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Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) and IIT-Delhi inked MoU for Waste to Wealth Technologies:

- **Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA)** to the **Government of India and Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT Delhi)** have inked MoU for **setting up a Centre of Excellence for Waste to Wealth Technologies** in India as a commemoration of 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on **2 October 2019**.
- The project has been approved under the recently constituted **Prime Minister's Science Technology and Innovation Advisory Council (PM-STIAC)**.

GRSE to construct eight ASWSWCs for Indian Navy:

- **Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) Ltd.** has signed a contract with defence ministry to build eight **Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Watercrafts (ASWSWCs)** for Indian Navy at the cost of **Rs. 6311.30 crore**.
- **The first ship** will be delivered to the Indian Navy in 42 months and subsequently, two ships will be required to deliver per year and the time of completion of the project will be **84 months**.

Cyclone "Fani" hits Odisha and West Bengal:

- **Cyclone "Fani"** is one of the **biggest and fiercest cyclonic storm** over the east coast in nearly two decades with a **maximum wind speed of 240-250 kmph**.
- Several villages nearby **Puri in Odisha** have submerged due to heavy rains. The word Fani (pronounced as Foni) means **snake** was suggested by Bangladesh.

Environment Ministry Constitutes Committee to Implement National Clean Air Programme:

- The **Environment Ministry** has reportedly constituted a committee to implement the **National Clean Air Programme (NCAP)**.
- The **objective is to reduce the PM** (particulate matter) **2.5 and PM 10 concentration by 20% to 30%** in at least 102 cities by 2024. The committee will be headed by the **Secretary, Union Environment Ministry**. The headquarters of the committee will be in **New Delhi**.

BHEL and ARAI together signed MoU on different projects related to e-mobility:

- **Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)** and **Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI)**, an autonomous body affiliated to the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises have signed a MoU for **cooperation on various projects related to e-mobility**.
- In the presence of **Dr. A. R. Sihag**, Secretary, Department of Heavy Industry (DHI), the MoU was signed by **Rashmi Urdhwarshie**, Director, ARAI and **Renuka Gera**, GM-I/c (ESSG), BHEL.

Govt Plans Introducing Artificial Intelligence System in MCA 21 Portal:

- The **union government** plans to introduce **artificial intelligence system** in the

MCA 21 portal as it seeks to make the compliance process easier as well as ensure routine enforcement activities are done round-the-clock on autopilot basis.

- **MCA 21** is the electronic backbone for the dissemination of information to all stakeholders, including the regulator, corporates and investors.
- All filings under the companies' law are submitted to the ministry through this portal. Ministry of **Corporate Affairs Secretary Injeti Srinivas** has said the ministry would like to introduce Artificial Intelligence in MCA 21 when version 3 of the portal is rolled out in about a year's time.

IAF Chief Paid Tribute to Kargil Heroes by Flying Missing Man Formation:

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) **Chief Air Chief Marshal B. S. Dhanoa** visits **Air Force Station in Bhisiana and Sarsawa** to pay homage to the **air warriors** who made supreme sacrifice during **Operation Safed Sagar at Kargil**.
- It took India two months of a joint effort between the Indian army and Air Force to evict the intruders. Dhanoa paid tribute to **Late Squadron Leader Ajay Ahuja** and other fallen heroes who lost their life 20 years back during the Kargil war.
- CAS B. S. Dhanoa flew the 'missing man' formation flypast in a **Mig-21 aircraft**.

Ministry of Petroleum Appointed A High-Level Committee To Make Strategies To Reduce Crude Oil Imports:

- A high-level committee appointed by the **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas** has recommended a higher natural gas price for producers from existing discoveries among measures to bring down India's dependence on crude oil imports.
- Members of the committee:**
 - The High-Level Committee constituted by the Centre consisted of **Dr. Anil Kakodkar**, an eminent Scientist and Sidharth Pradhan, an expert on financial and tax issues.

ADR Says Nearly Half of The Newly Elected Lok Sabha Members Have Criminal Charges:

- According to the **Association of Democratic Reforms (ADR)**, nearly half of the **newly elected Lok Sabha members have criminal charges against them**, a 26% increase as compared to 2014.
- Of the 539 winning candidates analyzed by the ADR, as many as 233 MPs or 43% have criminal charges.
- The BJP has 116 MPs or 39% of its winning candidates with criminal cases, followed by 29 MPs (57%) from the Congress, 13 (81%) from the JDU, 10 (43%) from the DMK and nine (41%) from the TMC.

Indias Fastest Train Vande Bharat Express Completed 1 Lakh Kilometers Without Missing Single Trip:

- **India's fastest train 'Vande Bharata Express'** completed 1 Lakh kilometres without missing a single trip.
- It was flagged off by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi under '**Make in India**' Initiative,

on February 15, 2019 from New Delhi to Varanasi.

- This **16-coach train** began its commercial run from February 17, 2019.
- The indigenously built high-speed train was manufactured by the **Integral Coach Factory in Chennai**.
- The train has facilities like high-speed onboard WiFi, GPS-based passenger information system, touch-free bio-vacuum toilets, LED lighting, mobile charging points, and a climate control system which automatically adjusts to the temperature.

DRDO Successfully Flight Tested Inertial Guided Bomb From An Su-30 MKI Aircraft:

- **Defence Research and Defence Organisation (DRDO)** successfully flight tested a **500 kg class Inertial Guided Bomb** from a **Su-30 MKI aircraft** at the **Pokhran test range in Rajasthan**.
- The indigenously developed guided bomb achieved the desired range and hit the target at a distance of **30 km away with high precision**. All the mission objectives have been met.
- The test firing of the guided bomb comes two days after the **Indian Air Force (IAF)** successfully test fired the aerial version of the **supersonic BrahMos cruise missile** from a Sukhoi jet at the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
- The 2.5-tonne air-to-surface missile has a range of around 300 km, and it will significantly enhance the **IAF's combat capability**.

DCIL signed MoU with WAPCOS to jointly identify future projects:

- The **Dredging Corporation of India Limited (DCIL)** has signed a MoU with **Water & Power Consultancy Services (WAPCOS) Limited**, a mini-ratna PSU under Ministry of Water Resources, River Development, and Ganga Rejuvenation.
- The **objective** is to jointly **recognize suitable future projects** and carry out geo-technical investigation and engineering consultancy in the fields like water resources, power and infrastructure, port and harbour dredging.

Home Ministry cancels registration of Infosys Foundation over FCRA violation:

- The **Home Ministry** has **cancelled the registration of Bengaluru-based NGO Infosys Foundation** for alleged violation of norms in receiving foreign grants.
- All non-government organisations (NGOs) are mandatorily required to be registered under the **Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act or FCRA to receive foreign funding**.
- The registration was cancelled as Infosys Foundation allegedly **did not file income and expenditure statement on foreign funding** for the past few years.

Delhi HC Ruled That United Nations Is Not A State:

- The **Delhi High Court** has ruled that the **United Nations** is not a State under **Article 12** of the Constitution of India and is not amenable to its jurisdiction under **Article 226** of

the Constitution. Background of the case.

➤ Justice **Suresh Kumar Kait** gave the decision while adjudicating a plea filed by a former UNO employee who was found guilty of misconduct. **Sanjaya Bahel**, convicted by a **US Federal Court** and sentenced to 97 months of imprisonment and two years of mandatory probation, was released and deported to India in May 2014. In his petition, he claimed that due process was not followed in his case.

➤ He had in November 2018, written a letter to the Ministry of External Affairs seeking a grant of permission to initiate legal action against the **United Nations Organization (UNO)** under **section 86 of Civil Procedure Code, 1908**.

➤ The provision provides that a foreign State may be sued in any Court with the consent of the Central government.

➤ It said UNO and its officials enjoy immunity under the **United Nations (Privileges and Immunities) Act, 1947**.

➤ It also said as per **Section 2 of Article II of the Schedule of Act, 1947**, UNO has immunity from every form of legal process except insofar as in any particular case it has expressly waived its immunity.

BJD Wins 112 Seats In Odisha, Patnaik Set To Be CM For 5th Time In Row:

➤ **BJD** won 112 seats out of 146 in 2019 **Odisha Assembly polls**, with party President Naveen Patnaik set for a fifth consecutive term as CM.

➤ **Patnaik** becomes only the third CM after **Sikkim's Pawan Chamling** and **West Bengal's Jyoti Basu** to achieve the feat. BJP won 23 seats, Congress 9, and CPI(M) and an independent candidate won one seat each.

➤ **Naveen Patnaik** is an Indian politician who is the current and 14th Chief Minister of Odisha.

Four New Supreme Court Judges Were Sworn In Making A Strength Of 31 Judges:

➤ **Four new Supreme Court judges** were sworn in, raising the number of judges to the full sanctioned **strength of 31**.

➤ **Justices Aniruddha Bose, AS Bopanna, Bhushan Ramkrishna Gvai and Surya Kant** were administered the oath of office by **Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi**.

➤ With this, the apex court attained its approved total strength of 31 judges.

➤ The five-member Collegium, headed by **Justice Gogoi**, had earlier this month overruled the Centre's objection to the appointment of Justice Bose of the Jharkhand High Court and Justice Bopanna of the Gauhati High Court.

CBIC introduces weightage system for appointments under compassionate scheme:

➤ The **CBIC** has introduced a **weightage points system** for appointing persons on compassionate ground, based on criteria such as family income, dependents and remaining service period of the deceased.

➤ The weightage points system, based on **nine criteria, aims at ensuring objectivity, transparency and uniformity** in the selection process for appointments on the compassionate ground.

➤ The instructions for such appointments are issued by the **Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT)** and the **CBIC** has come out with the 'weightage points system' for its cadre under the broad guidelines of the personnel department.

11th Joint Consular Committee meet between India, Iran held in Delhi:

➤ The **11th Joint Consular Committee meeting** between India and Iran took place in **New Delhi**.

➤ Agreement on **Mutual Legal Assistance on civil and commercial matters** and extending the longer duration of e-Visa for each other nationals on reciprocity.

➤ Joint Secretary in the External Affairs Ministry **Amit Narang** led the Indian side, while the Iran delegation was led by Director General for Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of **Iran Ali Asghar Mohammadi**.

Indian Postal Department released Postage Stamp to commemorate 750th Birth Anniversary of Sri Vedanta Desika:

➤ In order to commemorate the **750th birth anniversary of Sri Vedanta Desikan**, Vice President, **M. Venkaiah Naidu unveiled a postage stamp** in New Delhi. The stamp has been released by **Indian postal department**.

Green Number Plates Become Mandatory on All Electric Vehicles in India:

➤ Last year, the **Indian government** had announced **green number plates** for all electric vehicles wherein the private electric vehicles will get **white lettering** on a green background and commercial EVs will **yellow lettering**.

➤ And now the Central Government has asked the state road transport departments to **make green number plates mandatory** on all types of electric vehicles irrespective of them being brand new or used.

CBDT and GSTN sign pact to nab evaders, reduce black money generation:

➤ **To nab tax evaders and reduce black money generation**, the income tax department **CBDT and Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN)** signed an agreement **to facilitate exchange of data** between the two.

➤ The 2 agencies are yet to decide on the procedure of information exchange for **"automatic", "spontaneous" and "request based" data**.

New initiative measuring violent deaths worldwide: SIPRI

➤ **SIPRI** has set up a new initiative aiming to **establish the annual number of violent deaths worldwide**.

➤ **SIPRI's Global Registry of Violent Deaths (GReVD)** will count deaths caused by all forms of violence and display these in an open-source database that will allow researchers, policymakers and the general public to **track trends in violence at global, regional, national, provincial, city and municipal levels**.

➤ This will enable monitoring of progress on the world's commitment to 'significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere' by **2030 as set out in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—specifically Goal 16**.

e-Governance Services India ties up with IIT-Kanpur to upscale Unnat Bharat Abhiyan:

➤ **Common Service Centre's (CSC)** e-Governance Services India Limited, a special purpose vehicle under the **Ministry of Electronics & IT**, said it has tied up with **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Kanpur** to upscale 'Unnat Bharat Abhiyan'.

➤ **'Unnat Bharat Abhiyan'** is an initiative of the Ministry of HRD. It aims to find solutions to accelerate sustainable growth in rural India. Under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, IIT-Kanpur has

brought together **15 leading higher education institutions from Uttar Pradesh**.

In a First, Gujarat Passes Landmark Bill to Let Shops & Malls Remain Open 24x7:

➤ **State Government of Gujarat** put into effect the legislation that proposed to amend the **'Gujarat Shops and Establishments (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 2019'** which came into force from **May 1, 2019**. The bill allows shops across the state to **function 24 hours**.

➤ The **Act replaced the Gujarat Shops and Establishments Act, 1948** which prevented shops and other businesses from operating between 12 to 6 a. m.

IBSA Sherpas meet 2019 concluded in Cochin:

➤ The **IBSA (India, Brazil & South Africa) Sherpas' Meeting**, following the 9th IBSA Trilateral Ministerial Meeting, was held in **Cochin** from May 3-5, 2019.

➤ Secretary (Economic Relations) in Ministry of External Affairs, **Shri T. S. Tirumurti** led the Indian delegation. Prof. Anil Sooklal, Sherpa of the Republic of South Africa, and Amb. Norberto Moretti, Sherpa of the Federative Republic of Brazil led respective delegations at the Meeting.

Commerce ministry recommends anti-dumping duty of \$1, 633 per tonne on Indonesian sweetener:

➤ The **Commerce Ministry** has recommended an **anti-dumping duty of USD 1, 633. 17 per tonne on Saccharin**, a kind of sweetener, from **Indonesia** to guard domestic manufacturers from cheap imports from the Southeast Asian country.

➤ The ministry's investigation arm - Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) has conducted the probe of alleged dumping of this product following a complaint from **Swati Petro Products Ltd**.

Indian Navy decommissions frontline missile destroyer INS Ranjit:

➤ Indian Navy's frontline missile destroyer **INS Ranjit** was decommissioned at **Naval Dock in Visakhapatnam** on May 6. The mighty destroyer served Indian Navy for **36 years. It was decommissioned at a solemn ceremony**. **INS Ranjit was third of five Rajput-class destroyers** made by erstwhile USSR.

Indian Navy's submarine 'Vela' of Project 75 launched:

➤ The **Indian Navy** has launched the **Scorpene-class submarine Vela**, the fourth of **six underwater warships being built in India with French collaboration**, with an aim to boost Indian capability to defend and secure the strategic sea lanes.

➤ This is under **Project 75 built by Mazagon Dock Ltd, Mumbai**. The Scorpene-class submarine has been termed as the **Kalavari Class**.

MNRE holds 'Chintan Baithak' with the stakeholders of Renewable Energy (RE) sector:

➤ **Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE)** held a **'Chintan Baithak'** with the stakeholders of Renewable Energy sector in **New Delhi**.

➤ The 'Baithak' (meet) was chaired by Secretary, MNRE, **Shri Anand Kumar** and saw good participation from Renewable Energy (RE) sector including the representatives of major **RE developers, equipment manufacturers,**

financers, regulators, think-tanks, industry bodies and skill developers.

GRIHA Council launches rating system to evaluate environmental performance of schools:

- In a bid to evaluate the environmental performance of existing schools across India, GRIHA Council released a rating tool 'GRIHA for Existing Day Schools'.
- The product-launch event had taken place at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Head, Department of Education in Science and Mathematics, National Council of Educational Research and Training, and other dignitaries were present at during the launch.
- It was founded by TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute) with an active aid from the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and from various environment- sustainability experts across India.

Direct tax collections fall short of Rs. 82, 000 crore in FY 19:

- Direct Tax collections fell short by Rs. 82, 000 crore at 11. 18 crore during 2018-19 with lower corporate tax collections emerging as one of the reasons for the lower mop.
- The government had set a target of Rs. 12 lakh crore. Total tax collection numbers indicate that it got 13. 4% more than the previous fiscal but fell short of the revised target of 18%.

KVIC distributes over 1 lakh bee-boxes under 'Honey Mission':

- Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has distributed more than one lakh bee-boxes among farmers and unemployed youths across the country in less than two years under its 'Honey Mission' initiative.
- KVIC Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena said the commission has so far distributed 1, 01, 000 bee-boxes, which had happened for the first time in India.
- 'Honey Mission' was launched in August 2017 in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call for 'Sweet Revolution' in 2016 while introducing Banas Honey project at Deesa in Gujarat's Banaskantha district.

TAFE Signs MoU with Petroleum Conservation Research Association to Aid Efficient Energy Utilization in Agriculture:

- Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA), Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India and World's Third Largest Tractor manufacturer by volumes and TAFE (Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited) signed a MoU to aid conservation of resources across the country.
- This collaboration between the premier government body PCRA and tractor major TAFE, was inked at New Delhi by Mr. Alok Tripathi (IAS), Executive Director – PCRA, and Mr. T R Kesavan, President and COO – Product Strategy & Corporate Relations, TAFE.
- This engagement will further include joint outreach events and knowledge sharing modules for farmers curated by PCRA through TAFE's 'JFarm Services' App.

CBIC organises meeting of Regional Heads of Customs Administration of Asia Pacific Region of the World Customs Organisation (WCO) in Kochi:

- Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) is organising a meeting of the Regional Heads of Customs Administration of Asia Pacific Region of the World Customs Organisation (WCO) in Kochi, Kerala.

- This meeting is being chaired by Mr. Pranab Kumar Das, Chairman, CBIC.
- The meeting will take stock of the progress being made in carrying forward the programmes and initiatives of WCO to promote, facilitate and secure the cross-border trade in the region and the capacity building and technical assistance required to achieve this goal.

ELCITA inaugurates foot over bridge at Electronics City:

- Electronics City Industrial Township Authority (ELCITA) in collaboration with Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE), inaugurated a foot over bridge connecting the east and west phases of Electronics City on Hosur Road near the toll plaza to avoid accidents involving pedestrians crossing the road.

First Apache Helicopter formally handed over to the IAF:

- Apache Guardian helicopter was formally handed over to the Indian Air Force at Boeing production facility in Mesa, Arizona, USA. Air Marshal AS Butola, represented the Indian Air Force and accepted the first Apache in a ceremony at Boeing production facility, representatives from US Government were also present.

WTO ministerial meeting of developing countries begins in New Delhi:

- The World Trade Organisation (WTO) ministerial meeting of developing countries will begin in New Delhi.
- The meeting will provide an opportunity for the Ministers to discuss various issues and the way forward. The meeting is being held at a time when the multilateral rule-based trading system is facing serious and grave challenges.
- Twelfth Ministerial Conference of the WTO to be held in Kazakhstan in June 2020.

ISRO to launch RISAT-2B from Sriharikota on May 22:

- Indian Space Research Organization ISRO is scheduled to launch the nation's latest radar imaging satellite RISAT-2B on 22nd of this month. It will be lifted off by the workhorse rocket PSLV-C46 in its 48th flight.
- RISAT-2B is a modern radar imaging earth observation satellite. It will be placed in an orbit of 555 km from the earth. This will be the 72nd launch vehicle mission for ISRO from its spaceport at Sriharikota.

DRDO Successfully Conducts Flight Test Of 'Abhyas':

- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully conducted the flight test of 'Abhyas', a High-Speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT), which offers a realistic threat scenario for practice of weapon systems.
- The flight test was conducted at the Interim Test Range, Chandipur, in Odisha. It was tracked by various radars and electro-optic systems and proved its performance in fully autonomous waypoint navigation mode.

Department of Biotechnology (DBT) launched 'MANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'

- Recently, Department of Biotechnology (DBT) launched 'MANAV: Human Atlas Initiative', a project for mapping every tissue of the human body to help better understand the roles of tissues and cells linked to various diseases.
- It is a collaborated project between Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research (IISER) Pune, Persistent Systems and the

National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS). It was launched by the DBT Secretary, Dr. Renu Swarup.

Young Scientist Programme 'Yuvika2019' inaugurated:

- The Young Scientist Programme 'Yuvika2019' was inaugurated by Indian Space Research Organisation, ISRO Chairman Dr K Sivan, through video mode in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- The two-week residential summer vacation programme spread over four ISRO centres in Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Ahmedabad and Shillong are attended by 110 students.

India Sets Guinness World Records of Largest Laundry Lesson With The Participation Of 400 Young Men:

- India achieved a Guinness World Records of 'largest laundry lesson' with the participation of 400 young Indian men. The event was a part of #sharetheload campaign.
- The event was initiated by Ariel India.
- It was hosted by Mandira Bedi and Indian Actor Anil Kapoor also joined the function.
- Earlier, the largest laundry lesson was achieved by Lion NANOX Team (Japan) at Lion Hirai Research Laboratory in Edogawa, Tokyo, Japan on November 29, 2017. It had 318 people.

Centre extends ban on LTTE for 5 years:

- The central government has extended the ban on the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) for five years with immediate effect, a notification issued by the Union Home ministry.
- The ban has been extended under sub-sections (1) and (3) of section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. The notification stated that the LTTE's perpetual violent activities and adopting a vehement anti-nationalist stand are extremely detrimental to the integrity of our nation.

NMCG, HCL Foundation and INTACH inked MoU for Rudraksh Plantation in Uttarakhand:

- National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), HCL Foundation and Indian National Trust for Art and Culture Heritage (INTACH) signed tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Plantation of Rudraksha Trees in Uttarakhand under the 'Namami Gange' Programme.
- The objective is to create a greener ecosystem in the Ganga Basin along the stretch of 97 towns and 4, 465 villages.

CBIC Government launches "Project SPARROW" for CBIC officers for over 400 formations of CBIC across India:

- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) had started online writing of Annual Performance Appraisal Report (APARs) in SPARROW (Smart Performance Appraisal Report Recording Online Window) for Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officers in Customs and Central Excise in 2016-17.
- The CBIC said it will conduct annual performance appraisal of over 46, 000 Group B and C officers online, a move aimed at better human resource management.

Nuclear test ban body offers India 'observer' status:

- The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation (CTBTO) has offered India an "Observer" status and access to International Monitoring System (IMS) data.

➤ **CTBT** is a global treaty that runs **IMS** which constantly monitors the **Earth for nuclear explosions** and **shares evaluative findings** with its member states. CTBTO's headquarters is in **Vienna, Austria**. IMS has 337 facilities, located in 89 nations.

Fifth Smart Cities India Expo Held in New Delhi:

➤ The **fifth Smart Cities India 2019 expo**, including Transport India, Solar India, Buildings India and Water India expos, was held in **New Delhi**.

➤ It was inaugurated by Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary **Durga Shanker Mishra** on 22 May 2019.

➤ The expo was organised by **India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)** and Exhibitions India Group, the event builds upon Government of India's '**Smart Cities Mission**' through a display of a vast array of products and solutions relevant to building smart cities in India.

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ICGS Vighraha decommissioned at Vishakhapatnam:

➤ **Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) 'Vighraha'** decommissioned at **Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**.

➤ ICGS Vighraha was the seventh offshore patrol vessel built by the **Mazagaon Dock Limited, Mumbai** and it was commissioned on **April 12, 1990**. It was the seventh offshore patrol vessel built by the **Mazagaon Dock Limited, Mumbai**.

Anthill Ventures in tie-up with AP govt:

➤ **Anthill Ventures**, which helps start-ups scale up, **has tied up with the Andhra Pradesh government** to offer A-Scale, its market access programme to start-ups in the State.

➤ **A-Scale**, an Asian market access programme for start-ups based in **Singapore**, covers 18 start-ups every year, giving them capital, mentoring as well as access to use-cases on business scaling.

Andhra Pradesh

- Capital: **Amaravati**
- Chief Minister: **Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy**
- Governor: **ESL Narasimhan**

CHHATTISGARH

Chhattisgarh cops deploy first ever anti-Naxal women's commando unit:

➤ The **Chhattisgarh police** for the **first time** has inducted **women commandos in the District Reserve Guard**, its frontline anti-Naxal force.

➤ The specially raised squad christened '**Danteshwari Ladake**', or fighters of Goddess Danteshwari, was inducted in the state's Naxal-hit Dantewada district. Comprising 30 women led by Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) **Dineshwari Nand**.

Chhattisgarh

- Capitals: **Raipur, Bilaspur (Judiciary)**
- Chief Minister: **Bhupesh Baghel**
- Governor: **Anandiben Patel**

KARNATAKA

Brahmakalashothsava Festival 2019:

➤ The **Brahmakalashothsava festival 2019** has started in Karnataka. This is a 6-day festival celebrated annually in the ancient Chandkuru Sri Durga Parameshwari Temple situated in **Polali, Dakshina Kannada district in Karnataka**.

Mangaluru police gets an all-women patrol unit "Rani Abbakka Force":

➤ **Mangaluru City Police** has launched an all-women police patrol unit in the city.

➤ Flagging off the '**Rani Abbakka Force**' in Mangaluru, **Sandeep Patil**, Commissioner of Police, said the Karnataka police is giving utmost importance to the **protection of women and children**.

➤ An all-women police patrol unit, also named '**Rani Abbakka Force**', was also launched by the Udupi district police recently.

Karnataka

- Capital: **Bangalore**
- Chief Minister: **H. D. Kumaraswamy**
- Governor: **Vajubhai Vala**

KERALA

54-year-old tusker opens Thrissur Pooram fest in Kerala:

➤ The opening of the famed **Thrissur Pooram festival** was attended by more than 10, 000 people after an order disallowing a 54-year-old tusker **Thechikottukavu Ramachandran** from taking part in the festivities was reversed. And this ceremony is also known as '**Pooram Vilambaram**'.

Kerala Became First State to List Masala Bond In Overseas Market:

➤ **Kerala** became the first state to tap into masala bond market by listing the **Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB)**'s masala bond worth of USD 312 million (Rs 2, 150 crore) in **London Stock Exchange (LSE)**'s **International Securities Market (ISM)**.

➤ The masala bond has **tenor of 5-year and a 9.723% coupon** Kerala's state finance minister **Thomas Issac** executed this move.

➤ The **main objective of this initiative** was to tap masala bond market and to rebuild the infrastructure in Kerala from the proceeds of masala bond.

Kerala Assembly to digitise all records, to save Rs 35 crore annually:

➤ The state has awarded the work to the **Uralungal Labour Contract Cooperative Society** and it has started working on the ambitious project called **E-Vidhan** to **enable the state to go completely paperless legislature**. ➤ e-Vidhan, a **Mission Mode Project (MMP)** has been initiated as a part of Digital India program for State Legislatures and e-Sansad for Parliament.

Kerala

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

MADHYA PRADESH

Orchha Town Of Madhya Pradesh Added to The Tentative List Of UNESCO's World Heritage Sites:

➤ The architectural heritage of Orchha town in **Madhya Pradesh** added to the Tentative List of **UNESCO's World Heritage Sites**. The architectural heritage of Orchha town depicts a unique style of the Bundela dynasty.

➤ The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) had sent a proposal to UNESCO to include the architectural heritage of Orchha town in its list of **World Heritage Sites on April 15, 2019**.

Madhya Pradesh

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

MAHARASHTRA

NIOS, NHMPH ink MoU in Mumbai:

➤ The **National Institute of Open Schooling Ministry of Human Resources Development**

and **National Health Mission of Public Health Department of Government of Maharashtra** signed a Memorandum of Understanding in Mumbai.

➤ The MOU focused at offering **Vocational programmes to the Health Service Providers of Providers of National Health Mission (NHM)** through National Institute of Open Schooling.

Vedanta Bags Two Copper Blocks In Maharashtra:

➤ Mining and metals major Vedanta Ltd has been declared the final bidder for two copper mining blocks in **Maharashtra's Chandrapur** district.

➤ The blocks, located in **Thanewasna** and **Dubarpeth**, are spread over 768. 62 hectares and 816. 29 hectares respectively.

➤ To ensure transparency in the mineral sector, the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill was passed by the Parliament in **2015**.

Captain Aarohe Pandit from Mumbai became 1st woman in the world to cross the Atlantic Ocean solo in an LSA:

➤ **Captain Aarohe Pandit**, a 23-year-old pilot from Mumbai **created history by becoming the first woman** in the world to **cross the Atlantic Ocean solo in a Light Sports Aircraft (LSA)**. She achieved the record by landing her aircraft at **Iqaluit Airport in Canada**.

Maharashtra Day celebrated every year on 1st May to mark the Maratha speaking region:

➤ Maharashtra Day is celebrated every year on **1st May** to mark the **Maratha speaking region** that was founded on 1st May 1960.

MAHARASHTRA

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

MEGHALAYA

Meghalaya: GSI North Eastern Region installed geological display boards at Mawmluh cave, Therriaghat

➤ In Meghalaya, the **Geological Survey of India (GSI) North Eastern Region (NER)** installed two geological display boards at Meghalaya's two important geological sites namely **Mawmluh cave** and **Therriaghat, Sobhar** in East Khasi Hill District. The stalagmite in Mawmluh cave has been tagged as **Global Stratotype Section and Point (GSSP)**.

➤ These geological display boards with geo-scientific information will help in **creating awareness among visiting tourists, students and general public**.

