Awareness Programme held in Gujarat:

➤ The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India organised an **Insolvency and Bankruptcy Awareness Programme** at **Vadodara, Gujarat.**

➤ It is organised in collaboration with three Insolvency Professional Agencies, namely, **the Indian Institute of Insolvency Professionals of ICAI (lead partner), the ICSI Institute of Insolvency Professionals,** and the **Insolvency Professional Agency of Institute of Cost Accountants of India.**

Sri Lanka Central Bank gets \$400 million from RBI under SAARC Swap facility:

➤ **Sri Lanka Central Bank** announced that the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has agreed to provide **\$400 million** under a **swap arrangement to boost the island nation’s reserves.**

➤ These are to be made available under the **(SAARC) South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation SWAP facility.**

GST exemption limit doubled to give relief to small businesses:

➤ Finance Minister **Arun Jaitley** raised the annual turnover for availing composition scheme to Rs 1.5 crore from Rs 1 crore effective from **April 1, 2019** to provide relief to small businesses under Goods and Services (GST) regime.

➤ It is said that “those who come under the composition scheme will pay tax quarterly, but the return will be filed once a year”.

➤ The Goods and Services (GST) exemption limit has been doubled to **Rs. 40 lakh annual turnover and Rs 20 lakh** for northeastern states.

SEBI allows custodial services in commodity market, paves way for MF entry:

➤ **Markets regulator SEBI** has allowed **custodial services** in the commodity derivatives market which would enable **participation of institutional investors, including mutual funds, in the segment.**

➤ Under the new framework, existing custodians will be permitted to add commodities as an asset class and provide physical delivery of both the securities and commodities, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).

Securities and Exchange Board of India

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

IDFC Bank Re-Named IDFC First Bank:

➤ **Private sector lender IDFC Bank** said its name has been changed to **IDFC First Bank Ltd** with effect from Saturday from **12th January 2019.**

➤ **IDFC Bank and non-banking financial company Capital First** had announced completion of their merger on December 18, creating a combined loan asset book of Rs 1.03 lakh crore for the merged entity.

➤ Following the merger, the board of **IDFC Bank** had approved the appointment of **V Vaidyanathan, founder and chairman of Capital First Ltd, as managing director and chief executive officer of the merged entity.**

➤ The combined entity will serve **7.2 million customers** through **203 bank branches, 129 ATMs and 454 rural business correspondent** centres.

PSU Syndicate Bank and SBI Life Insurance sign a bancassurance pact:

➤ **Syndicate Bank and SBI Life Insurance** signed a **bancassurance pact** aiming to offer a comprehensive financial planning solution to its customers.

➤ This was signed between Syndicate Bank MD & CEO, Mrutyunjay Mahapatra and MD and CEO of SBI Life, Sanjeev

Syndicate Bank

- Headquarters: **Manipal, Karnataka**

Banks led by SBI agreed to finance Nagpur-Mumbai Samruddhi Corridor

➤ The Maharashtra Chief Minister's Office in Mumbai announced that SBI along with others banks agreed to provide finance for **Nagpur-Mumbai 'Samruddhi Corridor'** expressway project.

➤ Among the consortium of banks, SBI will be providing the highest amount which is Rs. 8,500 crore.

➤ Other parties include: Punjab National Bank, Bank of Baroda, Bank of Maharashtra as well as the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India.

Bharti AXA Life uses WhatsApp to deliver policy, renewal premium:

➤ Private sector insurer **Bharti AXA Life Insurance** started delivering **policies and renewal premium receipt** to customers via instant messaging platform **WhatsApp** as a part of its alternative service option to the policy holders.

➤ Bharti AXA Life Insurance, a joint venture between Bharti Enterprises and French Insurance major AXA is one of the first few insurers to provide the option of policy contract, renewal premium receipts and claim intimation through WhatsApp.

Bharti AXA Life Insurance

- MD & CEO: **Vikas Seth**

ICICI bank, SBFC joined hands to provide loans worth Rs. 1 crore to MSMEs for 15-year tenure:

➤ **ICICI Bank**, in a **first-of-its-kind programme**, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **Small Business FinCredit India Pvt. Ltd. (SBFC)**, a systemically important Non-Banking Finance Company for entrepreneurs, to jointly provide credit worth up to **Rs 1 crore** to **MSMEs** for a tenure of 15 years.

➤ Under this arrangement, ICICI Bank will co-originate loan against property with SBFC at a mutually agreed ratio.

ICICI Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- MD& CEO: **Sandeep Bakshi**

India cuts duty on refined, crude palm oil from ASEAN to 40 and 45 percent respectively:

➤ **The ministry of finance** announced that the government has cut **import duties** on crude and refined palm oil from **Southeast Asian countries or ASEAN countries.**

➤ This move was taken under the India-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement and Malaysia under the India-Malaysia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (IMCECA).

➤ The duty on **crude palm oil from Malaysia, Indonesia** and other members of the Association of South East Asian Nations was cut to **40 per cent** from **44 per cent.**

ASEAN

- Headquarters: **Jakarta, Indonesia**

Seven Oil PSUs signed pact with IIT Bombay to set up centre of excellence:

➤ **IIT Bombay** and **7 public sector** oil companies inked a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for setting up Centre of Excellence in **Oil, Gas and Energy.**

➤ The MoU was signed by heads of **Indian Oil Corp (IOC),Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC),GAIL India Ltd,Bharat Petroleum Corp Ltd (BPCL),Hindustan Petroleum Corp Ltd (HPCL),Oil India Ltd and Engineers India Ltd.**

➤ This would link up energy industry and academics to help jointly address energy requirements with new and innovative, indigenous technology.

HDFC MF overtakes ICICI Prudential MF to become largest AMC:

➤ **HDFC Mutual Fund** has surpassed **ICICI Prudential MF** to regain top position after **two years** as the**largest asset management company (AMC).**

➤ While HDFC MF looks after assets worth Rs 3.35 lakh crore, ICICI Prudential MF manages Rs 3.08 lakh crore, according to AMFI data.

➤ In the October-December quarter, AUM under HDFC MF have risen by more than 9 per cent when compared to the previous quarter. In the same period, AUM plunged 0.6 per cent for ICICI Prudential MF.

HDFC Mutual Fund

- Headquarters: **Mumbai.**
- Managing Director:**Milind Barve**

HDFC Standard Life Insurance renamed to HDFC Life Insurance:

➤ **HDFC Standard Life Insurance** renamed itself to **HDFC Life Insurance**,following the receipt of relevant approvals from regulatory authorities.

➤ The change in name is effective right off the bat and the company will henceforth operate under the name**HDFC Life Insurance Company Ltd.**

Microsoft launches e-platform under Project ReWeave to help Handloom weavers:

➤ **Microsoft** India has launched a new e-commerce platform re-weave.in for **handloom weavers** under its **Project ReWeave.**

➤ This e-commerce platform will help connect artisans to buyers directly, enabling them to expand to newer customers and markets.

➤ Microsoft in association with the **National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT)** also curated a special curriculum in '**CAD and Color for Handloom Weaving'** to provide digital training in handloom design.

Dell Organizes India’s First Policy Hack for Teachers:

- Dell organizes an interactive hackathon, as a part of its **three-city PolicyHack** series for teacher who are focused on their learning journey.
- Dell has collaborated with **UNESCO Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development (MGIEP)** and Ignus for its first-of-its-kind hackathon with an aim to create a platform where teachers, school representatives and a cross-sectional group expert related to education can interact with each other.
- The PolicayHack was conducted in two levels where over 80 schools Pan India shared their statements of purposes.

Government Merges Three Regional Rural Banks Into Single:

- The government has amalgamated three **Regional Rural Banks -Punjab Gramin Bank, MalwaGramin Bank and Sutelj Gramin Bank** into a single RRB with effect from January 1.
- The sponsor banks of the RRBs are National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), the Government of Punjab and Punjab National Bank, State Bank of India and Punjab and Sind Bank.

Jana Small Finance Bank Launches Current Account with Unique Auto-Sweep Facility:

- The private sector **Jana Small Finance Bank** has launched a new **Current Account** with Auto-Sweep facility that will enable bank’s existing and potential new customers to auto sweep-in and sweep-out the idle funds in the current account to Sweep Fixed Deposit and earn high interest.
- The new facility will enable current account holders to earn **higher interest** on the idle funds while providing the flexibility of using the funds when the need in business arises.
- The customers will be able to earn interest of **8.5 percent** for a tenor of **365 days** on sweep deposit.

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK

- Headquarters: **Bengaluru**
- MD & CEO: **Ajay Kanwal**

NHAI to collaborate with Oil Marketing Companies for issuance of FASTags through petroleum retail outlets:

- **Indian Highways Management Company Ltd. (IHMCL)**, a company promoted by NHAI, has signed MOUs with state-run Oil Marketing Companies (IOCL, BPC, and HPC). It will ensure availability of FASTags at petroleum outlets across India.

- Indian highways management company Ltd. (IHMCL) had launched the **national electronic toll collection program (NETC)** under the brand name **“FASTag”** in April 2016.
- FASTag can be recharged by using UPI (unified payment interface) platform. In the first phase, the tags will be available across 50 Fuel Station in Delhi NCR, which will subsequently be expanded to outlets across India.

Centre infuses Rs 3,076 crore capital into UCO Bank:

- State-run lender UCO bank, formerly United Commercial Bank, announced that Government of India has infused **Rs 3076 crore** of capital into it by the way of preferential allotment.
- The UCO Bank has posted a net loss of **Rs. 1136.44 Crore** in the second quarter of **FY19** against a net loss of Rs. 622.56 crore for the same period of previous fiscal.
- Gross NPA (Non-performing assets) of UCO bank fell marginally from Rs. 29786.41 crore to Rs. 29581.49 crore during the September Quarter of FY19.

UCO Bank

- Headquarters: **Kolkata, West Bengal**
- MD & CEO: **Atul Kumar Goel**

Reliance Industries gets CCI nod to acquire Hathway, DEN:

- Mukesh Ambani-owned **Reliance Industries** has received a go ahead from the Competition Commission of India (CCI) to acquire majority stakes in two of **India’s largest cable operators – DEN Networks and Hathway Cable & Datacom** for high speed broadband network under **JioGigaFiber**.
- **RIL said it will acquire 66% in DEN and 51.3% in Hathway** for a total consideration of Rs 5,230 crore.

SBI Card and Etihad Guest tie-up to launch premium card for international travel

- **SBI Card and Etihad Guest**, the loyalty programme of Etihad Airways, have joined hands to launch a travel specific **Visa credit card** for members and Indian travellers.
- This is the first international co-brand partnership of SBI Card, the country’s second largest credit card issuer.It has been launched against the backdrop of increasing international travel in the country.
- The card will be available in two variants, Etihad Guest SBI Card and Etihad Guest SBI Premier Card, will bring an unmatched value proposition to Etihad Guest members and international travellers from India.

RANKINGS/INDEXES/GDP FORECAST BY VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS

India Among the Most Trusted Nations Globally: Edelman Trust Barometer report

- According to the 2019 report released by Edelman Trust Barometer, ahead of the **World Economic Forum (WEF)** meet here, noted that the **Global Trust Index** witnessed a marginal increase of **3 points to 52**.India is among the most trusted nations globally when it comes to government, business, NGOs and media.
- **China** topped the Trust Index among both the **informed public and the general population segments**, with scores of **79 and 88 respectively**. **India** was at the **2nd place** in the **informed public category** and **3rd place** in the general population category.

Andhra tops ACI’s Ease of Doing Business index:

- In the latest ranking of Singapore’s Asia Competitiveness Institute’s (ACI), **Ease of Doing Business (EDB) index 2018**, Andhra Pradesh emerged on top of the 21 states of India that were considered for the ranking, while Maharashtra and Delhi came in second and third place, respectively.
- Andhra Pradesh rose from the 5th rank in 2016 to the top spot in 2018.
- The ACI’s EDB index is based upon three parameters called **ABC** -Attractiveness to Investors, Business Friendliness and Competitiveness Policies. The index captured the business environment at the sub-national level on the basis of 72 hard and soft indicators.

India Poised to Become Third-Largest Consumer Market: WEF

- According to **World Economic Forum, India** is poised to become the **third-largest consumer market** behind only the **US and China**. The report was titled as **‘Future of Consumption in Fast-Growth Consumer Market – India’**.
- Consumer spending in India is expected to grow from **USD 1.5 trillion** at present to nearly USD 6 trillion by **2030**.
- According to World Economic Forum (WEF), with an annual GDP growth rate of **7.5 per cent**, India is currently the world’s sixth-largest economy.

UN office on drugs and crime (UNODC) released “Global Report on Trafficking in Persons 2018”:

- **UN office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)** released a latest **Global Report** on **“Trafficking in Persons”**, which reveals that the number of human trafficking victims around the world is on the rise while armed groups and terrorists are **trafficking**

women and children to generate funds and recruit.

- While the average numbers of reported victims had fluctuated during the earlier years for which UNODC had collected data, the global trend has shown a steady increase since 2010.

India to overtake UK in the world’s largest economy rankings:

- According to a report by global consultancy firm PwC, India is likely to surpass the United Kingdom in the world’s largest economy rankings in 2019, to become the world’s fifth largest economy.
- PwC’s Global Economy Watch report projects real GDP growth of 1.6% for the UK, 1.7% for France and 7.6% for India in 2019.
- The US was the world’s largest economy with a size of 19.39 trillion dollars, followed by China at 12.23 trillion dollars at the second place in 2017.

Cyber frauds in Indian banking sector hiked over 50% in FY18:

- According to the Reserve Bank of India’s Report on Trend and Progress of Banking in India 2017-18, India witnessed a jumped of 159 per cent to almost Rs.110 crore, from Rs.42.3 crore in 2017-18.
- The volume of cyber fraud at banks has doubled in a year.
- A total of 2,059 cases of cyber fraud were reported in 2017-18 amounting to Rs 109.6 crore

India Ranks 80th on Global Talent Competitive Index 2019:

- According to the report of the 6th edition of Global Talent Competitive Index (GTCI) 2019 released by INSEAD business school in partnership with Tata Communications and Adecco Group , India has moved up one position to rank 80th on the Global Talent Competitive Index 2019 ranking.
- The top 5 countries in the index included Switzerland followed by Singapore, the US, Norway and Denmark.
- The top-ranked city this year is Washington, DC, followed by Copenhagen, Oslo, Vienna and Zurich.

India to grow at 7-7.5% over next few years: PM’s Economic Advisory Council:

- Economic Advisory Council of Prime Minister (EAC-PM) headed by NITI Aayog Member Bibek Debroy said in a report that India will continue to grow in the 7 to 7.5 per cent range in the next few years despite global and structural challenges.

- The Growth rate of India may further improve by at least 1 per cent by the reforms designed to address the structural problems of the economy.

India ranks sixth in GDPR readiness index: Cisco

- The report released by CISCO on 2019 Data Privacy Benchmark Study ranked India in 6th position in General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) readiness index.
- As per the report 65% of India organization are better prepared for GDPR making India the 6th best prepared nation to deal with the nee data privacy regulation which all organizations operating within the European Union and European Economic Area are mandated to comply with.

Indians biggest supporters of international aid: WEF global survey

- The World Economic Forum (WEF) released a survey ahead of its annual meeting which states that Indians are biggest supporters of international aid. 95 per cent of Indians supported the international aid and expect India to help other nations.
 - Pakistan and Indonesia are on the second position with 94 per cent of the people’s affirmative replies.
 - South Asian Countries like India, Pakistan and Bangladesh exhibit widespread support for international aid leaving behind European countries.
- WEF
- Headquarters: Switzerland
 - Executive Chairman: Klaus Schwab

India’s GDP to grow at 7.2% in 2018-19:

- Central Statistics Office (CSO) stated that the Indian economy is expected to grow at 7.2 per cent in 2018-19, a tad higher from 6.7 per cent in the previous fiscal, mainly due to improvement in the performance of agriculture and manufacturing sectors
- The increase is being expected with the improvement in performance of agriculture and manufacturing sectors.
- The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) had expanded by 7.1 percent in 2016-17 and 8.2 percent in 2015-16.

India Ranks 79th, Japan Tops List of Most Powerful Passports: Henley Passport Index

- According to Henley Passport Index, which keeps in record and analyses of every country’s travel afford revealed a report of powerful passport holding country, in which Japan has retained its position to the top for the consecutive year and India has leaped two

steps forward to 79th rank. A total of 190 countries are analyzed here.

- The Henley index ranks world’s passports based on how many countries they can get the holder access without a prior visa. An Indian passport holder can visit 61 countries without a pre-travel visa.

14th Global Risks Report, the 2019 edition, was released by World Economic Forum:

- The World Economic Forum released its 14th edition of annual Global Risk Report 2019 ahead of the World Economic Forum’s Annual Meeting in Davos.
- The report’s findings are based on the annual Global Risks Perception Survey, which asks the Forum’s network of business, government, civil society and thought leaders to gauge the risks facing our world.
- The report also warns of the macroeconomic risks that could be faced ahead in 2019.

India ranks 54th in ‘Bloomberg Innovation Index’ of 60 economies:

- India is ranked at the 54th Position with a score of 47.93 out of 100 among the world’s most innovative countries according to the Bloomberg 2019 Innovative Index.
- South Korea has retained its top spot with a score of 87.38, Germany ranked second with a score of 87.30 whereas Finland has been ranked at the third spot with a score of 85.70.

India’s GDP expected to grow at 7.3% in 2018-19: World Bank

- World Bank projected India’ GDP, expected to grow at 7.3% in the fiscal year 2018-19, and 7.5% in the following two years.
- The Bank said India will continue to be the fastest growing major economy in the world. In India, the growth has accelerated, driven by an upswing in consumption, and investment growth has firmed as the effects of temporary factors wane, the World Bank said in its latest report.

WORLD BANK

- President: Jim Yong Kim
- Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States
- CEO: Kristalina Georgieva

India’s GDP set to eclipse US’ by 2030: Standard Chartered

- Standard Chartered released its long term forecast which states that India will surpass the U.S to become the world’s second largest economy by 2030 while China will be at First Position.

- **China** will become the largest economy by **2020**, using purchasing power parity exchange rates and nominal GDP
- India to accelerate to 7.8 percent by the 2020s while China will moderate to 5 percent by 2030 reflecting a natural slowdown given the economy’s size.

Standard Chartered

- Headquarter: **London**
- Chairman: **Jose Vinals**

GDP growth likely to be tad higher at 7.5% in FY20: India Ratings and Research:

- **A Fitch group company** India ratings and research estimated that India’s GDP growth to be a **“tad higher” at 7.5%** in financial year 2019-20. Earlier it was 7.2% during fiscal year 2018-19.
- The economy seen a growth rate of **7.2%** in the current financial year against **6.7%** in the previous year estimated by Central Statistics Office (CSO).
- According to India Ratings investments are slow but steady gaining traction with gross fixed capital formation growing 12.2% in FY19 and projected to grow at 10.3% in FY20.

China’s economy grew 6.6% in 2018, the slowest pace in 28 years

- China announced that its official economic growth came in at **6.6 percent in 2018 – the slowest pace since 1990**.The world’s 2nd biggest economy was grappling with the effects of the current trade war with the US and declining exports.
- According to China’s **National Bureau of Statistics** (NBS) the last year’s growth rate was down from **6.8% in 2017**and was the lowest since **1990** when the growth rate was **3.9%**.

India to grow by 7.5% in 2019: CII

- In its report titled **‘Growth Outlook for 2019’, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** stated that India will remain the fastest growing major economy with GDP growth estimated to be **7.5%** in FY19.
- Better demand conditions, settled GST implementation, capacity expansion resulting from growing investments in infrastructure and better credit inflow especially in the service sector (that is of 24%) were the reasons cited for this growth.

Unconditional cash transfer to farmer better option: SBI Report

- As per the ‘SBI Ecowrap’ report, the government should opt for the **unconditional cash transfer to farmers to alleviate agrarian distress rather than Universal Basic Income (UBI) scheme**.

- It will need to provide cash support in the **range of Rs 10,000-12,000 per annum** to make it completely cash neutral and the annual cost of such a scheme is **Rs.1.2 lakh crore per annum**.

Indian economy may grow 7.4% in FY19, 7.6% in FY20: UN report

- India’s economy is expected to grow at **7.4 per cent** during 2018-19 and improve to **7.6 per cent in the next fiscal**, said a UN report.
- The United Nations’ **World Economic Situation and Prospects** (WESP) 2019 report also expects India’s gross domestic product (GDP) to expand by **7.4 per cent in 2020-21**.

World Economic Situation and Prospects 2019:

- **The World Economic Situation and Prospects 2019** offers timely warnings about a range of macroeconomic challenges facing policymakers as they **aim to deliver on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.
- It is the **Joint report of UN-DESA, UNCTAD) and the five UN regional commissions**.
- **Global growth** is expected to remain at **3.0 per cent in 2019 and 2020**, however, the steady pace of expansion in the global economy masks an increase in downside risks that could potentially exacerbate development challenges in many parts of the world, according to the **World Economic Situation and Prospects 2019**.

COMMITTEES

RBI set up 5-member panel under Nandan Nilekani to boost digital payments:

- **The Reserve Bank of India** constituted a 5-member high-level committee **under Aadhaar architect Nandan Nilekani** to suggest measures to strengthen the **safety and security of digital payments in the country**.
- With the suggested measures, the committee shall submit its report within a period of 90 days from the date of its first meeting.
- The decision aims to encourage **digitisation of payments and enhance financial inclusion through digitisation**.

SEBI constitutes Research Advisory Committee (RAC): Headed by Sankar De

- In order to strengthen its research function and enhance its **linkage to policy making**, SEBI has constituted a **Research Advisory Committee** headed by **Dr.Sankar De** and comprising of prominent financial economists and market practitioners as members.

- According to SEBI, the committee would comprise **prominent financial economists and market practitioners**. Another key task of the committee will be to **maintain databases** relevant for capital market regulation research.

UK Sinha-headed working group to suggest suitable framework:

- Former Chairman of **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)**, **U.K. Sinha** will head an 11-member working group constituted by the **Insolvency and Bankruptcy board of India (IBBI)** to study the concept of **‘Group Insolvency’** and suggest a suitable framework.
- Group Insolvency will be very beneficial in a situation where two or more applications are pending in the same court against debtors in the same group.

GST panel headed by Dy. CM of Bihar approved Kerala levying 1% calamity cess for 2 yrs:

- **The Group of States’ Finance Ministers (GoFM)** led by Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar, **Sushil Kumar Modi** approved levy of **1%‘calamity cess’** by Kerala for a period of two years to fund rehabilitation work in the state of Kerala.
- It will recommend the same to the GST council meeting which will be held in January 10, 2019.
- It also suggested the GST council to allow **additional borrowing over the permitted limit by states hit by natural calamity**.

RBI Forms Expert Panel On MSMEs under Ex-SEBI Chief UK Sinha:

- The **Reserve Bank** set up an expert committee under former SEBI chairman **U K Sinha** to suggest long-term solutions for the economic and financial sustainability of the MSME sector.
- The **eight-member committee** will also examine the factors affecting the timely and adequate availability of finance to the sector.

Government notifies High-Level Committee for implementation of Clause VI of Assam Accord:

- **Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India** has notified a **High-level committee** of nine members under the chairmanship of **Shri M.P. Bezbaruah for implementation of Clause VI of the Assam Accord**.
- The Committee will submit its report within 6 months from the date of notification.

➤ The 9-member Committee headed by retired IAS M.P. Bezbaruah **includes eminent Assamese persons from different fields. Maharashtra Finance Minister Sudhir Mungantiwar panel is formed to study uniform tax rate on lottery:**

➤ The GST council has constituted an **eight-member Group of Ministers (GoM)** headed by **Maharashtra State Finance Minister, Sudhir Mungantiwar** to suggest whether a uniform tax rate should be imposed on lotteries or the current differential tax rate system be continued.

➤ The committee will also look whether private persons authorized by the states are misusing the lower rate and getting enriched themselves at the cost of the state or not and suggest measures to curb it.

Panel suggests not to allow new Engineering colleges from 2020:

➤ A government appointed panel headed by **IIT- Hyderabad chairman B V R Mohan Reddy** has suggested to the **All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)** to stop setting up new engineering colleges from 2020

and review the creation of new capacity every two years after that.

➤ In a 41-page report, the panel has also suggested that no additional seats should be approved in traditional engineering areas such as mechanical, electrical, civil and electronics.

