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2ND ALL INDIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF IIS OFFICERS HELD IN NEW DELHI

- The **Second All India Annual Conference of Indian Information Service Officers** was organized at **Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra** in **New Delhi** today.
- The Conference was organized with a **view** to attain greater integration of all Media Units under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting in order to further amplify government communication.
- The Conference included sessions on Adoption of Integrated and Theme Based Communication Approach; Regional Expansion of Social Media and use of Integrated Dashboard and also the Adoption of Government Communication Impact Assessment Framework; Roadmap for celebration of **550th Anniversary of Guru Nanak, 150th Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, 75 Years of India's Independence** and Golden Jubilee Edition of International Film Festival of India.

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system uses existing CCTV cameras to gather live traffic video feed, and automatically evaluates the traffic density using Artificial Intelligence, and sets the signal timers accordingly.

Haryana Assembly Passes Resolution To Thank Centre For Scrapping Article 370

- **Haryana Assembly** today passed a resolution by voice vote to support and thank the Central government for deciding to repeal **Article 370** of the Constitution granting special status to **J&K**. The government announced the **repealing of Article 370** which **grants special status to Jammu and Kashmir**.
- **Bifurcation of the state into two Union territories – Jammu and Kashmir, which will have a legislature, and Ladakh, which will be without a legislature**. Leader of the house **Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal** presented the resolution in the house.
- The main **aim** is providing good governance, social justice and economic development in Jammu and Kashmir. The **Upper House** also passed the **Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Bill, 2019 by voice vote**.

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survey will take place in 18 thousand villages of 698 districts. People can also directly give their feedback through the mobile app.

- **Swachhata activities** have also been planned at around 87 thousand public places where community meetings will be organized. Under the **Swachh Survekshan Grameen**, districts and states will be ranked on data collected from citizen feedback, direct observation and service-level progress.
- The second edition of survey was launched by **Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in New Delhi**.

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- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** inaugurated the **Dynamic Facade Lighting of the Parliament House Estate**. As many as 875 energy-efficient LED lights have been installed in the Parliament Complex. These are **power efficient and uses only one-fifth of the electricity** compared to other types of lights.
- The long-lasting, excellent intensity LED bulbs are capable of creating 16 million colour combinations and the LED lighting is programmable and electronically controlled through computers. The dynamic lighting system through intermittent multi-colour lights creates an aura and enhances the grandeur of Parliament House.
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➤ Former Prime Minister **Dr. Manmohan Singh** filed nomination papers as a Congress candidate for the by-poll to Rajya Sabha from Rajasthan.

➤ Dr. Singh filed four sets of nomination papers in the chamber of Returning Officer in the Rajasthan Assembly. This seat fell vacant in June this year after demise of BJP Member Madan Lal Saini. Rajasthan Assembly has 200 seats but currently there are 198 MLAs and two seats are vacant. Congress has 100 MLAs and also enjoys the outside support of 12 out of 13 independents and the legislators of BSP.

NGT Directs Govt To Submit A Report On Standards For Lead In PVC Pipes

➤ The National Green Tribunal has directed the Centre to submit a report on standards of lead and to phase out lead as a stabiliser in **Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)** pipes that are commonly used in most buildings.

➤ A bench headed by **NGT chairperson Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel** expressed concern that the notification has not been finalised despite its direction. It directed the Ministry of Environment and Forests to submit a report **before October 21**.

➤ The NGT was earlier informed that water passing through PVC pipes commonly used in most buildings may contain toxic materials like lead, which has a hazardous effect on human health. The green panel was hearing a plea filed by an environment activist seeking the issuance of notification to lay down standards for lead to be used in PVC pipes and to phase out lead as a stabiliser in PVC pipes.

UP Govt Swings In Action To Stop Use Of Banned Plastic In Lucknow

➤ In Uttar Pradesh, the government has swung in action to stop the use of banned plastic in **capital city Lucknow**.

➤ **'Additional Chief Secretary- Home, Awanish Awasthi** has expressed that concerned Police SHO, regional officer of Municipal corporation, trade tax and concerned magistrates and circle officers will be held directly responsible if restricted plastic is found selling in their area after **August 31st**.

Prakash Javadekar Releases Patriotic Song Watan In Run Up To Independence Day

➤ **Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar** released a patriotic song **Watan** in **New Delhi** in the run up to the Independence Day.

➤ The special song has been **produced by Doordarshan**. The song pays tribute to New India.

➤ It highlights several path-breaking initiatives of the government including the determination and vision behind the recent **successful launch of Chandrayaan 2**.

➤ The song also pays tribute to the bravery and valour of the armed forces and the martyrs of the country. The song has been **sung by famous Bollywood singer Javed Ali**. It has been penned by **lyricist Alok Shrivastav** and music composed by **Dushyant**.

SC Orders That List Of Those Excluded From Final Assam NRC Be Published Only Online On Aug 31

➤ The Supreme Court ordered that the list of those excluded from the final **Assam NRC** be published **only online on 31st of August**. A bench comprises **Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi** and **Justice R F Nariman** informed that like Aadhaar data, an appropriate regime be enacted for securing the Assam NRC data.

➤ The apex court also said, the on-going NRC exercise cannot be ordered to be reopened on the basis of certain legal challenges raised before it. The top court had earlier announced, the final Assam NRC would be published on or by 31st August.

India Celebrates Vikram Sarabhai's 100th Birth Anniversary

➤ Country celebrated the **100th birth anniversary of scientist and innovator Vikram Sarabhai**, with a people. Dr. Sarabhai is considered as the **father of India's space program**, and his centenary comes just weeks after India's Chandrayaan-2 mission to the moon.

➤ He was **born in Ahmedabad** in 1919; Dr. Sarabhai earned his doctorate at Cambridge. He **founded the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL)** in Ahmedabad in November 1947.

➤ After **Russia's Sputnik launch**, he managed to convince the Indian government on the need for India, a developing country, to have its own space program. Dr. Sarabhai had worked on India's first satellite, Aryabhata, but he never lived to see its launch in 1975, which happened four years after his death.

➤ He received the **Padma Bhushan in 1966** and was conferred the **Padma Vibhushan posthumously in 1972**. In 1973, a crater on the moon was named after him.

Eid-ul-Azha Being Celebrated With Religious Fervour & Gaiety

➤ The **festival of sacrifice – Eid-ul-Azha** is being celebrated with religious fervour and gaiety across the country today. The faithful will offer Eid prayers in Eidgahs and mosques. In Delhi, main Eid congregations will be held at Jama Masjid, Fatehpuri mosque and Shahi Eidgah.

➤ **President Ram Nath Kovind** and **Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu** have greeted the people on the occasion. The festival is an ode to the virtues of devotion, faith and sacrifice and inspires feelings of brotherhood, compassion and unity.

➤ The festivities will strengthen the spirit of generosity and bring people closer to one another. The festival will further the spirit of peace and happiness in the society

CBSE Hikes Exam Fees For SC/ST By 24 Times, General To Pay Double

➤ The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has **increased the fees** of Class 10 and 12 board examinations **for SC and ST students from Rs 50 to Rs 1,200**, while **the amount has been doubled for those from the general category, who will now have to pay Rs 1,500**.

➤ The students appearing for the Class 10 board exams are registered for it when in Class 9 and those appearing for Class 12 are registered when

in Class 11. According to the revised norms, the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students will have to pay Rs 1,200 for five subjects, while earlier they were supposed to pay Rs 50 for the same, a hike of 24 times.

➤ The general category students, who were paying Rs 750 earlier, will now pay Rs 1,500 for five subjects. The students enrolled in **CBSE schools abroad will have to pay Rs 10,000 for five subjects for both Class 10 and 12. Earlier it was Rs 5000**. For them, the fees for an additional subject in Class 12 have been fixed at Rs 2,000, as against Rs 1,000 earlier.

Chhattisgarh: 15-Km Long National Flag Unfurled In Raipur

➤ In Chhattisgarh, thousands of students and members of several social organisations unfurled a **15-km long national flag** by forming a human chain in **Raipur, ahead of the Independence Day**.