Meghalaya CM Conrad Sangma Launched A New Project To Boost Medicinal Plant Cultivation:

➤ Meghalaya Chief Minister **Conrad K Sangma** launched a new project to boost medicinal and aromatic plants cultivation named "**Aroma Mission**".

➤ "**Aroma Mission**" a project of **Rs. 18 crore** launched to give importance for agriculture and allied sectors so that farmers earn the benefits from it.

➤ CM inaugurated a processing unit of essential oils and insisted institutions like **CSIR-CIMAP** to **undertake more researches in this field**.

➤ Broomsticks and bay leaves were categorized as '**Agro Forestry**' items. Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (CIMAP) is a plant

research laboratory of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)

Meghalaya

- Capital: **Shillong**
- Chief Minister: **Conrad Sangma**
- Governor: **Tathagata Roy**

TAMIL NADU

India's First Tree Ambulance Initiated in Chennai By Green Man Of India:

➤ **International Day for Biological Diversity tree ambulance** was inaugurated in Chennai, Tamil Nadu by Vice President of India, Venkaiah Naidu.

➤ The initiative was proposed by Green man of India, **Dr K Abdul Ghani** and it is sponsored by the SASA Group.

➤ The ambulance can be availed through the number 9941006786 and volunteers can register on **www. treeambulance. org.**

TAMIL NADU

- Capital: **Chennai**
- Chief Minister: **Edappadi K. Palaniswami**
- Governor: **Banwarilal Purohit**

TELANGANA

Country's biggest stucco figurine unearthed in Telangana's Phanigiri:

➤ **Indian archaeologists** recently unearthed a **life-sized stucco sculpture** from a Buddhist site at Phanigiri in **Suryapet, Telangana**. As per heritage department officials, it represents one of Bhodhisattva in Jathaka Chakra.

➤ This is the largest stucco sculpture found from India till date. The sculpture is about **1. 73 metres in height and 35 cm in width.**

Telangana To Set Up Country's First 'Block Chain District' In Hyderabad:

➤ **Telangana** released a **draft block chain policy to set up country's first 'Block chain District'** in Hyderabad.

➤ It is aimed to **create an ecosystem for major block chain companies**, start-ups for promoting research, innovation and industry collaboration.

➤ Telangana Government signed an agreement with **Tech Mahindra** to set up the Block chain district in 2018.

TELANGANA

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

WEST BENGAL

Navy's first full-fledged SSB opened at Kolkata:

➤ **The Indian Navy's first full-fledged Services Selection Board (SSB)** was inaugurated by **Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba** at Diamond Harbour near Kolkata.

➤ This is the **fifth SSB of the Indian Navy** and will cater for selection of both permanent and short service commission (SSC) officers. The other boards are located in **Bhopal, Bengaluru, Visakhapatnam and Coimbatore.**

158th birth anniversary of Tagore being celebrated:

➤ The **158th birth anniversary of Rabindra Nath Tagore** is being celebrated all over **West Bengal.**

➤ The **West Bengal Government** has organised a special musical programme in Kolkata this afternoon to pay tributes to **Gurudev Tagore.** The day is also being observed in **Santineketan.**

West Bengal

- Capital: **Kolkata**

- Chief Minister: **Mamata Banerjee**
- Governor: **K. N. Tripathi**

INTERNATIONAL

The 14th edition of Sino-Indian border trade opens at Nathu La in Sikkim:

➤ **The 14th edition** of the **annual Sino-Indian border trade** opens at **Nathu La**, which is the frontier post at Sino-Indian border in Sikkim.

➤ Every year, between **1st May to 30th November**, the bilateral border trade between 2 nations is held for 4 days a week for 6 months.

India Bans Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh Terror Outfit:

➤ **Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh** also called as Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen India or Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Hindustan declared as a banned terrorist organization by the government, the Home Ministry.

➤ The Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh or Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen India or Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Hindustan and all its manifestations have been inserted in the **First Schedule to the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.**

India-Botswana hold Foreign Office Consultations in Delhi:

➤ The **third round of Foreign Office Consultations between India and Botswana** was held in **New Delhi.**

➤ The Indian side was led by Joint Secretary, East and Southern Africa in the Ministry of External Affairs **Dr. Neena Malhotra.** The deliberations provided an opportunity to review the entire gamut of bilateral relations, including political, economic, commercial, defence, consular and international cooperation.

Saudi Arabia Lifts Export Ban On Fruits And Vegetable From Kerala:

➤ **Saudi Arabia** lifted export ban on fruits and vegetables from Kerala.

➤ In June 2018, the ban was imposed due to the outbreak of **Nipah virus.**

➤ Saudi Arabian authorities had communicated this information to the state in the second week of May and it has **led to the commencement of direct exports from the 3 airports.**

UK Govt. Passes An Amendment Which Allows Sikhs To Carry Kirpans:

➤ The **U. K. government** has passed an amendment, the Offensive Weapons Bill, by which **Sikhs in the country will be allowed to carry kirpans** and use it during religious and cultural functions.

➤ The Offensive Weapons Bill received the **royal assent.**

➤ The Bill had been amended in 2018 to ensure that it would not impact the right of the British-Sikh community to **possess and supply kirpans, or religious swords.**

Pak named its retaliatory action against India on February 27 as 'Operation Swift Retort':

➤ The **Pakistan Air Force (PAF)** said its response to any **"misadventure by the adversary"** would be stronger than before as it decided to mark its retaliatory action on February 27 against the Indian air **strikes on the Balakot militant camp as "Operation Swift Retort".**

➤ **Tensions between India and Pakistan escalated** after the February 14 attack by Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) suicide bomber in Pulwama that **killed 40 CRPF men. The Indian Air Force (IAF) conducted air strikes in Balakot, deep inside Pakistan** on February 26.

Indo-French navies will hold their joint exercise off the Goa-coast from 1st May to 10th May, 2019:

➤ The **first part** of the Indo-French joint naval exercise, **Varuna 19. 1** will be conducted off the Goa coast from 1st to 10th May 19.

➤ The upcoming **17th edition** includes participation of the French Navy's aircraft carrier FNS Charles de Gaulle, two destroyers, FNS Forbin and FNS Provence, the frigate FNS Latouche-Treville, the tanker FNS Marne and a nuclear submarine. From the Indian side, the **aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya, destroyer INS Mumbai, the Teg-class frigate, INS Tarkash, the Shishumar- class submarine, INS Shankul,** and the Deepak- class fleet tanker, INS Deepak, will be participating in this exercise.

➤ The second part, **Varuna 19. 2,** is scheduled to be held at the end of **May in Djibouti.**

Russian President Vladimir Putin signed a new "Sovereign Internet" law that will allow Russian authorities gain control over the Internet

➤ Russian President **Vladimir Putin** signed into law a **"sovereign internet" bill** that will allow Russian authorities to isolate the country's internet **to expand the Government Control of the Internet.** This move is being publicly denounced by all rights groups in Russia and will lead to censorship over large parts of the Internet.

➤ Among other things, the new measure requires **Internet providers to install equipment to route Russian web traffic through servers in the country.**

India Delivered the First Pair Of Mi 24 Attack Helicopters To Afghan Air Force:

➤ **India** delivered the first pair of **Mi-24 attack helicopters** as a replacement to the Afghan Air Force.

➤ The helicopters were handed over to the Acting Defence Minister Asadullah Khalid by the Indian **Ambassador to Afghanistan Vinay Kumar** at the **Kabul Air Force base.**

➤ The helicopters were Purchased from Belarus.

6th Session of Global Platform for DDR started in Geneva, Switzerland:

➤ The **6th Session of the biennial Global Platform for (DDR) Disaster Risk Reduction (GP2019)** has started in **Geneva, Switzerland** from 13th May to 17 May 2019 and is co-chaired by Switzerland and UNISDR.

➤ The session is summoned under the theme, **'Resilience Dividend: Towards Sustainable and Inclusive Societies'.**

Global Influence of Asian Civilizations Forum kicks off in Beijing:

➤ As one of the six parallel forums of the **"Conference of Dialogue on Asian Civilizations"**, the Forum on Global Influence of Asian Civilizations, organized by the **National Radio and Television Administration of the People's Republic of China**, is being held at the China National Convention Center **Beijing, China.**

➤ Theme of this forum: **"Asian Values for the World";** The theme of the event: **"Exchanges and Mutual Learning among Asian Civilizations and a Community with a Shared Future. "**

In a first, India to host part of International Army Games:

➤ **India for the first time** will host and participate in a major army competition involving eight countries, including China and Russia, in **Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.**

➤ The event called the '**Army International Scout Masters Competition 2019**' will be held in August this year.

UN to hold 2020 ocean conference in Lisbon:

➤ **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)** decided to hold its **2020 high-level conference** in **Portugal's Lisbon** from June 2 to 6, 2020 to Support the Implementation of **Sustainable Development Goal 14**: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources.

➤ With a Theme of "**Scaling up ocean action based on science and innovation for the implementation of Goal 14: stocktaking, partnerships and solutions.**"

Japan Tests World's Fastest-ever Alfa-X Bullet Train Capable of Reaching 400 kmph:

➤ **Japan** has started testing its fastest-ever bullet train **ALFA-X version of the Shinkansen train** began three years, capable of reaching **400 kilometres per hour (249 mph)** as it continues to develop the revolutionary mode of travel.

2019 Meetings of the COPs to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions:

➤ In **Geneva International Conference Centre (CICG)** Geneva, Switzerland, the **14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties** to the Basel Convention (BC COP-14), the **9th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Rotterdam Convention** (RC COP-9) and the **9th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention** (SC COP-9) held from April 29 to May 10, 2019.

➤ The theme of the meeting was "**Clean Planet, Healthy People: Sound Management of Chemicals and Waste**".

Bilateral Exercise Between Indian & Republic of Singapore Navies – SIMBEX 18 - marks Silver Jubilee this Year:

➤ **25th edition of SIMBEX**, an acronym for "**Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise**" is scheduled from 10th to 21st November 2018 off Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

➤ **INS Kolkata** and **INS Shakti** the 2 warships of the Indian Navy participated in a 3-day Asia Pacific naval and maritime event titled the **International Maritime Defence Exhibition Asia (IMDEX Asia-2019)** (it commenced on May 14, 2019) held in **Changi Exhibition Centre, Singapore**.

Saudi Arabia approves permanent residency for first time:

➤ **The Saudi government** has approved for the **first time a scheme that gives permanent residency to certain expatriates**, allowing them to own real estate in the kingdom and reside with their families without a Saudi sponsor.

➤ They are eligible to reside with their families without a Saudi sponsor (Kafeel). This new system is named as the "**Privileged Iqama**".

➤ The scheme is commonly called as the **Saudi Green Card**. Three years ago, this was announced for the first time by the Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman as a part of Vision 2030 plan.

Masood Azhar: UN names Jaish-e-Mohammad chief Masood Azhar a global terrorist; BJP claims credit

➤ The United Nations designated **Jaish-e-Mohammad chief Masood Azhar** a global terrorist after China removed its **technical hold within the 1267 Al-Qaida Sanctions committee**, resulting in a major diplomatic

victory for the government in the middle of the election season.

➤ China's technical hold on March 13 was a favour to "**iron brother**" **Pakistan as it stalled a renewed effort** to corner Azhar after the Pulwama attack. But India managed to rally support of other UN Security Council members against China's move.

The UK Parliament becomes the first national government to pass an Environment and Climate Emergency

➤ The **UK parliament** became the **first national legislative body** in the world to declare a climate change "**emergency**". The historic move closely follows Extinction Rebellion protests that blocked traffic in key parts of central London for a week in April.

➤ The declaration was preceded by a visit by teenage activist Greta Thunberg (to the Parliament), the feature of David Attenborough's documentary movie titled '**Climate Change: The Facts**' and the 11-days of constant protest by an environmental group '**Extinction Rebellion**'.

The 16th Ministerial Meeting of Asia Cooperation Dialogue held in Doha, Qatar:

➤ **The 16th Ministerial Meeting of Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD)** was held in **Doha, Qatar**. Emphasizing on the theme "Partners in Progress".

➤ **Gen. (Dr) V. K. Singh (Retd)**, Minister of State for External Affairs led the Indian delegation. Earlier, **Mr. Manish**, Joint Secretary (South) attended the Senior Officers' Meeting (SOM) held on April 30.

India to Purchase 10 Kamov-31 Choppers from Russia for INR 3, 600 cr:

➤ **The Defense ministry** has approved the procurement of **10 Kamov Ka-31 Airborne Early Warning and Control helicopters** for the Indian Navy. The cost of the deal would be around Rs. 3, 600 crore and the 10 helicopters would be deployed on the aircraft carriers and warships of the Navy including the **INS Vikrant** and **Grigorovich-class frigates**.

India, Australia agree to further deepen counter-terrorism co-operation:

➤ **India and Australia** have agreed to **further deepen counter-terrorism co-operation through regular exchange of information** and sharing of best practices on countering extremism and radicalization.

➤ The two countries held the **11th Meeting of Joint Working Group on Counterterrorism** at **Canberra**.

G7 environment ministers meet to discuss climate crisis:

➤ **The G7's (Group of Seven) Environment Ministers** from **Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan** and the **United States** gathered for a **2-day meeting in Metz, France** to discuss on steps required to handle deforestation, plastic pollution, depletion of coral reefs and ways to build pacts between the countries in order to achieve the target.

Nepali Girl Dances For 126 Hours Straight To Set New World Record:

➤ **A Nepali teenager Bandana** danced continuously for **126 hours** to set a Guinness World Records on '**Longest Dancing Marathon by an Individual**', a feat previously holds by an Indian.

➤ Bandana surpassed the record set by **Kalamandalam Hemalatha**, an Indian, who danced for 123 hours and 15 minutes in 2011.

India, Bangladesh to jointly produce movie on life, works of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman:

➤ **India and Bangladesh** will co-produce a film on the life and works of **Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** and a documentary on Bangladesh Liberation War.

➤ The movie will be directed by acclaimed filmmaker **Shyam Benegal** who, along with writer of the movie **Atul Tiwari**, was also present during the meeting. The Bangladesh Delegation assured full cooperation in ensuring smooth logistics for shooting the movie in Bangladesh.

➤ It was announced that **Prasar Bharati has decided to carry Bangladesh TV** on DD Free Dish platform **without charging carriage fees**.

WHO Recognized 'Burn-Out' As Medical Condition And 'Gaming Disorder' A Recognised Illness:

➤ Recently, the **World Health Organization (WHO)** in its World Health Assembly held in Geneva, had for the first time recognized '**burn out**' as a medical condition in its **International Classification of Diseases (ICD)**, which was extensively used as a benchmark for diagnosis and health insurers.

➤ WHO in its catalogue of diseases and injuries defined burn-out as a syndrome conceptualised as resulting from chronic workplace stress that has not been successfully managed.

Sino-India IT And DT Industry Cooperation Forum 2019 Was Held In Guiyang, China:

➤ To create a new chapter in India-China cooperation in the **new era of digital transition**, **2019 Sino-India IT and DT Industry Cooperation Forum** was held on 27th May in **Guiyang, China**.

➤ The objective was to create a new chapter in India-China cooperation in the new era of the digital transition. To make progress and boost development, **the big data, and artificial intelligence**, the countries need to have **in-depth exchanges**.

➤ **NIIT Technology, Shanghai** signed cooperation agreements with **Guizhou University** and Guiyang Education Bureau.

Malaysia To Send Back Hundreds of Tonnes Of Imported Plastic Waste:

➤ **The Malaysian government** said that hundreds of tonnes of **imported plastic waste** will be shipped back to where it came from insisting that the country did not want to be a **global dumping ground**.

➤ The announcement was made by the Malaysian Minister for Energy, Science, Technology, Environment, and Climate Change Yeo Bee Yin.

➤ The Ministry said **450 tonnes of contaminated plastic waste** in 10 containers from Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, China, Japan, Saudi Arabia, and the United States will be shipped back.

➤ Plastic imports to Malaysia have **tripled** since 2016, to **8, 70, 000 tonnes** in 2018.

US Removed India, Switzerland From Its Currency Monitoring List:

➤ **US Government** removed **India and Switzerland** from its currency monitoring list US Government has removed India and Switzerland from its currency monitoring list.

➤ The monitoring list includes countries with **potentially questionable foreign exchange policies** and **practices currency manipulation**.

➤ It is prepared by the **US Treasury Department**. India had a **significant trade surplus** while **Switzerland** had a **material current account surplus**.

➤ In its semi-annual report to US Congress on International Economic and Exchange Rate Policies, the Treasury Department removed India and Switzerland from the list.

Huawei Challenged U. S. S NDDA Bill As Sanctions Fight Ramps Up:

➤ World's largest telecom equipment maker **Huawei** filed a motion in a US court to declare **National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)** as **"unconstitutional"**.

➤ The U. S. court had agreed on a schedule to hold hearings in September on motions by opposing sides.

NASA's First Planetary Defense Technology Demonstration to Collide with Asteroid in 2022:

➤ **The Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART)**, **NASA's first mission** to demonstrate a planetary defense technique will get one chance to hit its target, the small moonlet asteroid **is 150 m tall** which orbiting a larger body in the **binary asteroid system Didymos**. DART slams into its target – Didymos B – **in September 2022**.

➤ The spacecraft will collide with the asteroid at a **speed of approximately 6 km/s** (km per second) and this collision will change the speed of the asteroid in its orbit by **fraction of 1%**.

India re-elected as observer to Arctic Council:

➤ **At the 11th Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting at Rovaniemi** with Vani Rao Ambassador, Finland. **India re-elected as Observer** of the Arctic Council. India committed to do more contributions in the Arctic Council (sic), **M. Rajeevan, Secretary**, Ministry of Earth Sciences said.

➤ Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden and the United States are members of the Arctic Council. Since year 2008, India has its Arctic research station, termed as **'Himadri' in Svalbard, Norway**.

Commerce ministry organises interaction to boost India-Africa trade ties:

➤ A two-day interaction was organised by the **Commerce Ministry and Indian High Commissions and embassies of eleven African countries** to strengthen the India-Africa trade ties.

➤ The interaction was arranged over **Digital Video Conference (DVC) over two days with the Indian business community in Africa**.

➤ The ministry of commerce stated that India's trade with Africa during 2017-18 was **\$ 62. 69 billion**, which measured at 8. 15% of India's total trade with the world.

India-US trade in goods and services registers 12. 6% growth in 2018:

➤ Bilateral trade between **India and the United States** in goods and services grew 12. 6 per cent from USD 126 billion in 2017 to **USD 142 billion in 2018**.

➤ The Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation, **Suresh Prabhu**, along with the US Secretary of Commerce, **Wilbur Ross**, co-chaired the meeting.

➤ Both countries have started many initiatives to **boost trade and deepen economic cooperation including the private sector led US-India SME (Small and Medium-sized Enterprise) Forum**.

WHO partnered with IFBA to eliminate industrially produced trans-fat:

➤ **WHO** (World Health organization) collaborated with the **International Food and Beverage Alliance (IFBA)** to **eliminate industrially produced trans-fat (iTFA) from food supply worldwide by 2023**.

➤ WHO Director-General **Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus** met with IFBA representatives, including chief executive officers from several of the 12 companies comprising the alliance, on 2 May 2019 to discuss actions to take to eliminate industrial trans fats, and reduce salt, sugar and saturated fats in processed foods.

FDA Approves First Vaccine for the Prevention of Dengue Disease in Endemic Regions:

➤ **The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** announces the **approval of "Dengvaxia"**, the **first vaccine approved for the prevention of dengue disease** caused by all dengue virus serotypes (1, 2, 3 and 4) in people ages 9 through 16 who have laboratory-confirmed previous dengue infection and who live in endemic areas.

➤ Dengue is endemic in the **U. S. territories of American Samoa**, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U. S. Virgin Islands. The vaccine is also known as CYD-TDV and made by company Sanofi Pasteur.

India-Turkey Foreign Office Consultations:

➤ **Mr Sedat Onal, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs** of Turkey visited India from 07-09 May 2019.

➤ They discussed on the different facets of **bilateral ties, cultural interaction, tourism and people-to-people network** between India and Turkey and also evaluated opportunities for improving the trade and investment relations between the 2 nations.

➤ At present, the bilateral trade is around **\$ 8. 6 billion** and is targeted to reach \$ 10 billion by 2020.

Cannes Film Festival Begins in France:

➤ The **72nd Cannes Film Festival** begins in **Cannes, France**. Mexican filmmaker **Alejandro González Iñárritu** has been named the Jury President.

➤ American film director **Jim Jarmusch's** ensemble zombie comedy film **"The Dead Don't Die"** will serve as the **opening film of the festival**. And **"The Specials"** will serve as the closing film in the festival.

➤ Information and Broadcasting Secretary **Amit Khare** is leading the Indian Delegation at Cannes Film Festival.

ISIS claims it has established new branch 'Wilayah of Hind' in India:

➤ The **Islamic State terror group** has claimed to have established a new **"province"** in India, the **first of its kind** announcement that came after clashes between militants and security forces in Kashmir on May 10.

➤ The Arabic name of the **new branch is "Wilayah of Hind"** (India Province), the dreaded terror outfit, (also known as ISIS and ISIL).

➤ ISIS (The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, also known as the **Islamic State of Iraq and Syria**. Officially known as the Islamic State) **did not speak about the Indian province's geographical territory** though.

China launches two new Type 052D destroyers:

➤ **China** has launched **two new Type 052D guided-missile destroyers** as it continues its push to **upgrade its naval power**. The two new warships were launched at the **Dalian shipyard in northeast China**.

➤ They are the 19th and 20th ships in the class and are named as **Tangshan and Suzhou**. China, at present, has **20 Type 052Ds** either in active service or to be launched for service soon.

India signs protocol for export of chilli meal to China:

➤ **India and China signed a protocol** for the export of Indian chilli meal to China. This is the **fourth protocol signed between the two nations** over the past year allowing the export of farm commodities from India.

➤ In order to **bridge the trade deficit** (which stood at 50. 12 \$ billion during April-February 2018-19), India is seeking larger market access in the Chinese market for its manufactured and agricultural products. This is why India has shared a list of 380 products with China that includes horticulture, textiles, chemicals and pharmaceutical products.

Qantas operates world's first zero waste flight:

➤ Recently, the **Australian flight carrier, Qantas** has operated **world's first zero waste commercial flight** named **QF739** from Sydney to Adelaide which disposed all waste through compost, reuse or recycle.

➤ The Australian airline Qantas has planned to eliminate 100 million single-use plastics by the end of 2020 and also to **reduce 75% of airline's waste by the end of 2021**.

India, UK agree to boost Indo-Pacific cooperation:

➤ **India** and the **United Kingdom** agreed to increase their **collaboration in the fields of Indo-Pacific cooperation, climate change, disaster resilience**, development in third world countries amongst other areas.

➤ The two countries held Foreign Office consultations, where the Indian side was led by Foreign Secretary **Vijay Gokhale** and the UK side was represented by **Sir Simon McDonald**, Permanent Under-Secretary, Foreign and Commonwealth Office of British Government.

India, Vietnam discuss ways to strengthen strategic partnership:

➤ Vice President **Venkaiah Naidu** held talks with Vietnamese Prime Minister **Xuan Phuc** in Hanoi.

➤ The two leaders discussed a wide range of issues and underscored the importance of **strengthening the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership** between the two nations to ensure peace and security in the region.

Vietnam

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

Konkan Railways signs contract agreement with Nepal to supply two 1600 HP DEMU train sets:

➤ **Konkan Railways Corporation Ltd** has signed a contract agreement with **Nepal's Department of Railways** to supply **two 1600 HP DEMU train sets**. These trains will be used to operationalise railway link between **Jayanagar in India and Kurtha in Nepal**.

➤ The agreement was signed in Kathmandu in the presence of Indian Ambassador **Manjeev Puri** and Nepal's Secretary, Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport **Madhusudan Adhikari**. The train sets will be manufactured by the **Integrated Coach Factory, Chennai**.

India to co-chair Consultative Group (CG) of Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR):

➤ **India** has been unanimously chosen as **co-chair of the Consultative Group (CG) of Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR)** for the **fiscal year 2020**.
 ➤ The decision was taken during the meeting of GFDRR held in **Geneva, Switzerland** on the margins of the 6th Session of the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction.
 ➤ GFDRR is a global partnership **that helps developing countries better understand and reduce their vulnerability** to natural hazards and climate change. It is a grant-funding mechanism, managed by the World Bank, that supports disaster risk management projects worldwide.

India, Sri Lanka And Japan Signed A Deal To Develop Container Terminal At Colombo:
 ➤ **Sri Lanka, Japan, and India** signed an agreement to jointly develop the **East Container Terminal at the Colombo Port** on 28th May.
 ➤ The joint initiative is estimated to cost between **\$500 million and \$700 million**.
 ➤ The signing of the **Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC)** is significant, given that the countries had been negotiating the deal since last year with little success.

China Rejected US Call For Dialogue With Dalai Lama:
 ➤ China rejected **U. S. Ambassador Terry Branstad's** call to Beijing to engage in substantive dialogue with the Dalai Lama.
 ➤ China cited the reason as it firmly **opposes the foreign interference in Tibet and its internal affairs**.

Russia Launched The World's Largest Nuclear-Powered Icebreaker 'Ural':
 ➤ **Russia** launched the **world's largest nuclear-powered icebreaker 'Ural'** at the **Baltic Shipyard in St Petersburg** in order to improve its ability to tap the Arctic's commercial potential.
 ➤ Russia is preparing for shipping via the **Northern Sea Route (NSR)**.
 ➤ The Ural will be given to Russia's state-owned nuclear energy corporation **Rosatom in 2022** after the other 2 icebreakers **Arktika** (Arctic) and **Sibir** (Siberia) enter into service.
 ➤ The **Arktika** was floated in **2016**.

About Russia:
 • Capital: Moscow
 • Currency: Russian ruble

India Elected To Executive Board Of First UN-Habitat Assembly:
 ➤ First session of the **UN-Habitat Assembly** will be held from 27-31 May 2019, at the headquarters of UN-Habitat in Nairobi.
 ➤ The Theme is: **"Innovation for Better Quality of Life in Cities and Communities"**.
 ➤ The Sub-theme as: **"Accelerated implementation of the New Urban Agenda towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals"**.
 ➤ During the first session, The Assembly is expected to establish the Executive Board of UN-Habitat and elect its members, to review and approve the UN-Habitat Strategic Plan 2020-2025 and also review the Progress in the implementation of New Urban Agenda, among other things.

Exercise Bull Strike at Teresa Island, Andaman:
 ➤ All Indian armed forces comprising Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force hold joint exercise **"Bull Strike"** at **Teresa Island in Andaman and Nicobar**.

➤ The objective is **to enhance their coordination in dealing with major security challenges** which are currently facing the country and also to showcase joint operation capability of the three forces, Indian Army, Navy and Air Force and further enhance operation coordination.

NASA dubbed its 2024 Mission to Moon as 'Artemis':
 ➤ US Space Agency announced that the **National Aeronautics and Space Organization (NASA)** is set for its Mission to Moon **"Artemis"** which is to be achieved **by 2024**. Earlier, its goal to achieve this feat was **by 2028**.
 ➤ After the Mission to Moon "Artemis", NASA is planning to reach **Mars by 2033**.

Israel proposes India to be the focus country in Jerusalem Film Festival, 2020:
 ➤ The Indian Delegation led by **I&B Secretary Shri Amit Khare** met Film Commissioners of participating countries at Cannes Film Festival.
 ➤ During the meeting, **Israel proposed India to be the focus country in Jerusalem Film Festival, 2020**. The buzz created by the Hindi movie **Newton** in Israel was also highlighted by the Israeli Delegation.
 ➤ In order to further enhance the appeal of India as the go-to destination for filming, **India has been positioned prominently on the Pocket Guide of Marche Du Film, Cannes Film Market**, which celebrates **Indian cinema as the world's largest film industry**.

Nepal climber scales Mount Everest for record 23rd time:
 ➤ **A Nepalese Sherpa climber Kami Rita** has scaled Mount Everest **for a 23rd time**, breaking his own record for the most successful ascents of the **world's highest peak**.

India Joins Global Initiative to Combat Extremism Online:
 ➤ **India** joined **France, New Zealand, Canada** and several other countries on in launching a major initiative in Paris **to combat terrorism and extremism online and secure the internet**.
 ➤ The initiative, **'Christchurch call to action'**, was named after the New Zealand city where 51 people were killed in an attack on mosques. The initiative was headed by New Zealand Prime Minister **Jacinda Ardern** and France's President **Emmanuel Macron**.

Taiwan approves same-sex marriage in first for Asia:
 ➤ **Taiwan's legislature** voted to **legalize same-sex marriage, a first in Asia** and a boost for LGBT rights activists who had championed the cause for two decades.
 ➤ That makes Taiwan the first place in Asia **with a comprehensive law both allowing and laying out** the terms of same-sex marriage.