AICTE

- Chairman: **Anil Sahasrabudhe**
- Headquarters: **New Delhi**

APPOINTMENTS IN BOTH NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL

Designation	Current	Previous
MD & CEO of Axis Bank	Amitabh Chaudhry	Shikha Sharma
New Chairman of Railway Board	Vinoth Kumar Yadav	Ashwani Lohani
President of Venezuela	Nicolas Maduro (2 nd Term)	-
New Vice President & MD of Facebook India	Ajit Mohan	Umang Bedi
MD & CEO of IDFC First Bank	V Vaidyanathan	-
Director General (Investigation) of National Human Rights Commission	Prabhat Singh	Gurbachan Singh
New President of the Alliance for Media Freedom (AFMF)	Narasimhan Ram	-
1 st Chief Justice of Telangana HC	Justice T B N Radhakrishnan	-
New President of Brazil	Jair Bolsonaro	-
Member of Office and Secrecy in UPSC	Dr. T.C.A Anant	-
Chief Operations Officer (COO) of RBL Bank	Pankaj Sharma	-
Executive Chairman of National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)	Justice AK Sikri	-
Prime Minister of Taiwan	Su Tseng-chang	William Lai
Secretary of the Competition Commission of India (CCI)	P K Singh	-
Acting Chairman of Life Insurance Corporation of India	Hemant Bhargava	VK Sharma
Director General & Chairman of Ordnance Factories (DGOF)	Saurabh Kumar	-
President approved elevation of two Justice to Supreme Court	Justice Dinesh Maheshwari (Karnataka High Court) Justice Sanjiv Khanna (Delhi High Court)	-
New Chief Justice Of Pakistan	Justice Asif Saeed Khosa	Justice Saqib Nisar
Acting Deputy Defence Secretary of Pentagon (US)	David Norquist	Kevin Sweeney
President of Madagascar	Andry Rajoelina	-
Head of Financial Technology Partnerships and investments for Naspers’ fintech business	Amrish Rau	-
Director General of the (DG) Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)	Kumar Rajesh Chandra	S.S. Deswal
Interim President of World Bank	Kristalina Georgieva (from 1 February 2019)	Jim Yong Kim
India’s new ambassador to China	Vikram Misri	-
First Indian to Head Global Solar Council, USA	Pranav R Mehta	-
First Woman chief economist of IMF	Gita Gopinath (India - born)	Maurice (Maury) Obstfeld
MD & CEO of YES Bank	Ravneet Singh Gill	Rana Kapoor
Interim Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs	Piyush Goyal	Arun Jaitley
New Prime Minister of Burkina Faso	Joseph Marie Dabiré	-

RESIGNATION

- Pentagon Chief of Staff to the Secretary of Defence (US) - **Kevin Sweeney**
- Chairman of the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd (NSE) - **Ashok Chawla**
- Malaysia’s King - **Muhammad V**
- Head Coach of the Indian Football Team - **Stephen Constantine**

RETIREMENT

- South African Allrounder - **Cricketer Albie Morkel**

BRAND AMBASSADOR

- Commonwealth of Learning Goodwill Ambassador -**Karthyayani Amma (Kerala)**
- Event ambassador for the 16th Tata Mumbai Marathon - **M C Mary Kom**

AWARDS & HONOURS

AWARDS	WINNERS
3 Indian-origin women scientists awarded in 60 Superstars of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering &Mathematics) list by Australian government	Onisha Patel, Devika Kamath and Asha Rao
National Nritya Shiromani Award 2019	US-based Kathak dancer AninditaNeogyAnaam
Received Honorary Membership of the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG)	Virat Kohli and coach Ravi Shastri (for their contribution to the sport of cricket)
ICSIs Lifetime Achievement Award for ‘Translating Excellence in Corporate Governance into Reality”	Godrej Group Chairman Adi Godrej
12th Shankar Vaidya Shree Award 2018	Dr.Rajan Deshpande
Team awarded for Legion of Honour	French Football Team
National Geospatial Award for Excellence -2017 (Life Time Achievement Award) by the Indian Society for Remote Sensing	IIT Roorkee professor Jayanta Kumar Ghosh (for his contribution towards the development of geospatial science and applications)
Rosa Park Trailblazer award 2019	Indian-American philanthropist and entrepreneur Gurinder Singh Khalsa
Two Gold Medals at the World Memory Championships held in Hong Kong	Dhruv Manoj (“names and faces” and “random words” disciplines)
‘Woman’s Voice Award’ at the Apeejay Kolkata Literary Festival (AKLF)	US-based Indian poet Ranjani Murali
First-ever Philip Kotler Presidential award	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
Sheikh Saud International Prize for Materials Research 2018	Bharat Ratna CNR Rao
Kabi Samrat Upendra Bhanja National Award 2018	Prof. Manoj Das (for Lifetime Achievement in literature) & Noted Folk dance Guru NabaghanaParida (Dakshin Odisha LoksanakrutiSamman 2018)
By Indian Council for Child Welfare (ICCW) for receiving National Bravery Award 2018	WahengbamLamnganba Singh
Lifetime Achievement Award by the Mantralaya and VidhimandalVartahar Sangh of Maharashtra	Journalist Dinu Randive
Honoured by Bimal Roy Memorial and Film Society	Asha Parekh and FarooqueShaikh at
‘Exhibitor of the Year Award’ at 106th Indian Science Congress in Punjab	Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) Pavilion
Gandhi Peace Prize for 2018	WHO Goodwill ambassador YoheiSasakawa
2019 Japan Prize	Dr. Rattan Lal (for his contributions in “Biological Production, Ecology”) Dr. Yoshio Okamoto (for his contributions in “Materials and Production” field)
Won Prestigious Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award 2018	Indian female wrestler VineshPhogat
Three Indian expats From UAE Win Prestigious PravasiBharatiyaSamman Award	Girish Pant, Surender Singh Kandhari and Dr ZulekhaDaud
Won Subhash Chandra Bose AapdaPrabandhanPuraskar 2019	8th Battalion of National Disaster Response Force
Republic Day Journalism Award 2019	Veteran Journalist and Former Editor Dhirendra Nath Chakraborty.
Romain Rolland Book Prize 2019	Tamil translation of Andrei Makine’s “La vie d’un homme inconnu” (The Life of an Unknown Man) at the Jaipur Literature Festival. The book was translated by S R Kichenamourty.

The Hindu Prize 2018: Fiction and Non-Fiction and The Hindu Young World GoodBooks Awards

The Hindu Prize 2018 was announced in the Hindu Litfest 2018 held in **Chennai**.

✓ **Neelum Saran Gour** wins the **The Hindu Prize 2018 – FICTION** for the book **‘Requiem in Raga Janki’**.

✓ **ManoranjanByapari** wins **The Hindu Prize 2018 – NON FICTION** for the book **‘Interrogating My Chandal Life’**.

✓ **Vinayak Varma** wins **Best Picture Book: Story for ‘Angry Akku’**

✓ **Rajiv Eipe** wins **Best Picture Book: Illustration for ‘Ammachi’s Amazing Machines’**

✓ **Venita Coelho** wins **Best Picture Book: Fiction for ‘Boy No 32’**

✓ **MamtaNainy** wins **Best Picture Book: Non-Fiction for ‘A Brush with Indian Art’**.

ICC AWARDS 2018:

The **ICC Awards** are a set of **sports awards for cricket**. The awards recognise and honour the best international cricket players of the **previous 12 months**. The awards have been institutionalised by International Cricket Council since 2004. Between 2011 and 2014 the awards were known, for sponsorship reasons, as the LG ICC Awards.

Winners of 2018

- **Cricketer of the Year:** Virat Kohli (India)
- **Test Player of the Year:** Virat Kohl (India)
- **ODI Player of the Year:** Virat Kohli (India)
- **Twenty20 International Performance of the Year:** Aaron Finch (Australia)
- **Emerging Player of the Year:** Rishabh Pant (India)
- **Associate Player of the Year:** Calum MacLeod (Scotland)
- **Umpire of the Year:** Kumar Dharmasena (Sri Lanka)
- **Women’s Cricketer of the Year:** Smriti Mandhana (India)
- **Women’s ODI Cricketer of the Year:** Smriti Mandhana (India)
- **Women’s T20I Cricketer of the Year:** Alyssa Healy (Australia)
- **Women’s Emerging Cricketer of the Year:** Sophie Ecclestone
- **Spirit of Cricket:** Kane Williamson (New Zealand)
- **Fan’s Moment of the Year:** India win U19 World Cup
- **ICC Test Team of the Year:** Tom Latham (NZ), Dimuth Karunaratne (SL), Virat Kohli (Ind, captain), Kane Williamson (NZ), Henry Nicholls (NZ), Rishabh Pant (Ind, wicket-keeper), Jason Holder (WI), Nathan

Lyon (Aus), JaspritBumrah (Ind), Kagiso Rabada (SA), Mohammad Abbas (Pak)

➤ **ICC ODI Team of the Year:** Rohit Sharma (Ind), Jonny Bairstow (Eng), Virat Kohli (Ind, captain), Joe Root (Eng), Ross Taylor (NZ), Jos Buttler (Eng, wicket-keeper), Ben Stokes (Eng), Mustafizur Rahman (Ban), Kuldeep Yadav (Ind), Rashid Khan (Afg), JaspritBumrah (Ind)

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Khelo India Youth Games 2019:

• **Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG)**, formerly Khelo India School Games (KISG), meaning Play India Youth Games, held annually in **January or February**, are the national level multidisciplinary grassroot games in India held for **two categories**, namely **under-17 years**school students and **under-21 college** students.

History

➤ **On 31 January 2018**, Prime Minister, **Narendra Modi**, declared open the inaugural **Khelo India School Games** at the opening ceremony based on Guru–shishya tradition held at Indira Gandhi Arena. From the 2019 events, Khelo India School Games were renamed to **Khelo India Youth Games**.

➤ The **first edition** of the event was kicked off in **New Delhi**.

➤ The **second edition** of the event was kicked off in Shree Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex, a sports complex situated in **Belawadi, Pune,Maharashtra**. The theme of the Games revolved around **‘khelogetohkhilloge’ (if you play, you will prosper)**.

Overall Winners

- **Maharashtra** won the overall trophy with a **total of 228 medals** (85 gold, 62 silver and 81 bronze). 2nd Haryana -178 medals (62 gold, 56 silver and 60 bronze) while 3rd Delhi -136 medals (48 gold, 37 silver and 51 bronze).
- Individually, Karnataka swimmer **Srihari Nataraj**(16-year-old’s timing of 26.16 secs in 50m backstroke)became the most medals winner by competing in seven events in the **U-21 category** and winning all of them.
- Ten-year-old **Abhinav Shaw** became the **youngest gold medalist** in shooting.

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Sports Authority of India

• Headquarters: **Delhi**; Director General: **Neelam Kapoor**

2019 Australian Open:

➤ The **2019 Australian Open** was a Grand Slam tennis tournament that took place at **Melbourne Park**. It was the **107th edition** of the Australian Open, the **51st** in the Open Era, and the first Grand Slam of the year.

- **Men’s Singles:** Serbia **Novak Djokovic**

- **Women’s Singles:** Japan **Naomi Osaka**
- **Men’s Doubles:** France **Pierre-Hugues Herbert** / France **Nicolas Mahut**
- **Women’s Doubles:** Australia **Samantha Stosur** / China **Zhang Shuai**
- **Mixed Doubles:** Czech Republic**BarboraKrejčíková**/United States **Rajeev Ram**

Indonesia Masters Title: Complete List

The **Indonesia Masters 2019 Title** took place at the IstoraSenayan in **Jakarta, Indonesia**.

CATEGORY	WON BY
Women’s Singles title	Indian ace Badminton player, SainaNehwal
Men’s singles title	Anders Antonsen of Denmark
Men’s Doubles	Indonesia Marcus Fernaldi Gideon and Kevin Sanjaya sukamuljo
Women’s Doubles	Ayaka Takahashi and Misaki Matsutomo of Japan
Title Mixed Doubles	Chinese mixed doubles pair of Zheng Siwei and Huang Yaqiong

Sydney and Brisbane chosen to host \$15 million 24 team ATP Cup in 2020:

- Australian cities **Sydney and Brisbane** have been announced as the **first two host locations for the newest team event in men’s tennis** from January 2020.
- A total **\$15 million prize fund** will be on offer for 100 participating players.

India 1st away team to win bilateral series in all formats in Australia:

- **India** defeated **Australia** in the third ODI at Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) to win the ODI series by 2-1 and became the **first Visiting team** to win bilateral series across the three formats against Australia in Australian soil.
- Indian team lead by **Virat Kohli** also became the first ever Indian side to win bilateral ODI series in Australia.

Ishant, Shami, Bumrah breaks 34-year-old record with 131 wickets in 2018:

- Indian pace trio of **Ishant Sharma, Mohammed Shami and JaspritBumrah** broke the **34-year** record of highest test wickets in a calendar year to become the **most successful pace trio** with 131 wickets in 2018.
- The record was previously held by West Indies **seamers Joel Garner, Michael Holding and Malcolm Marshall** who had taken 130 wickets in 1984.

Virat Kohli Beats Sachin Tendulkar to Become the Fastest 19000 International Runs:

➤ 30 years old Indian cricket team captain, **Virat Kohli** beats Cricketing legend **Sachin Tendulkar's** to become the **fastest batsman to score 19000 international runs** on the 1st day of 4th Test Match in Sydney against Australia.

➤ Virat Kohli crossed 19000 runs mark in 399 innings whereas Sachin Tendulkar took 432 innings to score 19000 runs.

Lovlina wins gold medal, Manisha settles for silver in Women's National Boxing Championships:

➤ **World Championship bronze** medallist Assam's **LovlinaBorgohain** claimed the gold medal while **Haryana** boxer**Manisha Moun** had to settle with **silver** at the **Women's National Boxing Championships** held at the JSW Sports' Inspire Institute of Sports **Vijayanagara, Karnataka**.

➤ **LovlinaBorgohain** of Assam won the gold in **69 kg category** bout.**Manisha Moun** lost to Meenakumari of All India Police (AIP) in the finals of **54 kg class**.

National Table Tennis Championship Begins in Cuttack:

➤ The **80th National Table Tennis Championship** began at Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Cuttack. As many as 35 teams, including 550 players from different parts of the country are participating in the mega championship.

India's Ankita Raina Wins ITF's Tournament in Singapore:

➤ **India's Ankita Raina** has won the **International Tennis Federation's** 25,000-dollar Women's tournament in **Singapore** by defeating the top seed World No. 122, **Arantxa Rus** of the **Netherlands**, 6-3, 6-2 in the final of the \$25,000 ITF women's tennis tournament.

Rishabh Pant 1st ever Indian wicketkeeper to slam Test ton in Australia:

➤ India's wicket keeper **Rishabh Pant** became the first Indian wicket keeper batsman to score a century in Test against Australia on Australian soil after hitting 159 runs on the 2nd day of 4th Test Match at **Sydney, Australia**.

➤ Rishabh pant broke Farokh Engineer's record of highest Test runs against Australia on Australian soil. Farokh Engineer scored 89 runs in 1967.

Switzerland's Roger Federer and Belinda Bencic captured the Hopman Cup title for a second year:

➤ **Switzerland's Roger Federer and Belinda Bencic** captured the **Hopman Cup title** for a second year which was held in **Perth, Western Australia**, edging **Germany's Alexander Zverev and Angelique Kerber** in a deciding mixed doubles match—and in a single deciding point—to seal victory at the team exhibition event.

➤ It is a mixed competition in which male and female players are on combined teams and represent their countries.It was Switzerland's fourth title overall, behind only the United States with six.

JaspritBumrah finishes 2018 as the highest wicket-taker across all formats:

➤ **25 years old Indian fast bowler JaspritBumrah** finishes 2018 as the **highest international wicket-taker of 2018** with 78 wickets after taking 9 wickets in the 3rd Test Match against Australia held in Melbourne Cricket Ground, **Australia**.

➤ South African fast bowler **Kagiso Rabada** ranked **2nd** in the list of Highest International wicket taker of 2018 with 77 wickets.

Nishikori & Pliskova win Brisbane International title:

➤ **The Brisbane International 2019** was played on outdoor hard courts in **Brisbane, Queensland,Australia**.

➤ It was the eleventh edition of the tournament and took place as part of the Australian Open Series in preparation for the first Grand Slam of the year.

➤ **Kei Nishikori** won his **first ATP title** since Memphis in 2016 with a dominating final set to beat Daniil Medvedev 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 in the Brisbane International final.

➤ **Pliskova** improved her record in Brisbane to **13-2** and joined Victoria Azarenka (2009, 2016) and Serena Williams (2013-14) as the **third woman** to win the tournament twice.

Mohamed Salah Once Again Named African Footballer of The Year:

➤ Egypt and Liverpool forward **Mohamed Salah** has been named **African Footballer of the Year** for thesecond time in a row.He received the award **at a ceremony in Senegal**.

➤ The Premier League's player of the year scored 44 goals in 52 games for Liverpool last season.**Houston Dash and South Africa forward Thembi Kgatlana** was named Women's Player of the Year.

USA Cricket becomes ICC's 105th member:

➤ The **International Cricket Council (ICC)** announced **USA Cricket** as its **105th** member. Headquarter: Dubai, UAE.

➤ USA Cricket came into existence after **USACA** was expelled in June 2017 for lack of cooperation in terms of unifying the cricket community in the country.

➤ The application of USA Cricket to become the **93rd** Associate member in compliance with the ICC constitution, was accepted as per the recommendation of the seven-member Membership Committee to the ICC Board last year.

Mary Kom attained number one position in AIBA rankings:

➤ 36 years old boxer, **M C Mary Kom** attained the first position in the latest ranking released by the **International Boxing Association (AIBA)** in the Light Fly 45-48 kilograms category with **1700 points**.

➤ **Ukraine's Hanna Okhoto** ranked number 2 in the ranking released by AIBA with **1100** points.

➤ Mary Kom will have to jump to 51 kg category in order to participate in 2020 Olympics because 48 kg Category is not included in the Olympics yet.

Bengaluru Raptors Win Premier Badminton League Title:

➤ **Bengaluru Raptors** have won their **first ever Premier Badminton League title**. In the title clash played at Bengaluru last night, Bengaluru edged out Mumbai Rockets, with a 4-3 win.

➤ Star player **Kidambi Srikanth, Vu Ji Trang and the Men's Doubles pair of Mohammad Ahsan and Hendra Satiawan** won their matches for Bengaluru guiding them to victory.

Award Winners:

- Best Comeback of the Tie – **Sameer Verma**
- Attacking Player of the Tie – **Kidambi Srikanth**
- Indian Oil Indian Player of the Tie – **Kidambi Srikanth**
- Smartest Player of the Tie – **Sameer Verma**
- Attacking Player of the League – **Mathias Christiansen**
- Emerging Player of the League – **Anders Antonsen**
- Indian Oil Indian Player of the League – **Sameer Verma**
- Vodafone Smartest Player of the League – **Kidambi Srikanth**

Dhoni Joins Elite List Of Indian Cricketers To Score Ten Thousand Runs:

➤ The seasoned **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** became the fifth player to score ten thousand runs for India in **One-day International Cricket**, adding another feather to his illustrious cap.

➤ Dhoni thus joined an elite list of Indian cricketers who had previously achieved the feat, which include **Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly, Rahul Dravid and Virat Kohli**.

➤ In 330 ODIs for India, the wicketkeeper-batsman has now over 10,050 runs at an average of 49.75, including nine centuries and 67 fifties. Overall, Dhoni is the 13th player in history to score 10,000 runs in the ODIs.

Mohammed Shami is the fastest Indian bowler to reach 100 ODI wickets:

➤ **Mohammed Shami** succeeded the Indian record holder by **Irfan Pathan** to become the fastest **Indian bowler to claim 100 ODI wickets**.

➤ Shami got this milestone at his 56th match whereas Irfan got in his 59th match.The world record is currently held by Afghanistan leg-spinner **Rashid Khan**.

Antonsen wins first Indonesia Masters title:

➤ **Danish player Anders Antonsen** won his first ever Indonesia Masters after defeating world number one**KentoMomota** of **Japan** to **claim the 2019 title**.

➤ Antonsen, who was not accompanied by his coach, reached the final of the the championship for the first time and managed to upset Momota 21-16, 14-21 and 21-16 in a game that lasted one hour and 19 minutes.

Brisbane Heat win their maiden women’s Big Bash title:

➤ **Australian T20 cricket team** “Brisbane Heat” won their maiden Women’s Big Bash League (WBBL) title by defeating Sydney Sixers in the final by three wickets at Drummoyne Oval in Sydney, **Australia**.

➤ **Beth Mooney** from ‘**Brisbane Heat**’ was awarded as the Player of the match for her knock of 65 runs from just 46 balls.

BOOKS & AUTHOR

Harivansh Narayan Singh launched the book ‘A Crusade Against Corruption’ in New Delhi:

➤ Vice-Chairman of Rajya Sabha, **Harivansh Narayan Singh** launched Manohar Manoj`s book ‘**A Crusade Against Corruption**’ at the Press Club of India in **New Delhi**.

➤ Manoj after massive research and deep observations stated that the book written over a period of 15 years is claimed as the ‘**Encyclopaedic snapshot on Corruption in India**’.

Vice President of India launched the book ‘Universal Brotherhood through Yoga’:

➤ Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu launched the book ‘**Universal Brotherhood Through Yoga**’ in New Delhi.The book is compiled by **Bharatiya Sanskrit Pitham**

➤ The book begins with the foundations, i.e., the philosophy behind all Yoga practices: The Yoga of Patanjali, the Yoga-Vashistha, the Yoga in the Bhagavad Gita, the Yoga in the Puranas, and so on.

IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE DAY

Important Day	Observed/ Celebrated	Theme of 2019
Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) Day	January 1 st	-
World Braille Day	January 4 th	-
NRI Day or PravasiBharatiya Divas	January 9 th	"Role of Indian Diaspora in building a New India".
World Hindi Day	January 10 th	-
26 th Army Air Defence Day	January 10 th	-
Indian Army Day	January 15 th	-
National Youth Day	January 12 th	-
47th Statehood Day of Manipur, Meghalaya, and Tripura	January 21 st	-
National Girl Child Day	January 24 th	"Empowering Girls for a Brighter Tomorrow".
International Day of Education	January 24 th	"Education: A Key Driver for Inclusion and Empowerment"
69th foundation day of Uttar Pradesh	January 24 th	-
9th National Voters Day	January 25 th	"No Voter to be Left Behind"
India’s Republic Day	January 26 th	-
International Customs Day	January 26 th	-
International Holocaust Remembrance Day	January 27 th	"Holocaust Remembrance: Demand and Defend Your Human Rights".
World Leprosy Eradication Day	January 27 th (Last Sunday of January)	-
Martyrs Day	January 30 th	-

OBITUARY

Name	Field	Country
Raghbir Singh Bhola	Former India hockey player	Pakistan
Michel Legrand	Oscar-winning French composer	France
Atin Bandyopadhyay	Sahitya Akademi award winning Bengali writer	West Bengal, India
Russell Baker	Pulitzer Prize winning writer	Virginia, USA
Kader Khan	Veteran actor-writer	Canada
C H Loknath	Veteran Kannada actor	Karnataka, India

DibyenduPalit	Renowned Bengali writer	West Bengal, India
John C. Bogle	Vanguard Group Founder	
Mary Oliver	Pulitzer Prize-winning poet	Florida, USA
Masazo Nonaka	World’s Oldest Man	Japan

ENGLISH VOCABULARY

1) Elevation

Meaning: The action or fact of raising or being raised to a higher or more important level, state, or position.

Example: “Her sudden elevation to the cabinet”

Synonyms: Promotion, Advancement

Antonyms: Demotion

2) Inexplicable

Meaning: Unable to be explained or accounted for.

Example: “For some inexplicable reason her mind went completely blank”

Synonyms: Unaccountable, Puzzling

Antonyms: Understandable

3) Flawed

Meaning: Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection.

Example: “A Fatally flawed strategy”

Synonyms: Unsound, Defective

Antonyms: Sound

4) Denying

Meaning: Refuse to give (something requested or desired) to (someone).

Example: “The inquiry was denied access to intelligence sources”

Synonyms: Refuse, Rebuff

Antonyms: Accept

5) Betrays

Meaning: Expose (one’s country, a group, or a person) to danger by treacherously giving information to an enemy.

Example: “A double agent who betrayed some 400 British and French agents to the Germans”

Synonyms: Break faith with

Antonyms: Be loyal to

6) Fragility

Meaning: The quality of being easily broken or damaged.

Example:“Osteoporosis is characterized by bone fragility”

Synonyms: Frailty, Weakness

Antonyms: Robustness

7) Legitimised

Meaning: Make legitimate.

Example: “Voters legitimize the government through the election of public officials”

Synonyms: Validate, Legitimate

Antonyms: Outlaw

8) Incursions

Meaning: An invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one.

Example: “Incursions into enemy territory”

Synonyms: Attack on, Assault on

Antonyms: Retreat

9) Capitulates

Meaning: Cease to resist an opponent or an unwelcome demand; yield.

Example: “The patriots had to capitulate to the enemy forces”

Synonyms: Surrender, Yield

Antonyms: Resist

10) Armistice

Meaning: An agreement made by opposing sides in a war to stop fighting for a certain time; a truce.

Example: “The Italian government signed an armistice with the Allies”

Synonyms: Truce, Ceasefire

Antonyms: Declaration of war, Hostilities

11) Acrimony

Meaning: Bitterness or ill feeling.