➤ The event, organised by **Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam Foundation**, entered the **Champions Book of World Records (for the longest tricolour)**, a statement issued by government public relations department.

➤ It said thousands of people, including those belonging to 35 social organisations across the state, and students from various schools created a human chain while holding the 15-km long tricolour from **Amapara Chowk to Pt Ravishankar Shukla University**.

➤ On the occasion, **former chief ministers Raman Singh and Ajit Jogi**, state cabinet ministers, MLAs and other public representatives were present.

Inter-State Council Reconstituted With PM Modi As Chairman

➤ The **government** has **reconstituted the Inter State Council and the Standing Committee of the Inter State Council**. **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** is the **Chairman of the Inter State Council**.

➤ **Chief Ministers** of all States and six Union Ministers **including Rajnath Singh, Amit Shah and Nirmala Sitharaman are the members of the Council**. While ten Union Ministers including Nitin Gadkari, Ravi Shankar Prasad, Ram Vilas Paswan, S Jaishankar and Piyush Goyal are the permanent invitees in the Council.

➤ **Home Minister Amit Shah** will be the **Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Inter State Council**. Union Ministers Nirmala Sitharaman, Narendra Singh Tomar, Thaawar Chand Gehlot and Gajendra Singh Shekhawat and eight State Chief Ministers will be its members. These States are Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh

Delhi: DTC To Provide Free Rides To Women On Raksha Bandhan

➤ **Women in the national capital** will be **able to travel free of cost on Delhi Transport Corporation, DTC buses on Raksha Bandhan**.

➤ The free travelling facility for lady passengers will be available in both, AC and non AC buses between 8.00 A.M. to 10.00 P.M. Keeping in view

of a heavy rush of commuters on this day, DTC has also decided to put its maximum buses on road to cater the extra rush of the passengers.

➤ Raksha Bandhan is observed on the last day of the Hindu lunar calendar month of Shraavana, which typically falls in August. **The expression "Raksha Bandhan," Sanskrit, literally, "the bond of protection, obligation, or care,"** is now principally applied to this ritual.

Panchamritham Of Palani Temple In Tamil Nadu Gets GI Tag

➤ The famous Panchamritham, an offering of the **Palani Dandayuthaswamy temple**, in **Tamil Nadu**, has been granted the **Geographical Identity (GI) tag**. The office of the Deputy Director, Geographical Indications, Chennai has confirmed that the information is being posted in the official website.

➤ This is the first temple offering – **Prashad – from Tamil Nadu – to be conferred this honour**. Earlier, the **Tanjavoor Veenai, Madurai Malligai, Neelgiri Tea leaves** as well as **Turmeric from Erode from Tamil Nadu** have been bestowed with Geographical Identity tags.

➤ The unique Panchamritham of Palani temple is prepared using five sweet substances including plantains, jaggery, grapes, forest honey and ghee.

➤ The **meaning of the word Panchamritham translates to Five Nectars and the offering is believed not to go bad for long periods**. The quality of the Panchamritham is being monitored by the **Central Research Institute of Food Technology in Mysore**.

Nagaland State Police Dept Gets First Laboratory-Cum-Training Centre

➤ **Nagaland State Police Department** got its **first Laboratory-cum-Training Centre for Prevention of Cyber Crime against Women and Children**.

➤ Inaugurating the centre at **Police Training School, Chumoukedima** under Dimapur district, Deputy Chief Minister Y.Patton said cyber-crimes pose a great challenge to the traditional policing and as such the police personnel need to sharpen their skills to tackle the threats.

➤ An awareness creation for prevention of cyber-crimes must be given priority while imparting trainings as most people fall victims to cyber-crimes due to ignorance.

National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsav' Begins In Leh-Ladakh

➤ **Aadi Mahotsav**, the **national tribal festival**, will start at **Polo Ground in Leh-Ladakh**. The **nine-day event** will be inaugurated by the **Jammu and Kashmir Governor, Satya Pal Malik**.

➤ The **theme of the festival is – A celebration of the spirit of Tribal Craft, Culture and Commerce**.

➤ Around **160 Tribal artisans** from more than **20 states** across the country will actively participate and showcase their masterpieces in this event. It is being jointly **organised by Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development**

Federation of India

Massive Campaign To Be Launched To Make India Free Of Single-Use Plastic

➤ **Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar** has announced that a massive campaign will be launched to make **India free of single-use plastic**.

➤ Mr. Javadekar made this announcement at **Sao Paulo in Brazil**, after **Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his Independence Day speech urged people to shun single-use plastic** and encouraged the use of jute and cloth bags to protect the environment.

I&B Implements Accessibility Standards For Differently-Abled

➤ **Information and Broadcasting Ministry** has decided to **implement Accessibility Standards for Persons with Disabilities in television programmes for private TV channels from this Independence Day**.

➤ This is a major step towards **implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act**. In a significant beginning from this year's Independence Day, the Ministry has asked Private Satellite News TV channels also to telecast a short programme on Independence Day celebrations, along with corresponding sign language interpretation today in the afternoon or evening.

➤ The Ministry was given Special Jury Award at this function for its path breaking work in making television accessible for people with hearing disabilities.

Chief Ministers Of Various States Agree To Boost Agriculture Exports

➤ **Chief Ministers of various states** reached a **consensus on how to boost agricultural exports**. **Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis** chaired the second meeting of the high-powered committee of Chief Ministers for transformation of Indian agriculture in **Mumbai** organised by **NTI Aayog**.

➤ The meeting was attended by Gujarat Chief Minister **Vijay Rupani**, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister **Kamal Nath** and Union Agriculture Minister **Narendra Singh Tomar** among others. There was broad discussion on **universalisation of agriculture credit** and also aspects related to productivity, marketing and export.

Government Relaxes Norms For Shares With Differential Voting Rights

➤ The **Ministry of Corporate Affairs** has amended the provisions relating to the issue of shares with **Differential Voting Rights (DVRs)** provisions under the **Companies Act**.

➤ Its objective is to **enable promoters of Indian companies** to retain control of their companies in their pursuit for growth and **creation of long-term value for shareholders**.

➤ The key change brings in an enhancement in the previously **existing cap of 26 per cent** of the total post-issue **paid-up equity share capital to a revised cap of 74 per cent of the total voting power**. Another key change

brought about is the removal of the earlier requirement of distributable profits for 3 years for a company to be eligible to issue shares with **Differential Voting Rights**.

➤ These two initiatives have been taken by the Government in response to requests from innovative tech companies and startups and to strengthen the hands of Indian companies

HRD Minister Inaugurates Two-Day International Conference On Teacher Education

➤ **Union Human Resource Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'** inaugurated an **international conference on teacher education in New Delhi**. For thousands of years, Indian teacher was considered as Vishwa Guru or world's teacher. There are 85 lakh teachers in the country.

➤ The **two-day event** is being **organized by the National Council of Teacher Education** as part of **silver jubilee celebration of its establishment in 1995**.

➤ Secretary of Department of School Education and Literacy Rina Ray expressed that the Union Human Resource Development Ministry will launch the world's biggest project for teacher training on August 22 to train over 42 lakh school teachers across the country.

Assam Gets Its First Ever CNG Fuel Station In Dibrugarh

➤ **Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** will inaugurate the **first ever CNG fuel station of the state in Dibrugarh** With the inauguration of this clean and green fuel station, it will reduce environmental pollution.

➤ **Mr. Sonowal** has given much emphasis to make the state free from pollution. Since the CNG is affordable fuel it will be cost effective for the users.

UP Govt To Set Up Atal Bihari Vajpayee Residential Schools For Children Of Labourers

➤ In **Uttar Pradesh**, state government will **set up Atal Bihari Vajpayee residential schools for children of labourers in all 18 divisions of state**. **Chief Minister of state Yogi Adityanath** announced many projects in state in **remembrance of former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee** including a **memorial in Bateshwar, the former prime minister's native village in Agra**.