Trump unveils 'merit-based' immigration policy plan:
 ➤ **US President Donald Trump** has outlined plans for a **new US immigration system** that replaces the existing green cards with **'Build America'** visa and substantially hikes the quota for young and highly skilled workers **from 12 to 57 per cent**, a move likely to benefit thousands of Indian professionals.

Pacific Vanguard Naval Exercise Began Near Guam:

➤ The **United States, Japan, South Korea, and Australia** have kicked off first-of-its-kind naval drills near **Guam on May 23**.
Participating Naval Ships:
 • The Royal Australian Navy contributed **two frigates** to the exercise, **HMAS Melbourne and HMAS Parramatta**.
 • The Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force sent destroyers **JS Ariake and JS Asahi**, and South Korea the Republic of Korea Navy destroyer **ROKS Wang Geon**.
 • The **USS Blue Ridge**, the Seventh Fleet's flagship, will lead the operation from the U. S. side.

Adani To Set Up Container Terminal In Myanmar:
 ➤ **Adani Ports & Special Economic Zone** signed an agreement **to develop and operate a container terminal at Yangon Port in Myanmar**.
 ➤ It will act as a network point to feed **into our upcoming transshipment hub at Vizhinjam**.
 ➤ The proposed container terminal **will be integrated with our Ports/Terminals along the east and south coast of India**, unlocking synergies by offering multiple entry/exit points for the shipping lines which wish to call on this region.

Google Bans 2nd Largest Phone Maker Huawei From Some Android Updates:
 ➤ New **Huawei smartphones** are set to lose access to some Google apps like YouTube and Maps and the next version of Android to be launched later this year.
 ➤ This comes after the **US government** sought to **blacklist** Chinese company Huawei around the world.
 ➤ Google's suspension follows a report calling for Huawei to be prevented from supplying **5G** mobile networks in the **UK**, because its operations are "subject to influence by the Chinese state".
 ➤ **Australia**, which also shares intelligence with the UK, has already moved to ban Huawei as a supplier for its future 5G network.
 ➤ Huawei has always insisted it is a privately held company, independent of the Chinese state, owned largely by its employees, and has worked supplying phone technology in the UK for 15 years without problems.

Donald Trump Becomes First Foreign Leader to Meet New Japanese Emperor:
 ➤ US President **Donald Trump** became first foreign leader at Japan's Imperial Palace where he made history becoming the first world leader to meet with the new emperor of Japan.
 ➤ Emperor Naruhito ascended to the throne on May 1, opening what is called the era of **"Reiwa, " or "beautiful harmony. "**
 ➤ US President who is on a four-day state visit to Japan was treated to a welcome ceremony full of pomp and pageantry.

Sweden To Host World Leaders Conference To Combat Anti-Semitism In October 2020:
 ➤ Swedish Prime Minister **Stefan Lofven** announced that Sweden **will host an International Conference against Anti-Semitism in memory of the Holocaust in October 2020**.
 ➤ It will be held in **Malmo, Southern Sweden**, on October 27 and 28, 20 years after the Declaration of the Stockholm International Forum on the Holocaust and 75 years after the liberation of the Auschwitz concentration camp.

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RBI NEWS:

RBI Proposes Guidelines for Large Non-Banking Financial Companies:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** released draft guidelines on **liquidity risk management framework** for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) and core investment companies (CICs) with an aim **to help them deal with severe liquidity** problems and prevent re-occurrence of IL&FS type of debt crisis.
- The guidelines were released after an analysis of the recent developments in the NBFC sector.

RBI Allows Modern Currency Chests to Hike Service Charges:

- **Reserve Bank of India** announced that it will **allow large modern currency chests to increase the service charges on cash deposited by non-chest bank branches** from the existing rate of **Rs. 5 per packet of 100 pieces to a higher rate subject to a maximum of Rs. 8 per packet.**
- For this, only a currency chest (CC) that fulfills the minimum standards will be eligible to be classified as a large modern CC.
- The increased rates can be charged only after such classification by the issue office concerned.

RBI raises cap on home loans by SFBs, RRBs:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has increased the eligibility cap on home loans extended by regional rural banks and small finance banks to **Rs. 35 lakh** in metropolitan areas and **Rs. 25 lakh** in other centres, provided the overall cost of the dwelling unit in the metropolitan centres and other centres does not exceed **Rs. 45 lakh and Rs. 30 lakh.**
- In addition, the existing family income limit of **Rs. 2 lakh per annum** to be eligible for loans for housing projects exclusively for construction of houses for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and Low Income Groups (LIG), is revised to **Rs. 3 lakh per annum** for EWS and **Rs. 6 lakh per annum** for LIG, in alignment with the income criteria specified under the **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana.**

RBI imposes fines on PPIs for violating norms:

- The **Reserve Bank of India** said that it has imposed penalties on **Five Prepaid Payment Instrument (PPI)** issuers, for violation of regulatory norms.
- Penalties have been imposed on **Western Union Financial Services Inc** (Rs. 29, 66, 959) and **MoneyGram Payment Systems Inc** (Rs. 10, 11, 653), both US firms, for non-compliance of guidelines under the provisions of the **Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007**, for compounding of the contravention.
- The central bank said in a statement that a penalty of **Rs 3. 05 crore** was imposed on **Vodafone m-pesa** and **Rs 1 crore each on Mobile Payments, PhonePe, Private and GI Technology.** Also, a penalty of **Rs 5 lakh** has been imposed on **Y-Cash Software Solutions.**

RBI Constitutes A Committee for Housing Finance Securitisation Market

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** constituted a committee to review the existing state of **mortgage securitisation in India** and suggest measures to deepen it. The **six-member committee on Development of Housing Finance Securitisation Market** is headed by **Harsh Vardhan**, Senior Advisor, Bain & Co.

RBI Set Up Task Force for Secondary Market In Corporate Loans:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** constituted a task force to **suggest policy and regulatory interventions** required for the development of a **secondary market in corporate loans**, including loan transaction platform for stressed assets.
- The six-member body, headed by **Canara Bank chairman T. N. Manoharan**, has been set up to review the existing state of the market for loan sale/transfer in India as well as international experience in loan trading.

RBI Extended Time Window for Using the RTGS For Customer Transactions:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** announced that the time-window for using the **Real Time Gross Settlement System (RTGS)** for customer transactions will be extended from **4:30 pm to 6 pm** on all working days.
- It will be effective from **June 1, 2019.**
- The current **RTGS** service window for customer transactions is available to banks from 8 a. m. to 4. 30 p. m. on a working day.

RBI slaps Rs. 1-cr fine on Nainital Bank:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has imposed a monetary penalty of **Rs. 1 crore on Nainital Bank** for its failure **to fully automate the Non-Performing Asset (NPA)** identification process, despite specific directions issued in this regard.
- This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in the RBI under the provisions of the **Banking Regulation Act, 1949.**

RBI's vision 2021 looks at a 'cash-lite' society, cyber security, and more:

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** released its statement on **'Payment and Settlement Systems in India: Vision 2019–2021'**, which outlined the measures that the central bank will undertake to foster innovation, cybersecurity, financial inclusion, customer protection, and competition.
- The **Payment Systems Vision 2021** envisages achieving a **'highly digital' and 'cash-lite' society** through the goalposts of competition, cost-effectiveness, convenience, and confidence.
- The number of digital transactions is expected to increase more than four times, from 20. 69 billion in December 2018 to **87. 07 billion in December 2021.** The digital payment transaction turnover vis-à-vis gross domestic product (at current market prices) is expected to further increase to **10. 37 per cent in 2019, 12. 29 per cent in 2020, and 14. 80 per cent in 2021.**

Reserve Bank of India

- RBI Governor: **Shaktikanta Das**
- Headquarters: **Mumbai, Maharashtra**

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SBI's new rules on saving accounts and short-term loans effective from May 1:

- **SBI** will link interest rate on large savings account deposits to **RBI's repo rate** from May 1. Interest rate on SBI's short-term loans like **cash credit and overdraft facilities** will also be linked to the repo rate.
- In March, SBI had announced that it will link its interest rate on savings account **with balance above Rs. 1 lakh and short-term loans like overdraft and cash credit facility to Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) repo rate, effective 1 May 2019.**

SBI Card raised Rs. 700 crores from banks and financial institutions to grow above industry average:

- **SBI Card** raised **Rs. 700 crore** from several financial institutions including its parent **State Bank of India (SBI)** in the second half of FY19 as it **aims to grow above the industry average.**

- SBI Cards and Payment Services Pvt. Ltd (SBI Card) raised **Rs. 100 crore** from ICICI Securities Primary Dealership Ltd, **Rs. 250 crore** from State Bank of India and **Rs. 50 crore** each from Canara Bank and Axis Bank by issuing NCDs (Non-Convertible Debentures) at 9. 15% coupon.

NASSCOM, GE Healthcare became strategic partner for health-tech innovation:

- The **National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM)** has entered a strategic partnership with GE Healthcare. The objective is **to bring digital healthcare solutions to the market.** NASSCOM has announced this partnership through its **Centre of Excellence-Internet of Things (CoE-IoT).**

BSNL Partnered with Google For Expanding WiFi Footprint:

- **Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)** partnered with Google on the occasion of World Telecom Day. The main objective is to expand BSNL Wifi footprint in the country.
- Currently, there are around 38, 000 BSNL Wifi hotspot locations working across the country and one can use these after buying the Wi-Fi vouchers worth of Rs 19 and more.

PayPal India launched One Touch with the help of Google Smart Lock for seamless transactions:

- **PayPal India** launched its popular **OneTouch experience** in India using **Google Smart Lock.** This allows Indian consumers to register their android device with PayPal and enables them to stay logged into the platform for all subsequent PayPal purchases on that device.
- The integration with Google Smart Lock will offer a **hassle-free payment procedure** as well as maintain **security** to prevent fraud.

Airtel, HDFC Life Insurance to offer free cover for prepaid customers:

- **Bharti Airtel** and **HDFC Life Insurance** have tied up to offer life cover for customers who get a prepaid recharge done.
- Airtel's new **Rs. 249-prepaid bundle** which will include 2 GB data, unlimited calls across networks, and 100 SMS per day will also offer a cover **worth Rs. 4 lakh from HDFC Life.** The recharge validity is for **only 28 days.**

Paytm Credit Card Launched in Partnership with Citi, Brings 'Universal Unlimited Cashback':

- **Paytm** has tied up with **Citi** to launch a credit card, called the **Paytm First Card.** The new Paytm credit card is touted to offer one percent **"Universal Unlimited Cashback"** to customers along with no restrictions on earning categories.
- The **Paytm First Card** is similar to co-branded credit cards that retailers and airlines offer and uses Visa network for transactions. The card will offer Paytm promocodes worth Rs. 10, 000 on spending a **minimum of Rs. 10, 000.**

BSNL launches 'Bharat fibre' for high-speed broadband Internet service with local channel partner in Pulwama:

- State-owned telecom firm **BSNL** has become the **first operator** to start optical fibre-based high-speed **broadband service in Pulwama** with the launch of **'Bharat Fibre'.**
- This is the first **such FTTH (fibre-to-the-home) service deployment** in the (Kashmir) Valley under this unique revenue share model.

The service was launched by BSNL Chief General Manager (Jammu and Kashmir Circle) **Rana Ashok Kumar Singh**, in the presence of **Srinagar General Manager Telecom District Zafar Iqbal**.

➤ BSNL provides FTTH service with a monthly charge in **the range of Rs 777-16, 999** in over 160 telecom districts with a minimum speed of 2 megabit per second (mbps).

Doordarshan launches souvenir store on Amazon India:

➤ **Public service broadcaster Doordarshan** has launched a **souvenir store** on online shopping website **Amazon India**. The idea is to **establish an even stronger relationship** with viewers.

➤ A whole range of merchandise including T-shirts, coffee mugs and sippers with the tagline **"I am in your DNA, I am your Doordarshan"** will now be available on the e-commerce platform.

➤ The online store follows the **DD Souvenir Gallery** that was launched in June 2018.

NABARD announces Rs. 700-cr venture capital fund for agri, rural startups:

➤ **The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)** announced an **Rs. 700-crore venture capital fund** for equity investments in agriculture and rural-focused startups.

➤ NABARD has been contributing to other funds till now and **this is the first time** that the rural development bank has launched a fund of its own.

➤ The fund has been launched by **Nabventures, a subsidiary of NABARD**, and has a proposed corpus of Rs. 500 crore with an option to retain over-subscriptions of Rs. 200 crore, called as the **greenshoe option**.

HDFC partners with IMGC to provide mortgage-guarantee-backed home loan:

➤ Housing finance major **HDFC Limited** has partnered with **India Mortgage Guarantee Corporation (IMGC)** to offer a mortgage-guaranteed home loan product.

➤ The partnership aims to make it possible for **HDFC to further penetrate home loan market and access an enlarged customer base**, helping them to own a home of their choice. This product will help **HDFC to offer more loan to a home loan customer** on an enhanced eligibility.

HDFC ERGO Launches Cover for Vector Borne Diseases:

➤ **HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company**, India's third-largest non-life insurance provider in the private sector announced the launch of **'Mosquito Disease Protection Policy'**.

➤ This new policy will cover an individual **against common mosquito-borne diseases** like Dengue Fever, Malaria, Chikungunya, Japanese Encephalitis, Kala-azar, Lymphatic Filariasis and Zika Virus.

➤ According to the report published by **National Health Profile 2018**, there has been an alarming rise in dengue cases in India, an **increase of 300% between 2009 to 2017**.

ICICI Bank joins hands with travel portal Goibibo to launch multi-currency card:

➤ **ICICI Bank**, announced the launch of a co-branded multi-currency card with **online travel booking portal Goibibo**.

➤ Customers can instantly **transfer money from one currency to another** through ICICI Bank's internet portal and reload currency into the card anytime, anywhere.

➤ The card also includes benefits of up to **Rs. 20, 000**, including gift vouchers of **Rs. 15, 000**

from **Goibibo**. Additionally, customers **get 40 paise** discount on currency conversion rate on loading of a **minimum of \$1, 000**.

LIC HFL initiated UDYAM-a skill development centre for marginalized youth in Bangalore:

➤ As a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), **LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL)** in association with **Lok Bharti Education Society** has unveiled a skilling centre named **"UDYAM"** in Bangalore, which will provide **skill development training to marginalized youth in the sectors of BFSI, Retail and IT/ITES**.

SEBI has banned NSE from securities market for 6 months owing to the Co-Location Case:

➤ Markets regulator the **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** has barred leading **stock exchange NSE** from accessing the securities market for a period of six months in the **much-awaited order on the co-location case**.

➤ SEBI also fined NSE a sum of **Rs. 1, 000 crore**, that is, **Rs. 624. 89 crore** and an additional **12% interest, from 1st April 2014 for NSE's failure** to exercise effective due diligence during co-location facility.

➤ The amount is to be deposited in the **Investor Protection and Education Fund (IPEF)**. The exchange **will not able to come out with its IPO** during this period.

HDFC Capital Advisors Launched an Initiative Termed as HDFC Affordable Real Estate And Technology Programme (HeART):

➤ **HDFC Capital Advisors**, (a wholly-owned subsidiary of HDFC Ltd) launched an initiative termed as **HDFC Affordable Real Estate and Technology Programme (HeART)**, the objective of which is to mentor, partner and invest in real estate technology companies which produce innovative products that aim at lowering costs and creating efficiencies in every stage of the development cycle of the affordable housing system.

Indian Overseas Bank Launches 'Bank On Wheels' Facility:

➤ **Indian Overseas Bank (IOB)** has announced that it has launched **'Bank on Wheels' facility in 14** of its lead districts in Tamil Nadu and Kerala, besides Vijayawada.

➤ The mobile van facility **will enable the public, especially senior citizens, conveniently get door-step banking facility** available at identified locations of the lead districts.

➤ MD & CEO of IOB – **R Subramania Kumar**

➤ Headquarters – **Chennai**

Panel Submits Report on Digital Payments To RBI:

➤ A **Reserve Bank of India**-appointed committee on **'suggestions on promoting digital payment'**.

➤ It was headed by Aadhaar architect Nandan Nilekani has submitted its suggestions on promoting Payment and Settlement Systems in India: Vision 2019 – 2021, digital payments to **Governor Shaktikanta Das**.

➤ The five-member panel was encouraging digitisation of payments and enhance financial inclusion through digitisation.

➤ RBI will examine the recommendations of the committee and will link the action points, wherever necessary, in its **Payment Systems Vision 2021 for implementation**.

Goldman Sachs To Invest USD250 Mn To Construct One Of Its Largest Global Work Spaces In Bengaluru:

➤ New York-based investment and financial services major **Goldman Sachs** have pumped in **\$250 million** to construct one of its largest global workspaces in **Bengaluru**.

Bandhan Bank Plans to Open 16 More Branches By June:

➤ City-based **Bandhan Bank** plans to open **16 more branches by June** following the approval received from the **Reserve Bank of India in 2018-19 to open 64 new branches**.

➤ 48 branches were opened by March 2019 and the remaining branches would be opened this quarter.

➤ The Bank also plans to open a branch at Boral in South 24 Parganas and in West Bengal.

SREI Equipment Finance Ties Up with Oriental Bank of Commerce To Offer Loans For Purchase Of Equipment Under A Co-Lending Arrangement:

➤ **SREI Equipment Finance** tied up with **Oriental Bank of Commerce** to offer loans for the purchase of equipment under a co-lending arrangement.

➤ **SREI Equipment Finance** is a wholly owned subsidiary of SREI Infrastructure Finance.

➤ The funds for the project will be sourced through a platform named iQuippo, a unique digital marketplace of **Kanoria Foundation**. It will help in loan origination, loan dues collection, auction of equipment, valuation of equipment and other facilities.

➤ The co-lending arrangement will include financing of construction, mining and allied equipment, medical equipment, commercial vehicles and farm equipment.

Oriental Bank of Commerce:

• Headquarters: **Gurugram, Haryana**

• CEO: **Mukesh Kumar Jain**

• Tag line: **Where every individual is committed**

Standard Chartered Launched Trade A1 Engine in Partnership With IBM:

➤ **Standard Chartered** launched Trade A1 Engine in partnership with IBM **Standard Chartered** in partnership with IBM has launched the Trade A1 Engine which will automate the high-risk process of trade documentation.

➤ It will enhance client experience through increased operational efficiency and strengthened operational control.

➤ This newly launched Trade A1 Engine will replace the Traditional documentary trade consisting of millions of data elements in paper-based that to be reviewed through a largely manual process.

About IBM

• Headquarters: **Armonk, New York, United States**

• CEO: **Ginni Rometty**

About Standard Chartered

• CEO: **Bill Winters**

• Headquarters: **London, United Kingdom**

NCLT Approved the Resolution Plan Of Tata Steel To Acquire Bhushan Energy Ltd:

➤ The **National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT)** approved the resolution plan of **Tata Steel** to acquire debt-ridden **Bhushan Energy Ltd.** for about **Rs. 800 crore on 30 May**.

➤ The principal bench of **NCLT-Delhi** also rejected objections from Bhushan Energy's former promoter Neeraj Singal opposing Tata Steels' bid.

➤ Under the resolution plan, Tata Steel will offer an upfront payment of **Rs. 730 crore**.

➤ It would also pay **Rs. 50 crore** additionally to operational creditors of the company. Besides, Tata Steel would also infuse **Rs. 367 crore** into the company as a part of equity infusion. A detailed order is still awaited in this matter. **Bhushan Energy** was a subsidiary of **Bhushan Steel Ltd.**, which was also taken over by Tata Steel last May and later renamed as Tata Steel BSL Ltd.

➤ Tata Steel had offered **Rs. 35, 200 crore** in cash to acquire Bhushan Steel besides **Rs. 1, 200 crore** to creditors and convert the remaining debt owed to banks to equity.

➤ Earlier in June 2018, in this matter, NCLT had extended the insolvency resolution period for 90 days after the creditors failed to find a suitable buyer within the initial period of 180 days as mandated under the **Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code (IBC)**.

NSIC Signed MoU With The Ministry Of MSME For 2018-19 Financial Year:

➤ The **National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the **Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME)** for the year 2018-19.

➤ The MOU was signed by Ram Mohan Mishra and Arun Kumar Panda in the presence of Alka Nangia Arora, Joint Secretary, SME; Mercy Epao, Director (SME); P Udaya Kumar, Director, P&M, NSIC, and A. K. Mittal, Director, Finance, NSIC.

➤ The MoU envisages provision of enhanced services by NSIC under its marketing, financial, technology, and other support services schemes, for MSMEs in the country.

National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC):

- Headquarters: **New Delhi, India**
- Chairman & MD: **Ram Mohan Mishra**

Huawei overtakes Apple, becomes 2nd biggest smartphone maker in the world:

➤ **Huawei Technologies Co.** overtook **Apple Inc.** to claim the **No. 2 spot in smartphones in the first quarter**, moving a step closer to its avowed ambition of displacing Samsung at the top of the market.

➤ The networking giant, shrugging off a barrage of accusations that it aids Chinese espionage (which it's repeatedly denied), grew shipments **50 percent from a year earlier**, research firm IDC estimates.

ADB Launches \$5 Billion Healthy Oceans Action Plan:

➤ The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has launched the **Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies for the Asia and Pacific region** at the **52nd Annual Meeting of ADB's Board of Governors in Fiji**.

➤ The action plan will support the efforts of ADB's developing member countries **to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including SDG 14 Life Below Water**.

➤ The Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies will expand financing and technical assistance for ocean health and marine economy projects **to \$5 billion from 2019 to 2024, including co-financing from partners**.

DPIIT Proposes Relaxing Income Tax Laws To Help Startups Raise Funds:

➤ With a view **to facilitate fundraising by startups**, the **Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade** has proposed relaxing the income tax laws pertaining to sale of

residential properties and carrying forward of losses.

➤ The relaxation laws are part of the '**Startup India Vision 2024**' that's been prepared by the DPIIT.

➤ As part of easing regulatory requirements for startups, the DPIIT has recommended amendments in **Section 54GB** (capital gain on transfer of residential property not to be charged in certain cases) and **Section 79** (carry forward and set off of losses in case of certain companies) of the Income Tax Act.

Vodafone Idea signs multi-million-dollar IT deal with IBM:

➤ India's largest telecom operator **Vodafone Idea Ltd** announced a **five-year multi-million-dollar IT outsourcing deal with tech giant IBM**. The collaboration will contribute to **Vodafone Idea's merger synergy objectives** by decreasing its IT related costs.

Income tax e-filers drop by over 6.6 lakh in FY19:

➤ In a first in recent history of tax filings, **income tax e-filings in FY2019 have dropped by more than 6.6 lakh**, a trend that analysts said was surprising as tax base was expected to increase post demonetisation.

➤ According to statistics put out on Income Tax Department's e-filing website, income tax e-filings in FY 2018-19 was **Rs. 6.68 crore**, down from **Rs. 6.74 crore** in the previous fiscal. E-filers in FY 2016-17 were **Rs. 5.28 crore**.

Yes Bank slips three spots to 10th on most valuable lender rankings:

➤ Private lender **YES Bank Ltd** has slipped **three notches to 10th spot**, in terms of **market valuation, for the first time**, as its shares slumped over 30% in the last four sessions after the bank reported a surprise net loss in its **March quarter earnings**.

➤ YES Bank is now the 10th most valued bank from seventh earlier, slipping below market valuation of state-run lenders - **Bank of Baroda and Punjab National Bank**.

➤ **HDFC Bank Ltd** is the most valued Indian bank with a market cap of Rs. 6.34 trillion, followed by **State Bank of India** and **Kotak Mahindra Bank** with market cap of Rs. 2.76 trillion and 2.68 trillion, respectively.

Microsoft Unveils Its Own Blockchain-Based Service:

➤ **Microsoft** has unveiled fully managed **Azure Blockchain Service** that would simplify the formation, management and governance so that businesses can focus on workflow logic and application development. Instead of supporting **cryptocurrency transactions**, **Azure Blockchain Service** will let businesses develop their applications on its **Cloud-based platform**.

➤ Microsoft has also announced a partnership with **J. P. Morgan** to make "**Quorum**" (an enterprise-focused version of open-sourced platform Ethereum) the first ledger available in Azure Blockchain Service.

Dollar swap auction boosts forex kitty by USD 4.7 billion to USD 418.5 billion:

➤ The country's foreign exchange reserves soared by USD 4.368 billion to **USD 418.515 billion** in the week to April 26, helped by the second dollar-rupee swap auction, **RBI data showed**. In the swap auction conducted on April 23, the Reserve Bank had received bids worth USD 18.65 billion against USD 5 billion on offer.

➤ The **Special Drawing Rights** with the International Monetary Fund was down by USD 5.9 million **to USD 1.449 billion**. The country's

reserve position with the Fund also declined USD 13.6 million **to USD 3.341 billion**, the according to the Reserve Bank.

Meeting of the 15th Finance Commission with the Reserve Bank of India:

➤ The **15th Finance Commission** headed by Chairman, **Shri N. K. Singh** held a detailed meeting with the Governor and Deputy Governors of **RBI in Mumbai**.

➤ Key issues raised by RBI Governor, **Shri Shaktikanta Das** and Finance Commission Chairman, **Shri N. K. Singh** were discussed in detail at the meeting. These issues included the following:

➤ The necessity of **setting up State Finance Commissions** for respective State Governments. 2. **Public Sector Borrowing Requirements**. 3. **Need for Expenditure Codes**, especially given that expenditure norms vary from state to state. **Role of States in Growth and Inflation**, for instance, role of states in Ease of doing Business.

Airtel to merge broadband satellite business with Hughes India unit:

➤ **Bharti Airtel** has decided to merge its broadband satellite, or VSAT, business with that of market leader **Hughes Communications India**, to create a **stronger no. 1 in the space**, in a bid to increase scale, improve operational efficiencies and target new customers in areas such as in-flight connectivity.

➤ After a merger, Hughes Communication **will own 67% share of new entity** and the remaining **33% will own by Bharti Airtel**.

Standard Life sells 1.78% in HDFC Life Insurance:

➤ **Standard Life** has successfully divested **1.78 per cent of its stake in HDFC Life Insurance** to raise Rs 1,404 crore.

➤ The divestment was done through Offer For Sale (OFS) route and the issue managed to sail through successfully with both **Qualified Institutional Investors (QIBs)** and retail investor quotas seeing full subscriptions.

➤ The sale is being undertaken by the seller **Standard Life (Mauritius Holdings)** to achieve the minimum public shareholding in the company as per **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** regulations.

Max Life Insurance to Mark 6th of Every Month as Protection Day:

➤ **Max Life Insurance Co Ltd** has notified that it will commemorate the **6th day of each month** as '**Protection Day**'. The objective of this initiative was **to raise awareness on financial protection**.

➤ The decision came in line with the Company's launch of Max Life India Protection Quotient survey conducted in collaboration with **Kantar IMRB**. It denoted that the extent to which the **Indians feel protected from financial uncertainties** is extremely low, and that level was as 35.

Discom debt to swing back to pre-UDAY level of Rs. 2.6 lakh crore in FY20: CRISIL

➤ The external debt of state-owned **electricity distribution companies (discoms)** is set to increase to **pre-UDAY levels of Rs. 2.6 lakh crore** by the end of this fiscal, a note by credit ratings agency **CRISIL**.

➤ CRISIL'S report is based on an analysis of discoms in 15 states that account for **85% of the aggregate losses**.

➤ After UDAY had been implemented, aggregate discom debt had fallen from Rs. 2.7 lakh crore in September 2015 to Rs. 1.9 lakh crore in FY16 and Rs. 1.5 lakh crore in FY17. This downward

trajectory is now expected to reverse, moving up to **Rs. 2. 28 lakh crore in FY19** and **Rs. 2. 64 lakh crore in FY20**.

Microsoft unveils open source software 'ElectionGuard' for secure, verifiable voting:

➤ In a bid to help countries ensure secure and verifiable voting, Microsoft **CEO Satya Nadella** has announced "**ElectionGuard**" a free open-source **Software Development Kit (SDK)**.
➤ "ElectionGuard" will enable **end-to-end verification of elections, open results to third-party organisations for secure validation**, and allow individual voters to confirm their votes were correctly counted, announced Nadella during the keynote at **Microsoft Build developer conference in Seattle**.

Talocity to enable AI-backed hiring in Yes Bank:

➤ **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**-based HR solutions provider **Talocity** would provide **Yes Bank its AI-supported "touchless" technology** for the bank's hiring process and Human Resource (HR) operations, Talocity.
➤ According to the statement, the **candidates are interviewed by an AI bot on a one-way video platform** and **Talocity's machine learning** and AI capabilities create personality reports, for each job applicant, which tells Yes Bank about the applicant's relevance to the job.

Mukesh Ambani's RIL buys out British toymaker Hamleys for £68 million:

➤ **Reliance Brands**, a subsidiary of Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL), has signed a definitive agreement with **C Banner International**, a Hong Kong-listed company, **to acquire 100% shares** of centuries-old **British toy retailer Hamleys for £68 million**.