Example: “The AGM dissolved into acrimony”

Synonyms: Bitterness, Rancour

Antonyms: Goodwill

12) Hostile

Meaning: Showing or feeling opposition or dislike; unfriendly.

Example:“A hostile audience”

Synonyms:Antagonistic, Aggressive

Antonyms: Friendly, Mild

13) Vital

Meaning:Absolutely necessary; essential.

Example:“Secrecy is of vital importance”

Synonyms:Essential, Crucial

Antonyms: Unimportant, Peripheral

14) Deteriorated

Meaning: Become progressively worse.

Example:“Relations between the countries had deteriorated sharply”

Synonyms:Worsen, Decline

Antonyms: Improve

15) Credible

Meaning: Able to be believed; convincing.

Example: “Few people found his story credible”

Synonyms: Acceptable, Reliable

Antonyms: Untrustworthy

16) Inhabited

Meaning:(Of a person, animal, or group) live in or occupy (a place or environment).

Example:“A bird that inhabits North America”

Synonyms: Occupy.

Antonyms: uninhabited, unpopulated.

17) Aspiration

Meaning: A hope or ambition of achieving something.

Example:“The needs and aspirations of the people”

Synonyms: Desire, Hope.

Antonyms: apathy, unconcern

18) Conceal

Meaning: Prevent (something) from being known; keep secret.

Example:“They were at great pains to conceal that information from the public”

Synonyms: Hide, Cover up.

Antonyms: show, uncover

19) Reliable

Meaning: Consistently good in quality or performance; able to be trusted.

Example:“A reliable source of information”

Synonyms: Dependable, Good.

Antonyms: Bad, Undependable.

20) Anomaly

Meaning: Something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected.

Example:“There are a number of anomalies in the present system”

Synonyms: Oddity, Peculiarity.

Antonyms: Normality, Conformity.

21) Rely

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example:“I know I can rely on your discretion”

Synonyms: Depend, Count.

Antonyms: Doubt, Disbelieve.

22) Hurdle

Meaning: A problem or difficulty that must be overcome.

Example:“Many would like to emigrate to the United States, but face formidable hurdles”

Synonyms: Obstacle, Difficulty.

Antonyms: Advantage, Assistance

23) Emphasis

Meaning: Special importance, value, or prominence given to something.

Example:“They placed great emphasis on the individual’s freedom”

Synonyms: Prominence, Importance.

Antonyms: Insistence, Significance

24) 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: Reasoning, Thinking.

Antonyms: Reality, Proof

25) Staggering

Meaning: Astonish or deeply shock.

Example:“I was staggered to find it was six o’clock”

Synonyms: Astonish, Amaze.

Antonyms: Unimpressive, Unremarkable.

26) Manoeuvre

Meaning: Carefully guide or manipulate (someone or something) in order to achieve an end.

Example:“They were manoeuvring him into betraying his friend”

Synonyms: Intrigue, Plot.

Antonyms: Ignorance, Honesty.

27) Revive

Meaning: Give new strength or energy to.

Example:“The cool, refreshing water revived us all”

Synonyms: Reinvigorate, Revitalize.

Antonyms: Destroy, Agitate

28) Tenure

Meaning: The holding of an office.

Example:“His tenure of the premiership would be threatened”

Synonyms: Incumbency, Term of office.

Antonyms: Misconception, Release

29) Probably

Meaning: Almost certainly; as far as one knows or can tell.

Example: “She would probably never see him again”

Synonyms: Possibly, Perhaps.

Antonyms: Inprobably, Uncertain

30) 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: Separation, Disunion

31) Vows

Meaning: Solemnly promise to do a specified thing.

Example: “The rebels vowed to continue fighting”

Synonyms: Pledge, Promise.

Antonyms: Break, Breach

32) Drove

Meaning: Urge or force (animals or people) to move in a specified direction.

Example: “They drove a flock of sheep through the centre of the city”

Synonyms: Impel, Urge.

Antonyms: Spittle, Drool

33) Confined

Meaning: (Of a space) restricted in area or volume; cramped.

Example: “Her fear of confined spaces”

Synonyms: Restricted, Limited

Antonyms: Release, Neglect

34) Rely

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example: “I know I can rely on your discretion”

Synonyms: Depend, Count.

Antonyms: Disbelieve, Distrust

35) Hostage

Meaning: A person seized or held as security for the fulfilment of a condition.

Example: “They were held hostage by armed rebels”

Synonyms: Captive, Prisoner.

Antonyms: Captor

36) Intended

Meaning: Planned or meant.

Example: “The intended victim escaped”

Synonyms: Deliberate, Intentional.

Antonyms: Unfixed

37) Proximity

Meaning: Nearness in space, time, or relationship.

Example: “Do not operate microphones in close proximity to television sets”

Synonyms: Closeness, Nearness.

Antonyms: Diance, Remoteness

38) Rebellion

Meaning: An act of armed resistance to an established government or leader.

Example: “The authorities put down a rebellion by landless colonials”

Synonyms: Revolt, Insurrection.

Antonyms: Calm, Obedience.

39) Averse

Meaning: Having a strong dislike of or opposition to something.

Example: “As a former CIA director, he is not averse to secrecy”

Synonyms: Opposed to, Against.

Antonyms: Friendly, Sympathetic

40) Robust

Meaning: Strong and healthy; vigorous.

Example: “The Caplan family are a robust lot”

Synonyms: Strong, Vigorous

Antonyms: Fragile, Lethargic

41) Deceit

Meaning: The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth.

Example: “A web of deceit”

Synonyms: Lying, Pretence.

Antonyms: Truth, Reality

42) Bolsters

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: “The fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence”

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support.

Antonyms: Discourage, Block.

43) Reluctant

Meaning: Unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Example: “today, many ordinary people are still reluctant to talk about politics”

Synonyms: Unwilling, Grudging

Antonyms: Willing, Eager

44) Expediency

Meaning: The quality of being convenient and practical despite possibly being improper or immoral; convenience.

Example: “an act of political expediency”

Synonyms: Convenience, Advantage

Antonyms: Disadvantage

45) Untenable

Meaning: (especially of a position or view) not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.

Example: “this argument is clearly untenable”

Synonyms: Unarguable, Flawed

Antonyms: Tenable, Defensible

46) 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

47) Apportioned

Meaning: Divide up and share out.

Example: “voting power will be apportioned according to contribution”

Synonyms: Allocate, Distribute

Antonyms: Withhold, Refuse

48) Denting

Meaning: Have an adverse effect on; diminish.

Example: “this neither deterred him nor dented his enthusiasm”

Synonyms: Diminish, Reduce

Antonyms: Increase

49) Awkward

Meaning: Causing inconvenience, anxiety, or embarrassment.

Example: It was an awkward situation, because the restaurant was too expensive for us but we didn’t want to just get up and walk out.

Synonyms: Difficult, Unpleasant

Antonyms: Relaxed, Easy

50) Ruthless

Meaning: Having or showing no pity or compassion for others.

Example: “a ruthless manipulator”

Synonyms: Merciless, Cruel

Antonyms: Gentle, Compassionate

51) Furnish

Meaning: To supply or provide something needed.

Example: Jeanne’s catering company furnished all the food for the party.

Synonyms: Provide, Supply

Antonyms: Divest

52) Endure

Meaning: To continue to exist for a long time.

Example: The political system established in 1400 endured until about 1650.

Synonyms: Continue, Persist

Antonyms: Fade, Short-lived

53) 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

54) Controversy

Meaning: Prolonged public disagreement or heated discussion.

Example: “the design of the building has caused controversy”

Synonyms: Disagreement, Dispute

Antonyms: Agreement, Accord

55) Fuelled

Meaning: Sustain or inflame (an intense feeling).

Example: “his resignation fuelled speculation of an imminent cabinet reshuffle”

Synonyms: Stimulate, Intensify

Antonyms: Dampen

56) Threatening

Meaning: Having a hostile or deliberately frightening quality or manner.

Example: “her mother had received a threatening letter”

Synonyms: Menacing, Scary

Antonyms: Distant, Pleasant

57) Compliance

Meaning: The state or fact of according with or meeting rules or standards.

Example: “all imports of timber are in compliance with regulations”

Synonyms: Obedience to, Accordance with

Antonyms: Violation, Infringement

58) Barring

Meaning: Except for; if not for.

Example: “barring accidents, we should win”

Synonyms: Excepting, Excluding

Antonyms: Approval, Support.

59) Evasive

Meaning: Directed towards avoidance or escape.

Example: “they decided to take evasive action”

Synonyms: Avoiding, Dodging

Antonyms: Direct

60) Outstanding

Meaning: Not yet paid, resolved, or dealt with.

Example: “much of the work is still outstanding”

Synonyms: Incomplete, Undone

Antonyms: Paid, Finished

61) Alleviate

Meaning: Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.

Example: “he couldn’t prevent her pain, only alleviate it”

Synonyms: Reduce, Relieve

Antonyms: Aggravate

62) Looming

Meaning: (of an event regarded as threatening) seem about to happen.

Example: “there is a crisis looming”

Synonyms: Threaten, Impend

Antonyms: Distant, Remote.

63) Revert

Meaning: Return to (a previous state, practice, topic, etc.).

Example: “he reverted to his native language”

Synonyms: Return, Regress

Antonyms: Continue, Improve.

64) Lavish

Meaning: Sumptuously rich, elaborate, or luxurious.

Example: “a lavish banquet”

Synonyms: Lush, Gorgeous

Antonyms: Meagre

65) Vagaries

Meaning: An unexpected and inexplicable change in a situation or in someone’s behaviour.

Example: “the vagaries of the weather”.

Synonyms: Quirk, Oddity.

Antonyms: Choice, Economy.

66) Erstwhile

Meaning: Former.

Example: “the erstwhile president of the company”

Synonyms: Former, Sometime

Antonyms: Present, Future

67) Indigenous

Meaning: Originating or occurring naturally in a particular place; native.

Example: “the indigenous peoples of Siberia”

Synonyms: Native, Aboriginal

Antonyms: Expatriate, Migrant

68) Preferential

Meaning: Of or involving preference or partiality; constituting a favour or privilege.

Example: “preferential interest rates may be offered to employees”

Synonyms: Special, Better

Antonyms: Fairness.

69) Deter

Meaning: Prevent the occurrence of.

Example: “strategists think not only about how to deter war, but about how war might occur”

Synonyms: Prevent, Stop

Antonyms: Encourage

70) Casting

Meaning: Discard.

Example: “he jumped in, casting caution to the wind”

Synonyms: Discard, Reject

Antonyms: Accept

71) Estrangement

Meaning: The fact of no longer being on friendly terms or part of a social group.

Example: “the growing estrangement of the police from their communities”

Synonyms: Alienation, Hostility

Antonyms: Unity, Reconciliation

72) Foes

Meaning: An enemy or opponent.

Example: “his work was praised by friends and foes alike”

Synonyms: Rival, Adversary

Antonyms: Friend

73) Veteran

Meaning: A person who has had long experience in a particular field.

Example: “a veteran of two world wars”

Synonyms: Expert, Old-hand

Antonyms: Novice, Recruit

74) Acutely

Meaning: (with reference to something unpleasant or unwelcome) intensely.

Example: “the whole situation was acutely embarrassing”

Synonyms: Extremely, Very

Antonyms: Slightly

75) Collided

Meaning: Hit by accident when moving.

Example: “She collided with someone”

Synonyms: Conflict, Clash

Antonyms: Coalesce

76) Negligent

Meaning: Failing to take proper care over something.

Example: “The council had been negligent in its supervision of the children in care”

Synonyms: Careless, Remiss

Antonyms: Careful, Attentive

77) Hired

Meaning: Employ (someone) for wages.

Example: “Management hired and fired labour in line with demand”

Synonyms: Employ, Engage

Antonyms: Dismiss

78) Aggrieved

Meaning: Feeling resentment at having been unfairly treated.

Example: “They were aggrieved at the outcome”

Synonyms: Resentful, Angry

Antonyms: Pleased

79) Articulated

Meaning: Having two or more sections connected by a flexible joint.

Example: “An articulated lorry”

Synonyms: Segmented, Attached

Antonyms: Fixed

80) Corollary

Meaning: A proposition that follows from (and is often appended to) one already proved.

Example: “The huge increases in unemployment were the corollary of expenditure cuts”

Synonyms: Consequence, Result

Antonyms: Cause, Origin

81) Belied

Meaning: (Of an appearance) fail to give a true impression of (something).

Example: “His lively, alert manner belied his years”

Synonyms: Contradict, Disprove

Antonyms: Reveal

82) Perilous

Meaning: Full of danger or risk.

Example: “A perilous journey south”

Synonyms: Dangerous, Hazardous

Antonyms: Safe, Secure

83) Intense

Meaning: Having or showing strong feelings or opinions; extremely earnest or serious.

Example: “An intense young woman, passionate about her art”

Synonyms: Passionate, Ardent
Antonyms: Apathetic
84) Horrific
Meaning: Causing horror.
Example: “Horrific injuries”
Synonyms: Dreadful, Horrendous.
Antonyms: Delightful, Pleasant.
85) Countenance
Meaning: Admit as acceptable or possible.
Example: “He was reluctant to countenance the use of force”
Synonyms: Tolerate, Permit.
Antonyms: Disturbance, Anxiety.
86) Deliberate
Meaning: Done consciously and intentionally.
Example: “A deliberate attempt to provoke conflict”
Synonyms: Intentional, Calculated.
Antonyms: Ignorant, Uncareful.
87) Misadventure
Meaning: Death caused by a person accidentally while performing a legal act without negligence or intent to harm.
Example: “the coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure”
Synonyms: Accident, Problem
Antonyms: Advantage, Perfection.
88) Instill
Meaning: Gradually but firmly establish (an idea or attitude) in a person’s mind.
Example: “The standards her parents had instilled into her”
Synonyms: Inculcate, Implant.
Antonyms: Neglect, Uproot.
89) Chaos
Meaning: Complete disorder and confusion.
Example: “Snow caused chaos in the region”
Synonyms: Disorder, Disarray.
Antonyms: Organization, Calm.
90) Bolster
Meaning: Support or strengthen.
Example: “The fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence”
Synonyms: Strengthen, Support.
Antonyms: Undermine.
91) Setback
Meaning: A reversal or check in progress.
Example: “a serious setback for the peace process”
Synonyms: Problem, Difficulty
Antonyms: Breakthrough
92) Curtailed
Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.
Example: “civil liberties were further curtailed”
Synonyms: Reduce, Cut
Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen
93) Enriched
Meaning: Improve or enhance the quality or value of.
Example: “her exposure to museums enriched her life in France”

Synonyms: Enhance, Reinforce
Antonyms: Spoil, Devalue
94) Wrecked
Meaning: Spoil completely.
Example: “an eye injury wrecked his chances of a professional career”
Synonyms: Ruin, Spoil
Antonyms: Facilitate
95) Comply
Meaning: Act in accordance with a wish or command.
Example: “we are unable to comply with your request”
Synonyms: Observe, Obey
Antonyms: Ignore, Disobey
96) Allies
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, Friend
Antonyms: Enemy, Opponent
97) 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
98) Tumultuous
Meaning: Excited, confused, or disorderly.
Example: “a tumultuous crowd”
Synonyms: Tempestuous, Stormy
Antonyms: Peaceful, Uneventful
99) Misery
Meaning: A state or feeling of great physical or mental distress or discomfort.
Example: “a man who had brought her nothing but misery”
Synonyms: Unhappiness, Distress
Antonyms: Contentment, Pleasure
100) Ferocity
Meaning: The state or quality of being ferocious.
Example: “the ferocity of the storm caught them by surprise”
Synonyms: Savagery, Brutality
Antonyms: Gentleness
101) 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
102) Provocative
Meaning: Causing anger or another strong reaction, especially deliberately.
Example: “A provocative article”
Synonyms: Annoying, Irritating
Antonyms: Soothing, Calming

103) Congruence
Meaning: Agreement or harmony; compatibility.
Example: “The results show quite good congruence with recent studies”
Synonyms: Compatibility, Conformity
Antonyms: Conflict
104) Seldom
Meaning: Not often; rarely.
Example: “Islay is seldom visited by tourists”
Synonyms: Rarely, Infrequently
Antonyms: Often, Frequently
105) Dwindled
Meaning: Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.
Example: “Traffic has dwindled to a trickle”
Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease
Antonyms: Increase, Flourish
106) Oppressive
Meaning: Inflicting harsh and authoritarian treatment.
Example: “An oppressive dictatorship”
Synonyms: Harsh, Cruel
Antonyms: Lenient, Humane
107) Frustration
Meaning: The feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something.
Example: “Tears of frustration rolled down her cheeks”
Synonyms: Exasperation, Annoyance
Antonyms: Satisfaction
108) Exemptions
Meaning: The action of freeing or state of being free from an obligation or liability imposed on others.
Example: “Vehicles that may qualify for exemption from tax”
Synonyms: Immunity, Exception
Antonyms: Liability
109) Resumption
Meaning: The action of beginning something again after a pause or interruption.
Example: “With peace came the resumption of foreign imports”
Synonyms: Restart, Recommencement
Antonyms: Suspension, Abandonment
110) Defiant
Meaning: Showing defiance.
Example: “A defiant gesture”
Synonyms: Intransigent, Resistant
Antonyms: Apologetic, Cooperative
111) Emboldened
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
112) Implicit
Meaning: Suggested though not directly expressed.

Example: “Comments seen as implicit criticism of the policies”

Synonyms: Implied, Indirect

Antonyms: Explicit, direct

113) Vigilant

Meaning: Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties.

Example: “The burglar was spotted by vigilant neighbours”

Synonyms: Watchful, Observed

Antonyms: Negligent, Inattentive

114) Rival

Meaning: A person or thing competing with another for the same objective or for superiority in the same field of activity.

Example: “He has no serious rival for the job”

Synonyms: Competitor, Opponent

Antonyms: Partner, Ally

115) Ostensibly

Meaning: As appears or is stated to be true, though not necessarily so; apparently.

Example: “The party secretary resigned, ostensibly from ill health”

Synonyms: Apparently, Seemingly

Antonyms: Genuinely, Really

116) Ruffle

Meaning: Disconcert or upset the composure of (someone).

Example: “Lancaster had been ruffled by her questions”

Synonyms: Annoy, Irritate

Antonyms: Soothe, Calm

117) Objection

Meaning: An expression or feeling of disapproval or opposition; a reason for disagreeing.

Example: “they have raised no objections to the latest plans”

Synonyms: Protest, Demur

Antonyms: Approval, Acceptance

119) Quash

Meaning: Reject as invalid, especially by legal procedure.

Example: “his conviction was quashed on appeal”

Synonyms: Cancel, Reverse

Antonyms: Validate

120) Elevate

Meaning: Raise to a more important or impressive level.

Example: “he was elevated to Secretary of State”

Synonyms: Promote, Upgrade

Antonyms: Demote

121) Diverse

Meaning: Showing a great deal of variety; very different.

Example: “a culturally diverse population”

Synonyms: Various, Manifold

Antonyms: Similar, Uniform

122) Mounting

Meaning: Gradually increasing.

Example: Mounting anxiety/excitement.

Synonyms: Increase, Intensify

Antonyms: Decrease

123) Inquest

Meaning: An inquiry by a coroner’s court into the cause of a death.

Example: “they held an inquest into the death of her daughter”

Synonyms: Enquiry, Investigation

Antonyms: Conclusion, Findings.

124) Acute

Meaning: (of an unpleasant or unwelcome situation or phenomenon) present or experienced to a severe or intense degree.

Example: “an acute housing shortage”

Synonyms: Severe, Critical

Antonyms: Negligible

125) Shrank

Meaning: Become or make smaller in size or amount.

Example: “the workforce shrank to a thousand”

Synonyms: Diminish, Reduce

Antonyms: Expand, Increase

126) Mended

Meaning: Improve (an unpleasant situation).

Example: “quarrels could be mended by talking”

Synonyms: Remedy, Settle

Antonyms: Destroy, Worsen.

127) Unremitting

Meaning: Never relaxing or slackening; incessant.

Example: “Unremitting drizzle”

Synonyms: Relentless, Continual

Antonyms: Intermittent, Spasmodic

128) Defended

Meaning: Resist an attack made on (someone or something); protect from harm or danger.

Example: “We shall defend our island, whatever the cost”

Synonyms: Protect, Guard

Antonyms: Attack

129) Idle

Meaning: Without purpose or effect; pointless.

Example: “He did not want to waste valuable time in idle chatter”

Synonyms: Frivolous, Trivial

Antonyms: Serious, Meaningful

130) Imperative

Meaning: Giving an authoritative command; peremptory.

Example: “The bell pealed again, a final imperative call”

Synonyms: Peremptory, Imperious

Antonyms: Submissive

131) Curtail

Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

Example: “Civil liberties were further curtailed”

Synonyms: Reduce, Decrease

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

132) Resentment

Meaning: Bitter indignation at having been treated unfairly.

Example: “His resentment at being demoted”

Synonyms: Bitterness, Irritation

Antonyms: Contentment, Happiness

133) Lapses

Meaning: (Of a right, privilege, or agreement) become invalid because it is not used, claimed, or renewed; expire.

Example: “He let his membership of CND lapse”

Synonyms: Expire, Terminate

Antonyms: Current, Valid

134) Allied

Meaning: Joined by or relating to members of an alliance.

Example: “Allied territories”

Synonyms: Federal, Associated

Antonyms: Independent, Hostile

135) Hatred

Meaning: Intense dislike; hate.

Example: “Racial hatred”

Synonyms: Loathing, Hate

Antonyms: Love, Liking

136) Faint

Meaning: Lacking conviction or enthusiasm; feeble.

Example: “She sent him a faint answering smile”

Synonyms: Unenthusiastic, Weak

Antonyms: Strong

137) Curtailing

Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

Example: “Civil liberties were further curtailed”

Synonyms: Reduce, Cut

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

138) Amenable

Meaning: Open and responsive to suggestion; easily persuaded or controlled.

Example: “Parents who have amenable children”

Synonyms: Complaint, Biddable

Antonyms: Uncooperative

139) Abandon

Meaning: Give up completely (a practice or a course of action).

Example: “He had clearly abandoned all pretence of trying to succeed”

Synonyms: Renounce, Relinquish

Antonyms: Keep, Claim

140) Reviled

Meaning: Criticize in an abusive or angrily insulting manner.

Example: “He was now reviled by the party that he had helped to lead”

Synonyms: Criticize, Censure

Antonyms: Praise, Extol

141) Fragment

Meaning: Break or cause to break into fragments.

Example: “Lough Erne fragmented into a series of lakes”

Synonyms: Break up, Break.
Antonyms: Whole, Entirely.

142) Mandate
Meaning: The authority to carry out a policy, regarded as given by the electorate to a party or candidate that wins an election.
Example: “He called an election to seek a mandate for his policies”
Synonyms: Authority, Approval.
Antonyms: Breach, Refuse.

143) Overture
Meaning: An introduction to something more substantial.
Example: “The talks were no more than an overture to a long debate”
Synonyms: Preliminary, Prelude.
Antonyms: Conclusion, Withdrawal.

144) Bargain
Meaning: Negotiate the terms and conditions of a transaction.
Example: “He bargained with the local council to rent the stadium”
Synonyms: Haggle, Barter.
Antonyms: Differ, Dispute.

145) Subvert
Meaning: Undermine the power and authority of (an established system or institution).
Example: “An attempt to subvert democratic government”
Synonyms: Destabilize, Unsettle.
Antonyms: Improve, Uphold, Comply.

146) Defection
Meaning: The desertion of one’s country or cause in favour of an opposing one.
Example: “His defection from the Labour Party”
Synonyms: Desertion, Absconding.
Antonyms: Plenty, Enough.

147) Muster
Meaning: Assemble (troops), especially for inspection or in preparation for battle.
Example: “17,000 men had been mustered on Haldon Hill”
Synonyms: Assemble, Bring together.
Antonyms: Single, Unit.

148) Resolve
Meaning: Settle or find a solution to (a problem or contentious matter).
Example: “The firm aims to resolve problems within 30 days”
Synonyms: Settle, Sort out.
Antonyms: Uncertainty, Reluctance.

149) Intervene
Meaning: Take part in something so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events.
Example: “He acted outside his authority when he intervened in the dispute”
Synonyms: Intercede, Involve oneself.
Antonyms: Connect, Combine

150) Partisan
Meaning: Prejudiced in favour of a particular cause.

Example: “Newspapers have become increasingly partisan”
Synonyms: Biased, Prejudiced.
Antonyms: Unbiased, Disinterested.

151) Exemplified
Meaning: Illustrate or clarify by giving an example.
Example: “he exemplified his point with an anecdote”
Synonyms: Illustrate, Demonstrate
Antonyms: Confuse, Puzzle.