➤ The Chief Minister informed that a 25-foot-tall statue will be stalled at the Secretariat Lok Bhawan **on Vajpayee's birth anniversary on December 25**. He informed that a **'Centre of Excellence'** will be established in **DAV College in Kanpur** where Atal ji had his education.

Prez Kovind To Attend Golden Jubilee Celebration Of MGIMS In Maharashtra

➤ **President Ram Nath Kovind** attended the **golden jubilee celebration of Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Science at Sevagram in Wardha District of Maharashtra**.

➤ The dignitaries including **Governor of Maharashtra Vidyasagar Rao** and **Chief**

Minister Devendra Fadnavis will grace the occasion.

➤ **Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Science (MGIMS)** is known worldwide for its **quality healthcare and community based medical education**. President Kovind will also visit the Bapu Kuti at Sevagram Ashram of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.

Five New Fish Species Discovered In Arunachal Pradesh

➤ In **Arunachal Pradesh**, researchers of the **Rajiv Gandhi University** have discovered **five new fish species** in various districts of the state.

➤ The scientific names of the newly-discovered fish species are **Mystus prabini**, found in Sinkin and Dibang rivers in Lower Dibang Valley district and **Exostoma kottelati**, found in Ranga River in Lower Subansiri district.

➤ Other discovered species are **Creteuchiloglanis tawangensis**, found in the Tawangchu River in Tawang district, **Garra ranganensis**, found in Ranga river and **Physoschistura harkishorei**, found in Dibang and Lohit rivers in Lower Dibang Valley district.

President Inaugurates Bunker Museum At Maharashtra Raj Bhavan

➤ President **Ram Nath Kovind** inaugurated an underground **Bunker Museum** at **Raj Bhavan Mumbai**. On the occasion, the president also laid the foundation stone of reconstruction of Governor's Office-cum-Residence.

➤ The thematic underground bunker museum spread over an area of 15,000 sq.ft. Will be opened for the general public through prior online booking later during the year.

➤ The Bunker Museum has Virtual Reality Booths in which visitors can time-travel to the 19th century when the bunker was constructed to fire cannons at approaching enemy ships. **Jal Bhushan**, the office and residence of the Governor of **Maharashtra**, has a history of nearly 200 years.

➤ The House has undergone several modifications and renovations. Apart from serving as the office and residence of the Governor, '**Jal Bhushan**' also has a Conference Room, a Meeting Room, a Dining Room and offices of the Secretary to Governor, ADC, Private Secretary and PRO to the Governor.

PM Modi To Embark On 3-Day Visit To UAE, Bahrain

➤ Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** will embark on a three-day visit to **United Arab Emirates-UAE** and **Bahrain** beginning 23rd of this month.

➤ Mr Modi will first travel to UAE where he will meet the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, **Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan** and discuss bilateral, regional and international matters of mutual interest.

➤ The robust flow of bilateral investments and an annual bilateral trade of about 60 billion US dollar, the **UAE is India's third-largest trade partner**.

➤ UAE is also the **fourth-largest exporter of crude oil for India**. The visit will further

strengthen India's friendly bilateral ties with the UAE.

➤ It will be the first ever Prime Ministerial visit from India to that country. During his visit, Mr Modi will hold talks with his counterpart Prince **Shaikh Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa** on the entire spectrum of bilateral relations as well as on regional and international issues of mutual interest.

➤ Mr Modi will also launch the renovation of **Shreenathji temple in Manama**. The bilateral trade of both countries has been on the rise for the last few years, reaching about 1.3 billion US dollar in 2018-19.

Karnataka CM Inducts 17 New Ministers In His Cabinet

➤ **Karnataka** Chief

Minister **B.S.Yediyurappa** expanded his Cabinet with the induction of **17 new Ministers**.

➤ **Governor Vajubhai Vala** administered the oath of office and secrecy to the new Ministers in a function held in **Raj Bhavan**.

➤ Among the 17 Cabinet Ministers, Jolle Shashikala Annasaheb is the only woman minister. This is the first expansion of the Council of Ministers after he assumed office on 26th July.

➤ **Proved his government's majority on the floor of the Assembly on 29th of July after the previous coalition government collapsed due to the resignation of their 17 MLAs.**

Govt Directs All CAPFs To Adopt Uniform Retirement Age Of 60 Years

➤ All personnel working in the **Central Armed Police Forces**, CAPFs will now retire at a uniform age of **60 years**.

➤ A Home Ministry order issued has corrected the anomaly where personnel between the ranks of Constable to Commandant in four forces - Central Reserve Police Force, Border Security Force, Indo-Tibetan Border Police force and Sashastra Seema Bal -superannuated at the age of 57, instead of 60.

➤ Officers from the rank of Deputy Inspector General upto the top-most rank of Director General in these four forces retired after attaining the age of 60 However, in two other forces of the Central Industrial Security Force and the Assam Rifles, all personnel retired at the age of 60.

Manmohan Singh, Neeraj Shekhar Elected Unopposed To Rajya Sabha

➤ Former Prime Minister **Dr. Manmohan Singh** was declared elected unopposed to the **Rajya Sabha** from **Rajasthan**. The Returning Officer and Assembly Secretary Pramil Kumar Mathur made the announcement to this effect after the end of the deadline for withdrawal of nominations for the same.

➤ In **Uttar Pradesh**, BJP candidate **Neeraj Shekhar**, was declared elected unopposed to the **Rajya Sabha**. No other nomination had been filed for the seat. He is the son of former Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar.

➤ The by-poll was necessitated due to Shekhar's resignation from the Rajya Sabha. After resigning from Samajwadi Party, he joined the ruling BJP recently. The term of the seat is up to 25th November 2020.

Ayushmann Khurrana, Vicky Kaushal Bag National Film Award For Best Actor

➤ Bollywood stars **Ayushmann Khurrana** and **Vicky Kaushal** have jointly bagged the National Film Award for best actor for their roles in **Andhadhun** and **Uri**.

➤ **Gujarati movie Hellaro** has been awarded the best feature film. **Aditya Dhar** won the Best Director award for his debut **Uri: The Surgical Strike** while **Andhadhun** also won awards for **best Hindi film** and **best adapted screenplay**. Actor **Keerthy Suresh** won the best actress award for her portrayal of yesteryear star Savitri in Telugu film **Mahanati**.

➤ **Badhaai Ho**, about a family dealing with a late pregnancy, was adjudged the best popular film providing wholesome entertainment and veteran actor **Surekha Sikri** bagged the best supporting actress for her role of a cantankerous matriarch. Akshay Kumar-starrer **Padman** was named the best film on social issues.

➤ Sanjay Leela Bhansali's **Padmavaat** bagged **best choreography for Ghoomar** and the best music director award for **Bhansali**.

➤ **Arijit Singh** has been awarded the best male playback singer. Singer-lyricist **Swanand Kirkire** won the best supporting actor award for Marathi film **Chumbak**. The awards were announced by jury head **Rahul Rawail**.

President Kovind Hosts At-Home Reception In Honour Of Freedom Fighters At Rashtrapati Bhavan

➤ President Ram Nath Kovind hosted **At-Home reception** in the honour of freedom fighters at **Rashtrapati Bhavan** this evening. The President also felicitated **freedom fighters** from across the country on the occasion.

➤ The event was held to mark the **77th anniversary of Quit India Movement**. Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah were also present on the occasion.

➤ The event was also attended by Former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, **Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla** and other dignitaries.

President Gives Assent To J&K Reorganisation Act, 2019

➤ President Ram Nath Kovind has given his assent to the **Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019**. A Gazette Notification to this effect was issued by Ministry of Law and Justice. The Parliament had passed the bill in the just concluded session.

➤ The Act seeks to make **Jammu and Kashmir** a Union Territory with legislature and **Ladakh** Union Territory without legislature. A Home Ministry notification informed, the two new Union territories will come into existence on **31st October** this year.

DMK Wins Vellore Lok Sabha Constituency Election

➤ The **DMK** has won the closely fought election in the **Vellore Lok Sabha constituency** by a slender margin of over 8000 votes.