Bank credit grows 13. 2% in FY19:

➤ **Bank credit grew by 13. 2%** in financial year 2018-19 as compared to **10. 3%** in the previous financial year, mainly aided by loans to services and retail sector. Deposit growth also gained momentum, **growing by 10%** as compared to 6. 7% a year ago.

BharatPe launches UPI Bahi Khata for merchants for seamless networking and business expansion:

➤ **India's first Fintech** (Financial technology) start-up enabling payments via interoperable **UPI** (Unified Payments Interface) **QR** (Quick Response) codes, **BharatPe** notified its venture into merchant services by launching a new app "**UPI Bahi Khata**".
➤ It allows merchants to **keep a track of their cash/credit** (Udhar) sales customer wise, to request the accounts receivable **from customers through SMS** (Short Message Service) payment links or through WhatsApp and to record accounts that are payable to suppliers.

Facebook chooses London as base to develop WhatsApp's mobile payments service:

➤ **Facebook** has selected **London as the center to develop WhatsApp's drive** into the mobile payments industry. The messaging service will ramp up hiring, taking on **100 new software engineers** for its payment's platform. Most of the hires will be based in London, with additional roles in **Dublin**.
➤ The reason to choose London than US City is because WhatsApp is widely used in UK and London is considered as a **Hub for Fintech**.

Bombay Stock Exchange launches mobile app for its mutual fund platform:

➤ Leading stock exchange **Bombay Stock Exchange** has launched '**BSE StAR MF**' app to enable more participation and help mutual fund distributors process transactions faster.
➤ "BSE StAR MF mobile app **supports real-time client registration** and paperless transactions, creates and uploads mandate for SIPs, generates the basket of multiple orders, tracks and allows the distributor to analyse his business at his fingertips. It is the **exchange's mutual fund platform** which helps distributors purchase and redeem mutual fund units on behalf of their clients.

SIDBI's pilot scheme for fintech NBFCs to boost digital lending:

➤ **Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)** has put together a pilot scheme to extend financial assistance of up to **Rs. 10 crore to new-age fintech Non-Banking Finance Companies (NBFCs)** engaged in financing small businesses and other income-generating activities.
➤ As per the scheme, new age fintech NBFCs should hold in trust the **underlying securities/receivables on behalf of SIDBI**.

Tech Mahindra partners with French digital content solutions firm Rakuten Aquafadas:

➤ IT services firm **Tech Mahindra** and French digital content publishing firm **Rakuten Aquafadas** signed an MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) to **collaborate on building enhanced customer experience offerings**.
➤ Rakuten Aquafadas and Tech Mahindra aim to build a **Customer Experience Offering leveraging the suite of software** that Rakuten Aquafadas provides for digital publishing.

Sony To Stop Selling Its Smartphones In India:

➤ Japanese technology giant Sony has revealed it will stop selling its smartphones in several countries including India.
➤ Sony added it presently considers Japan, Europe, Taiwan and Hong Kong as the "focus regions" — to drive profit for the smartphone business.
➤ Sony reported an operating **loss of 97. 1 billion yen** (\$879. 45 million) in the year ended March.
➤ **Samsung** with shipment of 71. 9 million units, Huawei with 59. 1 million, Apple with 36. 4 million, Xiaomi with 25 million, Vivo with 23. 2 million and Oppo with 23. 1 million are the **top smartphone brands** in the first quarter of 2019.

Wirecard Teams Up with India To Issue PAN Cards:

➤ **Wirecard**, a German Payments Company announced that it would work with India to simplify the process of issuing tax identity cards which required for opening bank accounts, transfer money and complete business transactions.
➤ The deal between Wirecard and state company UTI Infrastructure Technology and Financial Services seeks to widen the distribution of **Permanent Account Number (PAN) card**.

Corporation Bank Launches Corp SME Suvidha For MSMEs:

➤ **Corporation Bank** launched '**Corp SME Suvidha**', a product for GST-registered MSMEs.
➤ The product has been designed as part of the bank's efforts to **provide the best products to the MSME sector**.
➤ PV Bharathi, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation bank launched the product in Mangaluru recently.

About Corporation Bank

• Headquarters: **Mangalore, Karnataka, India**

Yamaha Opens First India Unit to Make Musical Instruments:

➤ **Yamaha Corporation** of Japan opened its first factory in India for musical instruments with a view to make it an export hub.
➤ The facility can produce 1. 50 lakh portable keyboards and two lakh acoustic guitars annually.

REPORTS/RANKINGS BY VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS

London top choice for Indian investors with record investments in 2018: Report

➤ **London** emerged as the **top choice for Indian investors** ahead of other cities such as **Dubai and Singapore**, with investments by Indian companies in the British capital reaching an all-time high last year, according to a new analysis.
➤ The **UK** emerged as the **topmost country to attract Indian FDI** with 52 projects, ahead of the US (51) and the UAE (32), in 2018, said London & Partners (L&P), the Mayor of London's promotional agency.

FAME-II plan stands to reduce 64% energy needs and 37% carbon needs by 2030: CII Report

➤ The government's **FAME-II plan for electric mobility** stands to **reduce 64%** of the anticipated road-based energy demand **by 2030** and **37% of carbon emissions** by then, according to **CII**.
➤ The government had earlier this year notified the second phase of its scheme for the Faster Adoption and Manufacture of (hybrid and) Electric Vehicles in India (FAME India) which sought to **boost the adoption of electric and hybrid vehicles** in the country. The tentative aim is to **have 30% electric vehicles by 2030**.

Arunachal has 35% of India's Graphite Deposits: GSI Report

➤ The **Geological Survey of India (GSI)** in its report notified that the highest graphite reserves of India, that is, around **35% of India's total Graphite reserves** are found in **Arunachal Pradesh**.
➤ The data was presented during GSI's annual interactive meeting with the **Department of Geology** and Mining & Industries, Government of Arunachal Pradesh in **Itanagar**.

Global Drug Survey: Indians lead world in seeking help to reduce drugs intake

➤ According to the **8th edition of Global Drug Survey (GDS) 2019**, **Indians** are seeking help more than any other countries to **reduce their alcohol intake**.
➤ GDS is an independent research organization based in **London, UK**. The survey was conducted online in between October and December 2018. People participated from India are mostly **male** (age 25 to 34 years).

India's MICE tourism growing at 8 pc a year: FICCI-Yes Bank report

➤ A new report by industry body **FICCI** says that strong **economic growth coupled with rapid emergence of India** on the global horizon is poised to drive the growth of **MICE (meetings, incentives, conferences and exhibitions) tourism** at a much faster rate.
➤ India is a late entrant in the segment with a little share on the global scale. Of the total 12, 563 international meetings in a year, it hosts **only 175** - or just 1. 4 per cent to **rank 24th**

worldwide. In 2018, India ranked **5th in the Asia Pacific region** in MICE tourism.

➤ In 2018, MICE tourism in India was pegged at **Rs. 25, 000 crore with 8 per cent** growth year-on-year, said the report titled '**India Inbound Tourism: Unlocking the Opportunity**'.

PM Narendra Modi 2nd most followed politician globally on social media, says report:

➤ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** is the **second most followed politician** in the world on social media **after former US President Barack Obama**, according to a report.

➤ Modi has a total audience of **110. 9 million** on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Obama's total following stood at **182. 7 million**, the report released by digital marketing platform **SEMrush**.

Ind-Ra follows ICRA, downgrades Yes Bank:

➤ **India Ratings & Research** (Ind-Ra) followed its peer **ICRA** and **downgraded Yes Bank** a couple of notches **to AA- from AA+**, which could increase the bank's cost of market borrowings and will add pressure on it to raise equity which may have to be done at a discount as investors have expressed their discomfort on its asset quality and rising credit costs.

US government released Global Health Security Strategy:

➤ The **US government** has released first of its kind "**Global Health Security Strategy**".

➤ The objective is to **prevent, detect and respond to threats from infectious diseases occurring naturally or accidentally** and make efforts to help improve the world's ability to stop and contain deadly outbreaks before they spread to other countries.

UN: India, China are hot spots for illegal sand mining

➤ **India and China top a list of countries** where illegal sand mining has become a major environmental problem, according to a report named '**Sand and Sustainability: finding new solutions for environmental governance of global sand resources**' released by the **United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**.

Actress Dia Mirza, Alibaba chief among 17 new UN advocates for sustainability:

➤ **Indian actress Dia Mirza** and **Alibaba chief Jack Ma** are among the 17 global public figures appointed by **UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres** as the new advocates to drive action and solidify global political will for the ambitious **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.

India had world's highest child mortality rate in 2015: Lancet study

➤ **India** had **more deaths among children under five than any other country in 2015**, with large disparities in the child mortality rate between richer and poorer states, a **Lancet study** has found.

➤ The researchers at the **Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in the US** analysed state-level Indian data on the causes of death among children under five for the years 2000-2015.

➤ They found that India made great progress during the period, reducing annual mortality among children under five from 2. 5 million in 2000 to **1. 2 million in 2015** which was still the highest in the world.

Mint Globetrotter Index: Dubai costlier than Delhi

➤ **On the Mint Globetrotter Index**, the "others" category comprises seven cities across Africa, West Asia and the Indian Ocean. Among the seven cities, **Victoria**, the capital of Seychelles, is the most expensive with an index value of 192 and a rank of 28.

➤ **Dubai** is way **costlier than Delhi** and ranks 24 on the overall cost index. The cost profile of **Lagos** is very similar to that of India and ranks **5th on the index** and is the cheapest in the category.

➤ Cape Town, the oldest city in South Africa comes at the **16th place on the overall index** and is 47% costlier than Delhi.

India has one of the world's top 10 airports:

➤ **Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, India (HYD)** has been ranked in 8th position in the **Top 10 Best Airports of 2019**. The list is topped by **Hamad International Airport, Qatar (DOH)**.

➤ And in the top 10 best airlines of 2019 is topped by **Qatar Airways** (84% on-time performance).

➤ **The New Jersey hub** ranked as the **worst US airport in the 2019** annual ratings from **AirHelp**, an organization that specializes in air traveler rights and seeks compensation in cases of delays or cancellations.

Anish Kapoor tops the maiden Hurun India Art list:

➤ The Hurun Research Institute released the **Hurun India Art List 2019**, a ranking of the **top 50 Indian artists alive**, based on the sales of their works at public auctions from April 2018 to March 2019.

➤ Backed by sales quantified at **Rs. 168. 25 crore**, **Anish Kapoor, 65**, tops the list, followed by **Akbar Padamsee** and **Krishen Khanna**, whose works were sold at Rs. 45. 84 crore and Rs. 9. 48 crore respectively.

➤ Modernist painter **Arpita Singh** is the **most successful female artist** whose works were cumulatively sold at **Rs. 5. 25 crore**.

Netherlands emerges as third largest foreign direct investor in India during FY18:

➤ With investments estimated at **about USD 2. 7 billion** across sectors, the **Netherlands** has emerged as the **third largest foreign direct investor in India** during 2017-18.

➤ **Mauritius** and **Singapore** are the top two countries for FDI in India during 2017-18 with an

investment of **USD 13. 41 billion** and **USD 9. 27 billion** respectively.

SpiceJet Became Fourth Indian Airline to Have A 100 Aircraft in Its Fleet:

➤ **SpiceJet** became **fourth Indian airline** to have a 100 aircraft in its fleet.

➤ Budget airline SpiceJet has added a new Boeing 737 aircraft to its fleet, taking its total strength to 100 aircraft.

India's Forex Reserve Rises To \$420. 055 Bn

➤ **According to the Reserve Bank of India's weekly statistical supplement**, the overall forex reserves rose to **\$420. 055 billion from \$418. 687 billion**.

➤ India's forex **reserves comprise of Foreign Currency Assets (FCAs)**, gold reserves, Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) and India's reserve position with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

➤ Foreign Currency Assets (FCAs), the largest component of the forex reserves, edged higher by **\$1. 358 billion to \$392. 227 billion**. Besides the US dollar, FCAs consist of 20-30 per cent of the other major global currencies.

IBC process helps recover Rs 70, 000-crore bad loans in FY19: CRISIL

➤ Under the **Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)** higher than the recoveries made through other mechanisms, **the recovery rate is twice the liquidation value** of the all the 94 cases resolved in the year **2018-19**.

➤ **Rs. 70, 000 crore** bad loans were recovered through the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) with a recovery rate of 43 percent in 94 cases, said a report by **credit rating agency CRISIL**.

Asia-Pacific to Grow 5. 7% In 2019: ADB

➤ The Asia-Pacific region is expected to grow at **5. 7% in 2019**. According to the bank's **Asian Development Outlook 2019 report** released in April, developing Asia which comprises 45 nations ranging from China to Tuvalu is projected to **grow by 5. 7% in 2019**. However, the growth outlook for developing Asia is expected to moderate to **5. 6 % in 2020**.

India Moves Up To 43rd In Competitiveness; Singapore Tops Chart:

➤ **India** secured 43rd rank in the most competitive economy across the world and Singapore topped the chart by toppling the **US from the first position** and Hong Kong SAR ranked 2nd place as same as last year.

➤ The **US ranked 3rd in the ranking**. Switzerland ranked 4th in the ranking.

➤ **UAE first time** entered into the top 5 rankings. Last year in 2018 UAE ranked 7th.

APPOINTMENTS

DESIGNATION	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
Chief Justice of Chhattisgarh High Court	P. R. Ramachandra Menon	-
Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court	Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka	-
Chief Justice of the Rajasthan High Court	Justice Shripathi Ravindra	-
CEO of LIC Mutual Fund	Dinesh Pangtey	-
First-Ever Woman Referee of ICC	India's GS Lakshmi	-
Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank	Nitin Chugh	-
Appointed Member of Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal, London	Former SC Judge K S Radhakrishnan	-
Next Ambassador of India to Bosnia & Herzegovina	Kumar Tuhin	-
President of South Africa	Cyril Ramaphosa	-

Commissioner of Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC)	Praveen Pardeshi	Ajoy Mehta
First Independent Woman Director to BSE Board	M Jayshree Vyas	-
CEO of IL&FS Engineering and Construction Company Ltd	Karim Raza Khan	-
First Non-British President of Marylebone Cricket Club	Sri Lankan cricketer Kumar Sangakkara	-
Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Training Command	Air Marshal SK Ghotia VSM	Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria
Top Military Officer of the 29-nation NATO military alliance	US Air Force General Tod D. Wolters	U. S. Army General Curtis M. Scaparrotti
First Head of Country's First Tri-services Special Operations Division Commander	Major General A K Dhingra	-
Chairperson of the News Broadcasting Standards Authority (NBSA)	Justice A. K. Sikri	Justice R. V. Raveendran
Next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Nauru	Ms. Padmaja	-
India Policy Head of Gates Foundation	Sanjay Ubale	-
Next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Senegal	Godavarthi Venkata Srinivas	-
New President of Panama	Laurentino Cortizo	-
New President of North Macedonia	Stevo Pendarovski	-
Re-Elected to International Narcotics Control Board	India's Jagjit Pavadia	-
Head of Marketing for India and South Asia - VISA	Sujatha V Kumar	-
Additional Director on the board of Yes Bank	R. Gandhi	-
Supreme Court of Fiji's Non-Resident Panel	Justice Madan Bhimrao Lokur	-
Vice-President of Geneva-based International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA)	Bajaj Auto ED Rakesh Sharma	-
New President of the United Nations General Assembly	Professor Tijjani Mohammad Bande	-
Next Ambassador of India to the State of Eritrea	Subhash Chand	-
Maharashtra's New Chief Secretary	Ajoy Mehta	-
Head of UN Peacekeeping Operation in South Sudan	Lieutenant General Shailesh Tinaikar	-
Chief Minister of Sikkim	Prem Singh Tamang	Pawan Kumar Chamling
Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh	Pema Khandu	-
Nominated as the Maldives' Parliamentary Speaker	Mohamed Nasheed	-
New Home Secretary for West Bengal	Alapan Bandyopadhyay	-
Re-Elected President of Malawi	Peter Mutharika	-
Re-Elected President of Nigeria	Muhammadu Buhari	-
Chief Technology Officer of Walmart	Suresh Kumar	-
Prime Minister of India	Narendra Modi	-
Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh	Y S Jaganmohan Reddy	Chandra Babu Naidu
Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea	James Marape	-
Next Navy Chief of India	Vice Admiral Karambir Singh	Vice Admiral Sunil Lanba

Emperor Akihito becomes the first Japanese monarch to abdicate in 200 years:

- The 125th Emperor of Japan, 85-year-old, **Emperor Emeritus Akihito** abdicated after 30 years of ruling because of his declining health and age-related problems. His rule was known as **Heisei**.
- While his son Emperor Naruhito, 59 -year-old succeeded the **Chrysanthemum Throne** on 1 May 2019, ushering in the Reiwa era. This is the first time Japan's modern History that the country has both an Emperor and Emeritus.

CEA included in finance panel's advisory council:

- **Chief Economic Advisor Krishnamurthy Subramanian** has been included in the **Advisory Council of the 15th Finance Commission** as its member. This commission was headed by **N. K. Singh**.
- The Advisory Council now has **12 members** after inclusion of Chief Economic Adviser Dr. Krishnamurthy Subramanian. Other members include Dr. D. K. Srivastava, Dr. Indira Rajaraman, Dr. Arvind Virmani, Dr. Surjit S. Bhalla, Dr. Sanjeev Gupta, Prof. Pinaki Chakraborty, Sajjid Chinoy, Neelkanth Mishra, Prachi Mishra, Dr. M. Govinda Rao, and Dr. Omkar Goswami.

Mali's President Names New Government under PM Boubou Cisse after Protests:

- **Ibrahim Boubacar Keita** announced the **new executive of 37 members under Prime Minister Boubou Cisse**, who was appointed on April 22 to oversee the formation of a **"broad-based" government**.

India backs Nigeria's Ambassador to UN as next president of General Assembly:

- **India** has expressed support to Nigeria's Ambassador to the **UN Tijjani Muhammad-Bande** as the **next president of the General Assembly**. The dialogue aims to contribute to the transparency and inclusivity of the selection process.

RESIGNATION

President of Archery Association of India (AAI) - **B. V. P. Rao**
Paytm President - **Bhushan Patil**
British Prime Minister - **Theresa May**

BRAND AMBASSADOR

BharatPe - **Bollywood Actor Salman Khan**
Myntra – **Virat Kohli, Anushka Sharma**

AWARDS & HONOURS

AWARDS	WINNER
Professional Footballers’ Association (PFA) Players’ Player of the Year Award for 2018-19	Liverpool’s Virgil Van Dijk
Goldman Environmental Prize 2019	Bayarjargal Agvaantseren (Mongolia), Alfred Brownell (Liberia), Ana Colovic Lesoska (North Macedonia), Alberto Curamil (Chile), Jacqueline Evans (Cook Islands), Linda Garcia (USA)
Conferred with France’s Highest Civilian Award “Knight of the Legion of Honour”	Former ISRO chief A. S. Kiran Kumar

2019 John F Kennedy Profile in Courage Award	Nancy Pelosi
2019 Dr. Lee Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health	Professor Balram Bhargava
Nine Dots Prize 2019	Mumbai-based Writer Annie Zaidi (Title: 'Bread, Cement, Cactus')
Conferred With 'Lifetime Recognition Award' By the Confederation of Horticulture Association Of India	Professor N. Kumar
Airport gets International Status as per sub-rule (b) of rule 3 of the Passport (Entry into India) Rules, 1950 by the Central Government	Devi Ahilya Bai Holkar Airport of Indore, Madhya Pradesh
Felicitated by the Council of European Chambers of Commerce (CEUCC) in India	Actor Anil Kapoor
2019 McCain Institute Award for Courage and Leadership	IPS officer Chhaya Sharma
Honoured with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame	Actress Anne Hathaway
PC Chandra Purashkaar 2019	Padma Bhushan Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty
ACJ Award for Investigative Journalism 2018	Journalist Nileena MS
Israel Honour with a plaque on Ammunition Hill Wall of Honour	Lt. Gen. (retd) Jack Farj Rafael (JFR) Jacob
2019 V K Krishna Menon award	G D 'Robert' Govender (an Indian-origin journalist in South Africa)
US President Donald Trump bestowed with the Presidential Medal of Freedom	Tiger Woods
'Order of St. George' Award 2019	Sri Sri Ravi Shankar
'Global Asian of the Year 2018-19' Award for Contribution to Women's Healthcare Ecosystem	Bengaluru based doctor Hema Divakar
Won "United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG) 10 Most Influential People in Healthcare Award" in Geneva, Switzerland	Acharya Balkrishna
2019 Swansea University International Dylan Thomas Prize	Sri Lankan writer Guy Gunaratne
United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) conferred Sasakawa Award 2019 for Disaster Risk Reduction	Dr. Pramod Kumar Mishra

CEAT Cricket Rating Awards 2019:

- India captain Virat Kohli bagged the International Cricketer and Batsman of the Year award during the CEAT Cricket Rating (CCR) International Awards 2019 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- International Bowler of the Year 2019 - Jasprit Bumrah
- Junior Cricketer of the Year 2019 - Yashasvi Jaiswal
- Outstanding Performance of the Year 2019 - Kuldeep Yadav
- Domestic Cricketer of the Year 2019 - Ashutosh Aman
- CCR International Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 - Mohinder Amarnath
- International Test Cricketer of the Year 2019 - Cheteshwar Pujara
- International ODI Cricketer of the Year 2019 - Rohit Sharma
- International T20 Player of the Year 2019 - Aaron Finch
- International T20 Bowler of the Year 2019 - Rashid Khan
- International Women Cricketer of the Year 2019 - Smriti Mandhana

Two Indians among 115 UN personnel staff honoured for sacrifice in line of duty:

- Indian police officer Jitender Kumar deployed to the UN mission in Congo and a consultant Shikha Garg with the UN development programme, killed in the Ethiopian Airlines plane crash, are among 115 UN peacekeepers and staff honoured by the global organisation for their sacrifice. They lost their lives in the service of peace between January 2018 and March 2019.

SPORTS

Apurvi Chandela achieves World No. 1 ISSF Rankings in 10m Air Rifle:

- According to the latest rankings released by International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF), world cup gold medallist, Apurvi Chandela became the world number one in women's 10m Air Rifle category with 1, 926 rating points.
- The 26-year old Apurvi Chandela is among the five Indian shooters who have earned the Olympic quota for the Tokyo 2020.

Jaipur to host Asian youth Women Handball Championship:

- The 8th edition Asian Youth Women Handball Championship 2019 will be held in Jaipur from August 21 to 30. This is the first time Jaipur will host this prestigious tournament.
- Earlier in 2015, Delhi hosted the event and finished at seventh place. This event will be organised by Asian Handball Federation (AHF).

Bajrang Punia bags gold at Ali Aliev wrestling tournament:

- World number one Bajrang Punia has become the first Indian to win gold at the Ali Aliev wrestling tournament after defeating Viktor Rassadin of Russia in the 65 kg freestyle in Kapiisk.

Barcelona and Spain legend footballer Xavi Hernandez announced retirement:

- 39 years old, Barcelona Midfielder, Xavi Hernandez, has announced his retirement from football by the end of the season 2018-19. He currently plays for Al-Sadd in Qatar. After the 2014 World Cup, he announced his retirement from international football.

India slips to fifth spot in latest ICC T20I rankings:

- The world body governing cricket, ICC unveiled an expanded men's Twenty20 International team rankings with 80 teams.
- India with 260 points have dropped three places to fifth in the latest list. The ICC T20 World Cup champions of 2009, Pakistan have consolidated their top position with 286 points. The next three teams are South Africa (262), England (261) and Australia (261).
- The launch of expanded ICC T20 team rankings coincides with the annual rankings in which series results from 2015-16 are removed and outcomes from 2016-17 and 2017-18 are weighted at 50 per cent.

Dragan Mihailovic to take over as head coach of Indian volleyball team:

- Serbia's Dragan Mihailovic will take over as head coach of the Indian Men's Volleyball team by the Volleyball Federation of India (VFI) and will be joined by Pryemyslaw Gaszyoski (Poland) and Valadimir Radosevic (Serbia) as the team's physio and physiotherapist respectively.

Archery Association of India Names Acting President to Start Election Process:

- Archery Association of India named its senior vice president Sunil Sharma in accordance with Article 24 of AAI Constitution (as approved by the Supreme Court on 4th December 2017) as its acting president to start the election process. Sunil Sharma was preceded by BVP Rao.
- Sharma, who is also vice president of Jammu and Kashmir Archery Association, chaired the Executive Committee meeting thereafter.

XXXVI Feliks Stamm International Boxing Tournament: Gaurav Solanki, Manish Kaushik bag gold:

- Indian boxers finished with a rich haul of six medals which includes 2 gold, 1 silver and 3 bronze medals at the XXXVI Feliks Stamm International Boxing Tournament 2019 in Warsaw, Poland.

Here the list of Indian Winners:

Event/Category	Name	Medal
Fly (52-kg)	Gaurav Solanki	Gold
Light (60-kg)	Manish Kaushik	Gold
Bantam (56-kg)	Mohammed Hussamuddin	Silver
Light Welter (64-kg)	Ankit Khatana	Bronze
Welter (69-kg)	Mandeep Jangra	Bronze
Heavy (91-kg)	Sanjeet	Bronze

Saurav Ghosal, Joshna Chinappa crowned Asian Squash Championship 2019:

- Saurav Ghosal (men's title) and Joshna Chinappa (women's title) rewrote India's squash history when the duo emerged champions in the Asian Individual Squash Championship in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Shooting: Anmol-Esha pair wins bronze

- Anmol Jain and Esha Singh won the mixed air pistol team bronze medal in the Grand Prix of Liberation International Shooting Competition in Czech Republic.

FIFA announces two new award categories to promote women's football globally:

- Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) announced two new award categories to promote women's football across the globe. The two new award categories are off Women's Goalkeeper of the year and a Women's Team of the year.

➤ This announcement means and both men and women will be up for receiving accolades in the same categories **at the FIFA Best ceremony in Milan** on September 23, 2019.

ICC World Cup 2019: Sourav Ganguly, Sanjay Manjrekar named in ICC commentary panel
➤ Former cricketers **Sourav Ganguly** and **Sanjay Manjrekar** along with cricket writer and commentator **Harsha Bhogle** have been named in the **International Cricket Council’s (ICC)** commentary panel for the upcoming World Cup, beginning May 30 **in England and Wales**.

For the first time, all-female referee team to officiate AFC Cup game for men:
➤ **The Asian Football Confederation** announced that for the first time an all-female referee team will take charge of a **Men’s Continental Club Cup Clash**.
➤ Japanese referee **Yoshimi Yamashita** and assistants **Makoto Bozono** and **Naomi Teshirogi** will officiate the **AFC Cup match** between Myanmar’s Yangon United and Cambodia’s Naga World at the Thuwunna Stadium, Myanmar.

Windies record highest ODI first-ever 350+ run opening stand:
➤ West Indies player **John Campbell** and **Shai Hope** created the history by making **first-ever 350 plus** run opening stand after sharing **365 runs for the 1st wicket against Ireland**. The venue of the match was **Clontarf Cricket Club Ground, Dublin, Ireland**.
➤ Previously, the highest first wicket opening stand was **304 runs in ODI cricket** by Pakistan’s **Fakhar Zaman** and **Imam-ul-Haq** against Zimbabwe in 2018.

Indian giant Amul to sponsor Afghanistan in 2019 World Cup:
➤ **Amul** has been announced as the **principal sponsor of the Afghanistan cricket team** for the **upcoming World Cup**, slated to be held in England and Wales from May 30.
➤ **The logo of brand Amul** will appear on the leading arm of the Afghanistan team playing jerseys as well as on the training kits throughout the showpiece event.

Changwon Shotgun World Cup: Ganemat Sekhon best-placed Indian at 7th
➤ **India’s Ganemat Sekhon** returned the joint third-best score in the Women’s Skeet event at this year’s third **International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup Shotgun Stage 2** in Changwon, Korea. She was in seventh place in a field of 56 in women’s skeet.

Croatian World Cupper Igor Stimac set to be appointed Indian football team coach:
➤ Former Croatia international and manager **Igor Stimac** will be appointed as the **Indian men’s team coach** after the All India Football Federation’s (AIFF) technical committee recommended him for the post.

Yaya Toure announces retirement from football:
➤ **Yaya Toure** has **retired from professional football** after a successful career in which he represented sides **such as Barcelona and Manchester City**.
➤ The Ivorian won many trophies in his career, most notably the Champions League with Barcelona in 2008/09 and the **African Cup of Nations** in 2015, as well as **two LaLiga Santander titles** and three titles in England.