152) Contour
Meaning: An outline representing or bounding the shape or form of something.
Example: “She traced the contours of his face with her finger”
Synonyms: Outline, Shape.
Antonyms: Affection, Burden.

153) Grapples
Meaning:Struggle to deal with or overcome (a difficulty or challenge).
Example: “other towns are still grappling with the problem”
Synonyms: Tackle, Confront
Antonyms: Avoid

154) Sunk
Meaning:Gradually decrease or decline in value, amount, quality, or intensity.
Example: “their output sank to a third of the pre-war figure”
Synonyms: Fall, Drop
Antonyms: Rise

155) Dwindling
Meaning:Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.
Example: “traffic has dwindled to a trickle”
Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease
Antonyms: Increase, Flourish

156) 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

157) Intensive
Meaning:Concentrated on a single subject or into a short time; very thorough or vigorous.
Example: “she undertook an intensive Arabic course”
Synonyms: Thorough, Rigorous
Antonyms: Superficial, Partial

158) Tightening
Meaning:Make or become tight or tighter.
Example: “he tightened up the clips”
Synonyms: Secure, Strengthen
Antonyms: Loosen, Slacken

159) Hooked
Meaning: Attach or fasten with a hook or hooks.
Example: “the truck had a red lamp hooked to its tailgate”

Synonyms: Fasten, Secure
Antonyms: Unhitch

160) Scuppering
Meaning:Prevent from working or succeeding; thwart.
Example: “plans for a bypass were scuppered by a public inquiry”
Synonyms: Wreck, Destroy
Antonyms: Further, Promote

161) Complacent
Meaning:Showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one’s achievements.
Example: “you can’t afford to be complacent about security”
Synonyms: Smug, Satisfied
Antonyms: Dissatisfied, Humble

162) Exodus
Meaning:A mass departure of people.
Example: “the annual exodus of sun-seeking Canadians to Florida”
Synonyms: Withdrawal, Evacuation
Antonyms: Arrival

163) Unenviable
Meaning: Difficult, undesirable, or unpleasant.
Example: “an unenviable reputation for drunkenness”
Synonyms: Disagreeable, Unpleasant
Antonyms: Envidable, Desirable

164) Benign
Meaning:Gentle and kind.
Example: “his benign but firm manner”
Synonyms: Kind, Friendly
Antonyms: Unfriendly, Hostile

165) Consequences
Meaning:A result or effect, typically one that is unwelcome or unpleasant.
Example: “abrupt withdrawal of drug treatment can have serious consequences”
Synonyms: Result, Outcome
Antonyms: Cause

166) Eve
Meaning:The day or period of time immediately before an event or occasion.
Example: “on the eve of her departure he gave her a little parcel”
Synonyms: Period before, Day before
Antonyms: Day after

167) Eviction
Meaning:The action of expelling someone from a property; expulsion.
Example: “the forced eviction of residents”
Synonyms: Expulsion, Ejection
Antonyms: Admission

168) Remorse
Meaning: Deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed.
Example: “they were filled with remorse and shame”
Synonyms: Contrition, Repentance
Antonyms: Indifference

169) Glorious
Meaning:Having a striking beauty or splendour.

Example: “a glorious autumn day”
Synonyms: Wonderful, Marvelous
Antonyms: Horrid, Miserable
170) Retained
Meaning: Continue to have (something); keep possession of.
Example: “Labour retained the seat”
Synonyms: Keep, Hang on
Antonyms: Lose, Abolish
171) Integrity
Meaning: The condition of being unified or sound in construction.
Example: “The structural integrity of the novel”
Synonyms: Soundness, Strength
Antonyms: Fragility
172) Disregarded
Meaning: Pay no attention to; ignore.
Example: “The body of evidence is too substantial to disregard”
Synonyms: Ignore, Discount
Antonyms: Heed, Pay attention to
173) Diminished
Meaning: Make or become less.
Example: “The new law is expected to diminish the government’s chances”
Synonyms: Decrease, Decline
Antonyms: Increase, Flare up
174) Abandoned
Meaning: Give up completely (a practice or a course of action).
Example: “He had clearly abandoned all pretence of trying to succeed”
Synonyms: Renounce, Relinquish
Antonyms: Keep, Claim
175) Propriety
Meaning: Conformity to conventionally accepted standards of behaviour or morals.
Example: “He always behaved with the utmost propriety”
Synonyms: Decorum, Respectability
Antonyms: Impropriety, Indecorum
176) Demonstrable
Meaning: Clearly apparent or capable of being logically proved.
Example: “The demonstrable injustices of racism”
Synonyms: Verifiable, Provable
Antonyms: Unverifiable
177) Discretion
Meaning: The quality of behaving or speaking in such a way as to avoid causing offence or revealing confidential information.
Example: “She knew she could rely on his discretion”
Synonyms: Circumspection, Care
Antonyms: Indiscretion, Rashness
178) Capriciously
Meaning: Given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour.
Example: “A capricious and often brutal administration”
Synonyms: Fickle, Inconstant

Antonyms: Stable, Consistent
179) Denied
Meaning: State that one refuses to admit the truth or existence of.
Example: “Both firms deny any responsibility for the tragedy”
Synonyms: Contradict, Repudiate
Antonyms: Confirm
180) Cessation
Meaning: The fact or process of ending or being brought to an end.
Example: “the cessation of hostilities”
Synonyms: End, Termination
Antonyms: Start, Resumption
181) Escalated
Meaning: Make or become more intense or serious.
Example: “the disturbance escalated into a full-scale riot”
Synonyms: Develop, Increase
Antonyms: Shrink
182) Equilibrium
Meaning: A state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced.
Example: “the task is the maintenance of social equilibrium”
Synonyms: Balance, Equality
Antonyms: Imbalance
183) Complementary
Meaning: Combining in such a way as to enhance or emphasize the qualities of each other or another.
Example: “they had different but complementary skills”
Synonyms: Supportive, Compatible
Antonyms: Incompatible
184) Conflict
Meaning: A prolonged armed struggle.
Example: “regional conflicts”
Synonyms: War, Campaign
Antonyms: Peace
185) Isolated
Meaning: Having minimal contact or little in common with others.
Example: “he lived a very isolated existence”
Synonyms: Solitary, Outlying
Antonyms: Accessible
186) Savage
Meaning: Extremely violent, wild, or frightening.
Example: a brutal and savage attack.
Synonyms: Attack, Condemn
Antonyms: Praise, Commend
187) Disparate
Meaning: Essentially different in kind; not able to be compared.
Example: “they inhabit disparate worlds of thought”
Synonyms: Different, Dissimilar
Antonyms: Homogeneous
188) Triumph
Meaning: A great victory or achievement.

Example: “a garden built to celebrate Napoleon’s many triumphs”
Synonyms: Victory, Win
Antonyms: Defeat
189) Fruitfully
Meaning: Producing good results.
Example: It was a most fruitful discussion, with both sides agreeing to adopt a common policy.
Synonyms: Good
Antonyms: Worst, Fruitless
190) Slim
Meaning: (of something abstract, especially a chance or margin) very small.
Example: “there was just a slim chance of success”
Synonyms: Slight, Slender
Antonyms: Good, Strong
191) Devolve
Meaning: Transfer or delegate (power) to a lower level, especially from central government to local or regional administration.
Example: “measures to devolve power to a Scottish assembly”
Synonyms: Delegate, Assign
Antonyms: Centralize, Retain
192) Persistent
Meaning: Continuing firmly or obstinately in an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition.
Example: “one of the government’s most persistent critics”
Synonyms: Tenacious, Determined
Antonyms: Irresolute
193) Antediluvian
Meaning: Extremely old-fashioned.
Example: My mother has some hopelessly antediluvian ideas about the role of women.
Synonyms: Out of date, Outdated
Antonyms: Modern, Up to date
194) Overwhelming
Meaning: Very great in amount.
Example: “his party won overwhelming support”
Synonyms: Enormous, Immense
Antonyms: Small
195) Resilience
Meaning: The capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.
Example: “the often-remarkable resilience of so many British institutions”
Synonyms: Flexibility
Antonyms: Vulnerability, Weakness
196) Demonstrate
Meaning: Clearly show the existence or truth of (something) by giving proof or evidence.
Example: “their shameful silence demonstrates their ineptitude”
Synonyms: Reveal, Indicate
Antonyms: Hide
197) Fatal
Meaning: Causing death.
Example: “a fatal accident”

Synonyms: Deadly, Mortal
Antonyms: Harmless, Superficial
198) Vexed
Meaning: (of a problem or issue) difficult and much debated; problematic.
Example: “the vexed question of how much money the government is going to spend”
Synonyms: Debatable, Contentious
Antonyms: Undisputed, Resolved
199) Emphasised
Meaning: Give special importance or value to (something) in speaking or writing.
Example: “they emphasize the need for daily, one-to-one contact between parent and child”
Synonyms: Highlight, Spotlight
Antonyms: Understate
200) 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: Imprudent, Unwise
201) Tranquillity
Meaning: The quality or state of being tranquil; calm.
Example: “passing cars are the only noise that disturbs the tranquility of rural life”
Synonyms: Peace, Repose
Antonyms: Commotion
202) Acquiescence
Meaning: The reluctant acceptance of something without protest.
Example: “in silent acquiescence, she rose to her feet”
Synonyms: Permit, Allow
Antonyms: Forbid, Refusal
203) Concessions
Meaning: The action of conceding or granting something.
Example: “this strict rule was relaxed by concession”
Synonyms: Admission, Acceptance
Antonyms: Denial, Retention
204) Embarked
Meaning: Begin (a course of action).
Example: “she embarked on a new career”
Synonyms: Begin, Start
Antonyms: End, Close
205) Jeopardised
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 center”
Synonyms: Threaten, Endanger
Antonyms: Safeguard
206) Belligerent
Meaning: Hostile and aggressive.

Example: “the mood at the meeting was belligerent”
Synonyms: Hostile, Aggressive
Antonyms: Friendly, Peaceable
207) Manifest
Meaning: Clear or obvious to the eye or mind.
Example: “her manifest charm and proven ability”
Synonyms: Obvious, Clear
Antonyms: Hidden, Secret
208) Transgressions
Meaning: An act that goes against a law, rule, or code of conduct; an offence.
Example: “I’ll be keeping an eye out for further transgressions”
Synonyms: Offence, Crime
Antonyms: Obedience
209) Bolstered
Meaning: Support or strengthen.
Example: “the fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence”
Synonyms: Strengthen, Support
Antonyms: Undermine
210) 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
211) Appetite
Meaning: A strong desire or liking for something.
Example: “Her appetite for life”
Synonyms: Craving, Longing
Antonyms: Aversion
212) Swampy
Meaning: Characteristic of or resembling a swamp.
Example: “A swampy area”
Synonyms: Marshy, Boggy
Antonyms: Firm, Dry
213) Surmount
Meaning: Overcome (a difficulty or obstacle).
Example: “All manner of cultural differences were surmounted”
Synonyms: Overcome, Conquer
Antonyms: Be beaten by
214) Beaming
Meaning: Used to describe a smile that is very wide and happy, or someone who is smiling in this way.
Example: A beaming smile.
Synonyms: Laughing, Smiling
Antonyms: Dull, Ugly.
215) Galvanise
Meaning: Shock or excite (someone) into taking action.
Example: “the urgency of his voice galvanized them into action”
Synonyms: Jolt, Impel
Antonyms: Demotivate

216) Dubious
Meaning: Hesitating or doubting.
Example: “I was rather dubious about the whole idea”
Synonyms: Doubtful, Uncertain
Antonyms: Certain, Definite
217) 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
218) Diminishing
Meaning: Make or become less.
Example: “The new law is expected to diminish the government’s chances”
Synonyms: Decrease, Decline
Antonyms: Increase
219) Naive
Meaning: (Of a person) natural and unaffected; innocent.
Example: “Andy had a sweet, naive look when he smiled”
Synonyms: Innocent, Artless
Antonyms: Sophisticated, Worldly
220) Scarce
Meaning: Occurring in small numbers or quantities; rare.
Example: “The freshwater shrimp becomes scarce in soft water”
Synonyms: Rare, Unusual
Antonyms: Common
221) Truancy
Meaning: The action of staying away from school without good reason; absenteeism.
Example: “Fines to tackle truancy”
Synonyms: Absenteeism, Absence
Antonyms: Attendance
222) Burgeoning
Meaning: Begin to grow or increase rapidly; flourish.
Example: “Manufacturers are keen to cash in on the burgeoning demand”
Synonyms: Grow, Expand
Antonyms: Shrink
223) Cripples
Meaning: Cause a severe and almost insuperable problem for.
Example: “Developing countries are crippled by their debts”
Synonyms: Ruin, Destroy
Antonyms: Boost
224) Acquittal
Meaning: A judgement or verdict that a person is not guilty of the crime with which they have been charged.
Example: “The trial resulted in an acquittal”
Synonyms: Absolution, Clearing
Antonyms: Conviction
225) Erring

Meaning: Be mistaken or incorrect; make a mistake.

Example: “The judge had erred in ruling that the evidence was inadmissible”

Synonyms: Mistake, Miscalculate

Antonyms: Innocent, Well behaved

226) Bureaucratic

Meaning: Relating to a system of government in which most of the important decisions are taken by state officials rather than by elected representatives.

Example: “Well-established bureaucratic procedures”

Synonyms: Administrative, Official

Antonyms: Simple, Relaxed

227) Hasten

Meaning: Move or travel hurriedly.

Example: “We hastened back to Paris”

Synonyms: Hurry, Dash

Antonyms: Dawdle, Crawl

228) Peril

Meaning: Serious and immediate danger.

Example: “You could well place us both in peril”

Synonyms: Danger, Risk

Antonyms: Safety, Security

229) Tremendous

Meaning: Very great in amount, scale, or intensity.

Example: “Penny put in a tremendous amount of time”

Synonyms: Huge, Enormous

Antonyms: Tiny, Small

230) Outlawing

Meaning: Ban or make illegal.

Example: “secondary picketing has been outlawed”

Synonyms: Ban, Prohibit

Antonyms: Permit, Allow

231) Humility

Meaning: The quality of having a modest or low view of one’s importance.

Example: “He needs the humility to accept that their way may be better”

Synonyms: Modesty, Meekness

Antonyms: Pride

232) Reassure

Meaning: Say or do something to remove the doubts and fears of (someone).

Example: “He understood her feelings and tried to reassure her”

Synonyms: Comfort, Soothe

Antonyms: Alarm, Unnerve

234) Arid

Meaning: (of land or a climate) having little or no rain; too dry or barren to support vegetation.

Example: “the arid plains north of Cape Town”

Synonyms: Dry, Thirsty

Antonyms: Wet, Fertile

235) Bountiful

Meaning: Large in quantity; abundant.

Example: “the ocean provided a bountiful supply of fresh food”

Synonyms: Abundant, Plentiful

Antonyms: Meagre

236) Depleted

Meaning: Use up the supply or resources of.

Example: “fish stocks are severely depleted”

Synonyms: Exhaust, Consume

Antonyms: Augment, Increase

237) Comprehensive

Meaning: Of large content or scope; wide-ranging.

Example: “a comprehensive collection of photographs”

Synonyms: Inclusive, Complete

Antonyms: Partial, Selective

238) Prosperity

Meaning: The state of being prosperous.

Example: “a long period of peace and prosperity”

Synonyms: Wealth, Success

Antonyms: Hardship, Failure

239) Dwindles

Meaning: Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.

Example: “traffic has dwindled to a trickle”

Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease

Antonyms: Increase, Flourish

240) Vigour

Meaning: Effort, energy, and enthusiasm.

Example: “they set about the new task with vigour”

Synonyms: Good condition, Robustness

Antonyms: Weakness

241) Tactic

Meaning: An action or strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific end.

Example: “The minority attempted to control the Council by a delaying tactic”

Synonyms: Strategy, Scheme

Antonyms: Imprudent, Unwise.

242) Quest

Meaning: A long or arduous search for something.

Example: “The quest for a reliable vaccine has intensified”

Synonyms: Search, Hunt.

Antonyms: Retreat.

243) Stitch

Meaning: Make, mend, or join (something) with stitches.

Example: “Stitch a plain seam with right sides together”

Synonyms: Sew, Baste.

Antonyms: Comfort, Ease.

244) Rampant

Meaning: (Especially of something unwelcome) flourishing or spreading unchecked.

Example: “Political violence was rampant”

Synonyms: Uncontrolled, Unrestrained.

Antonyms: Gentle, Controlled, Restrained.

245) Antipathy

Meaning: A deep-seated feeling of aversion.

Example: “His fundamental antipathy to capitalism”

Synonyms: Hostility, Antagonism.

Antonyms: Approval, Kindness.

246) Promptly

Meaning: With little or no delay; immediately.

Example: “He paid the fine promptly”

Synonyms: Punctually, On time.

Antonyms: Slowly, Late.

247) Rivalry

Meaning: Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field.

Example: “There always has been intense rivalry between the clubs”

Synonyms: Competitiveness, Competition.

Antonyms: Accord, Peace.

249) Eradicate

Meaning: Destroy completely; put an end to.

Example: “This disease has been eradicated from the world”

Synonyms: Get rid of, Eliminate.

Antonyms: Schedule, Assist.

250) Array

Meaning: Display or arrange (things) in a particular way.

Example: “The manifesto immediately divided the forces arrayed against him”

Synonyms: Arrange, Assemble

Antonyms: Entity, Unit.

251) Shrink

Meaning: Become or make smaller in size or amount.

Example: “The workforce shrank to a thousand”

Synonyms: Contract, Diminish.

Antonyms: Extend, Rise.

252) Viable

Meaning: Capable of working successfully; feasible.

Example: “The proposed investment was economically viable”

Synonyms: Workable, Feasible.

Antonyms: Unfeasible, Unpractical.

253) Unison

Meaning: Simultaneous performance or utterance of action or speech.

Example: “‘Yes, sir,’ said the girls in unison”

Synonyms: Simultaneously, At (one and) the same time.

Antonyms: Opposition, Separation.

254) Brutal

Meaning: Savagely violent.

Example: “A brutal murder”

Synonyms: Savage, Cruel.

Antonyms: Gentle, Calm.

255) Breakthrough

Meaning: A sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development.

Example: “A major breakthrough in the fight against AIDS”

Synonyms: Advance, Development.

Antonyms: Decline, Stepback.

256) Confrontation

Meaning: A hostile or argumentative situation or meeting between opposing parties.

Example: "A confrontation with the legislature"

Synonyms: Conflict, Clash.

Antonyms: Peace, Calm.

257) Allege

Meaning: Claim or assert that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically without proof.

Example: "He alleged that he had been assaulted"

Synonyms: Claim, Assert

Antonyms: Withhold, Protest

258) Utterance

Meaning: A spoken word, statement, or vocal sound.

Example: "He whispered, as if to lend his utterances an added confidentiality"

Synonyms: Remark, Comment.

Antonyms: Request, Silence

259) Halt

Meaning: Bring or come to an abrupt stop.

Example: "There is growing pressure to halt the bloodshed"

Synonyms: Stop, Come to a halt.

Antonyms: Start, Endurance.

260) Dismantle

Meaning: Take (a machine or structure) to pieces.

Example: "The engines were dismantled, and the bits piled into a heap"

Synonyms: Take apart, Take to pieces

Antonyms: Construct, Repair

261) Inoperable

Meaning: Not able to be used.

Example: "The airfield was bombed and made inoperable"

Synonyms: Unusable, Out of action.

Antonyms: Curable, Operable.

262) Rhetoric

Meaning: The art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing, especially the exploitation of figures of speech and other compositional techniques.

Example: "He is using a common figure of rhetoric, hyperbole"

Synonyms: Oratory, Eloquence.

Antonyms: Quiest, Conciseness.

263) Unravel

Meaning: Investigate and solve or explain (something complicated or puzzling).

Example: "They were attempting to unravel the cause of death"

Synonyms: Solve, Resolve.

Antonyms:Tangle, Tie.

264) Conciliatory

Meaning: Intended or likely to placate or pacify.

Example: "A conciliatory approach"

Synonyms: Propitiatory, Placatory.

Antonyms: Refusing, Stubborn

265) Crisis

Meaning: A time of intense difficulty or danger.

Example: "The current economic crisis"

Synonyms: Catastrophe, Calamity.

Antonyms: Benefit, Miracle

267) Witnessed

Meaning: See (an event, typically a crime or accident) happen.

Example: "Staff who witnessed the murder"

Synonyms: See, Observe.

Antonyms: Reject, Refutation

268) Trigger

Meaning: Cause (a device) to function.

Example: "Burglars fled empty-handed after triggering the alarm"

Synonyms: Activate, Set off.

Antonyms: Destroy, Prevant.

269) Gauge

Meaning: Judge or assess (a situation, mood, etc.).

Example: "She was unable to gauge his mood"

Synonyms: Assess, Evaluate.

Antonyms: Estimate, Unimportance.

270) Irony

Meaning: A state of affairs or an event that seems deliberately contrary to what one expects and is often wryly amusing as a result.

Example: "The irony is that I thought he could help me"

Synonyms: Paradox, Paradoxical nature.

Antonyms: Approval, Respect.

271) Consent

Meaning: Permission for something to happen or agreement to do something.

Example: "No change may be made without the consent of all the partners"

Synonyms: Agreement, Assent.

Antonyms: Denial, Refusal.

272) Alienation

Meaning: The state or experience of being alienated.

Example: "A sense of alienation from our environment"

Synonyms: Isolation, Detachment

Antonyms: Connection, Agreement.

273) Accusation

Meaning: A charge or claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong.

Example: "Accusations of bribery"

Synonyms: Allegation, Charge.

Antonyms: Approval, Commendation.

274) Deploy

Meaning: Bring into effective action.

Example: "Small states can often deploy resources more freely"

Synonyms: Use, Utilize.

Antonyms: Conceal, Disturb.

275) Premeditate

Meaning: Think out or plan (an action, especially a crime) beforehand.

Example: "Premeditated murder"

Synonyms: Planned, Intentional.

Antonyms: Forget, Ignore.

276) Commensurate

Meaning: Corresponding in size or degree; in proportion.

Example: "Salary will be commensurate with age and experience"

Synonyms: Equivalent, Equal.

Antonyms: Inadequate, Unsuitable.

277) Intervene

Meaning: Take part in something so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events.

Example: "He acted outside his authority when he intervened in the dispute"

Synonyms: Intercede, Involve oneself.

Antonyms: Leave, Connect.

278) Fortunes

Meaning: Chance or luck as an arbitrary force affecting human affairs.

Example: "Some malicious act of fortune keeps them separate"

Synonyms: Chance, Accident.

Antonyms: Misfortune, Poverty.

279) Impose

Meaning: Force (an unwelcome decision or ruling) on someone.

Example: "The decision was theirs and was not imposed on them by others"

Synonyms: Fist, Force.

Antonyms: Forget, Prevent.

280) Injunction

Meaning: An authoritative warning or order.

Example: "The court has issued an injunction to prevent the airline from increasing its prices"

Synonyms: Order, Ruling.

Antonyms: Allowance, Answer.

281) Heal

Meaning: Cause (a wound, injury, or person) to become sound or healthy again.

Example: "His concern is to heal sick people"

Synonyms: Make better, Make well.

Antonyms: Neglect, Unsettle.

282) Barred

Meaning: Prevent or prohibit (someone) from doing something or from going somewhere.

Example: "Journalists had been barred from covering the elections"

Synonyms: Prohibit, Debar.

Antonyms: Admit, Accept.

283) Cramped

Meaning: Inhibit the development of.

Example: "Tighter rules will cramp economic growth"

Synonyms: Hinder, Impede

Antonyms: Huge, Uncramped.

284) Chronicle

Meaning: Record (a series of events) in a factual and detailed way.

Example: "His work chronicles 20th-century migration"

Synonyms: Record, Put on record.

Antonyms: Conceal, Secret.

285) Acerbic

Meaning: (Especially of a comment or style of speaking) sharp and forthright.

Q.9) Which of the following country's central bank has wrote to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to legalize Indian currency notes of denominations higher than Rs 100, recently?

- a) Bangladesh b) Nepal
c) Sri Lanka d) Bhutan
e) Myanmar

Q.10) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is likely to transfer an interim dividend of up to Rs 30,000 crore to how much crore to the government by March 2019?

- a) Rs.50,000 crore b) Rs.75,000 crore
c) Rs.35,000 crore d) Rs.60,000 crore
e) Rs.40,000 crore

Q.11) Which of the following entity has allowed custodial services in the commodity derivatives market which would enable participation of institutional investors, including mutual funds, in the segment, recently?

- a) NPCI b) IRDAI
c) SIDBI d) RBI
e) SEBI

Q.12) Headquarters of IDFC Bank is in _____.

- a) Mangalore b) Chennai
c) Mumbai d) Bangalore
e) Hyderabad

Q.13) Syndicate Bank and with which bank has signed a bancassurance pact aiming to offer a comprehensive financial planning solution to its customers?