➤ The party candidate **Kathir Anand** has secured **4,85,340** votes as against the 4,77,199 votes polled by his close contestant, AC Shanmugham of the AIADMK.

➤ With this win, the DMK has increased its strength in the Lower House of Parliament to 24, further reinforcing its position as the **second biggest** party in the opposition, next only to the Congress.

➤ Election to Vellore on August 5 was necessitated by the rescinding of polls during the General Elections following huge haul of money there in last April.

Banned Insurgency Group NLFT-SD Agrees To Abjure Violence, Join Mainstream

➤ **National Liberation Front of Tripura** led by **Sabir Kumar Debbarma**, NLFT-SD has agreed to abjure the path of violence and join the mainstream.

➤ The MoU was signed in this regard between, Centre, Tripura Government and **NLFT-SD**. The group has agreed to the surrender its 88 cadres with their weapons. The surrendered cadres will be given surrender benefits as per the **Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation Scheme, 2018** of the Ministry.

➤ The State Government of Tripura will help the surrendered cadres in housing, recruitment and education. Centre will consider the proposals of Tripura Government regarding economic development of tribal areas of Tripura. The NLFT has been banned under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act since **1997**.

Lok Sabha Secretariat To Be Soon Made Paperless

➤ **Lok Sabha** Secretariat will be soon made **paperless** so that public money worth crores of rupees can be saved by decreasing the use of paper.

➤ Lok Sabha Speaker **Om Birla** informed the delays involved in delivery of hard copies to the members will also be minimized with the use electronic and digital methods. The members will be given the option of receiving Parliamentary papers either through e-copy or hard copy as a part of this initiative.

➤ Regarding the introduction of bills in the house, Mr Birla expressed, experts will brief the members on different aspects of the bills introduced in the house.

➤ Mr Birla also informed that **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has been urged to include the expansion and modernization of Parliament House in his resolution for the **Naya Bharat**.

Khelo India To Be Held In Assam From 10th To 22nd January

➤ The **Khelo India** will be held in Assam from 10th to 22nd of January next year. Member Secretary of Sports and Youth Welfare Committee **Lakhya Konwar** announced **10 thousand** youths will participate in the event.

➤ Mr Konwar informed that in a bid to give a boost to sports infrastructure, the Assam government will build **22 thousand** play grounds at village level.

➤ He expressed that 500 such playgrounds will be inaugurated this year. The Integrated Sports Policy has been put into place in the state to nurture young talents.

One Nation-One Ration Card Scheme Implemented On Pilot Basis In Four States

➤ In a major boost to **national food security government**, today launched the **One Nation-One Ration Card scheme on a pilot basis in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat** from today.

➤ Families who have food security cards can buy subsidized rice and wheat from any ration shop in these states. Their ration cards should be linked with **Aadhar Number to avail this service**.

➤ The white Ration Card holders in Telangana have been getting the portability facility, enabling them to buy their subsidized rice and other food grains from any Fair Price Shop in the state.

➤ The same facility can be utilized anywhere in **Andhra Pradesh** now through PoS machines under the **One Nation One Ration Card scheme** which has come into force in the two states.

MIB Launches A Competition For Designing Postage Stamp

➤ **Ministry of Information & Broadcasting** has launched a competition for designing a **Postage Stamp** along with the **First Day Cover to commemorate Golden Jubilee edition of International Film Festival of India (IFFI)**.

➤ The winner will receive a **Certificate of appreciation and travel and hospitality** for 2 nights and 3 days to become a part of 50th IFFI which is organised by the **Directorate of Film Festivals, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting in collaboration with Entertainment Society of Goa (ESG), Government of Goa**.

➤ Interested person may login to www.mygov.in to participate in the competition. **Golden Jubilee edition of International Film Festival of India** which will be organised from **20th-28th November, 2019 at Goa**.

➤ **IFFI** showcases a collage of the best of contemporary and classical films from around the globe. The contest is open on **MyGov platform from 1st August, 2019 to 15th August, 2019**.

UGC Recommends 20 Educational Centres For Status Of Institutions Of Eminence

➤ The **University Grants Commission (UGC)** has released a list of **20 institutes** – 10 public and 10 private for the grant of the Status of **Institutions of Eminence (IoE)**.

➤ The institutions which are given IoE status from public category include, Delhi University, BHU, Hyderabad University and IIT Madras and Kharagpur.

➤ The UGC made the recommendations on the report of the Empowered Expert Committee set up by the government under the chairmanship of N Gopalaswami.

NIA (Amendment) Act Comes Into Force With Issuance Of Notification

➤ **National Investigation Agency (Amendment) Act ,2019** has come into force today after the notification issued by the Union **Home Ministry** in this regard. Parliament had approved the bill giving more powers to NIA on 17th of July.

➤ The **act aims** at enhancing the jurisdiction of National Investigation Agency (NIA) to investigate scheduled offences committed outside India targeting Indians as well as Indian assets abroad.

➤ The latest amendment will enable the NIA to additionally investigate offences related to human trafficking, counterfeit currency, manufacture or sale of prohibited arms, cyber-terrorism and offences under the Explosive Substances Act, 1908. **The NIA was set up in 2009**, a year after the Mumbai terror attacks.

Nation Remembers Pingali Venkaiah Who Designed National Flag

➤ **Pingali Venkaiah**, a freedom fighter and the designer of the flag on which the **Indian national flag** was based was born on Aug 02nd in 1876, near Machilipatnam in Andhra Pradesh.

➤ It is his **143rd birth anniversary**. Venkaiah's design for the National Flag was finally approved by Mahatma Gandhi in a Congress meeting in Vijayawada in 1921

Over 3.5 Lakh Water Conservation Measures Taken Up Under Jal Shakti Abhiyan

➤ In a countrywide effort to enhance water security, especially in water-stressed districts, the Jal Shakti Abhiyan, JSA delivered **over 3.5 lakh water conservation measures in 256 districts** during the

➤ last month.

➤ Out of these, 1.54 lakh were of water conservation and rain water harvesting measures, 20 thousand related to the rejuvenation of traditional water bodies, over 65 thousand were reuse and recharge structures and 1.23 lakh were watershed development projects.

➤ An estimated 2.64 crore people participated in the Abhiyan making it a people's movement. Around 4.25 crore saplings were also planted as a part of the efforts.

➤ Union **Cabinet Secretary Pradeep Kumar Sinha** appreciated the efforts and commitment shown by the nodal officers and encouraged them to closely work with districts for bringing significant changes

➤ through key interventions and initiatives.

"Aadi Perukku" Festival Being Celebrated In Tamil Nadu

➤ In **Tamil Nadu**, the "Aadi Perukku" festival is being celebrated today. People performed puja's on the banks of larger water bodies including sea coasts, lakes and rivers.

➤ In view of the festival, water has been released from the Stanley Reservoir in Mettur, especially for the celebration along the River Cauvery in the Delta districts.

➤ As per the tradition, married women performed rituals for the good health of their spouses, while unmarried girls held prayers for their marriage.

➤ **Aadi** is the name of the **current Tamil month**, and **Perukku** is the term for the **flooding of waters**.

NFDC Announces Second Window Of Funding For Film Production In Various Indian Languages

➤ **National Film Development Corporation Limited – NFDC** has announced that it will start accepting applications for funding of feature films

under the Central Government scheme, 'Production of films in

➤ various Indian languages'.

➤ In a statement, NDFC has informed that interested applicants can apply by visiting official website <https://nfdcindia.com/apply-now/> and refer the Production Guidelines.

➤ It adds that applicants will have to compulsorily send the complete application in hard copy to the Mumbai office of National Film Development Corporation.

➤ The applications can be submitted till the 8th of next month. For further queries, one can write to filmproduction@nfdcindia.com or call on 022 66288 288.

Elephant Population In Country Estimated At 29,964 As Per 2017 Census

➤ Elephant population in the country is estimated at 29,964 as per the census conducted in 2017.

➤ The Southern Region accounted for 14,612 followed by North East with 10,139 elephants. The tiger population across the country is estimated at 2,967 as per the 2018 census.