Madrid Open 2019:
➤ **The 2019 Madrid Open** (sponsored by Mutua) is a professional tennis tournament played on outdoor clay courts at **the Park Manzanares in Madrid, Spain** from 3 May–12 May 2019.
Here the Winners List:
➤ Men’s Singles: **Serbia Novak Djokovic**
➤ Women’s Singles: **Netherlands Kiki Bertens**
➤ Men’s Doubles: **Netherlands Jean-Julien Rojer / Romania Horia Tecău**
➤ Women’s Doubles: **Chinese Taipei Hsieh Su-wei / Czech Republic Barbora Strýcová**

Mumbai beat Chennai by one run to win record 4th IPL title:
➤ **Mumbai Indians** became **IPL champions for the fourth time** after defeating **Chennai Super Kings** by one run in a thrilling final in **Hyderabad**.
➤ Skipper **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** became the **most successful wicketkeeper** in the **history of IPL** by taking his dismissals tally to 132, surpassing his India teammate Dinesh Karthik.
➤ Player of the series: **Andre Russell (KKR) (510 runs and 11 wickets)**
➤ Most runs: **David Warner (SRH) (692)**
➤ Most wickets : **Imran Tahir (CSK) (26)**

Sana Mir becomes the highest wicket-taking spinner in ODI:
➤ **Pakistan off-spinner Sana Mir** has become the **most successful women’s ODI spinner** in history after she took her **147th wicket**, highest ever by any spinner in **One-day International (ODI) cricket**.
➤ Currently, Mir is placed on the third position in the ICC’s ODI bowling ranking, which is topped by **Indian pacer Jhulan Goswami**.

2019 IAAF World Relays Highlights:
➤ The **2019 IAAF World Relays** was held in **Yokohama, Japan** from May 11 to May 12, 2019. Two new events were established for 2019, **both mixed events: the 2 x 2 x 400 m relay and the shuttle hurdles relay**.
➤ The 2 x 2 x 400 m mixed relay event has replaced **4 x 800 m relay** which featured in the previous events.
➤ **Indian men’s 4 x 400 m relay and women’s 4 x 400 m relay teams** finished at **17th**.
➤ The **Indian mixed 4 x 400 m relay team** finished at **15th**.
➤ The **top 10 finishers** in the IAAF World Relays 2019 in men’s and women’s 4x400 m relays event and **top 12 finishers** in mixed 4x400 m relays event have **qualified for the IAAF World Athletics Championship** which will going to held in **Doha, Qatar** from September 28 to October 6, 2019.

Here the Winner List:

Category	Winner
Men’s 4x100 m relay	Brazil
Men’s 4x200 m relay	US
Men’s 4x400 m relay	Trinidad and Tobago
Women’s 4x100m relay	US
Women’s 4x200 m relay	France
Women’s 4x400 m relay	Poland
Mixed 4x400 m relay	US
Mixed 2x2x400 m relay	US
Mixed Shuttle Hurdles relay	US

Lewis Hamilton wins Spanish GP as Mercedes seal fifth consecutive one-two:

➤ **Lewis Hamilton** won the **Spanish Grand Prix** in Barcelona. He celebrated the **76th win** of his Formula 1 career, third victory of 2019 and **fourth in Spain** following victories in **2014, 2017 and 2018**.
➤ This win took him back to the **top spot of the world championship ranking** with **112 points**, ahead of Valtteri Bottas who is on 105 points.

Asia-Pacific Diamond Cup: Gangjee finishes tied 39, Asaji wins title
➤ **India’s Rahil Gangjee** finished tied 39th while **Viraj Madappa** faltered on the final day and ended tied 53rd at the Asia-Pacific Diamond Cup in Japan.
➤ **Japan’s Yosuke Asaji** capped the title at the **Sobu Country Club**. **Micah Lauren Shin** of the USA shared second place with Japanese amateur **RenYonezawa**.
➤ Asaji’s winning total of three-under-par 281 also secured him a spot at the **148th Open** which will be held at **Royal Portrush, Northern Ireland** in July 2019.

Rafael Nadal Claimed the Italian Open 2019 Title:
➤ **Rafael Nadal** has won a record **34th ATP Masters 1000 title** by defeating **Novak Djokovic** in the Italian Open final 2019. This is his **ninth Rome title**.
➤ Nadal dominated in a **6-0, 4-6, 6-1 win** broke a tie with his longtime rival Djokovic. For his victory, Nadal received **1, 000 ATP Ranking points and earned Rs. 7. 5 crore**. Djokovic produced an error-strewn performance in his 54th meeting with Nadal.
Result of Italian Open 2019:
• **Men’s Singles:** Spain Rafael Nadal
• **Women’s Singles:** Czech Republic Karolína Plíšková
• **Men’s Doubles:** Colombia Juan Sebastián Cabal / Colombia Robert Farah
• **Women’s Doubles:** Belarus Victoria Azarenka / Australia Ashleigh Barty

Koepka Set Record in The Lowest 36 Hole Score in PGA Championship:
➤ **American golfer Brooks Koepka** set a record in the lowest **36-hole score** in Major golf history and seized a record **seven-stroke lead** after two rounds of the **US PGA Championship**. Brooks Koepka now holds the **18, 36 and 72-hole scoring** records for the US PGA Championship.
➤ His devastating two-day performance produced the largest halfway lead in modern major golf history. The biggest previous 36-hole PGA lead had been **Zimbabwean Nick Price’s** five-shot edge in 1994. **Tiger Woods** missed the cut.

F3: Jehan Daruvala Wins 2019 Formula 3 Season Opener in Barcelona
➤ **Mumbai-based racer Jehan Daruvala** took his maiden win in the **2019 Formula 3 championship in Barcelona**.
➤ The **Team Prema driver** is the only Indian on the grid, completed on top after a dominant drive ahead of JuriVips and Niko Kari.

SRFI-HCL tie-up for improving Indian squash:
➤ The **Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI)** announced a **tie-up with HCL** with an aim to **improve the health of the sport in the country**.
➤ Through **'HCL Squash Podium Programme'**, multiple tournaments will be organised at both the senior and junior level besides clinics for the existing coaches.

➤ SRFI president **Debendranath Sarangi** said they plan to conduct **12 PSA World Tour and Challenger Tour events** every year across the country.

Manchester City retain Premier League title with 4-1 win over Brighton:

➤ **Manchester City** defeated **Brighton** by 4-1 at the **Amex Stadium, UK** in Premier League title match. Manchester City became the **first team to retain the title in last 10 years** since **Manchester United** had done the same in 2009.

BCCI Elections to Be Held on October 22:

➤ The Committee of Administrators (CoA) announced that the much-awaited elections for a **new body** of the **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** will be held on **October 22**.

➤ The CoA was appointed by the Supreme Court in January **2017** to oversee the sweeping reforms recommended by the **Lodha panel**. The deadline to hold state elections was set at September 14.

➤ The Supreme Court had, in January 17, sacked BCCI president **Anurag Thakur** and secretary Ajay Shirke, and asked other office-bearers who don't meet the qualifications set by the court to be on the board to demit office or stand disqualified.

ICC Rankings: Shakib Becomes No. 1 Ranked ODI All-Rounder Ahead of World Cup

➤ Senior Bangladesh cricketer **Shakib Al Hasan** jumped to the **top** of the latest MRF Tyres **ICC ODI rankings** for **all-rounders**, which doesn't feature a single Indian in the top-10 chart.

➤ Shakib now has 359 points, 20 clears of Afghanistan's **Rashid Khan**, the previous holder of the top ranking, who has now slipped to **No. 2**.

➤ Afghanistan's **Mohammad Nabi** completes the top three, with 319 points.

➤ India's **Kedar Jadhav**, who is part of India's World Cup team and is recovering from a shoulder injury, is the best-placed Indian at joint **12th** spot. **Hardik Pandya** completes the top 20 list.

Bayern Munich Clinched 2019 German Cup:

➤ **Bayern Munich** clinched **German Cup 2019**. Bayern Munich defeated **RB Leipzig** in Olympiastadion, Berlin.

➤ Bayern Munich won the **final 3-0 for their 19th DFB-Pokal title**.

➤ With the win, Bayern completed their **12th domestic double**.

➤ Therefore, the team will play away the 2018-19 Bundesliga runners-up Borussia Dortmund in the 2019 DFL-Supercup in August 2019.

➤ **Man of the Match:** Robert Lewandowski (Bayern Munich)

China Beat Japan Won 2019 Sudirman Cup

➤ **China** won the badminton world mixed-team championship, **16th edition of Sudirman Cup 2019 in Nanning, China**.

➤ They beat Japan in men's doubles, women's singles and men's singles and won the title for the 11th time.

➤ In the latest Men' singles match Shi Yuqi stunned world champion Kento Momota for 15-21, 21-5, 21-11.

India Bags 57 Medals at India Open International Tournament:

➤ **India** bags a total of **57 medals** including 12 Gold, 18 Silver and 27 Bronze at India Open International Boxing tournament in Guwahati.

➤ **MC Mary Kom, Shiva Thapa, L Sarita Devi**, and **Naman Tanwar** won gold in their respective finals.

➤ This was Mary's second gold in the tournament, having won in 48 kg last year in the capital.

➤ On the other hand, **Deepak** defeated Govind Kumar in 49 kg final while in 52 kg category- **Amit Panghal** defeated Sachin.

ISSF World Cup 3 2019:

➤ **International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup 3** was held in **Munich, Germany**. **India** won **5 gold medal** and a **silver medal totalling 6 medals** and topped the medal tally. **China** won two gold, two silver, and five bronze medals and **placed second** in the **medal tally**. Next tournament **ISSF World Cup 4** is set to be held in **Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**.

➤ **Saurabh Chaudhary** won a gold medal in 10 metre air pistol and broke down his own **world record** of 245 by shooting 246. 3 points in the final.

Asian Games champion **Rahi Sarnobat** and **Manu Bhaker** clinch **sixth** and **seventh** Olympic quota place in shooting for 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Here the Winner List:

NAME	CATEGORY	MEDAL
Saurabh Chaudhary (World Record)	10 Metre Air Pistol	Gold
Apurvi Chandela	10 Metre Air Rifle	Gold
Rahi Sarnobat	25 Metre Pistol	Gold
Divyansh Singh Panwar & Anjum Moudgil	10 Metre Air Rifle (Mixed Team)	Gold
Saurabh Chaudhary & Manu Bhaker	10 Metre Air Pistol (Mixed Team)	Gold
Apurvi Chandela & Deepak Kumar (sport shooter)	10 Metre Air Rifle (Mixed Team)	Silver

Lewis Hamilton Won Monaco Grand Prix:

➤ **Lewis Hamilton** won the **Monaco Grand Prix** to extend his championship.

➤ Hamilton struggled with grip and was under constant pressure from Red Bull's Max Verstappen.

Ivo Karlovic-Oldest Man to Win A Match at The French Open 2019 For 46 Years:

➤ **Croatia's Ivo Karlovic** became the oldest man to win a **match at the French Open 2019** for 46 years on 28th May.

➤ He beat Spain's fellow veteran **Feliciano Lopez** in a first-round duel.

➤ This was the oldest men's match in combined age at Roland Garros during the Open Era, and the **seventh-oldest match at a Grand Slam**. Karlovic hit 35 aces and saved five of the six break points he faced to win his first match since Indian Wells.

J80 World Championship 2019:

➤ Asian youth champion **Dr. Rohini Rau** to lead **all women Indian team for the J80 World Championship** to be staged in **Bilbao, Spain**, from July 13 to 20.

➤ The J80 is a modern sports boat with competition in open water, away from the protected environment of harbours and lakes.

Chelsea Clinched the UEFA Europa League 2019 Cup:

➤ **Chelsea** clinched the **UEFA Europa League 2019 Cup**. It scored four goals in a devastating second-half display to beat Arsenal 4-1 on 29 May at the **Baku Olympic Stadium in Azerbaijan**.

China set to host 2023 AFC Asian Cup after Korean withdrawal:

➤ **Recently, Korea Football Association (KFA)** had withdrawn their bid to host **Asian Cup 2023** which leave the sole other bidders **China with a free run** to become hosts.

➤ KFA announced that they are pulled out to strategically focus on a joint bid with North Korea to host **Women's World Cup in 2023**.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

Coffee Table book on Architecture & Landscape of Rashtrapati Bhawan presented to UAE Minister of Tolerance:

➤ Ambassador Navdeep Suri presented UAE Minister of Tolerance **Sheikh Nahayan Mubarak Al Nahayan** with the Coffee Table book on **"Work of Beauty: Architecture and Landscape of Rashtrapati Bhawan"**, which has been published by Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

Shahid Afridi co-authored his autobiography titled, 'Game Changer':

➤ Pakistan's former captain and star all-rounder **Shahid Afridi** recently released his autobiography, titled **'Game Changer'**.

➤ The book, co-authored by Afridi and journalist **Wajahat S Khan**, details some interesting and exciting information from the cricketer's life.

Inaugural edition of world's first women's cricket magazine 'CRICZONE' hits stands:

➤ The inaugural issue of **world's first exclusive women's cricket magazine 'Criczone'** was released in Jaipur with **Indian team vie-captain Smriti Mandhana featuring as the cover story**.

➤ Top international cricketers like **Mithali Raj, Harmanpreet Kaur, Smriti Mandhana** along with overseas players like Danielle Wyatt, Sophie Devine attended the event which is held on the side lines of the inaugural women's T20 challenge.

Former Basketball Player, Lamar Odom Launched A New Book 'Darkness To Light'

➤ Former American professional basketball player, **Lamar Odom**, aged 39, launched a new book titled **'Darkness to light'**.

➤ The book reveals the **dark secrets of his life**. He is the ex-husband of Khloe Kardashian, an American media personality, socialite, model, businesswoman and entrepreneur.

➤ As a member of the Los Angeles Lakers in the National Basketball Association (NBA), he won NBA championships in 2009 and 2010 and **was named the NBA Sixth Man of the Year in 2011**.

IMPORTANTS EVENTS OF THE DAY

IMPORTANT DAY	OBSERVED/CELEBRATED	THEME OF 2019
International Labour Day or Workers day	May 1 st	"Sustainable Pension for all: The Role of Social Partners".
World Password Day	1 st Thursday of May	-
60 th Foundation Day of Gujarat	May 1 st	-
World Tuna Day	May 2 nd	-
World Press Freedom Day	May 3 rd	"Media for Democracy: Journalism and Elections in Times of Disinformation"
National Space Day	First Friday of May	-
Coal Miners Day	May 4 th	-
International Firefighters' Day	May 4 th	-
World Laughter Day	May 5 th (First Sunday of May)	-
World Athletics Day	May 7 th	-
World Asthma Day	May 7 th	"STOP for asthma"
World Red Cross Day	May 8 th	'#Love'
World Thalassaemia Day	May 8 th	"Universal access to quality thalassaemia healthcare services: Building bridges with and for patients"
Victory Day on Soviet Union	May 9 th	-
5 th United Nations Global Road Safety Week	May 6 th to 12 th	"Leadership for road safety".
World Migratory Bird Day	May 11 th	'Protect Birds: Be the Solution to Plastic Pollution'.
National Technology Day	May 11 th	-
International Nurses Day	May 12 th	'Nurses – A Voice to Lead – Health for All'.
International Day of Families	May 15 th	"Families and Climate Action: Focus on SDG13"
Sri Lanka's Vesak Week	May 15 th to 21 st	-
World Telecommunication and Information Society Day	May 17 th	"Bridging the standardization gap"
World AIDS Vaccine Day	May 18 th	-
World Bee Day	May 20 th	-
World Metrology Day	May 20 th	'The International System of Units – Fundamentally better'.
National Anti-Terrorism Day	May 21 st	-
World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	May 21 st	-
International Day of Biological Diversity	May 22 nd	" Our Biodiversity, Our Food, Our Health"
International Day to End Obstetric Fistula	May 23 rd	-
19th World Turtle Day	May 23 rd	-
International Commonwealth Day	May 24 th	-
World Thyroid Day	May 25 th	-
International Missing Children's Day	May 25 th	-
Amnesty International Day	May 28 th	-
World Hunger Day	May 28 th	#SustainabilityIs
International Day of UN Peacekeepers	May 29 th	"Protecting Civilians, Protecting Peace"
World Digestive Health Day	May 29 th	"Early Diagnosis and Treatment of GI Cancer"
International Everest Day	May 29 th	-
World Multiple Sclerosis Day	May 30 th	-
World No Tobacco Day	May 31 st	"Tobacco and Lung Health"

Indian Army to commemorate 2019 as 'Year of next of kin':

> **The Indian Army** is commemorating **this year as the 'Year of Next of Kin'** and plans to reach out to the next of kin of battle casualties, ex-servicemen and serving soldiers to inform them of entitled financial benefits, welfare schemes and help resolve pension related problems.

OBITUARY

- 1. **Peter Mayhew** – US Actor
- 2. **Damon Jerome Keith** - US Judge and Civil Rights Icon
- 3. **V. Viswanatha Menon** - Former Finance Minister of Kerala
- 4. **Master Hirannaiah** - Veteran Kannada Actor and Political Satirist
- 5. **Maramraju Satyanarayana Rao** - Noted writer, academician
- 6. **Subhashan Reddy** - Former Chief Justice of Madras and Kerala High Courts

- 7. **Duti Krushna Panda** - Veteran CPI leader and former MP
- 8. **Derek Sippy** - Former Billiards Player
- 9. **Seymour Nurse** - Former West Indies batsman
- 10. **Baidyanath Mishra** - Renowned Economist
- 11. **Dr NR Madhava Menon** - Father of Modern Legal Education in India
- 12. **Mrinal Mukherjee** - Renowned Bengali TV and Film Actor
- 13. **Prof Kirpal Singh** - First chronicler of Partition
- 14. **YC Deveshwar** – ITC
- 15. **Yakshagana 'bhagawatha' (singer) Nebburu Narayana Hegde** – Noted Singer
- 16. **Neelakanta Rao Jagdale** - Chairman & Managing Director of Amrut Distilleries (Maker of One of World's Finest Whiskies)
- 17. **Clement Von Franckenstein** - American President Actor
- 18. **Hiralal Yadav** - Bhojpuri Singer & Padma Shri Awardee

- 19. **Doris Day** - Legendary Singer and Actor
- 20. **MB Balakrishnan** - Ace Tamil Nadu Swimmer and South Asian Games Gold-Medallist
- 21. **Bob Hawke** - Australia's 23rd Prime Minister
- 22. **Kadavoor Sivasadan** - Former Kerala Minister
- 23. **I. M. Pei** - Architect who designed Louvre Pyramid
- 24. **Rallapalli Venkata Narasimha Rao** - Veteran Telugu Actor
- 25. **Vijaya Mulay** - Filmmaker and Film Historian
- 26. **Kalpana Dash** - Odisha's First Woman Mountaineer
- 27. **Veeru Devgan** - Stunt and Action Choreographer
- 28. **Carmine Caridi** – American Television Actor

MAY MONTH QUIZ

Q.1) Which IT Giant along with ECITA has collaborated & have inaugurated a foot over bridge connecting the east and west phases of Electronic City?

- a) IBM
b) Wipro
c) Cognizant
d) HPE
e) L&T Infotech

Q.2) Who was presented with 2019 "Order of St. George" Award?

- a) Sadhguru
b) Sri Ravishankar
c) Baba Ramdev
d) Meher Baba
e) Shivani Ma

Q.3) Tedros Adhanom is the Director General of which of the following organizations?

- a) WHO
b) WTO
c) UNICEF
d) UNESCO
e) UNITAD

Q.4) What is the name of the "First Vaccine" Approved for the prevention of Dengue by the "Food and Drug Administration"?

- a) Vacirella
b) conjugate
c) Dengvaxia
d) Disprin
e) Eugension

Q.5) The Bilateral Trade which of the two countries is targeted to reach \$10 Billion by 2020?

- a) India & England
b) India & Iran
c) India & China
d) India & Turkey
e) India & Japan

Q.6) India has signed a protocol for export of Chilli Meal with which of the following country?

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

Q.7) Which Country has launched a lending service in China while shuttering its local marketplace?

- a) Flipkart
b) Alipay
c) Ant Financials
d) Amazon
e) Paypal

Q.8) Which Airlines has operated the World's First Zero-Waste Flight?

- a) Emirates
b) Ethiad
c) Singapore Airlines
d) Qantas
e) Air India

Q.9) According to SEMrush, a digital marketing Platform, who is the most followed politician in the World?

- a) Donald Trump
b) Vladimir Putin
c) Narendra Modi
d) Hu Jintao
e) Barack Obama

Q.10) Who is the 2nd Most followed Politician according to a report by SEMrush?

- a) Donald Trump
b) Vladimir Putin
c) Narendra Modi
d) Hu Jintao
e) Barack Obama

Q.11) India Ratings & Research (Ind-Ra) has downgraded which of the following bank to AA- from AA+?

- a) AXIS Bank
b) YES Bank
c) HDFC Bank
d) ICICI Bank
e) Bank of Singapore

Q.12) Who has been appointed as a member of the Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal, London?

- a) Tamibran Krishnamoorthy
b) Mohammed Yunus
c) Gurumeerth Singh Kapadia
d) KS Radhakrishnan
e) AS Shisti Priya

Q.13) Who was bestowed with the Presidential Medal of Freedom from American President Donald Trump?

- a) Serena Williams
b) LeBron James
c) Tiger Woods
d) Ronda Rousey
e) Antony Davies

Q.14) HR solutions Provider "Talocity" would provide which of the following bank with AI supported "Toucheless" Technology for the bank's hiring process and HR Operations?

- a) YES Bank
b) AXIS Bank

c) ICICI Bank

d) HDFC Bank

e) Bank of Maharashtra

Q.15) RIL buys out which of the following toymaker for 68 Million Euros?

- a) Fastrack
b) LEGO Group
c) Hasbro
d) Mattel
e) Hamleys

Q.16) Who was crowned as the Asian Individual Men's Squash Championship held in Malaysia?

- a) Mohd Syafiq Kamal
b) Max Lee
c) Israr Ahmed
d) Mahesh Manganar

e) Saurav Ghosal

Q.17) Bharat pe has launched a new app for its venture into merchant services. Name it?

- a) Phonepe
b) Kirin Pe
c) Shamg Pe
d) Bahi Khata
e) Regu Peta

Q.18) Which Indian Milk conglomerate is set to sponsor Afghanistan Men's Cricket Team in the 2019 World Cup?

- a) Arokya
b) Hatsun
c) Amul
d) Daily Diary
e) Gujartat Milks

Q.19) Which week is observed on the May 6 to May 12?

- a) UN Global Fire Safety Work
b) UN Dairy Milk Week
c) UN Global Road Safety Week
d) UN Global Fireworks Day
e) UN Global Sports Day

Q.20) Which Organization is set to commemorate 2019 as the "Year of Next of Kin"

- a) Indian Navy
b) Indian Army
c) Indian Air Force
d) Indian Roadways
e) Indian Waterways

Q.21) TAFE Signs MoU with which of the following organization to Aid Efficient Energy Utilization in Agriculture?

- a) Shell
b) OIL India
c) PCRA
d) BHEL
e) Bharat Petroleum

Q.22) CBIC organises meeting of Regional Heads of Customs Administration of Asia Pacific Region of the World Customs Organisation (WCO) in which of the following cities?

- a) Bengaluru
b) Kochi
c) Hyderabad
d) New Delhi
e) Chennai

Q.23) Which State's cops deploy first ever anti-Naxal women's commando unit?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
b) Jharkhand
c) West Bengal
d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Chhattisgarh

Q.24) Who was crowned as the Asian Individual Men's Squash Championship held in Malaysia?

- a) Mohd Syafiq Kamal
b) Max Lee
c) Israr Ahmed
d) Mahesh Manganar

e) Saurav Ghosal

Q.25) Which Ministry has organized the interaction to boost India-Africa Trade Ties?

- a) Ministry of Commerce
b) Ministry of Sports
c) Ministry of HRD
d) Ministry of Road Transport
e) Ministry of External Affairs

Q.26) India & US trade in goods and Services registers how many percentage growths in 2018?

- a) 12.3%
b) 12.4%
c) 12.8%
d) 12.6%
e) 12.9%

Q.27) Which of the following telecom conglomerate is set to merge Broadband Satellite business with Hughes India Unit?

- a) Reliance Jio
b) Airtel
c) Tata Teleservices
d) Vodafone- Idea
e) BSNL

Q.28) Which Organization has successfully divested 1.78 per cent of its stake in HDFC Life Insurance to raise Rs 1,404 crore?

- a) BNP Paribas
b) Standard Life
c) SBI Life
d) Bank of Baroda

e) Axis Life

Q.29) Which Airport has topped the Top 10 Best Airports of 2019 List by AirHelp?

- a) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport
b) New Jersey Hub
c) Jackson International Airport
d) Hamad International Airport
e) Anna International Airport
Q.30) Who was crowned as the Asian Individual Women's Squash Championship held in Malaysia?
a) Annie Au
b) Misaki Kobayashi
c) Jemyca Aribado
d) Joshna Chinappa
e) Choe Yura

Q.31) Which Organization has appointed Sujatha V Kumar as Head of Marketing for India and South Asia?

- a) Master Card
b) Visa
c) Rupay
d) Paytm
e) Paypal

Q.32) Who is selected as the IMMA Vice - President?

- a) Rakesh Astana
b) Rakesh Sharma
c) Rakesh Surya Kumar
d) Rakesh Yazdav
e) Rakesh Nair

Q.33) When is the Victory Day on Soviet Union observed?

- a) May 4th
b) May 6th
c) May 7th
d) May 8th
e) May 9th

Q.34) Mrinal Mukerjee who passed away recently was a famous?

- a) Politician
b) Sports Person
c) Film Artist
d) Economist
e) Astronaut

Q.35) Who is also called as the Father of Modern Legal Education in India?

- a) Hansraj Saxena
b) Dimple Yadav
c) Madhava Menon
d) Sirpal Singh
e) Aravind Dev

Q.36) NASA's First Planetary Defence Technology Demonstration to Collide with Asteroid in which year?

- a) 2026
b) 2025
c) 2022
d) 2021
e) 2019

Q.37) As per the RBI, country's foreign exchange reserves soared by USD 4.368 billion to _____.

- a) USD 118.515 billion
b) USD 218.515 billion
c) USD 418.515 billion
d) USD 318.515 billion
e) USD 618.515 billion

Q.38) A new report by industry body FICCI says that strong economic growth coupled with rapid emergence of India on the global horizon is poised to drive the growth of MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions) tourism at what percent growth year-on-year?

- a) 8%
b) 9%
c) 7%
d) 5%
e) 4%

Q.39) Who is the new President of Mali?

- a) Modibo Keita
b) Soumeylou Boubèye Maïga
c) Boubou Cisse
d) Ibrahim Boubacar Keita
e) Moussa Traoré

Q.40) India and which of the following country decided to co-produce a film on the life and works of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and a documentary on country's Liberation War?

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

Q.41) Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) announced how many new award categories to promote women's football across the globe from this year onwards?