- a) Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance
b) Aviva Life Insurance
c) Bharti AXA Insurance
d) SBI Life Insurance
e) Birla Sun Insurance

Q.14) The Maharashtra Chief Minister has announced that State Bank of India along with other banks agreed to provide finance for which expressway project?

- a) Mumbai-Delhi b) Chennai-Mumbai
c) Nagpur-Mumbai d) Pune - Aurangabad
e) Nashik - Kolhapur

Q.15) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a Rs 1-crore penalty on which bank for non-compliance of Know Your Customer (KYC) guidelines and fraud-classification norms on January 18, 2019?

- a) Andhra Bank b) Allahabad Bank
c) Indian Bank
d) Bank of Maharashtra e) Bank of India

Q.16) According to the Fitch group company India ratings and research estimated that India's GDP growth to be at _____ in financial year 2019-20.

- a) 7.7% b) 7.8%
c) 7.5% d) 7.4%
e) 7.3%

Q.17) The Reserve Bank has set up an expert committee under whom to suggest long-term solutions for the economic and financial sustainability of the MSME sector?

- a) Upendra Kunitia b) P K Sinha
c) Deepak Mishra d) U K Sinha
e) Krishnamurthy Subramanian

Q.18) Who is the MD & CEO of IDFC First Bank?

- a) C. B. Bhawe b) Dr. K M Abraham
c) Mrutyunjay Mahapatra
d) V Vaidyanathan e) Shaktikanta Das

Q.19) Which of the following Private sector insurer has started delivering policies and renewal premium receipt to customers via instant messaging platform WhatsApp as a part of its alternative service option to the policy holders?

- a) Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance
b) Aviva Life Insurance
c) Bharti AXA Life Insurance
d) SBI Life Insurance
e) Birla Sun Insurance

Q.20) Which of the following private sector lender in a first-of-its-kind programme, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Small Business FinCredit India Pvt. Ltd. (SBFC), a systemically important Non-Banking Finance Company for entrepreneurs, to jointly provide credit worth up to Rs 1 crore to MSMEs for a tenure of 15 years, recently?

- a) IndusInd Bank b) HDFC Bank
c) South Indian Bank d) Axis Bank
e) ICICI Bank

Q.21) According to the Reserve Bank of India's Report on Trend and Progress of Banking in India 2017-18, India banking sector witnessed on over how much percent hike in cyber frauds in 2017-18?

- a) 50 per cent b) 25 per cent
c) 10 per cent d) 30 per cent
e) 40 per cent

Q.22) Which of the following institution and 7 public sector oil companies has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for setting up Centre of Excellence in Oil, Gas and Energy, recently?

- a) IIT Madras b) IIT Bombay
c) IIT Bangalore d) IIT Kharagpur
e) IIT Delhi

Q.23) Which of the following mutual fund has surpassed ICICI Prudential MF to regain top position after two years as the largest Asset Management Company (AMC)?

- a) SBI Technology Opportunities Fund
b) Aditya Birla Sun Life Digital India Fund
c) Reliance Arbitrage Fund
d) HDFC Mutual Fund
e) Tata Digital India Fund

Q.24) China has announced that its official economic growth came in at _____ in 2018, the slowest pace since 1990, this was due to grappling with the effects of the current trade war with the US and declining exports.

- a) 6.3 percent b) 6.4 percent
c) 6.7 percent d) 6.6 percent
e) 6.8 percent

Q.25) Headquarters of Allahabad Bank is located in which city?

- a) Hyderabad b) Mangalore
c) Mumbai d) Kolkata
e) New Delhi

Q.26) HDFC Standard Life Insurance has renamed itself to _____, following the receipt of relevant approvals from regulatory authorities, recently.

- a) HDFC Insurance
b) HDFC Life
c) HDFC Standard Insurance
d) HDFC Life Insurance
e) HDFC Life Insured Company

Q.27) Which of the following company has launched a new e-commerce platform re-weave.in for handloom weavers under its "Project ReWeave" in association with the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) also curated a special curriculum in 'CAD and Color for Handloom Weaving' to provide digital training in handloom design?

- a) Amazon India b) Microsoft India
c) IBM India d) Wipro
e) TCS

Q.28) Which of the following Company has organized India's First Policy Hack for Teachers in collaboration with UNESCO Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development (MGIEP) and Ignus, recently?

- a) Dell b) TCS
c) Wipro d) IBM
e) Microsoft

Q.29) The government has amalgamated three Regional Rural Banks namely Punjab Gramin Bank, MalwaGramin Bank and _____ into a single RRB with effect from January 1, 2019.

- a) Jharkhand Gramin Bank
b) Bihar Gramin Bank
c) Sutlej Gramin Bank
d) VananchalGramin Bank
e) Saurashtra Gramin Bank

Q.30) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued a notification for all authorised non-bank PPI Issuers in order to limit the liability of Customers in unauthorised electronic payment transactions in PPIs comprising mobile wallets, prepaid payments cards, and paper vouchers such as Sodexo. Expand the term PPI.

- a) Primary Payment Instrument
b) Partial Payment Instrument
c) Permanent Payment Instrument
d) Post-paid Payment Instrument
e) Pre-paid Payment Instrument

Q.31) The Reserve Bank of India has constituted a 5-member high-level committee under whom to suggest measures to strengthen the safety and security of digital payments in the country, recently?

- a) Shaktikanta Das b) Arun Jaitley
c) Ajay Narayan Jha d) Nandan Nilekani
e) Bibek Debroy

Q.32) Which of the following small finance bank has launched a new Current Account with Auto-Sweep facility that will enable bank's existing and potential new customers to auto sweep-in and sweep-out the idle funds in the current account to Sweep Fixed Deposit and earn high interest, recently?

- a) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- b) AU Small Finance Bank
- c) Jana Small Finance Bank
- d) Fincare Small Finance Bank
- e) Equitas Small Finance Bank

Q.33) Indian Highways Management Company Ltd. (IHMCL) , a company promoted by which government agency, has signed MOUs with state-run Oil Marketing Companies (IOCL, BPC, and HPC) to ensure availability of FASTags at petroleum outlets across India?

- a) National Informatics Centre
- b) National Highways Authority of India
- c) Press Information Bureau
- d) Planning Commission
- e) NITI Aayog

Q.34) According to the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) report titled 'Growth Outlook for 2019', stated that India will remain the fastest growing major economy with GDP growth estimated to be _____ in FY19.

- a) 7.3%
- b) 7.5%
- c) 7.7%
- d) 7.9%
- e) 8.0%

Q.35) After almost six months of the ban, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed which payment bank to restart opening new accounts for its consumers, recently?

- a) Airtel Payments Bank
- b) Paytm Payments Bank
- c) Fino Payments Bank
- d) Jio Payments Bank
- e) Aditya Birla Payments Bank

Q.36) Which edition of India's Fiscal Stability Report was released by Reserve Bank of India, recently?

- a) 17th
- b) 15th
- c) 12th
- d) 10th
- e) 18th

Q.37) State-run lender UCO bank, formerly United Commercial Bank, has announced that Government of India has infused _____ of capital into it by the way of preferential allotment.

- a) Rs.1076 crore
- b) Rs.2076 crore
- c) Rs.4076 crore
- d) Rs.5076 crore
- e) Rs.3076 crore

Q.38) Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of Axis Bank?

- a) Girish Chandra Chaturvedi
- b) Sandeep Bakhshi
- c) Amitabh Chaudhry
- d) Shyamala Gopinath
- e) BrahmDutt

Q.39) A government has constituted the panel to suggest that All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to stop setting up new engineering colleges from 2020 and review the creation of new capacity every two years after that. Who is the head of the panel?

- a) Nandan Nilekani
- b) B V R Mohan Reddy
- c) Bibek Debroy
- d) P K Mishra
- e) Arun Kumar Singh

Q.40) The Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) for MIG (Middle Income Group) Scheme has been extended by _____.

- a) April 30, 2021
- b) March 31, 2020
- c) June 30, 2020
- d) August 31, 2021
- e) December 31, 2019

Q.41) The government has appointed whom as the new Chief Information Commissioner from January 1st, 2019 onwards?

- a) Suresh Chandra
- b) Anjali Bhardwaj
- c) Neeraj Kumar Gupta
- d) Yashwardhan Kumar Sinha
- e) Sudhir Bhargava

Q.42) The ministry has established an export promotion cell to create a sustainable ecosystem for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and also proposed to formulate a governing council that will be chaired by _____.

- a) Ram Mohan Mishra
- b) Dr. Arun Kumar Panda
- c) Giriraj Singh
- d) Raj Kumar Digvijay
- e) B.B. Vikram

Q.43) Which two countries officially quit the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) with the close of 2018?

- a) United States and Iraq
- b) Iraq and Iran
- c) Qatar and Israel
- d) Iran and United States
- e) United States and Israel

Q.44) France will introduce its own "GAFA tax" on large internet and technology companies from January 1, finance minister Bruno Le Maire said that amid difficulties in finalising a new EU-wide levy. Expand the term GAFA.

- a) Google, Apple, Facebook and Amazon
- b) Google, Apple, Flipkart and Amazon
- c) Google, Alibaba, Facebook and Amazon
- d) Google, Apple, Flipkart and Alibaba
- e) Google, Amazon, Facebook and Apple

Q.45) Headquarters of Jana Small Finance Bank is in _____.

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Bangalore
- c) Mumbai
- d) Kolkata
- e) New Delhi

Q.46) Who has been appointed as the new Vice President and MD of Facebook India?

- a) Krishna Murthy
- b) Britain Hook
- c) Ajay Kumar
- d) Ajit Mohan
- e) BrahmDutt

Q.47) Which of the following state has put a ban on the purchase new vehicles and Air Conditioners (ACs) by the government departments along with a slew of other items?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Punjab
- e) Haryana

Q.48) The West Bengal government has announced two welfare initiatives under 'Krishi KrishakBondhu' scheme for farmers. The first of the two initiatives will provide _____ to the family of a deceased farmer. Under the second initiative, farmers would get _____ twice a year for growing a single crop on one acre of land

- a) Rs.2.5 lakh and Rs.1,500
- b) Rs.1.5 lakh and Rs.2,500
- c) Rs.4 lakh and Rs.3,500
- d) Rs.3 lakh and Rs.2,000
- e) Rs.2 lakh and Rs.2,500

Q.49) Under which yojana the Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) is worked, and also channelized through two central nodal agencies viz., Housing & Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) and National Housing Bank (NHB) ?

- a) Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana
- b) RashtriyaSwasthyaBima Yojana
- c) Janani Suraksha Yojana
- d) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
- e) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

Q.50) Who has taken oath as the member of Office & Secrecy in UPSC?

- a) Dr. T.C.A Ajay
- b) Dr. T.C.A Anant
- c) Dr. T.C.A Akash
- d) Dr. T.C.A Aravind
- e) Dr. T.C.A Akshay

Q.51) The number of complaints registered at banking ombudsman offices have seen a how much percent increase in the fiscal year 2018, with majority of these complaints coming from urban centres owing to increased awareness and poor internal redressal mechanisms of banks?

- a) 75%
- b) 50%
- c) 15%
- d) 25%
- e) 35%

Q.52) Who has been appointed as the Chief Operations Officer (COO) of RBL Bank?

- a) Ashok Chawla
- b) Arjan Kumar Sikri
- c) Vishwavir Ahuja
- d) Pankaj Sharma
- e) P K Singh

Q.53) Commerce Ministry's investigation arm Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) said imposition of the duty on imports of _____from China would help minimise impact of dumped imports.

- a) Fluorophlogopite
- b) Fluoroethylene polymer
- c) Fused quartz

c) Kumar Rajesh Chandra
d) Amrish Rau e) Vikram Misri

Q.78) The ministerial panel under Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Modi has approved levy of how much percent as 'calamity cess' by Kerala for a period of two years to fund rehabilitation work in the state hit by floods?

a) 3.5% b) 2.5%
c) 1.5% d) 1%
e) 2%

Q.79) Name the certificate that has granted by RBI to IndiaMoneyMart, that validates the web and app-based platform's strong framework to make lending and borrowing transparent, digital and convenient in conformation to the regulatory requirements.

a) NBFC-P2C Certificate
b) NBFC-B2B Certificate
c) NBFC-P2P Certificate
d) NBFC-P2B Certificate
e) NBFC-B2P Certificate

Q.80) As per the National Sample Survey, there are an estimated 39 lakh people employed as domestic workers by private households, of which _____ are female domestic workers.

a) 29 lakhs b) 24lakhs
c) 20 lakhs d) 26 lakhs
e) 25 lakhs

Q.81) Who has been appointed as the President of Global Solar Council (GSC) from January 1, 2019?

a) S K Johnson b) Saravana Kumar
c) Sanjay Singh d) Pranav R Mehta
e) Prakash Mishra

Q.82) Who has removed from the director of the Central Bureau of Investigation, barely 48 hours after he was reinstated by the Supreme Court?

a) Mallikarjun Kharge b) Alok Verma
c) Nageswara Rao d) AK Sikri
e) AK Patnaik

Q.83) The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) has released the Global Report on Trafficking in Persons 2018. Headquarters of UNODC is in _____.

a) Mumbai, India
b) New Delhi, India
c) Vienna, Austria
d) Geneva, Switzerland
e) Washington D.C., USA

Q.84) The Reserve Bank of India has permitted card payment companies to offer their customers a _____ service to facilitate card transactions in a secured manner

a) Virtual b) Parallel
c) Queued d) Tokenised
e) Online

Q.85) Name the India-born joined as the first woman chief economist of International Monetary Fund.

a) Malika Senthil b) Atharaiya Singh
c) Gita Gopinath d) ParmelaGokulnath
e) Anitha Sukumaran

Q.86) The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) was entrusted with the responsibility of periodically reviewing the compliance of the provisions of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003 and present such reviews before both the Houses of Parliament under which section of the Act?

a) Section 12A b) Section 3A
c) Section 5A d) Section 7A
e) Section 6A

Q.87) NABARD said it will provide early stage capital to agriculture and rural enterprises through which venture capital entity, recently?

a) NABAVENTURES Ltd
b) NABARD VENTURES Ltd
c) AGRIVENTURES Ltd
d) NABVENTURES Ltd
e) AGROVENTURES Ltd

Q.88) Affordable Housing Finance Company Aadhar Housing Finance has received fresh subsidy worth how much crore under Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) from National Housing Bank (NHB) , recently?

a) Rs.145.56 crore b) Rs.155.56 crore
c) Rs.165.56 crore d) Rs.185.56 crore
e) Rs.175.56 crore

Q.89) Under which article of the Constitution will have to be amended for implementation of 10 per cent reservation in jobs and educational institutions for the economically backward section in the general category, recently?

a) Article 14 b) Article 16
c) Article 15 d) Both a and b
e) Both b and c

Q.90) What is the rate of Interest for the 5-Year Recurring Depositwith respect to January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019?

a) 7.8% b) 7.3%
c) 8.0% d) 8.5%
e) 7.7%

Q.91) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed lenders to recast loans of stressed Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) , provided the total fund and non-fund-based exposure to such a borrower 25 crore rupees as on January 1, 2019, and the restructuring has to be implemented by _____.

a) April 30, 2021 b) March 31, 2020
c) June 30, 2020 d) August 31, 2021
e) December 31, 2019

Q.92) The Centre has released around how much crore since financial year 2015-2016 to bridge the gap between literacy levels of tribal girls and the general female population, the Centre has informed Parliament?

a) Rs.685 crore b) Rs.585 crore
c) Rs.385 crore d) Rs.285 crore
e) Rs.185 crore

Q.93) The government has cut import duties on crude and refined palm oil effective to comply with preferential trade pacts with Southeast

Asian nationshas been cut to _____ from 44 per cent.

a) 37 per cent b) 38 per cent
c) 42 per cent d) 40 per cent
e) 30 per cent

Q.94) Headquarters of Global Solar Council (GSC) is located in _____.

a) Mumbai, India
b) New Delhi, India
c) Vienna, Austria
d) Geneva, Switzerland
e) Washington D.C., USA

Q.95) The Indian Army and which of the following public sector bank have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the Defence Salary Package on Jan 8, 2019?

a) Canara Bank
b) Bank of India
c) Bank of Baroda
d) Punjab & Sind Bank
e) Punjab National Bank

Q.96) In a bid to attract more airline bookings through its portal, Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) , the Railways' subsidiary which is known more for online train ticket bookings, will offer insurance from Bharti-Axaof up to _____ for free for air passengers who book their tickets through its portal.

a) Rs.15 lakh b) Rs.25 lakh
c) Rs.50 lakh d) Rs.75 lakh
e) Rs.20 lakh

Q.97) What is the rate of Interest for the Sukanya Samriddhi Account Scheme with respect to January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019?

a) 7.8% b) 8.7%
c) 8.0% d) 8.5%
e) 7.7%

Q.98) As per theWorld Economic Forum report, India is poised to become the _____ largest consumer market and consumer spending in India & it is expected to grow from \$ 1.5 trillion at present to nearly \$ 6 trillion by 2030.

a) Second b) Third
c) Fourth d) Sixth
e) Fifth

Q.99) As per the prediction of Standard Chartered Plc for world's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) rankings, India will likely be larger than which country by 2020 while Indonesia will break into the top 5 economies?

a) Germany b) USA
c) China d) Japan
e) Mexico

Q.100) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has taken a decision to revise the advertisement rates for print media by announcing a hike of _____ over and above the existing rate structure for advertisement in print media by the Bureau of Outreach and Communication (erstwhile DAVP) .

a) 8% b) 10%
c) 5% d) 25%

e) 15%

Q.101) According to the latest Lloyds report, which of the following port became the only Indian port to be listed amongst the world’s top 30 container ports, at 28th position?

a) Panambur Port b) Cochin Port

c) Paradip Port d) Sardar Vallabhai Patel Port

e) Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust

Q.102) Who was appointed as the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of insurance website and comparison portal PaisaBazaar.com?

a) Ajith Sonowal b) Rajan Agarwal

c) Ajith Joshi d) MadhumitaRajan

e) Rahul Agarwal

Q.103) India is likely to surpass the United Kingdom in the 2019 rankings of world’s largest economies by increased rate at what percent of GDP growth?

a) 1.6% b) 2.2%

c) 3.2% d) 4.1%

e) 5.5%

Q.104) Under which article of amendment of the Constitution, union government has approved to increase financial and executive powers of the 10 Autonomous Councils in Sixth Schedule areas of North East?

a) 543 b) 362

c) 298 d) 152

e) 280

Q.105) Finance Ministry has asked the public sector banks to bring down the government’s equity to what percent in the first phase?

a) 52% b) 27%

c) 34% d) 44%

e) 50%

Q.106) As per an official release by Central Statistics Office (CSO) , wholesale inflation has softened to an eight-month low of what percent in December 2018?

a) 1.5% b) 2.7%

c) 1.9% d) 4.1%

e) 3.8%

Q.107) Japanese investment giant SoftBank has decided to invest how much dollars for over 40 % stake in BrainBees Solutions, that owns and operates omni-channel baby and mother care product retailer FirstCry?

a) \$400 million b) \$350 million

c) \$200 million d) \$160 million

e) \$460 million

Q.108) Name the head of the Committee to study the existing Special Economic Zone (SEZ) policy of India, states that, the Government has to set a target of creating 100 million jobs and achieving 25% of GDP from manufacturing sector by 2022.

a) Nitesh Gupta b) Bibek Debroy

c) Uday Kotak d) Amit Prithvi

e) Baba Kalyani

Q.109) In which place Dell, as a part of its three-city PolicyHack series, host an interactive hackathon, recently?

a) New Delhi b) Bangalore

c) Mumbai d) Hyderabad

e) Jaipur

Q.110) As per the World Economic Forum (WEF) report, India has become the _____ most attractive investment market for global CEOs as per PwC Survey conducted with more than 1300 CEOs in 91 countries.

a) 2nd b) 3rd

c) 4th d) 5th

e) 8th

Q.111) Who is the head of the eight-member Group of Ministers (GoM) formed by Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council to suggest whether a uniform tax rate should be imposed on lotteries or the current differential tax rate system be continued?

a) P K Mishra b) Thomas Bosch

c) Bibek Debroy

d) Sudhir Mungantiwar e) Amit Mitra

Q.112) Which of the following city has emerged as the World’s Most Dynamic City in the 6th City Momentum Index, released by property consultant JLL?

a) Hyderabad b) Mumbai

c) Bangalore d) New Delhi

e) Kochi

Q.113) As per an official release by Central Statistics Office (CSO) , India’s headline inflation rate based on the Consumer Price Index (combined) reduced to an 18-month low of what percent in December 2018?

a) 4.22% b) 2.19%

c) 3.12% d) 1.14%

e) 2.50%

Q.114) Name the scheme that was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, through which a group of Indian origin people currently in different nations will be taken to all religious places in India twice a year.

a) PravasiDesh Darshan Yojana

b) Pradhan Mantri Pravasi Darshan Yojana

c) PravasiTeerth Darshan Yojana

d) Pradhan Mantri PravasiBakthi Yojana

e) Pravasi Mantri Desh Darshan Yojana

Q.115) What is the rate of Interest for the Kisan Vikas Patra with respect to January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019?

a) 7.8% b) 8.7%

c) 8.0% d) 8.5%

e) 7.7%

Q.116) India has decided to purchase how much dollar worth of oil and gas from the United States per annum and \$18 billion worth of defence equipment, recently?

a) \$20 billion b) \$10 billion

c) \$5 billion d) \$8 billion

e) \$15 billion

Q.117) Government has announced that Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited and which company are in dialogue to form a world class consortium to initially build the first lithium Ion battery plant in India?

a) PowerEX b) Libcoin

c) Jiangxi d) Elektrobit

e) Albemarle

Q.118) Flipkart promoted who has its head of Fashion department Myntra – Jabong’s Fashion and lifestyle categories as an additional responsibility?

a) Rishab Mehta b) Rishi Vasudev

c) Abhishek Pandey d) Sujutha Sajin

e) Rishikesh Sharma

Q.119) The Government has decided to set up a Standing Committee on Affordable Medicines and Health Products (SCAMHP) to recommend price controls and monitor prices of specific drugs and health products. The Committee will be headed by _____.

a) Indian Medical Association

b) NITI Aayog

c) National Pharmaceutical Association

d) Ministry of Finance

e) Ministry of AYUSH

Q.120) 15th edition of PravasiBharatiya Divas celebrations was held in _____.

a) Mumbai b) New Delhi

c) Varanasi d) Jaipur

e) Bangalore

Q.121) Name the Indian-American lawmaker appointed as a member of a Congressional committee on intelligence of America, becoming the first South Asian to serve in the powerful body tasked to strengthen U.S.’s national security.

a) Rajesh Khanna b) Abilash Chandra

c) Madan Lal Khurana d) JashnAdia

e) Raja Krishnamoorthy

Q.122) In which place Minister of State in Department of Space Dr. Jitendra Singh has inaugurate the 1st batch of UNNATI programme of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) , recently?

a) New Delhi b) Hyderabad

c) Bangalore d) Chennai

e) Mumbai

Q.123) Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Myntra and Jabong?

a) Vishnu Srinivasan b) Amar Nagaram

c) Sumit Agarwal d) Vasuki Rawat

e) Ananth Narayanan

Q.124) As per the Tele-density data of India released by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) , overall Tele-density in India climbed to what percent at the end of November 2018?

a) 65.66% b) 91.21%

c) 45.90% d) 38.75%

e) 85.61%

of GST-related disputes. Who will preside over the National Bench?

- a) President of India
- b) Prime Minister of India
- c) Union Finance Minister
- d) Reserve Bank Governor
- e) Finance Secretary

Q.173) Which of the following country has topped the Bloomberg Innovation Index 2019 for the sixth time in a row with a total score of 87.38?

- a) Germany
- b) Vietnam
- c) Argentina
- d) South Korea
- e) United Arab Emirates

Q.174) As per Vision 2040 document released at the Global Aviation Summit (GAS) 2019, India is expected to become the _____ largest aviation market by 2022?

- a) Second
- b) Third
- c) Fourth
- d) Fifth
- e) Sixth

Q.175) What is the rank of India in the 11th edition of EIU Democracy Index 2018 released by the Economist Intelligent Unit compiling the state of democracies in 167 countries in the world?

- a) 75th
- b) 24th
- c) 41st
- d) 55th
- e) 60th

Q.176) GST Council has approved doubling of exemption threshold under Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime to Rs 40 lakh along with raising the turnover limit under composition scheme to how much crore with effect from April 1, 2019?

- a) Rs.3.5 crore
- b) Rs.2 crore
- c) Rs.2.5 crore
- d) Rs.3 crore
- e) Rs.1.5 crore

Q.177) Jammu and Kashmir Law Department has set up a State law commission to identify redundant and obsolete laws that can be repealed and suggest measures for quick redress of public grievances, for 3 years, under the chairmanship of _____.