➤ The census of tigers is undertaken at the national level once every four years and that of elephants at every five years. As per the India State of Forest Report 2017, there has been an increase of 6,778 kilometers of forest cover at the national level as compared to the assessment of 2015.

About 35 Lakh People So Far Benefited From Ayushman Bharat Yojana In Chhattisgarh

➤ Chhattisgarh is one of the best performing state under Ayushman Bharat Yojana. About 35 lakh people have so far benefited from the scheme in the country of which five lakh are from Chhattisgarh.

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi had launched country's first health and wellness centre under Ayushman Bharat Yojana on April 14 last year, at the remote Jangla village in Maoist affected Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh.

➤ Ayushman Bharat Scheme was launched with a vision to provide the poorest of the poor, and the underprivileged sections of society, with better healthcare and treatment.

➤ This scheme, which envisions health assurance of 5 lakh rupees per family per year, is targeted to benefit over 50 crore people, and is the world's biggest health assurance scheme.

HRD Minister Inaugurates Technology Expo At IIT Delhi

➤ Human Resources Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank asked students and researchers to bring back India's glory in the field of science and education.

➤ He was inaugurating Technology Expo at IIT Delhi to showcase latest innovation in field of science and technology.

➤ Over 80 latest innovations and 90 research posters by institutions from across the country are showcasing the prototypes developed by the investigators in the day long exhibition.

Lalit Kala Akademi Celebrates 65th Foundation Day

➤ National Academy of Art, Lalit Kala Akademi, celebrated its 65th Foundation Day in New Delhi today. The event was inaugurated by Culture and Tourism Minister Prahlad Singh Patel.

➤ This Ministry is starting cultural mapping of the country which will be completed in a speedy manner. Sanskar Bharti founder Padmshri Baba Yogendra, Lalit Kala Akademi Chairman, Uttam Pacharne and eminent artist Vasudeo Kamath also graced the occasion.

➤ The Minister also inaugurated art camp and artwork and painting exhibition and released a book – Mithila Ki Lok Chitrakala.

➤ Lalit Kala Akademi or National Academy of Art was established in New Delhi in 1954 by the government to promote and propagate understanding of Indian art, in and outside the country.

Lok Sabha Passes Dam Safety Bill-2019

➤ Lok Sabha has passed the Dam Safety Bill-2019. The bill aims to address all issues concerning safety of dams, including regular inspection, emergency action plan and comprehensive safety review.

➤ It also lays onus of dam safety on the dam owner and provides for penal provisions for commission and omission of certain acts. According to the Bill, a national committee on dam safety will be set up to evolve dam safety policies and recommend necessary regulations.

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

➤ There will be a common protocol for safety of all the dams in the country. As many as 293 big dams in the country are over 100 years old and protection of dams is the government's objective.

Special Postage Stamp To Be Released To Commemorate Golden Jubilee Of IFFI

➤ A special Postage Stamp and First Day Cover will be released to commemorate the Golden Jubilee Edition of International Film Festival of India, IFFI.

➤ Competition for designing the Postage Stamp and First Day Cover has been launched by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting on MyGov platform. www.mygov.in is the login portal. The festival will take place from the 20th to 28th November in Goa.

India-Bangladesh Home Minister-Level Talks Held In Delhi

➤ The Seventh meeting of the India-Bangladesh Home Minister Level Talks was held in New Delhi.

➤ Home Minister Amit Shah congratulated his Bangladesh counterpart Asaduzzaman Khan on the resumption of the office for a second term.

➤ He reiterated India's full support for Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's development agenda. Both the Ministers reiterated the significance of the bilateral relationship.

➤ Amit Shah raised India's concern regarding the illicit movement of undocumented persons across the border, with a view to finding a solution to this problem especially in North East India.

West Bengal Observes Death Anniversary Of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore

➤ West Bengal is observing the death anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore today.

➤ Viswa Bharati has organised a painting exhibition of Tagore to mark the day. People from all walks of life paid floral tributes at Nimtala burning Ghat where he was cremated. People also paid homage at Jorasanko Thakurbari, the birthplace of Tagore in North Kolkata.

➤ West Bengal Government has organised a special musical programme, Barshamongol based on Tagore's songs and writings in Kolkata this evening to mark the day.

PM Modi Describes Passing Of Jammu & Kashmir Reorganisation Bill 2019 As Momentous Occasion

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has hailed the passing of landmark bills pertaining to Jammu and Kashmir in Parliament, with overwhelming support.

➤ Earlier, Parliament had adopted the resolution revoking the special status given to Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 of the Constitution, with Lok Sabha approving it last evening.

➤ The Lok Sabha also passed The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019 through voting. Replying to the debate, Home Minister Amit Shah reiterated that Pakistan occupied Kashmir will always belong to India.

➤ The Minister assured that Narendra Modi government has no intention of removing Article 371, which gives special status to North eastern states to preserve their tribal culture. He added that Naga Accord and Article 370 have no relation at all.

Bangladesh Home Minister Leaves For India For Talks

➤ Bangladesh Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan has left Dhaka on a three day visit to Delhi to attend the 7th India- Bangladesh Home Minister level bilateral talks.

➤ The 6th round of home minister-level talks was held in Dhaka in July last year. Issues like trans-border security, cross border trafficking and border management are likely to come up for discussion during the talks.

➤ Ahead of the talks India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh Riva Ganguly Das called on the Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan in Dhaka on Sunday and discussed various issues related to border management and infrastructure.

PM Modi Announced To Celebrate September As A Month Of Nutrition

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced to celebrate September as a month of nutrition. In his Mann Ki Baat programme, Mr. Modi laid emphasis on creating awareness to fight malnutrition among children, particularly the girl child.

➤ Gujarat Government launched a pilot project, **Poshan Abhiyan** which is a state wide mission to eradicate malnutrition among children. Chief Minister **Vijay Rupani** had also launched '**Purna**' project to eliminate malnutrition among the girls in the age group of 14 to 18.

➤ State Government had allocated **Rs. 270 crore** for this pilot project. **PURNA** project is also known as **Prevention of under Nutrition and Reduction of Nutritional Anaemia among Adolescent Girls**.

India Will Have 10,000 CNG Stations In Next 5 Years: Dharmendra Pradhan

➤ **Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Dharmendra Pradhan** announced India will have ten thousand CNG stations in the next five years. Mr Pradhan suggested auto companies to retrofit vehicles with CNG to boost sales.

➤ On the other hand till 2050, India's incremental energy needs will be primarily met by CNG. The Minister expressed, India will aim to lead Electronic Vehicle technology and won't shift to lithium import dependence.

Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa To Embark On 3-Day Visit To Thailand

➤ Chief of Air Staff **Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa** will embark on a three-day visit to **Thailand**. During his visit, he will attend the Indo Pacific Chiefs of Defence Conference in Bangkok.

➤ The conference will provide perspectives on common challenges faced by attending nations and elicit open discussions on the same. The Chiefs of Defence of over 33 countries are scheduled to attend the Conference.

➤ The participation of Air Chief **Marshal Dhanoa, who is also Chairman of Chief of Staff Committee**, will provide further impetus towards increasing defence cooperation with Thailand and pave the way for greater interaction and cooperation in future.

➤ The **theme** for the conference is "**Collaboration in a free and Open Indo – Pacific**". Bilateral defence relations between India and Thailand have gained momentum during the last few years along with overall improvement in relations at political, economic and cultural levels.

EC Announces By-Elections On Four Seats In UP, Tripura, Chhattisgarh, Kerala On Sept 23

➤ Election Commission announced by-elections to one assembly seat each in Uttar Pradesh, Tripura, Chhattisgarh and Kerala.

➤ The by-polls for Dantewada in Chhattisgarh, Pala in Kerala, Badharghat in Tripura and Hamirpur assembly seat in UP will be held on 23rd of next month. The by polls for Dantewada, Pala and Badharghat were necessitated following the death of sitting MLAs.

➤ The by-election in Hamirpur was necessitated by the disqualification of the BJP MLA Shri Sunil Arora is the 23rd Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India succeeding Shri O.P.Rawat.