- a) Six
b) Two
c) Three
d) Four
e) Five

Q.42) Derek Sippy passed away at the age of 84. He was related to which sports?
a) Football b) Billiards
c) Cricket d) Skating
e) Hockey

Q.43) Duti Krushna Panda who died recently was a famous _____?
a) Politician b) Economist
c) Sports Personality d) Nobel laureate
e) Scientist

Q.44) Which of the following West Indies players created the history by making first-ever 350 plus run opening stand after sharing 365 runs for the 1st wicket against Ireland?
a) Shai Hope b) John Campbell
c) Fakhar Zaman d) All the above
e) Both a and b

Q.45) World Athletics Day 2019 is observed on _____.
a) 8th May b) 7th May
c) 6th May d) 5th May
e) 4th May

Q.46) Ministry of New Renewable Energy (MNRE) held a 'Chintan Baithak' with the stakeholders of Renewable Energy sector in _____.
a) Bangalore b) Hyderabad
c) Chennai d) New Delhi
e) Mumbai

Q.47) What is the theme of World Thalassaemia Day 2019?
a) Universal access to quality thalassaemia healthcare services: Building bridges with and for patients
b) Thalassaemia past, present and future: Documenting progress and patients' needs worldwide
c) Thalassaemia treatment and has an impact on patient's quality of life
d) Access to Safe & Effective Drugs in Thalassaemia
e) Enhancing partnership towards patient-centred health systems: good health adds life to years

Q.48) What is theme of World Asthma Day 2019?
a) Global Initiative for Asthma
b) Allergy and Asthma
c) STOP for asthma
d) You Can Control Your Asthma
e) Better Air Better Breathing

Q.49) In a bid to evaluate the environmental performance of existing schools across India, GRIHA Council released a rating tool named _____.
a) GRIHA Environment Schools
b) GRIHA for Existing Day Schools
c) GRIHA for Existed Day Schools
d) GRIHA for Environment Performance Schools
e) None of these

Q.50) Which state's National Health Mission of Public Health Department has signed a MoU with National Institute of Open Schooling Ministry of Human Resources Development to offer Vocational Programmes to the Health Service Providers of NHM in the state?
a) Karnataka b) Assam
c) Bihar d) Maharashtra
e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.51) Where will the G7 Environment Ministers Meet will be Held?
a) Canada b) Britain
c) France d) Germany
e) USA

Q.52) Which Helicopter model helicopter was formally handed over to the Indian Air Force at Boeing production facility in Mesa, Arizona, USA?
a) Italeri V-22 Osprey
b) Kitty Hawk KH80125
c) Revell 1:48
d) Apache Guardian
e) Airfix A55307 Westland

Q.53) UN to hold 2020 ocean conference in Which of the following cities?
a) London b) New Delhi
c) Beijing d) Moscow
e) Lisbon

Q.54) Which Nation has tested the World's Fastest-ever Alfa-X Bullet Train Capable of Reaching 400 kmph?
a) Russia b) France
c) Italy d) Japan
e) China

Q.55) Which of the following Government has released the Global Health Security Strategy?
a) Russia b) USA
c) China d) Germany
e) Japan

Q.56) Who won the North Macedonia Presidential Election?
a) Jean-Claude Juncker
b) Sergio Mattarella
c) Stevo Pendarovski
d) Laurentino Cortizo
e) Prokopis Pavlopoulos

Q.57) Who has been appointed as the new President of the United Nations General Assembly?
a) María Fernanda
b) Espinosa Garcés
c) Tijjani Mohammad Bande
d) Antonnio Guterres e) John King Savio

Q.58) Which Actor received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame?
a) Jeremy Corbyn
b) Anne Hathaway
c) Emilia Clarke
d) Benedict Cumberbatch e) John Smith

Q.59) Who is set to be appointed Indian football team coach?
a) Albert Roca b) Eelco Schattorie
c) Igor Stimac d) Gianni De Biasi
e) Hakan Ericson

Q.60) Which Manchester City Football Legend has announced retirement from Football this season end?
a) Sisoko b) Auguerro Kun
c) Yaya Toure d) Kamier Shchimel
e) Pepe Raina

Q.61) What is the theme of the World Migratory Bird's Day 2019?
a) Protect Birds: Be the Solution to Plastic Pollution
b) Exploring Habitats
c) Why Birds Matter? The Benefits of Birds to Humans and Nature
d) Spread Your Wings for Bird Conservation
e) Go Wild Go Birding

Q.62) YC Deveshwar who died recently was the Chairman of which of the following Company?
a) ITC b) Hero MotoCorp
c) TATA Motors d) Dailmer
e) AXIS Bank

Q.63) What is the name of the Naval Exercise between India, Japan and USA?
a) Malabar b) Indira
c) Vikranth d) SONAT
e) Golden Triangle

Q.64) Who won the Premier League Championship 2019?
a) Manchester City b) Manchester United
c) Liverpool d) Arsenal
e) New Castle United

Q.65) Where is the HQ of IEAE?
a) Vienna b) London
c) Brussels d) Washington D.C
e) New Delhi

Q.66) The World Trade Organisation (WTO) ministerial meeting of developing countries will begin in which of the following Countries?
a) Mumbai b) New Delhi
c) Chennai d) Bengaluru
e) Hyderabad

Q.67) Where will the 12th Ministerial Conference of the WTO will be held in 2020?
a) Canada b) Kazakhstan
c) USA d) Russia
e) Japan

Q.68) ISRO to launch which of the following Satellite from Sriharikota on May 22?
a) INSAT 18 b) RISAT 2B
c) EMISAT 19 d) IRNSS MF
e) HySIS

Q.69) India along with which of the following country has agreed to boost Indo-Pacific Co-Operation?
a) Indonesia b) Japan
c) China d) England
e) Iran

Q.70) India and which country is set to discuss ways to strengthen strategic partnership?
a) Japan b) Russia
c) China d) Vietnam
e) Magnolia

Q.71) Hanoi is the capital of which of the following country?
a) Japan b) Tualau
c) Vietnam d) Slovenia
e) Hungary

Q.72) Which Railways has signed contract agreement with Nepal to supply two 1600 HP DEMU train sets?
a) Southern Railways b) Eastern Railways
c) Konkan Railways d) Northern Railways
e) Western Railways

Q.73) When is the World Migratory Bird Day Observed on?
a) Mat 8th b) May 10th
c) May 11th d) May 13th
e) May 14th

Q.74) When is the National Technology Day Celebrated / Observed on?
a) 12th May b) 9th May
c) 13th May d) 7th May
e) 11th May

Q.75) Subhash Chand appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the State of _____.
a) Ghana b) Ethiopia
c) Eritrea d) Egypt
e) Swaziland

Q.76) Who was appointed as the Maharashtra Chief Secretary?
a) UPS Madan b) Ajay Mehra
c) Dev Kumar Yadav d) Ajoy Mehta
e) Poorna Kumar

Q.77) Who has been awarded the 2019 McCain Institute Award for Courage and Leadership?
a) Deepak Mehra b) Chhaya Sharma
c) Rehmita Poorna d) Dimple devi
e) Yasodha Roopa Singh

Q.78) Who became the highest wicket-taking spinner in ODI?
a) Jhulan Goswami b) Stefanie Taylor
c) Ellyse Perry d) Sana Mir
e) Meghan Schutt

Q.79) When is the International Nurses Day Observed on?
a) May 8th b) May 9th
c) May 10th d) May 11th
e) May 12th

Q.80) Hiralal Yadav who passed away recently was a famous ____?
a) Politician b) Director
c) Sports Personality d) Economist
e) Singer

Q.81) The 2019 IAAF World Relays was held in _____.
a) Moscow, Russia b) Beijing, China
c) Yokohama, Japan d) New Delhi, India
e) Los Angeles, USA

Q.82) Who has been appointed as the First-ever Female Match Referee in ICC panel?
a) Reema Malhotra b) Rajani Venugopal
c) GS Lakshmi d) Deepa Marathe

e) Monica Sumra
Q.83) Public service broadcaster Doordarshan has launched a souvenir store on which of the following online shopping website to establish an even stronger relationship with viewers?
a) Amazon India b) Flipkart
c) Alibaba d) Mynta
e) Club Factory
Q.84) Who won the Asia-Pacific Diamond Cup 2019 in Japan?
a) Rahul Gangjee b) Viraj Madappa
c) Yosuke Asaji d) Micah Lauren Shin
e) RenYonezawa
Q.85) Department of Biotechnology (DBT) launched _____, a project for mapping every tissue of the human body to help better understand the roles of tissues and cells linked to various diseases.
a) 'YANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'
b) 'MANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'
c) 'HANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'
d) 'KANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'
e) 'VANAV: Human Atlas Initiative'
Q.86) Which of the following country won the Women's 4x100m relay category in 2019 IAAF World Relays, recently?
a) USA b) France
c) Poland d) Brazil
e) Trinidad and Tobago
Q.87) Who has been appointed as the CEO of LIC Mutual Fund?
a) Rammohan Nilkanth Bhawe
b) Venkat Subramanian c) Suseel Kumar
d) N. Motiwalla e) Dinesh Pangtey
Q.88) Which of the following will serve as the Closing Film in the 72nd Cannes Film Festival begins in Cannes, France?
a) The Dead Don't Die
b) Atlantics
c) Once Upon a Time in Hollywood
d) The Specials
e) The Wild Goose Lake
Q.89) The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) announced a how much amount as venture capital fund for equity investments in agriculture and rural-focused startups?
a) Rs.400 crore b) Rs.800 crore
c) Rs.600 crore d) Rs.500 crore
e) Rs.700 crore
Q.90) Who won the Spanish Grand Prix 2019 for the 4th Consecutive Time?
a) Charles Leclerc b) Sebastian Vettel
c) Max Verstappen d) Lewis Hamilton
e) Valtteri Bottas
Q.91) ISIS claims it has established new branch named _____ in India that came after clashes between militants and security forces in Kashmir on May 10.
a) 'Wilayah of India'
b) 'Wilayah of Hind'
c) 'Wilayah of Security'
d) 'Wilayah of Militants'
e) 'Wilayah of ISIS'
Q.92) Which of the following cricketer won the CCR International Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 at CEAT International Awards 2019 in Mumbai, Maharashtra?
a) Mohinder Amarnath b) Rashid Khan
c) Aaron Finch d) Ashutosh Aman
e) Kuldeep Yadav
Q.93) The Indian Navy's first full-fledged Services Selection Board (SSB) was inaugurated by Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba at which of the following city?
a) Visakhapatnam b) Hyderabad
c) Chennai d) Kolkata
e) Panaji
Q.94) What is name of the Young Scientist Programme which was inaugurated by Indian Space Research Organisation, ISRO Chairman Dr

K Sivan, through video mode in Bengaluru, Karnataka?
a) YUVA 2019 b) Yuvika 2019
c) Yokan 2019 d) Yushan 2019
e) Yuvian 2019
Q.95) Centre extends ban on which of the following militant and political organization for five years?
a) ISIS b) Al-Irshad
c) Babbar Khalsa d) LTTE
e) Lashkar – e – Taiba
Q.96) The centre has banned the Military and Political Organizations under sub section of which of the following Act?
a) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1963
b) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1968
c) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1969
d) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967
e) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1965
Q.97) The Brahmakalashotsava festival 2019 has started in which of the following State?
a) Tamil Nadu b) Karnataka
c) Andhra Pradesh d) Kerala
e) Telangana
Q.98) Where did All Indian armed forces comprising Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force hold joint exercise "Bull Strike"?
a) Lakshadweep b) Andaman & Nicobar
c) Assam d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Karnataka
Q.99) NASA dubbed it's 2024 Mission to Moon in the name of _____?
a) Archimedes b) Artemis
c) Achimes d) Atimes
e) Atrimetis
Q.100) Which Country has expressed support to Nigeria's Ambassador to the UN Tijjani Muhammad-Bande as the next president of the General Assembly. The dialogue aims to contribute to the transparency and inclusivity of the selection process?
a) Pakistan b) USA
c) India d) Singapore
e) Russia
Q.101) Who won the Formula 3 Season Opener in Barcelona?
a) Arjun Rampal b) Sikki Reddy
c) Jehan Daruvala d) Narain Karthikeyan
e) Felipe Massa
Q.102) Pooram Festival is a Famous one in which of the following State?
a) Karnataka b) Kerala
c) Tamil Nadu d) Odisha
e) Telangana
Q.103) 6th Session of Global Platform for DDR started in which country?
a) Russia b) Switzerland
c) England d) India
e) China
Q.104) Global Influence of Asian Civilizations Forum kicks off in which of the following city?
a) New Delhi b) Moscow
c) Beijing d) London
e) New York
Q.105) What is the theme of the "Global Influence of Asian Civilizations Forum"?
a) European Values of The World
b) World Values of the Europeans
c) Asian Values of the World
d) Asian Cricket and their History
e) Development of Asia in recent Times
Q.106) Which Country is set to host the part of International Army Games?
a) China b) Singapore
c) Japan d) Sri Lanka
e) India
Q.107) Who is appointed as the Next Ambassador of India to Bosnia & Herzegovina?
a) S K Ghose b) R Rahul Kapadia
c) Jehan Daruvala d) Kumar Tuhin
e) Manoj Deepak

Q.108) Who is set to be inaugurated as the President of South Africa on May 25?
a) Cyril Ramaphosa b) Thabo Mbeki
c) Marais Viljoen d) Jacob Zuma
e) Kgalema Motlanthe
Q.109) Which Actor is set to be felicitated by CEUCC?
a) Akshay Kumar b) Salman Khan
c) Nawazuddin Siddiqui d) Anil Kapoor
e) Shahrukh Khan
Q.110) Which EPL Team retained the Premier League Title in last 10 years since Manchester united?
a) Liverpool b) Arsenal
c) Manchester City d) Leicester City
e) Brighton City
Q.111) Bob Hawke who died recently is a famous?
a) Economist b) Cricketer
c) Politician
d) Nobel Prize Awardee e) Writer
Q.112) Kadavoor Sadasivam who died recently was a famous _____?
a) Politician b) Sports Personality
c) Economist d) Scientist
e) Writer
Q.113) Who was conferred with the Prestigious Sasakawa Award 2019?
a) S K Swayne b) J S Kapadia
c) B S Kumar d) P K Mishra
e) E R Reshma
Q.114) Which country is set to host 2023 AFC Asian Cup after Korean withdrawal?
a) India b) Pakistan
c) Myanmar d) China
e) Sri Lanka
Q.115) Who was appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Nauru?
a) Kumaramangalam b) Siraj Kumar
c) Ranjan Singh d) Padmaja
e) Gregory John
Q.116) Which Leader has unveiled the "merit based" immigration policy plan?
a) Vladimir Putin b) Donald Trump
c) Narendra Modi d) Xi Jinping
e) Madura do
Q.117) Which Country has approved the Same – Sex Marriage in First for Asia?
a) China b) Turkmenistan
c) India d) Taiwan
e) Mongolia
Q.118) Which Country has joined the Initiative to combat extremism online?
a) China b) Russia
c) Japan d) India
e) Philippines
Q.119) Israel has proposed which country to be the focus country in Jerusalem Film Festival, 2020?
a) China b) Russia
c) Taiwan d) Japan
e) India
Q.120) What is the capital of Zambia?
a) Harare b) Lusaka
c) Bissau d) Kampala
e) Dodoma
Q.121) When is the World AIDS Vaccine Day observed?
a) May 16 b) May 17
c) May 18 d) May 19
e) May 20
Q.122) When is the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day Observed on?
a) May 10 b) May 15
c) May 17 d) May 16
e) May 12
Q.123) What is the theme of the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day?
a) Bringing a Beautiful World
b) Bridging the Grasp between Countries
c) Bridging the Standardization Gap
d) Bargaining for the World

e) Breaking the Stereotypes

Q.124) Rallapalli Venkata Narasimha Rao who died recently was a famous _____?

- a) Actor b) Politician
c) Sports Personality d) Economist
e) Lyric Writer

Q.125) Which Country's citizens are seeking help more than the other countries to reduce their alcohol intake according to the 8th Edition of Global Drug Survey (GDS) 2019?

- a) Germany b) Mexico
c) Russia d) Philippines
e) India

Q.126) In which State of India does 35% of Graphite reserves are found?

- a) Himachal Pradesh b) Haryana
c) Arunachal Pradesh d) Jammu & Kashmir
e) Tamil Nadu

Q.127) Which Country has approved for the first time a scheme that gives permanent residency to certain expatriates, allowing them to own real estate in the kingdom and reside with their families without their country sponsor?

- a) Iran b) Iraq
c) Afghanistan d) Pakistan
e) Saudi Arabia

Q.128) What is the name of the Bilateral Exercise between India & Singapore (Navy)?

- a) SIMBAT b) SIMBEX
c) SINTAX d) SYNTEC
e) SIMBAX

Q.129) The CTBTO has offered which country, the status of the observer and access to IMS Data?

- a) China b) USA
c) India d) Russia
e) Germany

Q.130) Which State is set to Digitise all Records to save Rs.35 Crores annually? A

- a) Andhra Pradesh b) Tripura
c) Meghalaya d) Tamil Nadu
e) Kerala

Q.131) Which of the Following coastguards was decommissioned at Vishakhapatnam?

- a) INS Vikrant b) INS Indra
c) ICGS Vighraha d) ICGS Vigharaha
e) ICGS Vikranth

Q.132) Which organization had started online writing of Annual Performance Appraisal Report (APARs) in SPARROW (Smart Performance Appraisal Report Recording Online Window) for Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officers?

- a) SEBI b) CBIC
c) RBI d) NHA
e) NSE

Q.133) Gaborone is the Capital of which of the following country?

- a) South Sudan b) Botswana
c) South Africa d) Mozambique
e) Ghana

Q.134) Govt plans introducing artificial intelligence system in MCA _____ portal

- a) 21 b) 38
c) 45 d) 28
e) 31

Q.135) Who won the Italian Open 2019 title?

- a) Novak Djokovic b) Rafael Nadal
c) Andy Murray d) John McEnroe
e) None of these

Q.136) Who was awarded the John F Kennedy Profile in Courage Award 2019?

- a) Gabrielle Giffords b) Gerald Ford
c) John Lewis d) Nancy Pelosi
e) Marcus Stoinis

Q.137) PV Sindhu, Saina Nehwal to spearhead Indian challenge at Sudirman Cup in _____

- a) China b) Pakistan
c) Saudi Arabia d) Indonesia
e) India

Q.138) What is the name of the fastest train completed 1 Lakh kilometers without missing single trip?

a) Train 18

- b) Vande Bharata Express
c) Amaravati Express
d) Amritha Express
e) Tejas way

Q.139) Who won the Women's Singles Italian Open 2019 title?

- a) Karolína Plíšková b) Victoria Azarenka
c) Ashleigh Barty d) Caroline Wozniacki
e) None of these

Q.140) Which country set Guinness World Records of 'largest laundry lesson' with the participation of 400 young men?

- a) Pakistan b) India
c) Saudi Arabia d) Indonesia
e) Sri Lanka

Q.141) Who recently set record on lowest 36-hole in the US PGA Championship?

- a) Tiger Woods b) Nick Price
c) Brooks Koepka d) Jordan Spieth
e) None of these

Q.142) Which state became first state to list Masala Bond in overseas market?

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Karnataka
c) Kerala d) Bihar
e) Gujarat

Q.143) What is the maximum possible strength of the judges of Supreme Court?

- a) 28 b) 29
c) 30 d) 31
e) 32

Q.144) Which are the Countries participating in the Pacific Vanguard naval exercise?

- a) United States, China, South Korea, and Canada
b) UK, North Korea, South Korea, and Australia
c) United States, Japan, South Korea, and Australia
d) India, Japan, Russia, and Australia
e) India, Russia, South Korea, and Australia

Q.145) Under which Article did Delhi High Court has ruled that the United Nations is not a State?

- a) Article 12 b) Article 118
c) Article 123 d) Article 28
e) Article 128

Q.146) Elections for a new body of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) will be held on _____

- a) August 26 b) October 22
c) September 14 d) July 16
e) June 22

Q.147) SpaceX successfully launches, deploys _____ internet satellites

- a) 60 b) 40
c) 50 d) 30
e) 20

Q.148) BJD wins 112 seats in Odisha, _____ set to be CM for 5th time in row

- a) Ravindranath Nayak b) Akilesh Yadav
c) Sudarsan Patnaik d) Jegan Mohan Reddy
e) Naveen Patnaik

Q.149) Who won 'Global Asian of the Year' Award for Contribution to Women's Healthcare Ecosystem?

- a) Hema Divakar b) Nithya Suresh
c) Rashmi Narayana d) Niranjani kumar
e) None of these

Q.150) Where is the Pacific Vanguard naval exercise happening?

- a) Near Saipan b) Near Guam
c) Near Puerto Rico d) Near Palau
e) Near Taisuai

Q.151) Vijaya Mulay who passed away recently was a famous _____.

- a) Filmmaker b) Journalist
c) Scientist d) Singer
e) Politician

Q.152) World Thyroid Day observed on _____

- a) May 25 b) June 16
c) July 19 d) August 25

e) None of these

Q.153) How many medals India bagged at Open International tournament?

- a) 57 b) 65
c) 72 d) 38
e) 46

Q.154) Who won 2019 Sudirman Cup?

- a) China b) Pakistan
c) Indonesia d) Saudi Arabia
e) India

Q.155) _____ became first foreign leader to meet new Japanese emperor

- a) David Cameron b) Donald Trump
c) Dilma Rousseff d) François Hollande
e) Justin Trudeau

Q.156) Fifth Smart Cities India Expo held in _____

- a) New Delhi b) Chennai
c) Kolkata d) Trivandrum
e) Mumbai

Q.157) Who won gold medal in 10m Air Rifle in ISSF World Cup?

- a) Manu Bhaskar b) Heena Sidhu
c) Apurvi Chandela d) Jitu Rai
e) Karni Singh

Q.158) ISRO's new commercial arm _____ India officially inaugurated

- a) Near Space b) New Space
c) Night Space d) Bright Space
e) White Space

Q.159) Who is appointed as head UN peacekeeping operation in South Sudan

- a) Shailesh Tinaikar b) Dinesh gupta
c) Rajesh Sharma d) Nitish Sharma
e) Rajeve Kumar

Q.160) _____ to host World Leaders Conference to Combat Anti-Semitism in October 2020

- a) Sweden b) Thailand
c) Australia d) Saudi Arabia
e) India

Q.161) Orchha town of _____ added to the Tentative List of UNESCO's World Heritage Sites

- a) Madhya Pradesh b) Kerala
c) Tamil Nadu d) Bihar
e) Gujarat

Q.162) Who broke his own world record and won gold in men's 10m air rifle in ISSF World Cup 2019?

- a) Pang Wei b) Rizvi Shahzar
c) Saurabh Chaudhary d) Abhinav Bindra
e) Jitu Rai

Q.163) Who won the Monaco Grand Prix?

- a) Lewis Hamilton b) Max Verstappen
c) Sebastian Vettel d) Kimi Raikonen
e) Valtteri Bottas

Q.164) DRDO test fired the new version of _____ surface-to-air defence missile under the Integrated Guided-Missile Development Programme (IGMDP)?

- a) Agni b) Akash
c) Trishul d) Prithvi
e) Bramos

Q.165) Who won the 2019 Swansea University International Dylan Thomas Prize?

- a) Sri Lankan writer Guy Gunaratne
b) Indian writer Ira Trivedi
c) Chinese writers Mo Yan
d) Pakistan writer Rafia Zakaria
e) Japanese writer Michael Schumacher
Q.166) Which country elected to Executive Board of first UN-Habitat Assembly?

- a) New Zealand b) India
c) Pakistan d) Indonesia
e) Japan

Q.167) DRDO's Akash missile was developed under _____.

- a) Integrated Guided-Missile Development Programme (IGMDP)
b) Ballistic-Missile Development Programme (BMDP)

c) Indigenous Missile Development Programme (IMDP)
 d) Integrated Anti-Missile Development Programme (IAMDP)
 e) Indigenous Guided-Missile Development Programme (IGMDP)
 Q.168) India's first Tree Ambulance initiated in _____ by Green man of India
 a) Hyderabad b) Chennai
 c) Secunderabad d) Mumbai
 e) Bangalore
 Q.169) Who sworn in as the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh?
 a) J.Singh
 b) Nabam Tuki
 c) Pema Khandu
 d) Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa
 e) Pawan Kumar Chamling
 Q.170) Who sworn in as Chief Minister of Sikkim?
 a) Prem Singh Tamang
 b) Ganga Prasad
 c) Pawan Kumar Chamling
 d) Shriniwas Dadasaheb Patil
 e) Pema Khandu
 Q.171) Who is the author of the debut novel 'In Our Mad and Furious City'?
 a) Louisa Hall b) Guy Gunaratne
 c) Zoe Gilbert d) Sarah Perry
 e) Alain Prost
 Q.172) Russia launched the world's largest nuclear-powered icebreaker _____
 a) Lessi b) Gupta
 c) Nissi d) Dines
 e) Ural
 Q.173) Bollywood's most famous stunt and action choreographer, _____ passed away in Mumbai
 a) Veeru Devgan b) Ajay Devgan
 c) Shatruhan Singh d) Ranjith Sharma
 e) Rajeev Kapoor
 Q.174) Amnesty International Day is being observed on _____
 a) May 25 b) May 27
 c) May 28 d) May 17
 e) May 13
 Q.175) _____ became the oldest man to win a match at the French Open 2019
 a) Torben Ulrich b) Ivo Karlovic
 c) Istvan Gulyas d) Feliciano Lopez
 e) Peter Haine
 Q.176) Maldives Ex-Leader Mohamed Nasheed Tipped as _____
 a) New Speaker b) President
 c) Prime Minister d) Vice President
 e) State Representative
 Q.177) IAF's AN-32 aircraft has formally been certified to fly on blended aviation fuel containing up to 10% of indigenous _____ fuel.
 a) AVgas b) Diesel
 c) JET A/A1 d) Bio-jet
 e) Petrol
 Q.178) Who is appointed as new Home Secretary for West Bengal?
 a) Alapan Bandyopadhyay
 b) Suresh Mukopadhyay
 c) Dinesh Karthik Raj
 d) Acharya Dev
 e) Raj Kumar Virat
 Q.179) What are the countries signed an agreement to jointly develop the East Container Terminal at the Colombo Port?
 a) Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Thailand
 b) Sri Lanka, India and Myanmar
 c) Sri Lanka, Japan and India
 d) Sri Lanka, Bhutan and China
 e) Sri Lanka, Japan and China
 Q.180) Which of the following is NASA's program that will return astronauts to Moon for first time?
 a) Artemis b) Themis
 c) Gateway d) Spitzer
 e) Brightie

Q.181) Where was the third ISSF World Cup 2019 held?
 a) New Delhi, India b) London, UK
 c) Beijing, China d) Munich, Germany
 e) Tokyo, Japan
 Q.182) Who is new President of Malawi?
 a) Peter Mutharika b) John Williams
 c) Armen Sarkissian d) Ilham Aliyev
 e) Rajeev Kapoor
 Q.183) China rejected U.S. call for substantive dialogue with _____, after the U.S. Ambassador's visit to Tibet, recently.
 a) Vladimir Putin
 b) Buddhist monk Tanxu
 c) António Guterres
 d) Dalai Lama
 e) Donald Trump
 Q.184) Who won gold in the in the women's 25m pistol at the 2019 ISSF World Cup in Munich, Germany?
 a) Manu Bhaker b) Tejaswini Sawant
 c) Rahi Sarnobat d) Jitu Rai
 e) Apurvi Chandel
 Q.185) Which state released a draft block chain policy to set up country's first 'Block chain District'?
 a) Bihar b) Himachal Pradesh
 c) Maharashtra d) West bengal
 e) Telangana
 Q.186) Which domestic airlines became 4th to have a 100 aircraft in its fleet?
 a) SpiceJet b) Air India
 c) Jet Airways d) IndiGo
 e) Air Asia
 Q.187) Who launched a new project to boost medicinal plant cultivation?
 a) Chandrasekhara Rao b) Pinarayi Vijayan
 c) Siddaramaiah d) Conrad Sangma
 e) Edappadi K Palaniswamy
 Q.188) The International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers
 a) May 27 b) May 25
 c) May 26 d) May 28
 e) May 29
 Q.189) For which essay, Annie Zaidi was awarded the Nine Dots Prize 2019?
 a) Bread, Cement, Cactus
 b) Known Turf: Bantering with Bandits
 c) Other True Tales
 d) Love Stories # 1 to 14
 e) Stand Out of Our Light
 Q.190) _____ recognized 'burn-out' as medical condition and 'gaming disorder' a recognised illness
 a) WHO b) UNESCO
 c) UNO d) UNDP
 e) WLO
 Q.191) Who won the Nine Dots Prize 2019, an award for creative thinking that tackles contemporary societal issues?
 a) Writer Salman Rushdie
 b) Writer Arundhati Roy
 c) Writer Annie Zaidi
 d) Writer Chetan Bhagat
 e) Writer Kamala Kannan
 Q.192) _____ lifted export ban on fruits and vegetable from Kerala
 a) Pakistan b) Saudi Arabia
 c) Indonesia d) Iran
 e) Japan
 Q.193) The theme for the World Digestive Health Day 2019 campaign is
 a) Lately Diagnosis and Treatment of AI Cancer
 b) Diagnosis and Treatment of GI Cancer
 c) Early Diagnosis and Treatment of GI Cancer
 d) Early Treatment and Diagnosis of GI Cancer
 e) Treatment of GI Cancer and Early Diagnosis
 Q.194) What are the countries that are removed from US' currency monitoring list?
 a) Pakistan and Afghanistan
 b) China and India

c) India and Sweden
 d) Switzerland and India
 e) India and Pakistan
 Q.195) Who is the new President of Nigeria?
 a) Kingsley Moghalu
 b) Muhammadu Buhari
 c) Murtala Muhammed
 d) Yakubu Gowon
 e) Wesdire Thane
 Q.196) Who governed the oath of office to Y S Jaganmohan Reddy, the CM of Andhra Pradesh?
 a) E.S.L. Narasimhan
 b) K. Chandrashekar Rao
 c) Vajubhai Vala
 d) Chandrababu Naidu
 e) Raja Simmaha Raaju
 Q.197) India's first all-woman crew flies _____ medium lift helicopter.
 a) Mi-35 V5 b) Mi - 18 V16
 c) Mi - 8 V10 d) Mi - 17 V5
 e) Mi - 25 V7
 Q.198) _____ appointed as the Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea.
 a) James Marape b) Sam Aballis
 c) Dille Skate d) Rabbie Namaliu
 e) Salame Rossiyo
 Q.199) The Centre has constituted a Tribunal for adjudicating ban on LTTE under _____.
 a) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1948
 b) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1952
 c) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967
 d) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1991
 e) Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1998
 Q.200) Who administered the oath of office of PM Narendra Modi?
 a) President Ram Nath Kovind
 b) CJI Ranjan Gogoi
 c) MP Maneka Gandhi
 d) Amit Shah
 e) Option A & B
 Q.201) Former basketball player, Lamar Odom launched a new book _____.
 a) The Great Gatsby
 b) War and Peace
 c) Odom's light for year sports
 d) Sports Capital Lamar
 e) Darkness to light
 Q.202) Which Country is not a BIMSTEC country?
 a) China b) Myanmar
 c) Sri Lanka d) Bangladesh
 e) India
 Q.203) _____ of Indore got International Status?
 a) Raja Bhoj Airport
 b) Devi Ahilyabai International Holkar Airport
 c) Rajmata Vijaya Raje Airport
 d) Scindia Air Terminal Dumna Airport
 e) Anna International Airport
 Q.204) _____ conferred with 'Lifetime Recognition Award' by the Confederation of Horticulture Association of India
 a) Kumar b) Suresh Raj
 c) Naresh Iyer d) Dinesh Kumar
 e) Ram Krishnan
 Q.205) Who has sworn-in as the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh?
 a) E.S.L. Narasimhan
 b) Y S Jaganmohan Reddy
 c) Chandrababu Naidu
 d) Koramutla Sreenivasulu
 e) K. Chandrashekar Rao

VOCABULARY BUILDER

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: Dittance, 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

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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: Envable, 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.
Example: "His acerbic wit"
Synonyms: Sharp, Sarcastic.
Antonyms: Mild, Calm

286) Sequel
Meaning: A published, broadcast, or recorded work that continues the story or develops the theme of an earlier one.
Example: "The sequel to Home Alone"
Synonyms: Follow-up, Continuation.
Antonyms: Start, Initiation.