- a) Justice M K Hanjura
- b) Justice Azeem Bahadur
- c) Justice Vinay Mishra
- d) Justice L M Sushil Kumar
- e) Justice Hasmukh Adhia

Q.178) Uttar Pradesh government has announced a monthly pension of _____ rupees to the destitute women in Varanasi.

- a) Rs.1000
- b) Rs.200
- c) Rs.500
- d) Rs.700
- e) Rs.1500

Q.179) Which of the following state in collaboration with World Health Organization (WHO) recommended triple-drug therapy for lymphatic filariasis to speed up elimination of the disease, recently?

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Gujarat
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Telangana

e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.180) What is the rate of Interest for the 5-Year National Savings Certificate with respect to January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019?

- a) 7.8%
- b) 8.7%
- c) 8.0%
- d) 8.5%
- e) 7.7%

Q.181) Competition Commission of India (CCI) gave approval to which of the following company for the acquisition of Den Networks and Hathway Cable and Datacom, recently?

- a) Infosys
- b) Reliance Industries
- c) Wipro
- d) HCL
- e) TCS

Q.182) According to the "Vision 2040 document" released at the Global Aviation Summit (GAS) 2019, aims to have _____ air passengers in 2040 from 187 million air passengers in 2018?

- a) 4.12 billion
- b) 3.35 billion
- c) 4.55 billion
- d) 2.78 billion
- e) 1.12 billion

Q.183) According to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime's (UNODC) Global Report on "Trafficking in Persons", in which, more victims of human trafficking were reported to UNODC in 2016 than at any time in the past 13 years, and children account for what percent of those being trafficked?

- a) 50%
- b) 25%
- c) 60%
- d) 30%
- e) 45%

Q.184) As per the first advance estimates of National Income at Constant (2011-1b) and Current Prices, for the financial year 2018-2019, released by Central Statistics Office (CSO), Consumer Price Index (CPI) has shown a rise of what percent during April-November 2018-19?

- a) 3.9%
- b) 3.2%
- c) 3.6%
- d) 3.7%
- e) 3.5%

Q.185) As per the "Future of Consumption in Fast- Growth Consumer Market- India" report released by World Economic Forum, India is set to become the world's _____ largest consumer market by 2030.

- a) Second
- b) Third
- c) Fourth
- d) Fifth
- e) Sixth

Q.186) According to the World Economic Situation and Prospects 2019 report by United Nations, the projected the Global growth to remain at what percent in 2019 and 2020?

- a) 3.0%
- b) 4.1%
- c) 6.4%
- d) 5.3%
- e) 4.5%

Q.187) The Union Cabinet has given ex-post facto approval for amendment to the 'Framework on Currency Swap Arrangement for SAARC Member Countries' to incorporate a 'Standby Swap' amounting to _____.

- a) USD 200 million
- b) USD 250 million
- c) USD 150 million
- d) USD 400 million

e) USD 300 million

Q.188) According to a Home Ministry communique, Aadhaar Card has been added in the valid travel documents now and Indians under 15 and over _____ years of age can travel to Nepal and Bhutan if they have a valid Aadhaar Card?

- a) 40
- b) 55
- c) 65
- d) 60
- e) 58

Q.189) As per a report released by India Rating, India's fiscal deficit may go up to _____ % in financial year 2020 due to populist schemes like farm loan waivers.

- a) 4.5 %
- b) 3.2 %
- c) 1.8 %
- d) 2.9 %
- e) None of these

Q.190) Reserve Bank of India has initiated two quarterly surveys named Services and Infrastructure Outlook Survey (SIOS) and _____ to examine the current situation including the job scenario in India's manufacturing, services, infrastructure sectors and business situation for January-March 2019?

- a) Industrial Outsource Survey (IOS)
- b) Business Outlook Survey (BOS)
- c) Manufacturing Status Survey (MSS)
- d) Manufacturing Readiness Survey (MRS)
- e) Industrial Outlook Survey (IOS)

Q.191) Who will replace Rana Kapoor as MD and CEO of Yes bank on 1st March 2019?

- a) Anuradha Ramakrishnan
- b) Shiksha Sharma
- c) Prithvi Jain
- d) Anmol Sinha
- e) Ranveet Gill

Q.192) According to the Bloomberg 2019 Innovative Index, what is the rank of India among the world's most innovative countries?

- a) 66th
- b) 75th
- c) 54th
- d) 88th
- e) 30th

Q.193) Supreme Court has issued a notice to the Centre on a plea challenging the government's notification authorizing of how many central agencies to intercept, monitor and decrypt any computer system?

- a) 5
- b) 10
- c) 6
- d) 9
- e) 15

Q.194) In which city "Global Housing Technology Challenge-India" (GHTC- India) has launched to build houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) Mission?

- a) Mumbai
- b) New Delhi
- c) Kolkata
- d) Kanpur
- e) Bangalore

Q.195) As per the first advance estimates of National Income at Constant (2011-1b) and Current Prices, for the financial year 2018-2019, released by Central Statistics Office (CSO), Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF), at current prices is estimated at _____ crore in 2018-19?

a) New Delhi
c) Bengaluru
e) Mumbai
Q.22) Central Government has infused Rs.3,076 Crores Capital into which of the following bank?
a) United Bank of India
c) Bank of Baroda
e) Vijaya Bank
Q.23) The 18th Edition of the India’s Fiscal Stability Report was released by ____?
a) SEBI
c) RBI
e) CII
Q.24) RBI has lifted the six months ban of which of the following Payments Bank?
a) Airtel Payments Bank
b) India Post Payments Bank
c) Fino Payments Bank
d) Jio Payments Bank
e) Paytm Payments Bank
Q.25) Satish Kumar Gupta is the CEO & Managing Director of which of the following Payments Bank?
a) Airtel Payments Bank
b) India Post Payments Bank
c) Fino Payments Bank
d) Jio Payments Bank
e) Paytm Payments Bank
Q.26) Which country is set to introduce Tax on Global Internet & Technology Firms?
a) Spain
c) Norway
e) France
Q.27) Which country is set to withdraw from OPEC in January 2019?
a) Iran
c) Qatar
e) Israel
Q.28) Which two countries quit UNESCO citing bias?
a) USA & MEXICO
c) USA & CANADA
e) USA & INDIA
Q.29) Who is the Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises?
a) Anant Kumar geete
c) Narendra Modi
e) Giriraj Singh
Q.30) Who is the President of France?
a) Emmanuel Macron
c) Francis Hollande
e) Jacques Chirac
Q.31) Who has signed the “Asia Reassurance initiative Act”?
a) Narendra Modi
c) Dilma Rouseff
e) Donald Trump
Q.32) Which Airport has been declared as an authorized Immigration Check post for entry into/exit from India with valid travel documents for all classes of passengers?

b) Manipal
d) Chennai
b) Dena Bank
d) UCO Bank
b) NABARD
d) NPCI
b) Ranjan Gogoi
d) Rajendra Menon
b) Augustine Peter
d) Anant Kumar
b) Hashim Amla
d) Virat Kohli
b) USA & ISRAEL
d) USA & PALESTINE
b) Rajnath Singh
d) Harpreet Singh
b) Le Pen
d) Nicolas Sarkozy
b) Imran Khan
d) Andrés Manuel López Obrador
b) Karnataka
d) Madhya Pradesh
b) Mamata Banerjee
d) Palaniswamy

a) Lengpui Airport
b) Swami Vivekananda Airport
c) Birsu Munda Airport
d) Maharaja Bir Bikram Airport
e) Veer Savarkar International Airport
Q.33) Who has been appointed as the Chief Operations Officer of RBL?
a) Vijay Mahajan
c) Palepu Sudhir Rao
e) Panjak Sharma
Q.34) Who was nominated as the Executive Chairman of NALSA?
a) Deepak Misra
c) AK Sikri
e) Surya Kant
Q.35) Who is appointed as the new Secretary of CCI?
a) U.C Nahta
c) Ashok Kumar Gupta
e) P K Singh
Q.36) Who is appointed as LIC’s Acting Chairman?
a) Hemant Bhargava
b) Venugopal
c) Subhash Chandra Garg
d) Girish Chandra Murmu
e) Alice Vaidyan
Q.37) Who takes over as the chairman of Ordinance Factory Board?
a) S P Mishra
c) Vidya Sagar Verma
e) Saurabh Kumar
Q.38) Which team has been awarded the Legion of Honour?
a) French Football Team
b) Belgium Football Team
c) Croatia Football Team
d) England Football Team
e) Ghana Football Team
Q.39) Which country will host the 2022 Edition of World Cup Football?
a) Japan
c) Russia
e) Canada
Q.40) Who was facilitated with the National Geospatial Award for Excellence – 2017 (Life Time Achievement Award) by the Indian Society for Remote Sensing for his Contribution towards the development of Geospatial Science and Applications?
a) JK Ghosh
c) Alan German
e) Seshan Raj
Q.41) Which State Government has banned the purchase of New Vehicles and Air Conditioners (ACs) due to huge debt of the state?
a) Himachal Pradesh
c) West Bengal
e) Tamil Nadu
Q.42) Who launched the Rs.10,000 Crore Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augumentation (KALIA) Scheme?

a) Kumaraswamy
b) Pinarayi Vijayan
c) Naveen Patnaik
d) EddapadiPalaniswamy
e) Kamal Nath
Q.43) Who is the Governor of West Bengal?
a) KN Tripathi
c) Jagdish Mukhi
e) Satyadev Narayan Arya
Q.44) Who will inaugurate the 106th Indian Science Congress at Lovely professional University in Phagwara near Jalandha?
a) Kamal Nath
c) Vidya Sagar Rao
e) Ram Nath Kovind
Q.45) DibyenduPalit who passed away recently was a famous _____.
a) Politician
c) Cricketer
e) Economist
Q.46) Who beat Sachin Tendulkar to score the fastest 19000 International Runs?
a) Usman Khawaja
c) Joe Root
e) Aaron Finch
Q.47) Which Educational Institution has developed a paper sensor that can detect freshness of milk?
a) IIT Madras
c) IIT Delhi
e) IIT Guwahati
Q.48) Who is recently named as the Acting Deputy Defence Secretary of USA?
a) David Nquest
c) David Edwards
e) David Moses
Q.49) Who is appointed as the New Chief Justice of Pakistan?
a) Anwar Zaheer Jamali
c) Nasir-II-Mulk
e) Asif Saeed Khan Khosa
Q.50) What is the Headquarters of ASEAN?
a) Singapore
c) India
e) Japan
Q.51) Which Country has cut the duty on refined, crude palm oil from ASEAN to 40 and 45 percent?
a) Singapore
c) India
e) Japan
Q.52) Who became the First Female Amputee to Scale Mt.Everest?
a) Arunima Sinha
c) Harshit Saumitra
e) Kushang Sherpa
Q.53) Who launched the NCBN App to connect with the Commoners?
a) Narendra Modi
c) Kamal Nath
e) Chandrababu Naidu

Q.54) The centre has released around how many crores since financial year 2015-2016 to bridge the gap between literacy levels of tribal girls and the general female population?
a) Rs.195 Crore b) Rs.295 Crore
c) Rs. 895 Crore d) Rs.185 Crore
e) Rs. 285 Crore

Q.55) When was the World Braille Day observed?
a) January 1 b) January 2
c) January 3 d) January 4
e) January 5

Q.56) Who became the 1st ever Indian Wicket keeper to slam a Test Century in Australia?
a) Rahul Dravid b) NayanMongia
c) WridhimanSaha d) Rishab pant
e) MS Dhoni

Q.57) Where did the 80thNational Table Tennis Championship began?
a) New Delhi b) Kanpur
c) Cuttack d) Mumbai
e) Guwahati

Q.58) Who is recently named/appointed as the Head of Financial Technology in Naspers?
a) David Nquest b) Amrish Rau
c) Laurant Le Moal d) Jose Velez
e) Patrick Ellis

Q.59) Who recently Selected by the ICCW for receiving National Bravery Award?
a) Anwar Nazia b) Tarah Peju
c) Rajput Hirani d) Moneesh Mohan
e) WahengbamLamnganba Singh

Q.60) Which state government topped the ACI's Ease of Doing Business Index?
a) Tamil Nadu b) Maharashtra
c) Nagaland d) Sikkim
e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.61) PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated 12 Projects worth over Rs.1500 Crore on his visit to which of the following state?
a) Tamil Nadu b) Maharashtra
c) Nagaland d) Manipur
e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.62) Who launched the Swachh Survekshan 2019 in New Delhi?
a) Hardeep Singh Puri
b) S.K Mohanty
c) Gurumoorthy Mahalingam
d) Injeti Srinivas
e) UK Sinha

Q.63) Where is the headquarters of FAO?
a) Luxembourg b) Switzerland
c) Canada d) USA
e) Italy

Q.64) Which State Announces Interest-Free Loans for Women Self-Help Groups in the state?
a) Odisha b) Maharashtra
c) Uttar Pradesh d) Madhya Pradesh
e) Rajasthan

Q.65) Which of the following ministry constituted a task force to look into the issues of suicides of the students in Jawahar NavodayaVidyalayas?

a) Ministry of Home Affairs
b) Ministry of External Affairs
c) Ministry of Human Resource Development
d) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
e) None of these

Q.66) Who is the governor of Assam?
a) E.S.L. Narasimhan
b) Vijay Rupani
c) Om Prakash Kohli
d) SarbanandaSonowal
e) Jagdish Mukhi

Q.67) Secunderabad Railway Station is the first Railway station to hoist Tricolour National flag on a 100 feet tall pole.It is Located in which state?
a) Telangana b) Odisha
c) Maharashtra d) Madhya Pradesh
e) Rajasthan

Q.68) The nine-day long international kite festival which marks the Uttarayan or Makar Sankranti, the day when winter season starts changing to summer kicked off in which city?
a) Vadodara b) Ahmedabad
c) Surat d) Rajkot
e) Gandhinagar

Q.69) Which of the following Chief Minister has unveiled various welfare scheme for the marginalized and economically backward Brahmins through AP Brahmin Welfare Corporation?
a) Jagdish Mukhi
b) Chandrababu Naidu
c) SarbanandaSonowal
d) Vijay Rupani
e) E.S.L. Narasimhan

Q.70) Indian Panorama Film Festival begins in which place?
a) New Delhi b) Panaji
c) Chandigarh d) Hyderabad
e) Mumbai

Q.71) Which of the following country approved anti-money laundering bill for ease of business?
a) Syria b) Iran
c) Vietnam d) China
e) Japan

Q.72) Which of the following is the currency of Iran?
a) ringrit b) rial
c) pound d) dollar
e) euro

Q.73) Airports Authority of India (AAI) signed MoU with _____ for joint research programs in the field of Communication Navigation and Surveillance (CNS) ?
a) JAMEER b) SAEERM
c) SAMEER d) JAMREE
e) None of these

Q.74) Dinu Randive conferred with lifetime achievement award.He belongs to which of the following field?
a) Sports b) Journalist
c) Musician d) Politics
e) None of these

Q.75) With Whom did Belinda Bencic captured the Hopman Cup title for a second year?
a) Leander Peas b) Henri Laacsonan
c) Rohan Bopanna d) Mark Rosset
e) Roger Federer

Q.76) Govt Allocates _____ Cr For Development Of 40 Satellite Launch Vehicles according to Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Chairman.
a) Rs.11000 b) Rs.10900
c) Rs.10000 d) Rs.11900
e) Rs.12900

Q.77) RBI limits customer liability in fraudulent PPI transactions.What is the acronym for PPI?
a) Prepaid Payment Instruments
b) Post Prepaid Instruments
c) Post Payment Instruments
d) Prepaid Payment Instructions
e) Payment Prepaid Instruments

Q.78) Who won the Brisbane International Men's Title 2019?
a) Alexander Zverev
b) Andy Murray
c) Roger Federer
d) Kei Nishikori
e) Daniil Medvedev

Q.79) Who won the Brisbane International Women's Title 2019?
a) Karolina Pliskova
b) Victoria Azarenka
c) Serena Williams
d) Simona Halep
e) Caroline Wozniacki

Q.80) Who will assume the Role of Interim President of World Bank?
a) Jim Yong Kim
b) Kritalina Georgieva
c) Robert B.Zoellick
d) Paul Wolfowitz
e) James D.Wolfensohn

Q.81) Who was reinstated as CBI Chief by Supreme Court?
a) Rakesh Asthana
b) Alok Verma
c) MannenNagaeshwara Rao
d) Anil Sinha
e) Ranjith Sinha

Q.82) Who is appointed as the Director General (DG) of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) ?
a) Rajini Kant Mishra
b) Archana Ramasundaram
c) B.D Sharma
d) Arun Chaudhary
e) Kumar Rajesh Chandra

Q.83) Who is the Vice (Deputy) Chairman of Rajya Sabha?
a) Harivansh Narayan Singh
b) Venkaiah Naidu
c) Ghulam Nabi Azad
d) Sikander Bakht
e) Japial Reddy

Q.84) Which Organization has stated that the Indian Economy is expected to grow 7.2% in 2018-2019?	e) January 11	c) Ranjan Gogoi	d) Narendra Modi
a) World Bank	Q.94) Which country became the 105th member of International Cricket Council?	e) Aravind Kejriwal	
b) International Monetary Fund	a) Saudi Arabia	Q.105) Indian Government has allowed which foreign bank to open a branch in Mumbai within the next three months.	
c) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	b) Ireland	a) Bank Sepah	b) Keshavarzi Bank
d) Central Statistics Office	c) Russia	c) Bank Melli Iran	d) Tejarat Bank
e) Moody's	d) Sweden	e) Bank Pasargad	
Q.85) Which country opened West Asia's Largest Cathedral?	Q.95) Who won the African Female Footballer of the year 2018?	Q.106) Under whom did the 32nd GST Council Meeting was held in New Delhi?	
a) South Sudan	a) Thembi Kgatlana	a) Ram Nath Kovind	b) Narendra Modi
b) Egypt	b) Asisat Oshoala	c) Sushma Swaraj	d) Rajnath Singh
c) Ghana	c) Gaëlle Enganamouit	e) Arun Jaitley	
d) Lesotho	d) Genoveva Afionma	Q.107) As per the GST Council's 32nd Meeting, what is the threshold for registration for service providers?	
e) South Africa	e) Perpetua Nkwocha	a) Rs.30 lakhs	b) Rs.40 Lakhs
Q.86) Abdel Fattah el-Sisi is the President of which of the Following Country?	Q.96) Which country is poised to become the 3rd largest Consumer Market according to World Economic Forum?	c) Rs.80 Lakhs	d) Rs.46 Lakhs
a) South Sudan	a) USA	e) Rs.20 Lakhs	
b) Egypt	b) France	Q.108) Who launched the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in New Delhi?	
c) Iraq	c) China	a) Ram Nath Kovind	b) Narendra Modi
d) Iran	d) India	c) Sushma Swaraj	d) Harsh Vardhan
e) Cambodia	e) Russia	e) Chandra Babu Naidu	
Q.87) Who has conferred the Textile Awards which was held in New Delhi?	Q.97) Where is the headquarters of World Economic Forum?	Q.109) Who inaugurated the NIC Command & Center at National Informatics Centre (NIC) , New Delhi?	
a) Narendra Modi	a) USA	a) Ram Nath Kovind	b) Narendra Modi
b) Ram Nath Kovind	b) England	c) Sushma Swaraj	d) Harsh Vardhan
c) Devendra Fadnavis	c) Belgium	e) Ravi Shankar Prasad	
d) Venkaiah Naidu	d) Russia	Q.110) One Day Global Skill Summit 2019 was held in which of the following City?	
e) Chandrashekar Rao	e) Switzerland	a) Chennai	b) New Delhi
Q.88) Who is the author of the book "A Crusade Against Corruption" which was released by Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman?	Q.98) Standard Chartered released its long term forecast which states that India will surpass the which country to become the world's second largest economy by 2030 while China will be at First Position.	c) Kolkata	d) Ranchi
a) Harpreet Singh Kaudia	a) USA	e) Mumbai	
b) Mulk Raj Anand	b) England	Q.111) Pawan Kumar Chamling is the Chief Minister of which of the following state?	
c) Prem Chand	c) Belgium	a) Nagaland	b) Sikkim
d) Amitav Gosh	d) Russia	c) Manipur	d) Arunachal Pradesh
e) Manohar Manoj	e) Switzerland	e) Meghalaya	
Q.89) Ajay Kanwal is the CEO & MD of which of the Small Finance Bank?	Q.99) Which country will become the largest economy by 2020, using purchase power parity exchange rates and nominal GDP?	Q.112) Draupadi Murmu is the Governor of which of the following state?	
a) ESAF Small Finance Bank	a) USA	a) Tamil Nadu	b) Himachal Pradesh
b) Equitas Small Finance Bank	b) Russia	c) Arunachal Pradesh	d) Madhya Pradesh
c) AU Small Finance Bank	c) Japan	e) Jharkhand	
d) Suryoday Small Finance Bank	d) India	Q.113) What is the Currency of Guatemala?	
e) Jana Small Finance Bank	e) China	a) Dollar	b) Tapze
Q.90) Who will take charge as India's new Ambassador to China?	Q.100) According to World Bank Projection, India's GDP is expected to grow at what percentage in the fiscal year 2018-2019?	c) Quetzal	d) Dinar
a) Ahmad Javed	a) 7.0%	e) Peso	
b) Vikram Misri	b) 7.1%	Q.114) Who was appointed as the Taiwan PM?	
c) Sumit Seth	c) 7.2%	a) Ma Ying-jeou	b) Wu Den-Yih
d) D.B. Venkatesh Varma	d) 7.3%	c) Tsai Ing-Wen	d) Su Jia-Chuyan
e) G. Balasubramanian	e) 7.4%	e) Su Tseng-Chang	
Q.91) Where did the Second Khelo India Youth Games 2019 began?	Q.101) Which organization has constituted a Research Advisory Committee headed by Dr. Sankar De?	Q.115) Albie Morkle who announced retirement recently belongs to which country?	
a) Tamil Nadu	a) RBI	a) South Africa	b) Zimbabwe
b) West Bengal	b) NPCI	c) England	d) Australia
c) Jharkhand	c) Finance Ministry	e) New Zealand	
d) Maharashtra	d) SEBI	Q.116) When is the Army Air Defence Day observed?	
e) New Delhi	e) FICCI	a) January 9	b) January 10
Q.92) Which two cities were announced as the first two host locations for the newest team event in men's tennis from January 2020?	Q.102) First India-Central Asia Dialogue will be held in which of the following Country?	c) January 11	d) January 12
a) London & Qatar	a) Russia		
b) Sydney & Brisbane	b) Armenia		
c) New York & Washington D.C	c) Uzbekistan		
d) Mumbai & Bengaluru	d) Tajikistan		
e) Hong Kong & Beijing	e) Turkmenistan		
Q.93) When is the World Hindi Day observed?	Q.103) Which will soon be connected by Seaplanes that can land on or take off from water?		
a) January 9	a) Tamil Nadu		
b) January 10	b) Andhra Pradesh		
c) January 8	c) Goa		
d) January 7	d) Andaman		
	e) Kerala		
	Q.104) Who launched the Road, Sewage projects in Maharashtra?		
	a) Ram Nath Kovind		
	b) Sushma Swaraj		

e) January 13

Q.117) When is the National Youth Day observed?

- a) January 11 b) January 12
c) January 13 d) January 10

e) January 9

Q.118) Who joined the elite list of Indian Cricketers to score Ten Thousand Runs?

- a) Shikhar Dhawan b) Rohit Sharma
c) Dinesh Karthik d) MS Dhoni

e) Ambati Rayidu

Q.119) Who became the youngest gold medallist in Shooting in the Khelo India Youth Games 2019?

- a) Devanshi Rana b) Abhinav Shaw
c) Mehul Ghosh d) Rana Singh Meeru

e) YashwanthSairawa

Q.120) Where did the Khelo India Youth Games 2019 is happening?

- a) Madhya Pradesh b) Himachal Pradesh
c) Haryana d) Maharashtra

e) Tamil Nadu

Q.121) Which team won the 1st ever Premier Badminton League Title 2018 – 2019?

- a) Chennai Smashers b) Awadhe Warriors
c) Pune 7 Aces d) North Eastern Warriors

e) Bengaluru Raptors

Q.122) Who became the Vodafone Smartest Player of the League – PBL 2018 – 2019?

- a) Sameer Verma b) Kidambi Srikanth
c) Mathias Christiansen d) Anders Antonsen

e) Rafael Chris Addock

Q.123) Who became the attacking player of the PBL 2018 – 2019?

- a) Sameer Verma b) Kidambi Srikanth
c) Mathias Christiansen d) Anders Antonsen

e) Rafael Chris Addock

Q.124) Which book won "The Hindu Prize – Non-Fiction" Award in the Hindu Litfest2019?

- a) Neelum Saran Gour b) ManoranjanByapari
c) Vinayak Varma d) Rajiv Eipe

e) Venita Coelho

Q.125) Who was awarded the 1st ever Kotler Presidential Award?