India To Host COP14 Of UN Convention Next Month To Combat Desertification

➤ **India** will host the **Conference Of Parties, COP 14**, of the **United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification** from 2nd to 13th of next month.

➤ **Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar** confirmed, the event will see participation of over **3000 representatives** from over **200 countries** which will include **Ministers** from around **100 countries**.

➤ India will take over from **China this year** as **host and President** for **2 years**. The Conference of Parties will focus on desertification and degradation of land. India has resolved to implement provisions of **New Delhi Declaration** to be adopted at the end of the conference.

➤ Government has targeted that 50 Lakh hectares of degraded land will be made fertile in 10 years and a **Centre of Excellence** will be established in **Forest Research Institute** in **Dehradun**.

Prakash Javadekar Inaugurates National Centre For Avian Ecotoxicology

➤ **Union Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar** inaugurated the **National Centre for Avian Ecotoxicology** at Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History in Coimbatore, **Tamil Nadu**.

➤ NCAE would study the movement of environmental contaminants such as pesticides, heavy metals, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, poly chlorinated biphenyls and drugs through food chain and their harmful effects on birds.

➤ **SACON** is a centre of excellence under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, and has been conducting research on various issues pertaining to conservation of birds in India for over two-and-a-half decades.

Harsh Vardhan Inaugurates FSSAI's National Food Laboratory In Ghaziabad

➤ **Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan** inaugurated FSSAI's National Food Laboratory (NFL) in Ghaziabad on the occasion of 13th anniversary of the **Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006**. This national lab is a result of a Public-Private-Partnership (PPP), the first-of-its-kind in the food laboratory sector.

➤ It houses state-of-the-art collaborative training centres, namely, The **Food Safety Solution Centre (FSSC)** and the **Centre for Microbiological Analysis Training (C-MAT)**. Vardhan also laid the foundation stone of the FSSAI Tower in the presence of **Ashwini Kumar Choubey**, Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare and stakeholders from the scientific community, food businesses and corporates.

SRK Launches Heritage Postal Stamp Of Bandra Station

➤ **Actor Shah Rukh Khan** launched **heritage postal stamp** of **Bandra station** on the completion of **150 years** of the railway station.

➤ **Ashish Shelar**, minister of School Education, Sports and Youth Welfare of Maharashtra was also present at the Bandra station.

16 Textile Giants Join Smriti Irani's Sustainable Fashion Project SU.RE

➤ **Union Minister for Textiles, Smriti Zubin Irani** launched Project **SU.RE**, a move towards sustainable fashion, at **Lakmé Fashion Winter/Festive 2019**, in **Mumbai**.

➤ The project has been launched by the Minister, along with the **Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI)**; **United Nations in India**; and **IMG Reliance**, the organizers of Lakmé Fashion Week.

➤ **SU.RE** stands for '**Sustainable Resolution**' – a firm commitment from the industry to move towards fashion that contributes to a clean environment. The signatories for project SU.RE are Future Group, Shopper's Stop, Aditya Birla Retail, Arvind Brands, Lifestyle, Max, Raymond, House of Anita Dongre, W, Biba, Westside, 109F, Spykar, Levi's, Bestsellers and Trends.

➤ The signatories have pledged to source/utilize a substantial portion of their total consumption using sustainable raw materials and processes, by the year 2025. **Rahul Mehta**, President of the Clothing Manufacturers Association of India.

HRD Ministry Launches National Digital Library Of India

➤ **Human Resource Development** Ministry under its National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology, **NMEICT** has launched the **National Digital Library of India** project to develop a framework of virtual repository of learning resources with a single-window search facility.

➤ The contents cover almost all major domains of education for all major levels of learners. As of now, there are more than 3 crore digital resources available through the National Digital Library.

➤ More than 50 lakh students have registered themselves in the National Digital Library with about 20 lakh active users. National Digital Library has been integrated with **UMANG** App and users can register through **www.ndl.gov.in** or through the **mobile** app.

Feroz Shah Kotla Stadium To Be Renamed As Arun Jaitley Stadium

➤ The **Delhi and District Cricket Association (DDCA)** decided to rechristen **Feroz Shah Kotla Stadium** as **Arun Jaitley Stadium** in the memory of its former president who passed away.

➤ The renaming will take place on September 12 at a function where a stand at the Kotla will be named after India captain **Virat Kohli** as announced earlier. Jaitley, during his tenure at DDCA, is credited with renovating the stadium into a modern facility, increasing its capacity to accommodate more fans besides constructing world class dressing rooms.

DDCA president – **Rajat Sharma**

Smriti Irani Lays Foundation Stone Of Integrated Textiles Tourism Complex In Meghalaya

➤ In **Meghalaya**, the **Union Minister of Textiles Smriti Zubin Irani** laid the foundation stone of the **Integrated Textiles Tourism**

Complex at Nongpoh, Ri Bhoi district in the presence of Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma.

➤ The Central Government is committed to supplement the endeavours of the State Government for development in the sector of textiles; women and child development.

➤ **Meghalaya Chief Minister** appreciated the efforts put in by the Government of India and the commitment of the Union Minister to work for the **welfare of the people of Meghalaya**.

Indian Army Establishes 45 Army Goodwill Schools In J&K

➤ In **Jammu and Kashmir**, Army, apart from safeguarding the borders, is also taking several initiatives for the betterment of the people. As a part of this goodwill initiative, the **Indian Army** has established **45 Army Goodwill schools** in J&K wherein over **14 thousand students** are studying at present. Children belonging to low-income group families are given admission for pursuing their studies free of cost.

IoT India Congress 2019, India's Largest IoT Platform, Kicks Off Its 4th Edition In Bengaluru

➤ The **fourth edition** of India's largest conclave on IoT, the "**IoT India Congress, 2019**" was set in motion at the Hotel Lalit Ashok in **Bengaluru**. The two-day event is India's largest Platform of platforms for the Internet of Things.

➤ This year's focus is on mainstreaming **Internet of Things (IoT)** and its implementations in real life problems. The Congress was inaugurated via the mobile app.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Infosys Launches Cyber Defence Center In Romania

➤ **Infosys** announced the launch of its state-of-the-art **Cyber Defence Center** in Bucharest, Romania. The **Defence Center** is an expansion of services delivered through Infosys **Digital Innovation Center** which opened in **Bucharest**.

➤ They will provide end-to-end, real-time, 24/7 cyber security monitoring and protection services to support European and global businesses on their digital transformation journey.

➤ It includes security monitoring, management and remediation, threat hunting, security analytics, incident discovery, and response will be delivered by certified and highly skilled cyber security professionals.

India Became Fifth Largest Investor In Africa: President Kovind

➤ **President Ramnath Kovind** announced that **trade and investment** ties between **India and Africa** are growing. India has become the **fifth largest investor in Africa** with **cumulative investment at over 54 billion US dollars**.

➤ He was addressing **Special Session of National Assembly of Gambia** yesterday evening in capital **Banjul**. African continental Free Trade Area Agreement launched this month **will make Africa the largest free trade area in the world**.

➤ After South Asia, the African Continent is the largest recipient of Indian overseas assistance. President has promised India's support to Gambia in areas of skills development. Later President participated in a community reception at Banjul.

India Contributes 1 Million To UN Special Purpose Trust Fund

➤ India has contributed one million US Dollars to the United Nations Special Purpose Trust Fund for the Resident Coordinator System.

➤ India's Permanent Representative to the **UN Ambassador Syed Akbaruddin** informed that India is happy to tangibly contribute to reform of the UN Development system.

➤ According to the UN information, **Special Purpose Trust Fund (SPTF)** is a specific fund housed within the UN Secretariat, established to receive, consolidate and manage all contributions and financial transactions of the new Resident Coordinator system in a transparent and effective way.

US Delays Imposing Tariffs On Some Imports From China Until Dec 15

➤ The US is delaying imposing **tariffs on some imports from China until 15 December**. US President Donald Trump informed, the delay was in part to avoid hitting US shoppers this Christmas. The products include mobile phones, laptops, video game consoles, some toys, computer monitors, and certain footwear and clothing.