287) Offended
Meaning: Resentful or annoyed, typically as a result of a perceived insult.
Example: "He sounded rather offended"
Synonyms: Upset, Hurt
Antonyms: Pleased, Charmed.

288) Communiqué
Meaning: An official announcement or statement, especially one made to the media.
Example: "the country's foreign ministry issued a communique"
Synonyms: Message, Notification
Antonyms: Silence, Neglect.

289) Eerie
Meaning: Strange and frightening.
Example: "An eerie green glow in the sky"
Synonyms: Uncanny, Sinister.
Antonyms: Ordinary, Plain.

290) Outbreak
Meaning: A sudden occurrence of something unwelcome, such as war or disease.
Example: "The outbreak of World War II"
Synonyms: Eruption, Flare-up.
Antonyms: Conclusion, Peace.

291) Convulsion
Meaning: A sudden, violent, irregular movement of the body, caused by involuntary contraction of muscles and associated especially with brain

disorders such as epilepsy, the presence of certain toxins or other agents in the blood, or fever in children.

Example: "Toxic side effects like convulsions"
Synonyms: Fit, Seizure.
Antonyms: Harmony, Peace.

292) Stutter
Meaning: Talk with continued involuntary repetition of sounds, especially initial consonants.
Example: "The child was stuttering in fright"
Synonyms: Stammer, Stumble.
Antonyms: Continue

293) Suspect
Meaning: Have an idea or impression of the existence, presence, or truth of (something) without certain proof.
Example: "If you suspect a gas leak, do not turn on an electric light"
Synonyms: Have a suspicion, Have a feeling.
Antonyms: Innocent, Trustworthy.

294) Contaminate
Meaning: Make (something) impure by exposure to or addition of a poisonous or polluting substance.
Example: "The site was found to be contaminated by radioactivity"
Synonyms: Pollute, Adulterate.
Antonyms: Mend, Improve.

295) Contagious
Meaning: (Of a disease) spread from one person or organism to another, typically by direct contact.
Example: "A contagious disease"
Synonyms: Infectious, Communicable.
Antonyms: Harmless, Noncommunicable

296) Unrivalled
Meaning: Better than everyone or everything of the same type.
Example: "The paper's coverage of foreign news is unrivalled"
Synonyms: Unequaled, Without equal.
Antonyms: Ordinary, Unimpressive.

297) Precaution
Meaning: A measure taken in advance to prevent something dangerous, unpleasant, or inconvenient from happening.
Example: "He had taken the precaution of seeking legal advice"
Synonyms: Safeguard, Preventative/preventive measure.
Antonyms: Neglect, Ignorance.

298) Midst
Meaning: The middle part or point.
Example: "He left his flat in the midst of a rainstorm"
Synonyms: Middle, Centre.
Antonyms: Outside, Exterior.

299) Emphatic
Meaning: (Of an action or its result) definite and clear.
Example: "An emphatic World Cup win"
Synonyms: Conclusive, Decisive.
Antonyms: Narrow.

300) Detention
Meaning: The action of detaining someone or the state of being detained in official custody.
Example: "The fifteen people arrested were still in police detention"
Synonyms: Custody, Imprisonment
Antonyms: Assistance, Freedom.

BANKING AWARENESS QUIZ

Q.1) Who has recently released the 2019 Global Food Policy Report (GFPR) to highlights the urgency of rural revitalization to address a growing crisis in rural areas?

- a) International Food Policy Research Institute
- b) Food and Agriculture Organization
- c) International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics
- d) World Food Programme
- e) World Health Organisation

Q.2) How much amount was proposed by NITI Aayog for Artificial Intelligence push and for the establishment of AIRAWAT, a cloud computing platform along with research institutes?

- a) Rs.8,000 crore
- b) Rs.7,000 crore
- c) Rs.6,000 crore
- d) Rs.7,500 crore
- e) Rs.10,000 crore

Q.3) Recently UN Environment India and Wildlife Crime Control Bureau of India has launched a campaign on illegal wildlife trade. What was the name of that campaign?

- a) Migration of Animals
- b) Animals and Forest
- c) Not All animals migrate by choice
- d) Animal lover
- e) Migratory Animals and the forest

Q.4) Which of the following company toppled Indian Oil Corporation to become the country's biggest company by revenue, recently?

- a) Amazon
- b) Reliance Industries
- c) Flipkart
- d) TCS
- e) HCL

Q.5) Which of the following bank has announced a partnership with the FMCG arm of the Art of Living-Sri Sri Tattva. Under this partnership, customer can avail a discount of 15 per cent on the entire range of products offered by Sri Sri Tattva?

- a) Bank of Baroda
- b) IDBI Bank
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Punjab National Bank
- e) Yes Bank

Q.6) Pehal Charitable Trust (PCT) has entered into the Guinness Book of World Records for Longest Line of Hunger Relief (Iftar) Package. The trust belongs to which country?

- a) Turkey
- b) Israel
- c) India
- d) UAE
- e) USA

Q.7) The 2019 meeting of TAPI gas pipeline took place in which country?

- a) Afghanistan
- b) Turkmenistan
- c) Pakistan
- d) India
- e) Israel

Q.8) Which of the following ministry plans to introduce an Artificial Intelligence (AI) system in the MCA21 portal to make compliance process easier?

- a) Ministry of External Affairs
- b) Ministry of Corporate affairs
- c) Ministry of Communications
- d) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- e) Ministry of Finance

Q.9) The voting for the fourth phase of Lok Sabha Elections 2019 was held for how many constituencies?

- a) 72
- b) 89
- c) 91
- d) 105
- e) 68

Q.10) Who was named as first non-British President of the Marylebone Cricket Club?

- a) MS Dhoni
- b) Kumar Sangakkara
- c) Brett Lee
- d) Chris Gayle
- e) Sachin Tendulkar

Q.11) Which of the following rule under the 'Conduct of Elections Rules' lists out a six-month jail term and a Rs 1000 fine for falsely reporting malfunctioning of EVMs and VVPATs?

- a) Rule 49MA
- b) Rule 51GCA
- c) Rule 37PB
- d) Rule 24TR
- e) Rule 65PB

Q.12) Which of the following country placed India on its 'Priority Watch List' alleging lack of "sufficient measurable improvements" to its Intellectual Property (IP) framework, recently?

- a) United Kingdom
- b) Russia
- c) China
- d) United States
- e) Australia

Q.13) Who is the youngest candidate to win in the Lok Sabha Elections 2019?

- a) Nusrat Jahan
- b) Tejaswi Surya
- c) Praveen Nishad
- d) Mukut Bihari
- e) Akhilesh Yadav

Q.14) Which of the following social media platform has announced its partnership with the Indian Wheelchair Cricket Association as the team sponsor for Team India during Asia Cup 2019?

- a) Hike
- b) Helo
- c) Wechat
- d) Telegram
- e) Whatsapp

Q.15) The United Nations Security Council recently designated which organisation's chief as a Global Terrorist?

- a) Jaish-e-Mohammad
- b) Tehreek-ul-Mujahideen
- c) National Thawheed Jamath
- d) Jamathei Milathu Ibrahim
- e) None of these

Q.16) Who among the following has recently been appointed as the Vice President of Badminton Asia Council (BAC)?

- a) Pijush Hazarika
- b) Siddhartha Bhattacharya
- c) Akhil Gogoi
- d) Himanta Biswa Sarma
- e) Ali Al Marri

Q.17) What is the rank of India in the 2019 Kids Right Index?

- a) 132nd
- b) 117th
- c) 149th
- d) 105th
- e) 120th

Q.18) Which of these insurance companies has won the FICCI Claims Excellence Award for its customer-friendly claims services, including dedicated claims handler and one of the best claim settlement ratios, in the life insurance sector during its 20th Annual Insurance Conference—FINCON 2019?

- a) Aviva Life Insurance
- b) Bharti AXA Life Insurance
- c) Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance
- d) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance
- e) Birla Sun Life Insurance

Q.19) The Government of India has planned to merge its statistics organ NSSO and CSO as a single unit under the name _____.

- a) National Survey Office
- b) National Statistical Office
- c) National Statistical Survey Organisation
- d) National Survey Supervisory Office
- e) National Statistical Organisation

Q.20) The National Company Law Tribunal has approved the merger of which bank with Bharat Financial Inclusion?

- a) IDBI Bank
- b) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- c) IndusInd Bank
- d) RBL Bank
- e) YES Bank

Q.21) Which of these institutions has signed an agreement to provide USD 750 million loan to India for Electrification of Railway Track?

- a) World Bank
- b) International Monetary Fund
- c) Asian Development Bank
- d) United Nations Development Programme
- e) Deutsche Bank

Q.22) Which of the following along with XPoSAT has been categorized by ISRO as Defined Missions, recently?

- a) Lunar Polar Exploration and Exoworlds

- b) Venus Mission
- d) Aditya L-1

- c) Mangalyaan-2
- e) Mangalyaan-1

Q.23) Which of the following company has formed a new financial tech firm, Libra Networks LLC in Switzerland, recently?

- a) Google
- b) Microsoft
- c) Facebook
- d) Amazon
- e) Twitter

Q.24) The Lok Sabha elections of which year witnessed the highest voter turnout in its history.

- a) 2004
- b) 2014
- c) 2019
- d) 2009
- e) 1999

Q.25) Which organisation inaugurated the Young Scientist Programme aimed at imparting basic knowledge on Space Technology, Space Science and Space Applications to the younger ones with the intent of arousing their interest in the emerging areas of Space activities?

- a) ISRO
- b) Ministry of Defence
- c) NASA
- d) DRDO
- e) None of these

Q.26) Recently BSE launched an application for its mutual fund platform to process transactions faster. What is the name of that application?

- a) StAR MF
- b) NiTYA MF
- c) StoCKS MF
- d) FunDS MF
- e) AditYA Birla MF

Q.27) Which of the following nation has suspended the procedure of filling landing cards by travelers from India and other nations, recently?

- a) US
- b) Japan
- c) France
- d) UK
- e) UAE

Q.28) Which of the following country has approved Permanent Residency to certain expatriates?

- a) Iraq
- b) Saudi Arabia
- c) UAE
- d) Iran
- e) Oman

Q.29) Which of the following financial services company, has launched a specialized insurance cover titled 'Mumbai Local Train Cover' for passengers traveling in local trains in Mumbai?

- a) SBI Life Insurance
- b) Bajaj Finserv
- c) Max Life Insurance
- d) Exide Life Insurance
- e) Birla Sun Life Insurance

Q.30) RBI recently announced to issue Rs 20 banknotes of greenish-yellow colour. The new Rs.20 banknotes will bear which heritage site of India?

- a) Elephanta Caves
- b) Badami Caves
- c) Bhimbetka Caves
- d) Ellora Caves

Q.31) Google has announced a suspension of its services with which technology giant, recently?

- a) Alibaba
- b) Xiaomi
- c) Honor
- d) Huawei
- e) Samsung

Q.32) As per Israel proposal, which country has been selected as the focus country in Jerusalem Film Festival, 2020?

- a) India
- b) Singapore
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Sri Lanka
- e) UAE

Q.33) Which of the following company has partnered with France based Rakuten Aquafadas on building enhanced customer experience offerings?

- a) Tech Mahindra
- b) Infosys
- c) TCS
- d) Wipro
- e) IBM

Q.34) Which of the following city's metro tied up with Instamojo for card payments aimed at boosting cashless travel?

- a) Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Lucknow
- d) Ahmedabad
- e) Bangalore

Q.35) Wholesale Price Index-based Inflation slides to _____ percent in April 2018.
a) 3.87% b) 2.86%
c) 3.07% d) 3.97%
e) 4.07%

Q.36) What is the core theme of vision document 'Payment and Settlement Systems in India: Vision 2019 – 2021' released by RBI?
a) Empowering Exceptional E Payment Experience
b) Empowering Exceptional Digital Payment Experience
c) Exceptional E-payment Experience
d) Exceptional Digital payment Experience
e) Empowering Exceptional UPI Payment Experience

Q.37) In which of the following city, India will be setting up its military space agency?
a) Mumbai b) Chennai
c) Bangalore d) Pune
e) Hyderabad

Q.38) Which of the following country's people are seeking help to reduce their alcohol intake, as per the 8th edition of Global Drug Survey 2019?
a) Thailand b) India
c) Malaysia d) Singapore
e) Nigeria

Q.39) Who has appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank?
a) Samit Ghosh b) Nitin Chugh
c) Sunil Patel d) Nandlal Sarda
e) Vikas Arora

Q.40) A High-Level Committee on Digital Payments recently submitted its report to the RBI. The Committee is headed by whom?
a) Nandan Nilekani b) Kishore Sansi
c) Sanjay Jain d) Aruna Sharma
e) Arun Jaitley

Q.41) Which of the following institution recently launched the 'Vision 2021' document for e-payment system?
a) FICCI b) RBI
c) NITI Aayog d) SEBI
e) IRDAI

Q.42) Which of the following state has 35 per cent of the country's Graphite deposits as per the Geological Survey of India (GSI)?
a) Odisha b) Arunachal Pradesh
c) Assam d) Tamil Nadu
e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.43) What is the name of the mission to the moon, that is set to be achieved by the National Aeronautics and Space Organization (NASA) in the year 2024?
a) Artemis b) Voyager
c) Pioneer d) Chandra
e) Juno

Q.44) Which of the following country has recently blocked all editions of Wikipedia?
a) USA b) China
c) Russia d) Canada
e) India

Q.45) Who was appointed as the brand ambassador of Merchant service and UPI payments app BharatPe?
a) Amitabh Bachchan b) Shahrukh Khan
c) Aamir Khan d) Salman Khan
e) Vicky Kaushal

Q.46) Who was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) Mutual Fund recently?
a) Girish Chandra Murmu
b) Subhash Chandra Garg
c) Vipin Anand
d) Dinesh Pangtey
e) Narendra Chandra

Q.47) Which among the following retired Supreme Court judges has been appointed to the Supreme Court of Fiji?
a) Jagdish Singh Khehar

b) Arjan Kumar Sikri
c) Madan Bhimarao Lokur
d) Kurian Joseph
e) Ranjan Gogoi

Q.48) The Union Home Ministry has extended the ban imposed on which among the following militant organizations for five more years?
a) LTTE b) ISIS
c) LeT d) JeM
e) None of the above

Q.49) Name the Indian regulatory body, who's subsidiary Nabventures has launched 'NABVENTURES Fund I' to provide support for agriculture, food and rural startups with a capital investment of Rs 700-crore.
a) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
d) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI)
e) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)

Q.50) Where was the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention (BC COP-14) held?
a) Beijing, China b) Vienna, Austria
c) Geneva, Switzerland d) Paris, France
e) New Delhi, India

Q.51) Which of the following company has unveiled software for verifiable voting known as "ElectionGuard" to enable end-to-end verification of elections, open results to third-party organisations for secure validation?
a) IBM b) Microsoft
c) TCS d) Infosys
e) Adobe

Q.52) Recently WHO collaborated with IFBA (International Food and Beverage Alliance) to eliminate industrially produced trans-fat by which year?
a) 2023 b) 2025
c) 2026 d) 2030
e) 2021

Q.53) Which of the following city is hosting the two-day WTO ministerial meeting?
a) Bangalore b) New Delhi
c) Beijing d) Kuala Lumpur
e) Pune

Q.54) Which of the following magazines has recently released its cover featuring the image of PM Narendra Modi with the headline 'India's Divider in Chief'?
a) Cosmopolitan b) Bloomberg
c) Forbes d) TIME
e) Business Outlook

Q.55) As per the report released by digital marketing platform SEMrush, who is the most followed politician globally?
a) George V Bush b) Barack Obama
c) Donald Trump d) Vladimir Putin
e) Bill Clinton

Q.56) RBI has increased the housing loan limits for eligibility under PSL to _____ in metropolitan centers.
a) Rs 35 lakhs b) Rs 15 lakhs
c) Rs 20 lakhs d) Rs 45 lakhs
e) Rs 49 lakhs

Q.57) Global card payments major Mastercard, said it will invest how much billion in India over the next five years, with plans to make the country a global technology node for its platforms?
a) \$1 billion b) \$2 billion
c) \$3 billion d) \$4 billion
e) \$5 billion

Q.58) Recently Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu released a postage stamp to commemorate the 750th birth anniversary of which person?
a) Sri Ravi Jai Shankar
b) Sri Vedanta Desikan
c) Sri Vaishnava

d) Sri Ram charan
e) Sri Sri Ravi Shankar

Q.59) Which of the following organisation has signed MoU with Automotive Research Association of India, an autonomous body affiliated to the Ministry of Heavy Industries in various projects related to e mobility?
a) BEL b) BHEL
c) ISRO d) NTPC
e) DRDO

Q.60) Which of the following Indian has been re-elected to International Narcotics Control Board?
a) Amartya Sen b) Jagdish Bhagwati
c) Gita Gopinath d) Jagjit Padvia
e) Nirmala Sitharaman

Q.61) Name the Blockchain based service launched by the tech giant, Microsoft to bring major infrastructure change to how internet users' identities are stored and verified.
a) Azure Blockchain Service
b) Abra Blockchain Service
c) Ardor Blockchain Service
d) BitSwift Blockchain Service
e) FitBit Blockchain Service

Q.62) India recently was re-elected as observer to which international forum?
a) Arctic Council
b) World Bank
c) United Nations Mission in South Sudan
d) United Nations Commission on the Status of Women
e) CRY Foundation

Q.63) According to SIPRI, what is the rank of India in terms of the biggest military spenders in 2018?
a) 4th b) 1st
c) 2nd d) 5th
e) 3rd

Q.64) Which organization has notified, that FAME-II plan stands to reduce 64% energy needs and 37% carbon needs by 2030?
a) Confederation of Indian Industry
b) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
c) NASSCOM
d) Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
e) None of the above

Q.65) Which of the following organisation launched the Malaria Elimination Research Alliance recently?
a) Indian Council of Medical Research
b) World Health Organisation
c) Ministry of Women and Child Development
d) NABARD
e) All India Institute of Medical Sciences

Q.66) Where were the India, Brazil and South Africa (IBSA) Sherpas meeting held recently?
a) Kolkata, West Bengal
b) Bengaluru, Karnataka
c) Mumbai, Maharashtra
d) Cochin, Kerala
e) Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Q.67) Where was the G7 Environment Ministers Meeting held to discuss climate crisis?
a) Rome, Italy b) Metz, France
c) Ottawa, Canada d) Paris, France
e) Muscat, Oman

Q.68) Which of the following country has emerged as the third largest Foreign Direct Investor in India for 2017-18?
a) Ireland b) UK
c) Netherlands d) Belgium
e) Denmark

Q.69) Who has been appointed as the first independent women director by Bombay Stock Exchange?
a) Swarnima Shukla b) Manisha Bhatt
c) Jayshree Vyas d) Nirmala Rai
e) Shikha Sharma

Q.70) Which of the following bank has slipped by 3 notches to come down to the 10th spot as a most valued bank?

- a) State Bank of India b) ICICI Bank
c) Yes Bank d) HDFC Bank
e) AU Bank

Q.71) Which of the following city police department has launched an all women police patrol unit "Rani Abbakka Force"?

- a) Vijayapura b) Bengaluru
c) Mangalore d) Hubli
e) Belgaum

Q.72) Which of the following bank has launched the \$ 5 billion Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies for the Asia and Pacific region recently?

- a) Bank for International Settlements
b) World Bank
c) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
d) Asian Development Bank
e) African Development Bank

Q.73) Which of the following telecom service provider has become the first operator to start optical fibre based high speed broadband service in Pulwama with the launch of Bharat Fibre?

- a) Airtel b) Vodafone
c) Idea d) BSNL
e) MTNL

Q.74) Which of the following department has relaxed income tax rules in order to facilitate fundraising by start-ups which is a part of the 'Startup India Vision 2024'?

- a) Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
b) Department of Commerce
c) Department of Heavy Industry
d) Department of Export Promotion Council
e) Department of Fisheries

Q.75) According to a recent report, which company displaced Apple Inc to claim no 2 spot in smartphones maker in first quarter of 2019?

- a) Oppo b) Huawei
c) Samsung d) Asus
e) Xiaomi

Q.76) Which of the following country has launched its first private rocket named 'Momo-3' into space recently?

- a) Japan b) China
c) Russia d) US
e) India

Q.77) Which of the following department has signed a joint agreement with the Income Tax Department for decreasing black money generation?

- a) Revenue Department
b) Financial Services Department
c) Goods and Services Tax Network
d) Expenditure Department
e) Human Resource Department

Q.78) Which of the following bank recently linked its interest rates to RBI's repo rate?

- a) Bank of Baroda
b) State Bank of India
c) IDBI Bank
d) Punjab National Bank
e) ICICI Bank

Q.79) According to data by Directorate General Commercial Intelligence, which of the following country has become India's top crude oil supplier?

- a) Iraq b) Iran
c) Afghanistan d) Saudi Arabia
e) UAE

Q.80) Which of the following general insurance company has tied up with web aggregator Wishfin Insurance for the speedy delivery of two-wheeler cover?

- a) Bharti AXA b) ICICI Lombard
c) IDBI Federal d) NIACL
e) Franklin Investments

Q.81) Which of the following institute has launched a new initiative named Global Registry of Violent Deaths (GRVD)?

- a) International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)
b) Stockholm International peace research institute (SIPRI)
c) Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)
d) Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

Q.82) India's largest telecom operator, Vodafone Idea Ltd has notified a 5-year multi-million-dollar with IBM in which of the following sectors?

- a) Implementing IOT b) IT outsourcing deal
c) 5G Implementation d) Gaming
e) Artificial Intelligence

Q.83) Government has signed MoU with which of the following IIT to set up a Centre of Excellence for Waste to Wealth Technologies?

- a) IIT Roorkee b) IIT Madras
c) IIT Delhi d) IIT Kanpur
e) IIT Kharagpur

Q.84) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently proposed the rules on opening and processing which account of corporate borrowers to prevent diversion of funds?

- a) Recurring Deposit Account
b) Current Account
c) Deposit account
d) Fixed Deposit Account
e) Overdraft Account

Q.85) Which of the following country has topped the Kids Right Index, 2019?

- a) Portugal b) Switzerland
c) Iceland d) Finland
e) Australia

Q.86) IRDAI has set up a 13-member committee under chairmanship of _____ to review the regulatory framework on microinsurance & recommend measures to increase the demand for such products

- a) Suresh Mathur b) U K Sinha
c) Pradeep Kumar d) PK Sinha
e) None of these

Q.87) Who has teamed up with Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CommBank) to record world's first Blockchain Bond Transaction?

- a) World Bank
b) Asian Development Bank
c) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
d) New Development Bank
e) African Development Bank

Q.88) Who has tied-up with HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company to co-create new Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based solutions?

- a) TCS b) IBM
c) Infosys d) HCL
e) Cognizant

Q.89) Whose license has been cancelled by Home Ministry or alleged violation of norms in receiving foreign grants?

- a) Tata Trusts
b) HCL Foundation
c) Infosys Foundation
d) Azim Premji Foundation
e) Reliance Foundation

Q.90) Researchers from which of the following IIT have used a multi-lingual Optical Character Recognition (OCR) scheme to develop a method for reading documents in Bharati script?

- a) IIT Roorkee b) IIT Madras
c) IIT Delhi d) IIT Kanpur
e) IIT Kharagpur

Q.91) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has launched a pilot scheme to extend financial assistance of up to _____ to new age fintech non-banking finance companies (NBFCs).

- a) Rs.5 crore b) Rs.10 crore
c) Rs.15 crore d) Rs.20 crore

Q.92) Paytm has partnered with which of the following bank to launch its first credit card called Paytm First Card.

- a) HDFC Bank b) ICICI Bank
c) Citi Bank d) State Bank of India
e) Canara Bank

Q.93) Which company has tied up with HDFC Life Insurance to offer life cover for customers who get a prepaid recharge done?

- a) Idea b) Reliance Jio
c) Vodafone d) Airtel
e) Airtel

Q.94) Who has partnered with India Mortgage Guarantee Corporation (IMGC) to offer a mortgage-guaranteed home loan product?

- a) HDFC Bank
b) ICICI Bank
c) Axis Bank
d) State Bank of India
e) UCO Bank

Q.95) A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between National Mission for Clean Ganga, _____ and INTACH for taking up a project of 'Plantation of Rudraksh Trees in Uttarakhand' as a part of CSR initiative under the 'Namami Gange' Programme, recently?

- a) Tata Trusts
b) HCL Foundation
c) Infosys Foundation
d) Azim Premji Foundation
e) Reliance Foundation

Q.96) Which country has been unanimously chosen as co-chair of the Consultative Group (CG) of Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR) for the fiscal year 2020?

- a) China b) India
c) Japan d) North Korea
e) USA

Q.97) Which of the following bank has launched the co-branded multi-currency card with online travel booking portal Goibibo?

- a) HDFC Bank
b) ICICI Bank
c) Axis Bank
d) State Bank of India
e) Bank of Baroda

Q.98) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of how much crore on Nainital Bank for its failure to fully automate the Non-Performing Asset (NPA) identification process, despite specific directions issued in this regard?

- a) Rs.5 crore b) Rs.1 crore
c) Rs.2 crore d) Rs.1.5 crore
e) Rs.3 crore

Q.99) What is the deposit growth rate in 2018-19 as per data by RBI?

- a) 10.3% b) 8.4%
c) 2.9% d) 7.5%
e) 9.8%

Q.100) What is the bank credit growth rate in 2018-19 as per data by RBI?

- a) 13.24% b) 18.43%
c) 12.03% d) 15.76%
e) 19.34%

Q.101) Where does 2-Day meeting of the Regional Heads of Customs Administration of Asia Pacific Region of the World Customs Organisation (WCO)?

- a) Chennai b) Kochi
c) Mumbai d) Delhi
e) Bangalore

Q.102) Which of the following global payment service has announced its plan of investing \$1 billion in India operations?

- a) Mastercard b) Visa
c) Maestro d) Rupay
e) None of these

Q.103) Which of the following country has tested a laser system called Self-Protect High Energy

Laser Demonstrator (SHIELD) that successfully shot down multiple air-launched missiles while in flight?

- a) China b) USA
c) Russia d) India
e) Japan

Q.104) On how many pre-paid payment instrument issuers does RBI has imposed penalty recently?

- a) 2 b) 3
c) 4 d) 5
e) 8

Q.105) According to ADB, the Asia-Pacific region is expected to grow at what percent in 2019?

- a) 5.1% b) 5.3%
c) 5.5% d) 5.7%
e) 5.9%

Q.106) Which of the following insurance has launched 'Webassurance' to enable its customers to purchase life insurance in a convenient and hassle-free way?

- a) Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance
b) DHFL Pramerica Life Insurance
c) Edelweiss Tokio Life Insurance
d) Exide Life Insurance
e) None of these

Q.107) Where LIC Housing Finance has launched a skilling center 'Udyam' to provide training to marginalised youth in the BFSI, retail, and IT/ITES sectors?

- a) Chandigarh b) Mumbai
c) Chennai d) Bengaluru
e) Hyderabad

Q.108) Which of the following bank has moved to a new interest rate regime on large savings account deposits as well as short-term loans linking to Reserve Bank of India's repo rate?

- a) State Bank of India b) HDFC Bank
c) ICICI Bank d) Canara Bank
e) Bank of India

Q.109) SEBI has imposed fine of more than Rs.625 crore on _____ in the case of misuse of its co-location facility?

- a) BSE b) NSE
c) MCX d) IND-INX
e) None of these

Q.110) India Ratings & Research has lowered the country's growth forecast for the current fiscal to _____, from the earlier projection of 7.5 per cent.