- a) Donald Trump b) Jim Yong Kim
c) Vladimir Putin d) Cyril Ramaphosa

e) Narendra Modi

Q.126) Who is the chairman of UPSC?

- a) Upendra Yogandrenath c) T.C.A Anant
b) Yash Reddy e) Balasubramanium

d) Arvind Saxena

Q.127) Skopje is the capital of which of the following countries?

- a) Republic of Macedonia c) Monaco
b) Latvia e) Slovenia

d) Greece

Q.128) 15th Finance Commission headed by Dr.N.K Singh have visited which of the following countries recently?

- a) Sikkim b) Nagaland
c) Assam d) Tripura

e) Mizoram

Q.129) Which state became the 1st state to implement 10% Quota to EWS?

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Uttar Pradesh
c) Telangana d) Madhya Pradesh

e) Gujarat

Q.130) John C.Bogle who passed away recently was the founder of which of the following companies?

- a) Vanguard Group b) Charles Schwab
c) Ally Invest d) Etrade

e) Tradestation

Q.131) Who recently stepped down as the Coach of Indian Football Team?

- a) Armando Colaco b) Savio Medeira
c) Islam Ahmedov d) Wim Koeversmans

e) Stephen Constantine

Q.132) Which country hosts the AFC Asian Cup 2019?

- a) Sri Lanka b) Iran
c) Turkey d) Japan

e) United Arab Emirates

Q.133) World's 1st television channel dedicated to human rights was launched in which of the following city by the International Observatory of Human Rights (IOHR) ?

- a) New York b) Washington DC
c) Brussels d) London

e) New Delhi

Q.134) Name the Chief Justice of Delhi High Court who was elevated as Supreme Court Judges by President Ram Nath Kovind?

- a) Dinesh Maheswari b) Sanjiv Khanna
c) Indira Bannerjee d) Yameshwaranchellapa

e) Tharun Kumar Rao

Q.135) Who is recently announced as the recipient of the 2019 Japan Prize by the Japan Prize Foundation in the field of "Biological Production and Ecology"?

- a) Dr.HiedoHosono b) Jennifer A.Doudna
c) Steven D. Tanksley d) Alain Fischer

e) Rattan Lal

Q.136) Who was named as the recipient of Gandhi Peace Prize 2018?

- a) ISRO b) Vivekananda Kendra
c) Sulabh International d) Ekal Abhiyan Trust

e) YoheiSasakawa

Q.137) A.S.Rajeev is the MD & CEO of which of the following Nationalized Bank?

- a) Punjab National Bank b) Bank of Baroda
c) Karnataka Bank d) ESAF Small Finance Bank

e) Bank of Maharashtra

Q.138) How many Crores will be injected by RBI into the system to increase liquidity through open market operations (OMOs) on January 2019?

- a) Rs.12000 Crores b) Rs.15000 Crores
c) Rs.20000 Crores d) Rs.10000 Crores

e) Rs.25000 Crores

Q.139) Which Organization has released the 14th Global Risks Report – 2019 th Edition?

- a) World Bank b) International Monetary Fund
c) ASEAN d) BRICS Bank

e) World Economic Forum

Q.140) 2nd World Orange Festival began in which of the following city?

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

e) Nagpur

Q.141) Cabinet Approved the MoU between India and which of the following Country on the safety of Mines,Testing and Research Station?

- a) Albania b) Russia
c) China d) Sri Lanka

e) Australia

Q.142) Who inaugurated the 10th Edition of the India Rubber Expo – 2019 in Mumbai?

- a) Ram Nath Kovind b) Narendra Modi
c) Nirmala Sitharaman d) Sushma Swaraj

e) Suresh Prabhu

Q.143) Who is named as the Event Ambassador of 16th Tata Mumbai Marathon?

- a) VineshPhogat b) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
c) M C Mary Kom d) Sania Mirza

e) Hima Das

Q.144) Which Country has launched Epsilon – 4 Rocket with 7 Satellites?

- a) China b) Russia
c) India d) Japan

e) France

Q.145) Mary Oliver who died recently is a famous?

- a) Poet b) Sports Person
c) Politician d) Investment Banker

e) Scientist

Q.146) Which country took over the Chair of the Group of 77 (G-77) for 2019?

- a) Palestine b) Egypt
c) Ecuador d) Bolivia

e) Fiji

Q.147) Which country has signed the long-term contract with Uzbekistan for the supply of uranium?

- a) Russia b) Australia
c) India d) China

e) Ecuador

Q.148) India and which of the following country has signed a powerful MoU at ICMEI?

- a) England b) France
c) Mozambique d) Philippines

e) Mongolia

Q.149) Who is the Prime Minister of Vietnam?

- a) Nguyen PhuTrong b) NguyễnTấnDũng
c) Nguyen Xuan Phuc d) Nguyen Phu Tan

e)

e) Nguyen Zuan Dung

Q.150) Who became the 1st Indian Athlete to be nominated in Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award?

a) Mary Kom b) Sania Mirza

c) Mainika Batra d) Hima Das

e) VineshPhogat

Q.151) Indian Navy inducted two Fast Interceptor Craft (FIC) into its fleet at _____ in Tamil Nadu?

a) Kanyakumari b) Thirunelveli

c) Nagapattinam d) Cuddalore

e) Salem

Q.152) Defence minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the 426.60 m long Diffo bridge in which of the following state?

a) Sikkim b) Rajasthan

c) Andhra Pradesh d) Gujarat

e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.153) In which of the following city did the Country’s First National Museum of Indian Cinema inaugurated?

a) Kochi b) Mumbai

c) Kolkata d) Pune

e) Bengaluru

Q.154) What is the theme of the 15th edition of Pravasi Bhartiya Divas which begins at Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh for the first time?

a) ‘Role of Indian Diaspora in determination New India’

b) ‘Role of Indian Distance in building New India’

c) ‘Role of Indian Diaspora in building New India’

d) ‘Role of Indian Diaspora in sustained New India’

e) ‘Role of Indian Determination in building New India’

Q.155) Who announced the extension of free health services under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana(BSKY) to all medical colleges and hospitals of Odisha from 1st February 2019?

a) Nitish Kumar b) Raghubar Das

c) Naveen Patnaik d) Devendra Fednavis

e) Arvind Kejriwal

Q.156) Shri Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the 2-days Agri-Vision 2019 conference on ‘envisioning Agro-solutions for smart and Sustainable Agriculture” in _____

a) Pune b) Kochi

c) Kolkata d) Bengaluru

e) Hyderabad

Q.157) The 48th WEF -World Economic Forum annual meet had begun in _____.

a) Greece b) Switzerland

c) France d) Italy

e) Spain

Q.158) The 4th edition of Arab Economic and Social Development Summit held in Beirut.Beirut is the capital of which of the following country?

a) Lebanon b) Vietnam

c) Indonesia d) Syria

e) South Korea

Q.159) Where did the 25th International conference and exhibition on terrestrial and satellite broadcasting, BES EXPO 2019 held?

a) Nagpur b) New Delhi

c) Allahabad d) Surat

e) Kochi

Q.160) According to a report by global consultancy firm PwC,India is likely to surpass _____in the world’s largest economy rankings in 2019, to become the world’s fifth largest economy.

a) United Kingdom b) France

c) Italy d) Spain

e) Norway

Q.161) NHRC is Headquartered in _____.

a) Bangalore b) Mumbai

c) New Delhi d) Kolkata

e) Mangalore

Q.162) _____ announces launch of full-fledged B.Tech in Artificial Intelligence.

a) IIT-H b) NIFT

c) NIIT d) IIT-N

e) MIT

Q.163) By defeating whom did India’s Ankita Raina won ITF’s tournament in Singapore?

a) Martina Hingis b) Chris Evert

c) Rod Laver d) Steffi graf

e) Arantxa Rus

Q.164) Who is the Indian-American presented with the prestigious Rosa Park Trailblazer award?

a) Jibnandha das

b) Kaifiazmi

c) Jayantra Mahapatra

d) Gurinder Singh Khalsa

e) Mahkanlal Chaturvedi

Q.165) LovlinaBorgohain is related to which of the following sport?

a) Cricket b) Boxing

c) Wrestling d) Tennis

e) Chess

Q.166) Which State emerged as the Top State with 228 Medals in the Khelo India Youth Games 2018 – 2019?

a) Tamil Nadu b) Kerala

c) New Delhi d) Mizoram

e) Maharashtra

Q.167) Who has been chosen for the 1st ever Sheikh Saud International Prize for Materials Research?

a) K Sivan b) G Madhavan Nair

c) K Radhakrishnan d) CNR Rao

e) Venki Ramakrishnan

Q.168) Who won the “Women’s Voice Award” at AKLF 2019?

a) Ranjani Sisodia

b) Ranjani Murali

c) Ranjani Chitra

d) Ranjani Chopra

e) Ranjani Banerjee

Q.169) Who is sworn in as the President of Madagascar?

a) RivoRakotovao

b) Andry Rajoelina

c) Didier Ratsirahonana

d) HyppoliteRamaroson

e) Marc Ravalomanana

Q.170) Which top conglomerate has launched a new e-commerce platform re-weave.in for handloom weavers under its Project ReWeave?

a) Apple b) Microsoft

c) Samsung d) Asus

e) Blackberry

Q.171) Which country has announced that its economy grew at 6.6% in 2018, the lowest in 28 years?

a) USA b) Russia

c) England d) China

e) India

Q.172) Which country topped the informed public and General Population segments in the Global Trust Index by the Edelman Trust Barometer Report?

a) India b) England

c) Norway d) China

e) USA

Q.173) Which City is named as the World Capital of Architecture for 2020 by UNESCO?

a) New Delhi b) Washington DC

c) Rio De Janeiro d) Madrid

e) Pettersburg

Q.174) According to the Survey released by World Economic Forum (WEF) ahead of its annual meeting which country is the biggest supporter of international aid?

a) Pakistan b) Indonesia

c) Bangladesh d) India

e) Sri Lanka

Q.175) An MoU was signed between India and which of the following country to modernize facilities at Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies in Batticaloa?

a) Pakistan b) Maldives

c) Sri Lanka d) Singapore

e) Malaysia

Q.176) India Steel 2019 – Exhibition and Conference began in?

a) Chennai b) Kolkata

c) Hyderabad d) Bengaluru

e) Mumbai

Q.177) Where is the headquarters of UNESCO?

a) Washington DC b) Shanghai

c) Singapore City d) Paris

e) London

Q.178) Which country has launched a satellite to create world’s first artificial meteor shower?

a) India b) China

c) Russia d) USA

e) Japan

Q.179) Who was named as the ICC “Emerging Player of the Year” award 2018?

a) MS Dhoni b) Rishabh Pant

c) Virat Kohli d) Tim Paine

e) Johan Botha

Q.180) Who was named as the ICC “Associate Player of the Year” award 2018?
a) William Porterfield
b) Ryan Ten Doeschate c) George Dockrell
d) Calum Macleod e) Sophie Ecclestone

Q.181) Raghubir Singh Bhola who died recently is related to which sport?
a) Cricket b) Hockey
c) Basketball d) Athletics
e) Hockey

Q.182) Which International Organization releases the Global Talent Competitive Index (GTCI) ?
a) World Economic Forum
b) International Monetary Fund
c) World Bank
d) INSEAD Business School
e) Cambridge University

Q.183) Which country topped the 6th Edition of the Global Talent Competitive Index (GTCI) 2019?
a) USA b) Norway
c) Denmark d) Singapore
e) Switzerland

Q.184) Who was named as the Women’s Cricketer of the Year 2018 released by ICC?
a) Alyssa Healy b) SmritiMandhana
c) Harmanpreet Kaur d) Sophie Ecclestone
e) Suzie Bates

Q.185) IBBI has organized an Insolvency and Bankruptcy Awareness Programme in which of the state?
a) Tamil Nadu b) Telangana
c) Karnataka d) Uttar Pradesh
e) Gujarat

Q.186) Which Social Media firm will setup an Institute for AI Ethics with an Initial Investment of \$7.5 Million?
a) Twitter b) Snapchat
c) Facebook d) Google
e) LinkedIn

Q.187) Which country has signed MoU with India worth \$9.5 Millionor infrastructure, public services such as health clinics and governance-related projects.?
a) Pakistan b) Sri Lanka
c) Bhutan d) Singapore
e) Afghanistan

Q.188) Which State has declared Pakke Hornbill Fest as “State Festival”?
a) Mizoram b) Meghalaya
c) Tripura d) Sikkim
e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.189) Namdhapa National Park is in which of the following state?
a) Rajasthan b) Jammu & Kashmir
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Nagaland
e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.190) Who inaugurated the “Keediyand Gandhiyal” Bridge, the first Interstate bridge in Jammu & Kashmir?
a) Narendra Modi b) Ram Nath Govind

c) Venkaiah Naidu d) Sushma Swaraj
e) Nitin Gadkari

Q.191) “Keediyand Gandhiyal” Bridge is built on the river of _____.
a) Brahmaputra b) Godavari
c) Ravi d) Chenab
e) Jhelum

Q.192) Government has constituted a committee to monitor drug prices and which organization is leading the committee?
a) SEBI b) RBI
c) Ministry of Health d) NITI Aayog
e) Ministry of Ayurveda

Q.193) International Day of Education is observed on?
a) January 24 b) January 23
c) January 22 d) January 21
e) January 20

Q.194) What is the theme of the National Girl Child Day?
a) Empowering Girls for a Brighter Tomorrow
b) BetiBachao, BetiPadhao
c) Safety and Development of girl child
d) Save the Girl Child”
e) Empowering to save the girl child

Q.195) Who is the fastest Indian bowler to reach 100 ODI wickets?
a) Ishant Sharma
b) Bhuvneshwar Kumar
c) Umesh Yadav
d) JaspritBumrah
e) Mohammed Shami

Q.196) Which country successfully tested the Arrow 3 missile system in collaboration with American Missile Defence Agency?
a) France b) China
c) Japan d) Israel
e) USA

Q.197) Who initiated two surveys namely, Industrial Outlook Survey (IOS) , and Services and Infrastructure Outlook Survey(SIOS) ?
a) RBI b) NITI AAYOG
c) SEBI d) HRD Ministry
e) FICCI

Q.198) Which exercise is done to validate the effectiveness of measures taken since terror attack in Mumbai on 26/11?
a) Sea Vigil b) Malabar
c) Milan d) SIMBEX
e) INDRA

Q.199) Where did the Second World Integrated Medicine Forum 2018 happen?
a) Tamil Nadu b) Karnataka
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Goa
e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.200) Who laid foundation for Namami Ganga project in Agra and Mathura?
a) Narendra Modi b) Ram Nath Kovind
c) Sushma Swaraj d) Piyush Goyal
e) Nitin Gadkari

Q.201) What is the name of the new naval air base that is commissioned by Navy Chief Admiral Sunil lamba?
a) INS Virat b) INS Khali
c) INS Khosala d) INS Indra
e) INS Kohassa

Q.202) India Africa Field Training Exercise (IAFTX) - 2019 was held in _____.
a) Chennai b) Vishakhapatnam
c) Panaji d) Mumbai
e) Pune

Q.203) Nitin Gadkari will inaugurate the newly built, 5.1 km long, four-lane, cable stayed bridge over river Mandovi in _____.
a) Haryana b) Karnataka
c) Uttar Pradesh d) Punjab
e) Goa

Q.204) Who has inaugurated the National Declamation Contest (24th& 25th January) organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) with the support of Department of Youth Affairs?
a) Nirmala Sitharaman
b) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi
c) Piyush Goyal
d) Rajnath Singh
e) Rajya Vardhan Rathore

Q.205) Which state’s government has unveiled an official logo for the state’s tea to popularise the beverage and to promote the potentiality of tourism?
a) Mizoram b) Tripura
c) Manipur d) Arunachal Pradesh
e) Meghalaya

Q.206) _____ is now home to the world’s longest 3D-printed concrete bridge, produced by a team from the Tsinghua University School of Architecture in Beijing.
a) Chengdu b) Hong Kong
c) Shanghai d) Guangzhou
e) Tianjin

Q.207) As per the ‘SBI Ecowrap’ report, the government should opt for the unconditional cash transfer to farmers to alleviate agrarian distress rather than UBI scheme.What is the acronym for UBI Scheme?
a) Universal Basic Income
b) Universal Benefit Income
c) Universal Bounced Income
d) Universal Betterment Income
e) None of these

Q.208) As per UN Report India’s economy is expected to grow at 7.4 per cent during 2018-19 and improve to _____ per cent in the next fiscal.
a) 7.7 b) 7.5
c) 7.8 d) 7.9
e) 7.6

Q.209) The United Nations’ World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2019 report also expects India’s gross domestic product (GDP) to expand by _____ per cent in 2020-21.
a) 7.6 b) 7.8

c) 7.5
e) 7.7
Q.210) After resignation of Paul KabaThieba,Christophe Joseph Marie Dabiré has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of which of the following country?
a) Nigeria
c) Burkina Faso
e) Benin
b) Ghana
d) Liberia
Q.211) Which of the following state being the first Indian state to roll out Universal Basic Income (UBI) and implement the scheme by 2022?
a) Telangana
c) Sikkim
e) Jharkhand
b) Gujarat
d) Arunachal Pradesh
Q.212) Which of the following country has retained its top position in the Henley Passport Index 2019 of most powerful passports, recently?
a) China
c) Singapore
e) UAE
b) Japan
d) United States
Q.213) Which state government has decided to give two LED bulbs, a DC fan and a mobile charging socket as freebies to farmers enrolling under the Atal Solar Krishi Pump Yojana?
a) Telangana
c) Bihar
e) Andhra Pradesh
b) Uttar Pradesh
d) Maharashtra
Q.214) Name the head of the task force that has been constituted by Ministry of Human Resource Development to look into the circumstances of reported suicides of 49 students of residential Jawahar NavodayaVidyalayas (JNVs) between 2013 and 2017, recently.
a) Dr.Navjeet Singh
c) Dr. Raghav Natwar
e) Dr. Jitendra Nagpal
b) Dr. Naveen Kumar
d) Dr. Mithila Yadav
Q.215) National Green Tribunal imposed a fine of how much rupees on Meghalaya government for its failure to curb illegal coal mining in the state?
a) Rs.100 crore
c) Rs.200 crore
e) Rs.300 crore
b) Rs.150 crore
d) Rs.250 crore
Q.216) Which Team won their Maiden Women’s Big Bash Title?
a) Sydney Sixers
c) Melbourne Renegades
e) Brisbane Heat
b) Adelaide Strikers
d) Perth Scorchers
Q.217) Who was announced as the “Player of the Tournament” in the recently ended Women’s Big Bash Title 2018?
a) Beth Mooney
c) Steffanie Taylor
e) Suzie Bates
b) Harmanpreet Kaur
d) Ellyse Perry
Q.218) Michel Legrand who died recently was a famous _____.
a) Writer
c) Cinematographer
e) Politician
b) Composer
d) Journalist

Q.219) International Holocaust Remembrance Day is observed as?
a) January 26
c) January 24
e) January 27
b) January 25
d) January 23
Q.220) Name the mobile application that has launched by North Central Railway (NCR) to help navigate the attendees of Kumbh Mela to be held in Prayagraj city from January 15- March 4, 2019.
a) Kumbh Rail Seva Mobile App
b) Kumbh Mela Assist Mobile App
c) Kumbh Rail Service Mobile App
d) Kumbh Mela Seva Mobile App
e) Rail KumbhSeva Mobile App
Q.221) Who won the First Indonesia Masters Title 2019?
a) Anders Antonsen
c) Kim Yong
e) Sai praneeth
b) KentoMomota
d) Lin Dan
Q.222) Which book have won the “Romain Rolland Book Prize” for “Literary Translation” at the Jaipur Literary Festival?
a) Main Gumshuda
b) Once Upon a Time in India
c) EeChuttuvattathuNinakkuVazhiThettathirikkan
d) Fukushima, OruPerazhivinKathai
e) The Life of an Unknown Man
Q.223) Who was entitled the “Republic Day Journalism Award 2019” by the Assam Government?
a) Kanak Sen Deka
b) D N Chakraborty
c) Dr D VeerendraHeggade
d) Kottayan K. Venugopal
e) Karim Al Hussaini Aga Khan
Q.224) What is the position of India in the Recently released 2019 Data Privacy Benchmark Study by CISCO in General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Readiness Index?
a) 1st
c) 3rd
e) 8th
b) 2nd
d) 6th
Q.225) SBI Card has partnered with which of the following Airways Loyalty programme to launch a travel specific Visa Credit Card for members and Indian Travellers?
a) Gulf Air
c) Sri Lankan Airways
e) Air Vistara
b) Mandin Airways
d) Ethiad Airways
Q.226) Which Juice is Declared as the National Drink of Pakistan?
a) Lemon Juice
c) Carrot Juice
e) Sugarcane Juice
b) Mulberry Juice
d) Orange Juice
Q.227) Which city is set to get India’s Largest Public Sector Refinery?
a) Chennai
c) Ranchi
e) Panaji
b) Kolkata
d) Kochi
Q.228) Which IIT has launched an Android App to help visually impaired recognise currency?

a) IIT Mumbai
c) IIT Madras
e) IIT Guwahati
b) IIT Ropar
d) IIT Delhi
Q.229) Which ministry has launched the “RDP INDIA 2019”?
a) Ministry of HRD
c) Ministry of Defence
e) Ministry of Railways
b) Ministry of Coal
d) Ministry of Sports Affairs
Q.230) Which State Government has launched the “Pravasi Dividend Pension Scheme” to provide regular pension to the Non-Resident Citizens of their state?
a) Tamil Nadu
c) Karnataka
e) Odisha
b) Kerala
d) Andhra Pradesh
Q.231) Who won the Australian Open Men’s title 2019?
a) Kei Nishikori
c) Rafael Nadal
e) Milas Raonic
b) Roger Federer
d) Novak Djokovic
Q.232) Who won the Australian Open – Women’s Singles Title 2019?
a) Serena Williams
c) EleniaVesnia
e) Cara Black
b) Petra Kvitova
d) Naomi Osaka
Q.233) Who won the Australian Open – Men’s Doubles Title 2019?
a) Pierre-Hugues Herbert and Nicolas Mahut
b) Henri Kontinen and John Peers
c) Leander Paes& Marcus Nicola
d) Mike Bryan & Jack Sock
e) Oliver Marach& Mate Pavić
Q.234) Who is the First Asian player to win Singles Grand Slam Title?
a) Kimiko Date
c) Naomi Osaka
e) ParadornSrichaphan
b) Li Na
d) Zheng Ji
Q.235) Who won the Mixed Doubles – Australian Open Title 2019?
a) Abigail Spears & Juan Sebastián Cabal
b) BarboraKrejčíková& Rajeev Ram
c) Latisha Chan & Ivan Dodig
d) Nicole Melichar& Alexander Peya
e) Bethanie Mattek-Sands & Jamie Murray
Q.236) Who won the Women’s Doubles – Australian Open 2019?
a) Samantha Stosur & Zhang Shuai
b) BarboraKrejčíková&KateřinaSiniaková
c) Ashleigh Barty&CoCoVandeweghe
d) TímeaBabos& Kristina Mladenovic
e) Serena Williams & Venus Williams
Q.237) Where is the headquarters of WHO?
a) Geneva
c) Jakarta
e) Benn
b) New Delhi
d) Washington DC
Q.238) Who was reappointed as the WHO Regional Director for South – East Asia?
a) Abdul Bin Salam
b) Gita Gopinath
c) Poonam Khetrapal Singh
d) Marget Chan

e) Anders Nordstorm

Q.239) Which Railways bagged number one position for cleanliness in the country in the survey conducted by Trains Cleanliness Survey conducted by IRCTC?

- a) Southern Railways b) Eastern Railways
c) Northern Railways d) Western Railways
e) Konkan Railways

Q.240) In which state did the Country's (India's) second Tulip Garden to be built?

- a) Jammu & Kashmir b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Goa d) Punjab
e) Uttarakhand

Q.241) Which country have signed an agreement (Protocol) for exports of Tobacco Leaves to China?

- a) Nepal b) Sri Lanka
c) Singapore d) India
e) Philippines

Q.242) Which state has launched Jiban Sampark project for the welfare of the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups?

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Maharashtra
c) Karnataka d) Odisha
e) Jharkhand

Q.243) Who launched Rs.1,100 crore Infra projects in Ganjam district?

- a) Narendra Modi b) Naveen Patnaik
c) Ram Nath Kovind d) Sushma Swaraj
e) Arun Jaitley

Q.244) Who launched / inaugurated the Third Mandovi Bridge?

- a) Manohar Parrikar b) Narendra Modi
c) Bipin Singh Hooda d) Nitin Gadkari
e) Ram Nath Kovind

Q.245) What is the name of the India's 1st Indigenously developed engineless high-speed train?

- a) Vajra Bharat Express
b) Atal Bharat Express
c) Narendra Bharath Express
d) Nehru Bharath Express
e) Vande Bharat Express

Q.246) Who won the New South Wales Men's Amateur Golf Championship?