➤ The surprise news from the United States Trade Representative office sparked a rally in share prices. Other items facing a 10% tariff, however, will go ahead as planned on 1 September.

India, China Agree To Further Strengthen People-To-People Ties

➤ **External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar** held a bilateral meeting with **Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi in Beijing**. They discussed the full gamut of issues relating to the international situation, regional aspects and the bilateral relations including the visit of **Chinese President Xi Jinping** to India for the 2nd Informal Summit later this year.

➤ The two countries agreed that maintenance of peace and tranquillity in border areas was essential for smooth development of relations. For this, the two armed forces had enhanced communication and were implementing various confidence building measures.

➤ It was emphasised in the meeting that the Chinese side should take steps to address this issue including by enabling greater access for India's pharmaceutical and IT products and services in the domestic Chinese market.

➤ **Four MoUs** were signed on the occasion in various fields including traditional medicine, and sports. The External Affairs Minister met **Chinese Vice President Wang Qishan**. They discussed the evolving global situation and the larger rebalancing that reflects the rise of India and China as two large developing countries.

SLPP Officially Names Gotabaya As Their Presidential Candidate

➤ In Sri Lanka, former **Defence Secretary Gotabaya Rajapaksa** has been named as the Presidential candidate of main opposition **Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP)** at its first national convention in Colombo.

➤ Opposition leader and **former President Mahinda Rajapaksa** took over as **SLPP** leader at the convention. Sri Lanka won the war against **LTTE** in 2009 during Presidency of Mahinda while Gotabaya served as defence secretary. Mahinda lost power in 2015 elections but SLPP, a breakaway group of Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP) made a comeback with victory at local body elections in February 2018.

➤ United National Party (UNP) led by **Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe** is the other main party which is divided over the issue of Presidential candidate.

India Cancels Samjhauta Express Train After Pakistan Suspends Operations On Its Side

➤ Indian Railways has **cancelled Samjhauta Express train** after Pakistan suspended operations on its side. According to Northern Railway, Pakistan has cancelled the **Samjhauta Express running between Lahore and Attari**. The railways run the train on Sundays from **Delhi to Attari** and back, while Pakistan used to run the train between Lahore and Attari.

Alejandro Giammattei Wins Guatemala's Presidential Race

➤ **Guatemalans** have voted in **Alejandro Giammattei** of the **Vamos party** as the **country's next president**, hoping he will be able to address the issues of crime and security, as well as the concerns around his human rights record.

➤ The 63-year-old conservative candidate and former surgeon won a runoff election with 58.26 percent of the votes after 98 percent of voting centres had been counted. He **defeated former First Lady Sandra Torres** from the centrist National Unity of Hope party, who received about 40 percent of the votes. **Giammattei** will assume **office on January 14, 2020**

North Korea Fires Two Unidentified Projectiles Into Sea

➤ **North Korea** fired **two unidentified projectiles** into the sea which is latest in a series of such launches by **Pyongyang**.

➤ South Korean military confirmed the projectiles were fired from near the city of Tongchon of Kangwon Province into the East Sea, also known as the **Sea of Japan**. It was North Korea's sixth round of weapons launch since July.

➤ Experts opined that North Korea began stepping up its weapons demonstrations while expressing frustration over stalemated nuclear negotiations with the United States and continuance of U.S.-South Korea joint military drills that the North Korea see as invasion rehearsal

V Prez Embarks On Three Nations Tour To Lithuania, Latvia & Estonia

➤ Vice President **M. Venkaiah Naidu** will embark on a three-nation visit to **Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia**.

➤ The **Vice President** will be accompanied by a **high-level delegation**. Vice President's visit will be the first-ever high level visit to the **three Baltic countries**. The visit takes place in the context of increasing political engagement, as well as intensified trade and commercial ties.

➤ The **visit of Vice President to the three Baltics countries** is to **advance India's outreach to the important countries in the region**.

➤ This visit will also provide an opportunity to brief the Baltic countries and get their views on enhanced opportunities for cooperation, thus further strengthening our existing friendly ties. Notably, India and Baltic countries have historical connect and common linguistic roots.

PM Modi Leaves For Two-Day Visit To Bhutan

➤ Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has left for a two-day visit to **Bhutan**. His visit to Bhutan in the beginning of the current term reflects the high importance that the Government attaches to India's relations with that country which is a trusted friend and neighbour.

➤ **India-Bhutan partnership** is of a special character and substance and forms an important **pillar of Government of India's Neighbourhood First policy**.

➤ Both countries jointly celebrated the Golden Jubilee of the establishment of formal diplomatic relations last year. He will inaugurate 720 megawatt **Mangdechhu hydro-power project** and release a commemorative stamp to mark the 50 years of **Indo-Bhutan hydropower** relations.

➤ He will also inaugurate the Ground Station for **South Asian Satellite** and launch the first phase of **RuPay Card** and address the students of Royal University of Bhutan. India and Bhutan will ink MoUs in science, technology, engineering and maths and judicial sectors.

UN Says 2nd Attempt To Return Rohingya To Myanmar Planned

➤ The **United Nation refugee agency** has informed **Myanmar and Bangladesh** are making a **second attempt to start repatriating Rohingya muslims** after more than seven lakh of them fled a security crackdown in Myanmar almost two years ago.

➤ **Agency spokeswoman Caroline Gluck confirmed that the Bangladesh government has asked for its help in verifying the 3,450 people on a new list** of returnees are going back to Myanmar voluntarily. She announced the list was whittled from 22,000 names that Bangladesh had sent to Myanmar for verification.

Iceland's Okjokull Glacier Commemorated With Plaque

➤ In **Iceland, people will gather to commemorate the loss of the glacier Okjokull**, which was officially **declared dead in 2014 at the age of 700**. The glacier was officially **declared dead by the Icelandic Meteorological Office** when it was no longer thick enough to move.

➤ **Prime Minister Katrin Jakobsdottir, Environment Minister Gudmundur Ingi Gudbrandsson and former Irish President Mary Robinson** will all take

part in a commemoration ceremony later in the day.

➤ The people attending the ceremony will walk up the volcano northeast of the capital Reykjavik to lay a plaque which carries a letter to the future. The plaque is also labelled "**415 ppm CO2**", referring to the **record level of carbon dioxide measured in the atmosphere last May**.

➤ Iceland loses about 11 billion tonnes of ice per year, and scientists fear that all of the island country's 400-plus glaciers will be gone by 2200.

Happy To Receive A Book Written In Hindi From Lithuania: Vice President

➤ Vice President **M Venkaiah Naidu** has expressed happiness at receiving a copy of '**History of Lithuania**' in **Hindi** during his official visit to **Lithuania**.

➤ Mr Naidu appreciated the step taken to publish Comparative Dictionary of 108 Common Lithuanian and Sanskrit words. The next endeavour should be to compile and publish a comprehensive dictionary of 10,000 common words in both languages.

5th Meeting Of India-Nepal Joint Commission To Be Held In Kathmandu

➤ The **5th Meeting of India-Nepal Joint Commission** will be held in **Kathmandu** on 21-22 August. Minister for External Affairs of **Dr S. Jaishankar** and Nepal's Minister of Foreign Affairs **Pradeep Kumar Gyawali** will co-chair the meeting and lead their respective delegations.

➤ According to Nepal's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Joint Commission Meeting will review the overall state of bilateral relations and various areas of cooperation such as connectivity and economic partnership, trade and transit, power and water resources, culture, education and other matters of mutual interest.

➤ India-Nepal Joint Commission was established in **June 1987**. Its meetings are held alternately in Nepal and India. The **last meeting** of the Commission was held in **New Delhi** on October 2016.

➤ During the visit, the Minister of External Affairs Dr Jaishankar will pay courtesy calls on President of Nepal **Bidya Devi Bhandari** and Prime Minister **Mr K P Sharma Oli**.