- a) 7.1 per cent b) 7.5 per cent
c) 7.4 per cent d) 7.3 per cent
e) 7.2 per cent

Q.111) In how many cities National Clean Air Programme aims to reduce particulate matter (PM) pollution by 20%-30% by 2024?

- a) 100 b) 101
c) 102 d) 103
e) 105

Q.112) United Nations has signed a joint framework with _____ aimed at strengthening partnership in counter-terrorism efforts.

- a) India b) China
c) APEC d) European Union
e) OPEC

Q.113) Tata Steel is to acquire Bhushan Energy Ltd. for about _____.

- a) 200 crores b) 400 crores
c) 500 crores d) 800 crores
e) 600 crores

Q.114) Which company appoints Suresh Kumar as Chief Technology Officer?

- a) Walmart b) Amazon
c) Flipkart d) Jabong
e) Snap Deal

Q.115) Motila Oswal AMC become the first Indian fund house to introduce _____ transaction platform

- a) Whatsapp b) Telegram
c) Twitter d) Instagram
e) Hike

Q.116) Which rank did India secured in the IMD World Competitiveness Report 2019?

- a) 54th b) 25th
c) 10th d) 43rd
e) 37th

Q.117) SREI Equipment Finance ties up with _____ to offer loans for purchase of equipment under a co-lending arrangement

- a) Bank of Baroda
b) Oriental Bank of Commerce
c) Dena bank d) Yes bank
e) Allahabad bank

Q.118) Standard Chartered launched Trade A1 Engine in partnership with _____

- a) IBM b) Tech Mahindra
c) Infosys d) Wipro
e) TCS

Q.119) Who heads the task force formed by RBI for the development of Secondary loan market?

- a) Canara Bank chairman T. N. Manoharan
b) Indian Overseas Bank chairman R. Subramaniakumar
c) Indian Bank chairman Padmaja Chunduru
d) Dena Bank chairman Ashwani Kumar
e) Allahabad Bank chairman S. Mallikarjuna Rao

Q.120) What is the minimum and maximum amount of remittance through Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)?

- a) 1 lakh – No limit b) 2 lakh – No limit
c) 5 lakh – No limit d) 10 lakh – No limit
e) 3 lakh – No limit

Q.121) Wirecard teams up with India to issue _____.

- a) PAN card b) Voter ID
c) Aadhaar Card d) Ration Card
e) Passport

Q.122) RBI allowed large modern currency chests to increase the service charges from Rs.5 per packet to a maximum of _____ per packet.

- a) 6 b) 7
c) 8 d) 9
e) 10

Q.123) RBI is to introduce Liquidity Coverage Ratio in NBFCs/non-deposit taking shadow banks which have an asset size of _____ and above.

- a) 5,000 crores b) 10,000 crores
c) 15,000 crores d) 20,000 crores
e) 25,000 crores

Q.124) Which bank launched 'Corp SME Suvidha' for MSMEs?

- a) Bank of Baroda
b) Corporation Bank
c) Central Bank of India
d) Andhra Bank
e) State Bank of India

Q.125) For which transactions RBI has extended the time from 4:30 pm to 6 pm?

- a) National Electronic Fund transfer (NEFT)
b) Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)
c) Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD)
d) Immediate Payment Service (IMPS)
e) Unified Payment Interface (UPI)

Q.126) The designated bank branches that distribute the notes and coins throughout the country are called _____.

- a) Core banks
b) Currency Chest
c) Denomination suppliers
d) Currency regulator
e) Demat credit

Q.127) To prevent re-occurrence of IL&FS type of debt crisis in NBFCs RBI is to introduce LCR. What does LCR stand for?

- a) Liquidity Cash Reserve
b) Licensed Corrected Ratio
c) Liquidity Coverage Ratio
d) Limited Cash Reserve
e) Liquidity Corrected Ratio

Q.128) _____ allows Modern Currency Chests to hike service charges, recently.

- a) World Bank b) IMF
c) RBI d) ADB
e) AIIB

Q.129) Which company has recently revealed to stop selling its smartphones in several countries including India?

- a) Sony b) Samsung
c) Huawei d) Oppo
e) Nokia

Q.130) Adani to set up container terminal in _____.

- a) Myanmar b) Sri Lanka
c) New Zealand d) Saudi Arabia
e) None of these

Q.131) Vedanta recently bagged two copper blocks in _____.

- a) Gujarat b) Punjab
c) Maharashtra d) West Bengal
e) Tamil Nadu

Q.132) _____ to put ads on Status in 2020, confirms Facebook.

- a) Whatsapp b) Twitter
c) Instagram d) Share chat
e) Telegram

Q.133) Which network partnered with Google for expanding WiFi footprint?

- a) BSNL b) Airtel
c) Vodafone d) Idea
e) None of these

Q.134) RBI appointed a committee for its move towards Payment and Settlement Systems in India: Vision 2019 – 2021 under _____.

- a) Nandan Nilekani b) HR Khan
c) Sanjay Jain d) Aruna Sharma
e) Vijay Shekhar Sharma

Q.135) India's forex reserves comprise of _____.

- a) Foreign Currency Assets
b) Special Drawing Rights
c) Gold reserves
d) All the above
e) None of the above

Q.136) Who launched an initiative termed as HDFC Affordable Real Estate and Technology Programme (HeART)?

- a) HDFC Capital Advisors
b) State Bank of India
c) CitiBank
d) Vijaya Bank
e) ICICI Bank

Q.137) India's overall Forex reserve increased to _____ from \$418.687 bn in the month of May.

- a) \$425.822 billion b) \$424.975 billion
c) \$422.655 billion d) \$420.055 billion
e) \$420.755 billion

Q.138) Where is the Head Quarters of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Limited located?

- a) Chennai b) Trivandrum
c) Bengaluru d) Jaipur
e) Kolkata

Q.139) The Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI) announced a tie up with which of the following organizations to improve the health of the sport in the country?

- a) Wipro b) HCL
c) Tech Mahindra d) TCS
e) Cognizant

Q.140) Which Country has the World's Highest Child Mortality rate In 2015, a study by Lancet Study?

- a) Pakistan b) Russia
c) Magnolia d) China
e) India

Q.141) NMCG, HCL Foundation and INTACH inked MoU for Rudraksh Plantation in which of the following State?

- a) Meghalaya
b) Himachal Pradesh
c) Mizoram
d) Uttarakhand

- e) Jammu & Kashmir
Q.142) Who was appointed as an additional Director on the board of Yes Bank by RBI?
a) Rajiv Menon
b) Urjit Patel
c) Ramasubramanian Gandhi
d) Rajmohan Gandhi
e) Raghuram Rajan
Q.143) Which of the Following non-life insurance provider in the private sector announced the launch of 'Mosquito Disease Protection Policy'?
a) Chalamandalam MS General Insurance
b) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
c) Apollo Munich Health Insurance
d) Bharti Axa General Insurance
e) HDFC ERGO General Insurance
Q.144) Facebook chooses which of the following city as base to develop WhatsApp's mobile payments service?
a) Moscow
b) Washington D.C
c) London
d) Benn
e) Berlin
Q.145) Which bank is the most valued Indian Bank with a market cap of Rs.6.34 Trillion?
a) State Bank of India
b) Bank of Baroda
c) Yes Bank
d) Punjab national Bank
e) HDFC Bank
Q.146) Direct Tax collections fell short by how much crore during 2018-19 with lower corporate tax collections emerging as one of the reasons for the lower mop?
a) Rs.42,000 crore
b) Rs.62,000 crore
c) Rs.72,000 crore
d) Rs.82,000 crore
e) Rs.92,000 crore
Q.147) Anthill Ventures, which helps startups scale up, has tied up with which of the following State Government to offer A-Scale, its market access programme to start-ups in the State?
a) Meghalaya
b) Himachal Pradesh
c) Karnataka
d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Jammu & Kashmir
Q.148) Who is appointed as the Chairperson of the News Broadcasting standards Authority?
a) Sunil Lamba
b) Ashok Lavasa
c) Sunil Mehta
d) A.K Sikri
e) R Krishnamurthy
Q.149) Where is the Headquarters of World Customs Organizations located?
a) Bern
b) London
c) Brussels
d) New Delhi
e) Berlin
Q.150) Who was appointed as the MD & CEO Of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank?
a) Udit Narayanan
b) Nitin Chugh
c) Sikander Garg
d) Bharat Singh
e) Samit Gosh

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.
 $\frac{84 \times 456}{2 \times \sqrt[3]{1296}} = (?)^3 + \sqrt{\frac{50 \times 288}{36}}$
a) 7 b) 9 c) 11
d) 6 e) None of these
Q.5) 15% of 34600+ 27% of 11500+ 32% of 46600= (?)
a) 23207 b) 24208 c) 15208
d) 23407 e) 23702
Q.6) 23% of 26300+ 13% of 29000 =18% of (?)
a) 56450 b) 55540 c) 56250
d) 55450 e) 54550
Q.7) $\frac{221 \times 779}{13 \times 19} + 3 = 7 \times (?)$
a) 43 b) 97 c) 100
d) 102 e) 104
Q.8) 2.321 + 5.212 + 16.563 + 0.904 = (?)²
a) 30 b) 25 c) 6
d) 5 e) 4
Q.9) $13 \times 3 + 1^{700} + 2^{697-699+4} = \left\{ \frac{180}{12} - (12 \times 3 - 20 - 3) \right\} \times (?)$
a) 22 b) 32 c) 44
d) 72 e) 91
Q.10) 45+20% of 800+200= x
a) 425 b) 405 c) 395
d) 410 e) 450
Q.11) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} = x - \frac{1}{16}$
a) 1 b) 2 c) $\frac{15}{16}$
d) $\frac{14}{16}$ e) $\frac{17}{16}$
Q.12) 400+150+200+300 = x- 1200
a) 2150 b) 2250 c) 2500
d) 2400 e) 2000
Q.13) $\sqrt{17 \times 13} + 29 + 150 = x$
a) 21 b) 19 c) 22
d) 18 e) 20
Q.14) 15% of 200 + 20% of 400 - 35% of 200 = x
a) 80 b) 70 c) 10
d) 20 e) 40
Q.15) 120% of 200 + 400 + $\sqrt{3600} = x$
a) 500 b) 600 c) 700
d) 800 e) 1000
Q.16) 240×2+300×4+150×3 = x
a) 2240 b) 2430 c) 2230
d) 2130 e) 2530
Q.17) 25% of 800+ 30% of 1000 = x+40% of 300
a) 480 b) 360 c) 380
d) 350 e) 400
Q.18) $1\frac{1}{3} + 2\frac{2}{9} - 3\frac{1}{6} + 4\frac{2}{9} = x$
a) $3\frac{7}{18}$ b) $7\frac{11}{18}$ c) $6\frac{13}{18}$
d) $5\frac{1}{2}$ e) $4\frac{11}{18}$
Q.19) 350 + 400+ 45% of 2000 = x+700
a) 900 b) 950 c) 800
d) 750 e) 1000
Q.20) $\frac{2}{7}$ of 1596 × 4 = $\frac{1}{2}$ of ?
a) 3217 b) 3648 c) 3898
d) 3649 e) 3684
Q.21) 5376 ÷ 12 ÷ ? = 64
a) 21 b) 14 c) 49
d) 7 e) 3
Q.22) 128 × 15 ÷ 5 + 2² = ?
a) 388 b) 324 c) 389
d) 402 e) 412

- Q.23) $8\frac{1}{3} \times 2\frac{2}{5} \times ? = 12$
a) $\frac{4}{5}$ b) $\frac{2}{3}$ c) $\frac{3}{5}$
d) $\frac{3}{7}$ e) $\frac{4}{7}$
Q.24) $\sqrt{784} \times 3 - 80 \div 16 \times ? = 632$
a) -141.6 b) 109.6 c) 116.9
d) -112.5 e) -109.6
Q.25) ?=(22×5) +(12×10) -(4×15)
a) 140 b) 170 c) 180
d) 165 e) 290
Q.26) ?=15% of 120-22% of 150+11% of 200
a) -4 b) 9 c) 11
d) 7 e) 37
Q.27) 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) ? = $\frac{\frac{1}{2} \times 88}{\frac{2}{3} \times 33} + (11 \times 2)$
a) 22 b) 23 c) 28
d) 16 e) 26
Q.30) 15+?=12+434-182+46-35
a) 280 b) 255 c) 260
d) 275 e) None of these
Q.31) ? = $\frac{\sqrt{64 \times \sqrt{36}}}{\sqrt[3]{8}} \times \sqrt{16}$
a) 48 b) 96 c) 84
d) 56 e) 78
Q.32) $\frac{7}{2} = (2.5 \times 18) + \left(\frac{14}{\sqrt{4}} \right) - 3^2$
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 × 14 × 15 ÷ 3 × 4 × 5 = ? × 100
a) 189 b) 177 c) 182
d) 191 e) 197
Q.43) 27 ÷ (9 ÷ 3) × 11 + 234 - 412 = ? - 122
a) -199 b) -201 c) 58
d) 198 e) 43
Q.44) 0.234 + 1.234 + 0.555 - 2.55 + 24 = ? + 0.473
a) 27 b) 32 c) 34
d) 23 e) 26
Q.45) $\sqrt{529} + \sqrt{576} - \sqrt{361} \times 2 = ?$
a) 8 b) 9 c) 38
d) 27 e) 13
Q.46) 11% of 2300 + 15% of 440 × $\sqrt{196} = ? + 177$
a) 1134 b) 1210 c) 1354
d) 1000 e) 1177

Q.47) $\frac{34}{42} \times \frac{15}{17} \times \frac{21}{18} \times 84 = ?$

- a) 89 b) 77 c) 85
d) 90 e) 70

Q.48) $2\frac{1}{4} + 5\frac{1}{7} - 1\frac{3}{8} + 2\frac{11}{14} = ?$

- a) $8\frac{15}{56}$ b) $8\frac{45}{56}$ c) $7\frac{25}{58}$
d) $9\frac{14}{47}$ e) $8\frac{21}{38}$

Q.49) $2 \times 12 \times 22 \times 3 - 1212 = ?$

- a) 327 b) 381 c) 314
d) 372 e) 311

Q.50) $55\% \text{ of } 980 \times 75\% \text{ of } 680 + 60\% \text{ of } 990 \div 60\% \text{ of } 90 = ? - \frac{5}{9} \text{ of } 162 \div \frac{5}{2} \text{ of } 36$

- a) 274368 b) 274902 c) 274911
d) 274132 e) None of these

Q.51) $3\frac{2}{5} + 1\frac{4}{15} - 10\frac{5}{9} - 13^2 + 12^2 + \frac{1}{9} = ? + \frac{20}{45}$

- a) -45 b) -39 c) -34
d) -31 e) None of these

Q.52) $\frac{(0.96+2.38)^3}{0.96^2 + 2.38^2 + 1.92 \times 2.38} = ? - 10.66 - 5.66 + 3.66$

- a) 18 b) 15 c) 21
d) 16 e) None of these

Q.53) $26\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{2}{5}\% \text{ of } 1500 - \frac{12}{5}\% \text{ of } 775 = ?$

- a) 1789 b) -2891 c) -1789
d) 1879 e) None of these

Q.54) $1850 + \sqrt{3136} \div \sqrt[3]{64} = ? - 259$

- a) 2123 b) 1605 c) 2145
d) 1679 e) None of these

Q.55) $\sqrt{256 - (196 \times \frac{3}{4})} + ? = 12$

- a) 32 b) 35 c) 36
d) 38 e) 30

Q.56) $25\% \text{ of } 20\% \text{ of } 15\% \text{ of } (?) = 3$

- a) 400 b) 420 c) 540
d) 320 e) 280

Q.57) $(4\frac{1}{5} - 3\frac{2}{7}) \times \frac{7}{8} = (?)$

- a) 0.5 b) 0.1 c) 0.8
d) 0.6 e) 1.2

Q.58) $\frac{3}{7} \text{ of } \frac{4}{17} \text{ of } \frac{7}{13} \text{ of } (?) = 84$

- a) 1456 b) 1678 c) 1580
d) 1547 e) 1356

Q.59) $4(100 \times (?) - 20) = 20\% \text{ of } 120$

- a) 0.26 b) 0.24 c) 0.28
d) 0.32 e) 0.42

Q.60) $\frac{3}{10} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times (?) = 75$

- a) 3225 b) 3250 c) 3125
d) 3520 e) 3525

Q.61) $35\% \times (3\frac{2}{5} + 4\frac{2}{7}) = (?)$

- a) 2.58 b) 3.24 c) 2.56
d) 3.12 e) 2.69

Q.62) $(\sqrt{\frac{676 \times 625}{169}}) \times (?)\% = 10$

- a) 25 b) 20 c) 30
d) 36 e) 40

Q.63) $\frac{11}{17} \times \frac{13}{19} \times (?) = 143$

- a) 332 b) 356 c) 342
d) 323 e) 312

Q.64) $2\% \text{ of } 5\% \text{ of } 7\% \text{ of } 100000 = (?)$

- a) 5 b) 2 c) 9
d) 10 e) 7

Q.65) $11^2 + 13^2 \times 7^2 - ? = 28^2 \div \sqrt[3]{343}$

- a) 8210 b) 8274 c) 7860
d) 8290 e) None of these

Q.66) $\frac{\sqrt{7921} + \sqrt{6241}}{168} = ?$

- a) 0 b) 12 c) 15
d) 25 e) 1

Q.67) $20\% \text{ of } 285 - 16\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{8}{9} \text{ of } 261 - \frac{9}{8} \text{ of } 216 = ?$

- a) 6 b) -5 c) -4
d) 9 e) -11

Q.68) $1114 + 114.1 + 141.4 - 11.41 - 111.4 = ? - 11.14$

- a) 1275.38 b) 1257.83 c) 1345.43
d) 1354.34 e) None of these

Q.69) $2015 \div 155 + 7 + ?^2 = 69$

- a) 49 b) 14 c) 7
d) 12 e) 54

Q.70) $15\% \text{ of } 200 + 20\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 120 = x$

- a) 61.6 b) 71.6 c) 81.6

d) 91.6 e) None of these

Q.71) $5\frac{1}{5} + 7\frac{2}{5} + 13\frac{3}{5} = x$

- a) 26.2 b) 28.2 c) 36.2

d) 38.2 e) None of these

Q.72) $7.04 + 18.06 + 5.90 + 12.5 = x$

- a) 40.5 b) 41.5 c) 42.5

d) 43.5 e) None of these

Q.73) $\frac{40}{8} + \frac{54}{9} + \frac{70}{10} + \frac{88}{11} = x$

- a) 16 b) 26 c) 36

d) 46 e) None of these

Q.74) $5.5 \times 2 + 6.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 4 + 33 = x$

- a) 85 b) 90 c) 95

d) 100 e) None of these

Q.75) $555.5 + 444.4 + 111.1 = x$

- a) 1115 b) 1110 c) 1111

d) 1112 e) None of these

Q.76) $3^x \times 81 \times 27 = 3^{19}$

- a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
d) 15 e) None of these

Q.77) $\frac{5}{8} \text{ of } 120 + \frac{8}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{4}{9} \text{ of } 81 = x$

- a) 202 b) 201 c) 200
d) 199 e) None of these

Q.78) $153 + 224 + 333 - 55 = x$

- a) 650 b) 655 c) 660
d) 665 e) None of these

Q.79) $12\% \text{ of } 50 + 10\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 150 = x$

- a) 54 b) 52 c) 50
d) 48 e) None of these

Q.80) $25\% \text{ of } 2500 + 12.5\% \text{ of } 6800 + (?) = 39^2$

- a) 40 b) 43 c) 29
d) 46 e) 48

Q.81) $\frac{779}{19} + \frac{1147}{31} + \frac{2303}{47} - 2 = (?)^3$

- a) 3 b) 4 c) 5
d) 6 e) 7

Q.82) $\frac{\sqrt{1849}}{731} \times 391 + \sqrt{3^2 - 2^2 - 1} = (?)^2$

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6

Q.83) $1.234 + 3.543 + 6.765 + 87.65 + (?) = (2.5 + 1.2 \times 4 + 1.2 + 1.5)^2$

- a) 0.807 b) 0.808 c) 0.765
d) 0.864 e) None of these

Q.84) $350 \times 2 + 1.2 \times 5 + 6.2 \times 5 + 1.5 \times 2 = (?)\% \text{ of } 2000$

- a) 39% b) 27% c) 37%
d) 20% e) 23%

Q.85) $12^2 + 23^2 \times 1.25 - 18^2 = ?$

- a) 422.45 b) 481.25 c) 438.75
d) 323.25 e) 429.50

Q.86) $1\frac{2}{5} + 5\frac{7}{2} - 6\frac{5}{6} + 2\frac{1}{3} = ?$

- a) $4\frac{9}{5}$ b) $5\frac{29}{32}$ c) $3\frac{5}{6}$
d) $5\frac{2}{5}$ e) None of these

Q.87) $1.5 \times 3.2 \times 7.5 + 23.5 + ? = 304 + 2.5$

- a) 367 b) 289 c) 247
d) 234 e) 310

Q.88) $\frac{\sqrt{2916}}{24} \times \frac{316}{27} \div \frac{16}{219} \times 128 = ?$

- a) 42936 b) 42019 c) 41920
d) 41490 e) 46136

Q.89) $165 + 14.5 \times 4 + ? = 198 + 28$

- a) 3 b) 5 c) 11
d) 12 e) 9

Q.90) $4\frac{1}{9} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \div 20\frac{23}{16} \times 1\frac{36}{111} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times x = 16$

- a) 11 b) 9 c) 10
d) 8 e) 12

Q.91) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times x^3$

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6

Q.92) $\frac{5}{11} \text{ of } \frac{2}{17} \text{ of } 3\frac{6}{15} \text{ of } 1\frac{5}{17} \text{ of } x = 2452$

- a) 10450 b) 10241 c) 10330
d) 10660 e) None of these

Q.93) $2\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{36}{15} + x = 4$

- a) 3.5 b) 4 c) 3
d) 2 e) 2.5

Q.94) $(128 \div 8) \times (1\frac{1}{5} + 4\frac{4}{5}) + 44 \times \frac{13}{1456} \times 112 = 2x$

- a) 43 b) 92 c) 70
d) 40 e) None of these

Q.95) $\sqrt{256} = x^2 - 224 + 180 \div 12$

a) 25 b) 225 c) 15

d) 625 e) None of these

Q.96) $\frac{210}{15} \times \frac{176}{8} \div \frac{5}{60} \times \frac{221}{17} = x$

- a) 48268 b) 48048 c) 48008
d) 48028 e) None of these

Q.97) $2 \times (\frac{1}{16})\% \text{ of } 2400 - (\frac{3}{15})\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$

- a) 10 b) 3 c) 5
d) 1 e) None of these

Q.98) $25\% \text{ of } 360 + 15\% \text{ of } 220 - 140 \times \frac{2}{7} - 20 = x$

- a) 53 b) 73 c) 63
d) 68 e) None of these

Q.99) $105 \times 1335 \div \sqrt{225} = x + \sqrt{169}$

- a) 9342 b) 9332 c) 9164
d) 9316 e) None of these

Q.100) $256 + \sqrt{529} - 15 \times 12 = ? + 72$

- a) 34 b) 56 c) 72
d) 48 e) 27

Q.101) $\frac{1}{3} \times 987 + 15\% \text{ of } 940 + ? = 267$

- a) 203 b) 213 c) -203
d) -222 e) -237

Q.102) $345 + 543 + 453 + 354 = ?$

- a) 1659 b) 1695 c) 1879
d) 1873 e) 1768

Q.103) $1854.5 + 984.75 + 1171.23 - ? = 565.48$

- a) 3545 b) 3354 c) 3544
d) 3445 e) 3454

Q.104) $12 \div 4 \times 24 + \sqrt{1764} = ? \times 4$

- a) 25.5 b) 32.4 c) 28.5
d) 29.7 e) 43.6

Q.105) $\sqrt{552 + (8 \times 3)} + 346 + 432 + 246 + (?) = 1089$

- a) 35 b) 32 c) 41
d) 38 e) 25

Q.106) $\frac{102}{17} \times \frac{156}{13} + \sqrt{9\frac{1}{81} - \frac{1}{81}} = (?)$

- a) 72 b) 75 c) 70
d) 65 e) 76

Q.107) $1\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{2}{5} + \sqrt{(3\frac{1}{289} - \frac{9 \times 3}{289})} + \frac{15}{17} = (?)$

- 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.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) $\left(\frac{1}{7} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6} \right)$ 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) $13\% \text{ of } 200 - 2.5\% \text{ of } 1000 \times 12\% \text{ of } 50 = ? - 125$
 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) $11\% \text{ of } 200 + 45\% \text{ of } 60 - 8\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
 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) $? = 14\% \text{ of } 350 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ of } 270 - 11\% \text{ of } 300$
 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) $23\% \text{ of } 200 + ? = 25\% \text{ of } 480 + 160\% \text{ of } 50 + 125\% \text{ of } 10$
 a) 166.5 b) 154.4 c) 168.2
 d) 186.6 e) 156.6

Q.156) $? = \frac{\frac{12}{15} \times 60}{\frac{11}{17} \times 51} \times 132 \times \frac{4}{6}$
 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) $56\% \text{ of } 650 + 87\% \text{ of } 200 - 21\% \text{ of } 800 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 = ?$
 a) 377 b) 376 c) 328
 d) 388 e) 387

Q.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) $20\% \text{ of } 300 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 + 10\% \text{ of } 80 = x$
 a) 66 b) 76 c) 86
 d) 96 e) None of these

Q.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) $20\% \text{ of } 225 + 12\% \text{ of } 750 + 18\% \text{ of } 300 = x$
 a) 184 b) 185 c) 186
 d) 187 e) None of these

Q.176) $30\% \text{ of } 1500 + 40\% \text{ of } 3700 + 19\% \text{ of } 7000 = x$
 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) $25\% \text{ of } 3000 + \frac{45}{15} \times 1200 = x$
 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) $70\% \text{ of } 25000 + 150 \times 20 - 10000 = x$
 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) $20\% \text{ of } (?) + 40\% \text{ of } 500 = 280$
 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 \times ?
 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) \times b) $+$ c) $-$
 d) \div e) \pm
- 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) $? = 42\% \text{ of } 500 - 35\% \text{ of } 400 + 8\% \text{ of } 50$
 a) 88 b) 72 c) 74
 d) 81 e) 84
- Q.217) $8^7 = \frac{16}{64} \times 256 \times \frac{2^3}{4^2}$
 a) $2\frac{1}{3}$ b) $1\frac{2}{3}$ c) $2\frac{2}{3}$
 d) $2\frac{3}{5}$ e) None of these
- Q.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) $? = \frac{4}{7} \text{ of } 77 + \frac{3}{10} \text{ of } 120 - \frac{2}{9} \text{ of } 108$
 a) 46 b) 96 c) 56
 d) 86 e) None of these
- Q.222) $? = \frac{3}{4}\% \text{ of } 1600 - \frac{2}{5}\% \text{ of } 2500 + \frac{11}{9}\% \text{ of } 900$
 a) 13 b) 11 c) 12
 d) 21 e) 14
- Q.223) $? = \frac{(4^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{16} \times \frac{96}{3 \times 27} \times \sqrt[3]{27}$
 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.
 $98! \times 96! \times 109! \times 198! = 56448x$
 $\frac{197! \times 95! \times 97! \times 108!}{98! \times 96! \times 109! \times 198!} = 56448x$
 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.
 $\frac{8^7 + 7^9 + \frac{9^2}{8^4} - \frac{247}{504}}{3^9} = 3^x$
 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 $\{186 \div 3 \times 30 \div 6 \times 60 \div 12 + (34 \times 64)\} = ?$
 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) $\left(2\frac{3}{5} \div 4\frac{2}{5} \right) + \left(7\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{4}{5} \right) = \frac{?}{418}$
 a) 1044 b) 1024 c) 1061
 d) 1051 e) 1078
- Q.238) 45% of 960 + $\frac{2}{5} \times 670 = (?)$
 a) 700 b) 650 c) 750
 d) 800 e) 900
- Q.239) $\frac{\sqrt{289}}{\sqrt[3]{361}} \times \sqrt[3]{729} \times 20\% \text{ of } 6175 = (?)$
 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) $? = \frac{(42 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{49}})}{(24 \times 52)} \times \sqrt{169} \times \frac{1}{(144)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$
 a) 1.5 b) 0.25 c) 1.25
 d) 0.75 e) 0.50
- Q.247) $? = 28\% \text{ of } 650 + \frac{1}{13}\% \text{ of } 5200 - 130\% \text{ of } 80$
 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) $? = \frac{21}{19} \text{ of } 57 + \frac{43}{25} \text{ of } 75 + \frac{33}{14} \text{ of } 28$
 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:

1.(a) 2.(c) 3.(d) 4.(e) 5.(a) 6.(e) 7.(c) 8.(d)
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CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

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BANKING AWARENESS

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