- a) Karthik Sharma b) Tiger Woods
c) Justin lark d) Suzie Macmohan
e) Vishnu Vardhan

Q.247) When is the Data Protection Day observed?

- a) January 27 b) January 26
c) January 25 d) January 28
e) January 30

Q.248) Which country is set to issue 'Panda bond' in Chinese currency?

- a) Italy b) Iran
c) France d) Germany
e) Pakistan

Q.249) Which government has remarkably succeeded in increasing the state revenue generation in the past two years with the record

revenue collection of Rs 1598.49 crore during the year 2017-18?

- a) Arunachal Pradesh b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Uttar Pradesh d) Maharashtra
e) Gujarat

Q.250) Y.K. SailasThangal concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of _____.

- a) Mali b) Niger
c) Liberia d) Cameroon
e) Ghana

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.

$$\frac{84 \times 456}{2 \times \sqrt[3]{1296}} = (?)^3 + \sqrt[2]{\frac{50 \times 288}{36}}$$

- 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) $\frac{7}{7}$

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) 2² = 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) ? = $\frac{\frac{1}{3} \times 88}{\frac{1}{3} \times 33} + (11 \times 2)$

- 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) $\frac{7}{2} = (2.5 \times 18) + \left(\frac{14}{\sqrt{4}}\right) - 3^2$

- 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) $13 \times 14 \times 15 \div 3 \times 4 \times 5 = ? \times 100$
a) 189 b) 177 c) 182
d) 191 e) 197
Q.43) $27 \div (9 \div 3) \times 11 + 234 - 412 = ? - 122$
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 $\times \sqrt{196} = ? + 177$
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) $2 \times 12 \times 22 \times 3 - 1212 = ?$
a) 327 b) 381 c) 314
d) 372 e) 311
Q.50) 55% of 980 + 75% of 680 + 60% of 990 \div 60% of 90 = ? - $\frac{5}{9}$ of 162 $\div \frac{5}{2}$ 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 theses
Q.53) 26% of 250 + $\frac{2}{5}$ % of 1500 - $\frac{12}{5}$ 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% of 20% of 15% 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) $\frac{3}{7}$ of $\frac{4}{17}$ of $\frac{7}{13}$ 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% of 5% of 7% 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% of 285 - 16% of 250 + $\frac{8}{9}$ of 261 - $\frac{9}{8}$ 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% of 200 + 20% of 150 + 18% 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) $\frac{5}{8}$ of 120 + $\frac{8}{11}$ of 121 + $\frac{4}{9}$ 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% of 50 + 10% of 150 + 18% of 150 = x
a) 54 b) 52 c) 50
d) 48 e) None of these
Q.80) 25% of 2500 + 12.5% 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 = (?)% 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) $\frac{5}{11}$ of $\frac{2}{17}$ of $3\frac{6}{15}$ of $1\frac{5}{17}$ 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) $1\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{2}{5} + \sqrt{(3\frac{1}{289} - \frac{9 \times 3}{289})} + \frac{15}{17} = (?)$
 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) $x = 52^2 + 3 \times 2 + 4000 \div 2 \text{ of } 25\% \text{ of } 1600$
 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) $\frac{11}{30} - \left[\frac{1}{6} + \left[\frac{1}{5} + \left[\frac{7}{12} - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right) \right] \right] \right] = ?$
 a) 1.5 b) -1.5 c) 1
 d) 0 e) None of these
 Q.119) $\frac{3}{11} \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} \right) \dots \dots \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{120} \right) \right] = ?$
 a) 121 b) 11 c) 10.6
 d) 7.82 e) None of these
 Q.120) $If X = 2 + \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right)}$ 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.121) 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.122) $35 \times \sqrt{324} \div 7 - 73 = ? - \sqrt{16641}$
 a) 119 b) 128 c) 146
 d) 136 e) None of these
 Q.123) $(\sqrt{100})^2 + (\sqrt{9})^3 = ?$
 a) 50 b) 25 c) 127
 d) 225 e) 175
 Q.124) $8000 \div (5 \times 2) + 774 - 191.667 \times 3 = ?$
 a) 1000 b) 1280 c) 1180

- d) 1080 e) 1500
 Q.125) $\sqrt{225} \times \sqrt{64} \times 2 \times 11 = ?$
 a) 4150 b) 2640 c) 3005
 d) 1250 e) 2050
 Q.126) $(749 - \sqrt{105625} - 124) \div (\sqrt{1572516} - 1104) = ?$
 a) 2 b) 4 c) 6
 d) 8 e) 12
 Q.127) $x^2 + 16 - 2^2 + 68 = 9^2$, find the value of X ?
 a) 3 b) 2 c) 1
 d) 5 e) 6
 Q.128) $\frac{(4^2 + 3^2)}{5} = \sqrt{?}$
 a) 4 b) 25 c) 5
 d) 16 e) 369
 Q.129) $1.01 + 3.03 + 2.02 + 4.04 + 5.05 = ?$
 a) 15.05 b) 12.05 c) 15.15
 d) 14.15 e) 16.45
 Q.130) $\frac{4x+6}{5x+6} = \frac{11}{13}$ find the value of X ?
 a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
 d) 3 e) 2
 Q.131) 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.132) $1513 + 4513 - 2513 - 1753 = x \times 2$, find the value of x ?
 a) 740 b) 880 c) 450
 d) 720 e) 680
 Q.133) $\left(\frac{1}{7} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6} \right) \text{ of } 42 = ?$
 a) 73 b) 97 c) 67
 d) 69 e) 86
 Q.134) $11^2 + \sqrt{25} - 26 = X^2$ find the value of X ?
 a) 11 b) 9 c) 12
 d) 7 e) 10
 Q.135) $\frac{15}{16} \times \frac{16}{17} \times \frac{17}{18} \dots \dots \dots \frac{179}{180} = ?$
 a) $\frac{1}{15}$ b) $\frac{1}{10}$ c) $\frac{1}{8}$
 d) $\frac{1}{12}$ e) $\frac{1}{20}$
 Q.136) $21 \times 14 \div 3 + 12 - 21 = ?$
 a) 99 b) 89 c) 79
 d) 69 e) 59
 Q.137) $21 \times 11 + 4 - 8 \times 16 \div 4 = ?$
 a) 203 b) 213 c) 224
 d) 209 e) 229
 Q.138) $15 \times 15 + 15 \div 15 - 15 + 115 = ?$
 a) 316 b) 327 c) 326
 d) 314 e) 321
 Q.139) $\sqrt{2601} \times 64 \div \sqrt{64} = ? \times \frac{12}{13}$
 a) 421 b) 467 c) 431
 d) 442 e) 458
 Q.140) $13\% \text{ of } 200 - 2.5\% \text{ of } 1000 + 12\% \text{ of } 50 = ? - 125$
 a) 5 b) 1 c) 0
 d) 8 e) 9
 Q.141) $4321 + 4433 - 2434 + 431 - 417 - 488 = ?$
 a) 5836 b) 5386 c) 5766
 d) 5846 e) 5486
 Q.142) $2.5^2 + 1.6^2 + 1.4^2 - 2.7^2 = ?$
 a) 18.06 b) 34.8 c) 3.48
 d) 42.9 e) 4.29

Q.143) $\frac{42}{462} \times \frac{7}{49} \times \frac{98}{4} \times \frac{22}{14} \times 6 = ?$

- a) 3 b) 4 c) 6
d) 7 e) 8

Q.144) 11% of 200 + 45% of 60 – 8% of 250 = ?

- a) 43 b) 38 c) 31
d) 29 e) 39

Q.145) $32 + 4378 - 322 \div 2 \times 3 + \sqrt{841} = ?$

- a) 3896 b) 3998 c) 4023
d) 4189 e) 3956

Q.146) $\frac{11}{13} \times 104 - \frac{11}{27} \times 108 + \frac{5}{6} \times 336 = ?$

- a) 334 b) 324 c) 312
d) 342 e) 326

Q.147) ? = 14% of 350 + $\frac{2}{3}$ of 270 – 11% of 300

- a) 112 b) 216 c) 196
d) 262 e) 242

Q.148) ? = $(1.2 \times 25) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times 32\right) + (3.5 \times 22)$

- a) 82.6 b) 81.4 c) 71.4
d) 84.1 e) 82.1

Q.149) ? = $\sqrt[3]{64} \div \sqrt{256} \times 8^2 \times \frac{1}{2^2}$

- a) 4 b) 1 c) 3
d) 2 e) 5

Q.150) ? = $\left(\frac{24}{16} \times \frac{9}{15} \times \frac{8}{12} \times \frac{45}{27}\right)$

- a) 6 b) 7 c) 1
d) 3 e) 4

Q.151) $\frac{7}{4} = (12 + 35) \times (12^2 - (18 \times 7))$

- a) 3384 b) 3128 c) 3484
d) 3834 e) None of these

Q.152) ? = $2\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{7}{8} + \frac{22}{4} + \frac{25}{8}$

- 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.153) ? = $13 \times \frac{91}{7} - 3 \times 13$

- a) 160 b) 132 c) 128
d) 130 e) None of these

Q.154) ? = $\frac{5^3 - 12^2 + 7^2 - 11^2}{\sqrt{4}}$

- a) 42.5 b) -44.5 c) -45.5
d) 90 e) -85

Q.155) 23% of 200 + ? = 25% of 480 + 160% of 50 + 125% of 10

- a) 166.5 b) 154.4 c) 168.2
d) 186.6 e) 156.6

Q.156) ? = $\frac{\frac{12 \times 60}{15} \times 132 \times \frac{4}{6}}{\frac{11 \times 51}{17}}$

- a) 136 b) 614 c) 138
d) 126 e) 128

Q.157) $\frac{201}{67} \times 12 + 18\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$

- a) 78 b) 81 c) 62
d) 71 e) 80

Q.158) $2.5 \times 3.5 \times 1.5 \times 26 = ? + 0.25$

- a) 339 b) 382 c) 341
d) 388 e) 321

Q.159) $13 + 12^2 - 11 + 8^3 - 33 = ?^2$

- a) 225 b) 625 c) 5
d) 25 e) 15

Q.159) $15 \times 4 \div 20 + 156 - 13 \times 5 = ?$

- a) 99 b) 97 c) 78
d) 81 e) 94

Q.160) $5\frac{4}{9} + 3\frac{2}{9} + 8\frac{5}{9} - 7\frac{7}{9} = ?$

- 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.161) 56% of 650 + 87% of 200 – 21% of 800 + 12% of 150 = ?

- a) 377 b) 376 c) 328
d) 388 e) 387

Q.162) $\frac{13}{17} \times 51 + \frac{4}{9} \times 144 - \frac{2}{3} \times 51 + 111 = ?$

- a) 172 b) 154 c) 180
d) 159 e) 150

Q.163) $4555 + 8646 + 231 - 5436 - 21 + 54 = ?$

- a) 8123 b) 8029 c) 7929
d) 7156 e) 8213

Q.164) $\frac{1}{68} \times \frac{16}{21} \times \frac{7}{5} \times \frac{45}{4} \times 289 = ?$

- a) 51 b) 53 c) 49
d) 62 e) 57

Q.165) $1.29 + 12.9 + 19.2 - 29.1 - 0.92 \times 2 = ?$

- a) 3.55 b) 2.45 c) 1.25
d) 2.50 e) 4.15

Q.166) 20% of 300 + 12% of 150 + 10% of 80 = x

- a) 66 b) 76 c) 86
d) 96 e) None of these

Q.167) $9.09 + 6.08 + 12.07 + 15.05 = x$

- a) 42.29 b) 43.29 c) 44.29
d) 45.29 e) None of these

Q.168) $8\frac{1}{6} + 9\frac{5}{6} + 5\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{1}{2} = x + \frac{7}{6}$

- a) 24 b) 35 c) 32
d) 25 e) None of these

Q.169) $2.5 \times 4 + 3.5 \times 2 + 4.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 8 = x$

- a) 97 b) 98 c) 99
d) 100 e) None of these

Q.170) $\frac{24}{6} + \frac{141}{3} + \frac{84}{4} + \frac{75}{5} = x$

- a) 82 b) 83 c) 84
d) 85 e) None of these

Q.171) $11.11 + 22.22 + 33.67 + 44 = x$

- a) 99 b) 110 c) 111
d) 112 e) None of these

Q.172) $4^3 \times 256 \times 4 = 4^{2x}$

- a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
d) 7 e) None of these

Q.173) $\frac{30}{6} \text{ of } 4 + \frac{4}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{45}{9} \text{ of } 5 = x$

- a) 85 b) 75 c) 79
d) 89 e) None of these

Q.174) $182 + 222 - 121 + 252 = x$

- a) 565 b) 535 c) 545
d) 525 e) None of these

Q.175) 20% of 225 + 12% of 750 + 18% of 300 = x

- a) 184 b) 185 c) 186
d) 187 e) None of these

Q.176) 30% of 1500 + 40% of 3700 + 19% of 7000 = x

- a) 3380 b) 3170 c) 3260
d) 3340 e) 3080

Q.177) $2000 \times 15 + 4500 \times 2 = x + 15000$

- a) 26000 b) 20000 c) 18000
d) 16000 e) 24000

Q.178) $1000 + 1500 + 2500 - 10\% \text{ of } 20000 = x$

- a) 1500 b) 2000 c) 2500
d) 3000 e) 3500

Q.179) $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{8} + \frac{17}{16} - \frac{3}{16} = x$

- a) $\frac{3}{4}$ b) $\frac{5}{4}$ c) $\frac{7}{4}$
d) $\frac{3}{2}$ e) None of these

Q.180) $78 \times 2 + 44 \times 3 - 27 \times 5 = x$

- a) 157 b) 151 c) 159
d) 153 e) 149

Q.181) $10000 + 1400 \times 5 + 20\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$

- a) 17200 b) 17020 c) 19200
d) 19020 e) 18200

Q.182) 25% of 3000 + $\frac{45}{15} \times 1200 = x$

- a) 4530 b) 5430 c) 4350
d) 4450 e) 4250

Q.183) $1200 + 2500 + 5400 + 7500 + 8400 + x = 30000$

- a) 4000 b) 3000 c) 2000
d) 8000 e) 5000

Q.184) 70% of 25000 + $150 \times 20 - 10000 = x$

- a) 10000 b) 11500 c) 9500
d) 12000 e) 10500

Q.185) $1\frac{1}{4} + 3\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - 4\frac{3}{8} = x$

- 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.186) $(1296 + (?)) \div 4 = 576$

- a) 1004 b) 1005 c) 1010
d) 1008 e) 1020

Q.187) 20% of (?) + 40% of 500 = 280

- a) 200 b) 300 c) 400
d) 240 e) 280

Q.188) $1356 + 357 - 246 = 3755 - (?)$

- a) 2290 b) 2288 c) 2456
d) 2480 e) 2454

Q.189) $\frac{\sqrt{256}}{\sqrt[3]{512}} \times (154 - 131) = (?)$

- a) 45 b) 52 c) 46
d) 64 e) 58

Q.190) $((1334 + (?)) \div 3) + ((124 + 136) \div 4) = 695$

- a) 556 b) 473 c) 467
d) 588 e) 548

Q.191) $426 + 3713 + 241 + 2461 + (?) = 7023$

- a) 197 b) 164 c) 182
d) 164 e) 146

Q.192) 40% of 1920 + 60% of 3290 = (?)

- a) 2632 b) 3286 c) 2742
d) 2538 e) 3288

Q.193) $\sqrt{21 + \sqrt{211 + \sqrt{196}}} = (?)$

- a) 5 b) 6 c) 4
d) 7 e) 8

Q.194) $\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{5}{7} \times 2625 = (?)$

- a) 679 b) 750 c) 684
d) 890 e) 970

Q.195) $2\frac{1}{3} - 6\frac{2}{5} + 7\frac{2}{7} = \frac{13^2}{?}$

- a) 51.5 b) 50.5 c) 52.5
d) 54.5 e) 55.5

Q.196) $15 \times 6 + 13 \times 5 - 17 \times 8 \div 2 = 29 \times ?$

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6

Q.197) 35% of 420 + 46% of 250 – 30% of 140 = 20 × ?

- a) 15 b) 9 c) 7
d) 13 e) 11

Q.198) $5^2 \times 35^6 \times 7^3 \times 5 = 35^{11} ? 35^2$. Which of the following symbol will come on the place of question mark?

a) × b) + c) -
d) ÷ e) ±
Q.199) $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{14} + \frac{1}{2} - ? = 1$
a) $\frac{15}{14}$ b) $\frac{2}{7}$ c) $\frac{13}{28}$
d) $\frac{1}{56}$ e) $\frac{1}{4}$
Q.200) $123.5 + 134.01 + 45.555 + 67.876 = ?$
a) 370.491 b) 347.941 c) 370.941
d) 379.041 e) 374.941
Q.201) $14^2 + 12^2 - 15^2 + 7^3 = ? + 18^2$
a) 136 b) 137 c) 135
d) 134 e) 130
Q.202) $0.1 + 0.12 + 0.123 + 0.1234 + 0.12345 = ?$
a) 1.28685 b) 0.58985 c) 0.56595
d) 0.58495 e) 1.24985
Q.203) $-34 + 6^2 + 8^2 - 6 \times 8 = ?$
a) 16 b) 19 c) 18
d) 17 e) 21
Q.204) $1.2 \times 5 + 4 \times 0.8 - 8 \div 0.4 = ?$
a) 10.8 b) 11.8 c) -12.7
d) 9.7 e) -10.8
Q.205) $987 + 876 + 765 + 654 = 345 + 456 + 567 + 789 + ?$
a) 890 b) 1125 c) 725
d) 675 e) 925
Q.206) $4591 + 3421 - 4531 - 6754 + x = 1$
a) 3272 b) 3273 c) 3275
d) 3276 e) 3274
Q.207) 30% of 450 + 45% of 300 = 150% of X, find the value of X?
a) 160 b) 180 c) 240
d) 270 e) 135
Q.208) $25^2 + 45 + 33^2 = 1276 + x$
a) 483 b) 484 c) 485
d) 486 e) None of these
Q.209) $\frac{(12 \times 13) + (13 \times 12)}{12} = x$
a) 13 b) 169 c) 144
d) 24 e) 26
Q.210) Find $21 + 22 + 23 + 24 + \dots + 48 + 49 + 50$.
a) 1065 b) 1025 c) 1115
d) 655 e) None of these
Q.211) $3\frac{1}{7} + 8\frac{2}{7} + 12\frac{3}{7} = x$
a) 43.86 b) 33.86 c) 23.86
d) 13.86 e) None of these
Q.212) $22.22 + 88.88 + 55.55 + 45.55 = x$
a) 212.2 b) 213.3 c) 214.4
d) 215.5 e) None of these
Q.213) $7^{2x} = 49 \times 343 \times 7^3$
a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
d) 4 e) None of these
Q.214) $\frac{25}{28}$ of 112 + $\frac{22}{11}$ of 25 + 12.5% of 400 = x
a) 250 b) 200 c) 150
d) 100 e) None of these
Q.215) $255 + 445 + 200 - 300 = x$
a) 400 b) 500 c) 600
d) 700 e) None of these
Q.216) ? = 42% of 500 - 35% of 400 + 8% of 50
a) 88 b) 72 c) 74
d) 81 e) 84

Q.217) $8^2 = \frac{16}{64} \times 256 \times \frac{2^3}{4^2}$
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.218) ? = $\frac{34 \times 12}{48 \times 2} \times \frac{15 \times 45}{3 \times 25}$
a) 38.25 b) 41.55 c) 36.50
d) 31.75 e) 41.75
Q.219) ? = $\sqrt{121} \times \frac{\sqrt{225}}{33} \times \sqrt{49}$
a) 70 b) 35 c) 105
d) 15 e) 65
Q.220) ? = $33.03 + 133.33 - 333.33 + 1030.30$
a) 813.33 b) 873.33 c) 893.03
d) 843.33 e) 863.33
Q.221) ? = $\frac{4}{7}$ of 77 + $\frac{3}{10}$ of 120 - $\frac{2}{9}$ of 108
a) 46 b) 96 c) 56
d) 86 e) None of these
Q.222) ? = $\frac{3}{4}$ % of 1600 - $\frac{2}{5}$ % of 2500 + $\frac{11}{9}$ % of 900
a) 13 b) 11 c) 12
d) 21 e) 14
Q.223) ? = $\frac{(4^3)^2}{16} \times \frac{96}{3 \div 27} \times \sqrt[3]{27}$
a) 1436 b) 1156 c) 1186
d) 1296 e) 1269
Q.224) ? = $\sqrt{16 + \sqrt{70 + \sqrt{117 + \sqrt{16}}}}$
a) 25 b) 5 c) 4
d) 7 e) None of these
Q.225) $\frac{7^2}{2} = \frac{44}{11} \times \frac{128}{12^2} \times 3^4$
a) 26 b) 576 c) 24
d) 16 e) 36
Q.226) 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.227) 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.228) 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.229) Find the value of x and answer the given question.
 $\frac{9\frac{8}{7} + 7\frac{9}{8} + \frac{2}{9} - \frac{247}{504}}{3^9} = 3^x$
a) 10 b) 3 c) 0
d) 9 e) 18
Q.230) 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.231) $\sqrt{676} \times 25 + 19 \times (4)^2 - 609 \div 29 = ?$
a) 920 b) 933 c) 940

d) 931 e) 900
Q.232) $32 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \left(\frac{5}{7} \right)^2 \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$
a) 5 b) 6 c) 7
d) 8 e) 9
Q.233) 50% of {186 ÷ 3 × 30 ÷ 6 × 60 ÷ 12 + (34 × 64)} = ?
a) 1750 b) 1754 c) 1863
d) 1850 e) 1650
Q.234) $4\frac{1}{9} \times \frac{41}{2} \div 1\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{9}{41} \times (?) = 74$
a) 8 b) 9 c) 10
d) 11 e) 7
Q.235) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times (?)$
a) 9 b) 8 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6
Q.236) 65% of 75% of 40% of (?) = 3510
a) 12500 b) 18000 c) 16500
d) 17500 e) 15000
Q.237) $\left(2\frac{3}{5} \div 4\frac{2}{5} \right) + \left(7\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{4}{5} \right) = \frac{7}{418}$
a) 1044 b) 1024 c) 1061
d) 1051 e) 1078
Q.238) $45\% \text{ of } 960 + \frac{2}{5} \times 670 = (?)$
a) 700 b) 650 c) 750
d) 800 e) 900
Q.239) $\frac{\sqrt{289}}{\sqrt{361}} \times \sqrt[3]{729} \times 20\% \text{ of } 6175 = (?)$
a) 7959 b) 7085 c) 6890
d) 5895 e) 9945
Q.240) $\sqrt{504 + \sqrt{620 + \sqrt{4 + \sqrt{63 \times 7}}} = (?)$
a) 27 b) 23 c) 24
d) 22 e) 26
Q.241) $\sqrt{2025} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3136}}{\sqrt{784}} \right) + 866.64 + 25.36 = ?$
a) 913 b) 942 c) 839
d) 939 e) 833
Q.242) $4000 + 48\% \text{ of } 1300 + \frac{304}{19} = ?$
a) 4012 b) 4392 c) 4640
d) 4302 e) 4911
Q.243) $1\frac{4}{5}\% \text{ of } 3600 + 1750 + 120 - 48 = ? + 15\% \text{ of } \sqrt{676}$
a) 1772.9 b) 1882.9 c) 1893.3
d) 1782.9 e) 1832.8
Q.244) $96 \times 15 \div 3 \times 13 + 566 = ?$
a) 6806 b) 6608 c) 6680
d) 6783 e) 6875
Q.245) $\frac{8400}{60} + \frac{810}{\sqrt[3]{729}} + \frac{\sqrt{729}}{\sqrt[3]{27}} = ?$
a) 255 b) 241 c) 239
d) 210 e) 222
Q.246) ? = $\frac{(42 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{49}})}{(24 \times 52)} \times \sqrt{169} \times \frac{1}{(144)^{-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}}$
a) 1.5 b) 0.25 c) 1.25
d) 0.75 e) 0.50
Q.247) ? = 28% of 650 + $\frac{1}{13}$ % of 5200 - 130% of 80
a) 72 b) 182 c) 90
d) 82 e) None of these
Q.248) ? = $\frac{445}{\sqrt{25}} \times \frac{648}{12} \times \frac{446}{18} \times \frac{1}{534}$
a) 248 b) 236 c) 223
d) 251 e) 249
Q.249) ? = $\frac{21}{19}$ of 57 + $\frac{43}{25}$ of 75 + $\frac{33}{14}$ of 28

- a) 258 b) 239 c) 274
- d) 292 e) 285
- Q.250) $?^2 = 11^2 \times 5^3 \div \sqrt[3]{125} \times 0.4^2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{64}}$
- a) 15 b) 121 c) 11
- d) 55 e) 66

SIMPLIFICATION

ANSWER KEY:

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