Sri Lanka: Anura Kumara Disanayake To Contest Presidential Election

➤ In **Sri Lanka**, leader of **Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP) Anura Kumara Disanayake** has announced to contest the upcoming Presidential election. The JVP leader was named as a candidate at a rally of National people's power led by JVP and held at Galle Face in Colombo.

➤ He is the second major candidate to have announced his candidature for polls to be held by end of the year. Former defence secretary **Gotabaya Rajapaksa** had also announced his candidature

EAM S Jaishankar To Embark On 3-Day Visit To China

➤ **External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar** will be paying a **three-day visit to China** from 11th of this month.

➤ This will be **Dr S Jaishankar's first visit to China after assuming office**. During the visit, the External Affairs Minister along with his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi will co-chair the second meeting of the India-China High-Level Mechanism on Cultural and People-to-People exchanges in Beijing on 12th of this month.

➤ Dr Jaishankar will also exchange views with Mr Wang Yi on the entire gamut of our bilateral relations- including upcoming high-level visits later this year, as well as regional and global issues of mutual interest.

United States Designates China A "Currency Manipulator"

➤ **The United States** has designated **China** a "**currency manipulator**", a move that could escalate the tense trade relations between the **two nations**.

➤ During the 2016 presidential elections, Donald Trump had promised to label China as a currency manipulator, but the Department of Treasury kept the country on its watch list, declining to take the step.

➤ Treasury Department last night announced that Secretary Steven Mnuchin, under the auspices of President Trump, has determined that China is a 'Currency Manipulator'.

➤ Mnuchin, after this decision, will engage with the International Monetary Fund to eliminate the unfair competitive advantage created by China's latest actions, the treasury said.

Trump Orders Freeze On All Venezuelan Government Assets In US

➤ **US President Donald Trump** ordered a **freeze on all Venezuelan government assets in the United States**, in the latest move against **President Nicolas Maduro**.

➤ The order affects all property and interests in property of the Government of Venezuela that are in the United States. The order informed, these assets are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in.

India, Bangladesh To Set Up Committee For Optimum Utilisation Of Water Resources

➤ **India and Bangladesh** have agreed to set up a **Joint Technical committee for optimum utilisation of Ganges** water as being received by Bangladesh **under the Ganga Water Sharing Treaty 1996**.

➤ After the Secretary-level meeting in Dhaka, both the countries also agreed to **prepare a framework for interim water-sharing agreement for eight rivers including Feni, Gumti and Teesta**.

➤ It is an important step in enhancing bilateral cooperation in the water resources sector between India and Bangladesh. **Water Resources Secretary Upendra Prasad Singh** led the Indian delegation in the talks while the Bangladesh side was led by his counterpart Kabir Bin Anwar.

➤ The Ganges-Brahmaputra-Meghna mega-basin is the second largest hydraulic region in the world. Within this basin, fifty-four rivers cross the border between upstream India and downstream Bangladesh.

Maryam Nawaz Arrested In A Money Laundering Case

➤ **Maryam Nawaz, Pakistan's former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's daughter** was arrested from the Kot Lakhpat jail, in a money laundering case, while she was on her way back from visiting her father, who is lodged in the same prison.

➤ **National Accountability Bureau (NAB)** informed her cousin Yousuf Abbas has also been arrested in connection to the **Chaudhry Sugar Mills (CSM) case**. According to the NAB officials, Maryam had excused herself from appearing before the accountability bureau on today and had gone to meet Sharif in the jail.

➤ Her arrest came the day after she accused **Prime Minister Imran Khan** of "fall of Kashmir" and demanded registration of a treason case against him.

Over 5 Lakh Rohingya Refugees Get Identity Cards In Bangladesh

➤ More than **5 lakh Rohingya refugees** living in Bangladesh have been **issued identity documents by the UNHCR**. The bio-metric, fraud-proof cards are being issued jointly by Bangladeshi authorities and UNHCR to all verified refugees over the age of 12.

➤ These cards will help in establishing and safeguarding the right of Rohingya refugees to return to their homes in Myanmar. UNHCR's **Bio-metric Identity Management System (BIMS)** captures bio-metric data, including fingerprints and iris scans, which secure each refugee's unique identity as well as other important information such as family links.

➤ According to UNHCR, Bangladesh has more than 9 lakh Rohingya refugees out of which close to 7 lakh 50 thousand refugees arrived after August 2017 fleeing Rakhine province of Myanmar amid violence and military crackdown. Bangladesh claims to have 11 lakh Rohingya refugees in the country.

India Contributes USD 5 Million To UN Palestine Refugee Agency

➤ India contributed **USD 5 million to the UN Palestine refugee agency** and called for ensuring sustained fiscal support for the organisation's work.

➤ The cheque for the amount was handed over to the **United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA)** for Palestinian Refugees by Representative of India (ROI) in Palestine, Sunil Kumar, at the Agency's **headquarters in Jerusalem**.

➤ India increased its annual financial assistance to the UNRWA by four fold, from USD 1.25 million to USD 5 million, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Palestine in February 2018, the first-ever visit by an Indian Premier to Ramallah.

➤ The UNRWA has been providing health, education, relief and social services, as well as emergency humanitarian assistance, across its five areas of operations in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank, and the Gaza Strip since 1950.

Malaria Kills Over 1,800 People In Burundi This Year, Says UN

➤ The **UN's humanitarian agency** informs Malaria has killed more than 1,800 people in Burundi this year.

➤ It informed the death toll rivals a deadly Ebola outbreak in neighbouring the Democratic Republic of Congo. In its latest situation report, the agency expressed, 5.7 million cases of malaria had been recorded in Burundi in 2019, a figure roughly equal to half its entire population.

➤ The tiny country of 11 million people in the African Great Lakes region has still not declared a national emergency, despite the UN's humanitarian agency expressing the outbreak crossed epidemic proportions in May.

US Ends Visa-Free Entry For Visitors To North Korea

➤ The United States has revoked **visa-free entry rights to the country, for foreigners who have visited North Korea** in the past eight years. This move may deal a new blow to the isolated country's nascent tourism industry.

➤ The US allows citizens of 38 countries – including South Korea, Japan and France – to enter for up to 90 days without a visa under waiver programme. But visitors who have travelled to eight countries including North Korea since **March 1, 2011**, are **"no longer eligible"**. As per details posted on the US Customs and Border Protection website, they will have to apply for tourist or business visas.

➤ The other seven countries – most of them in the Middle East – were already on the exclusion list. The change will affect thousands of people from visa waiver countries who have gone to the North as tourists or for other purposes in recent years.

➤ It will also put a damper on **South Korean President Moon Jae-in's** hopes of promoting cross-border tourism projects. US citizens have been banned from visiting North Korea since 2017 after an American student detained in Pyongyang was released in a coma and died a few days later.

US Approves Sale Of Helicopters To S Korea

➤ The US government has approved the sale of 12 multi-mission Seahawk helicopters to South Korea worth 800 million US dollar.

➤ The announcement came hours after US President Donald Trump announced that South Korea had agreed to pay more for US military presence in their country.

➤ The helicopters bolster anti-surface and anti-submarine missions and can handle secondary missions like replenishment, search and rescue and communications relay.

➤ The two countries have been in a security alliance since the 1950-53 Korean War which ended with a ceasefire rather than a peace treaty, with more than 28,000 US troops stationed in the South to guard against threats from North Korea.

US, Britain Back Rapid Trade Deal Post-Brexit

➤ The top American and British diplomats announced that they are prepared to move "as soon as possible" on a trade deal after Britain's planned withdrawal from the **European Union (EU)** on 31 October this year.

➤ In Washington, **British Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab** urged the EU to negotiate a new pact on Britain's departure to avoid a potentially calamitous "no-deal" Brexit.

➤ Raab informed after meeting the United States' Secretary of State Mike Pompeo that the two sides agreed on the need for quick negotiations on a two-way deal after Brexit strands Britain outside the US-EU trade pact.

South Korea Begins Annual War Games To Defend Against Japan

➤ **South Korea** began **two days of war games** to practise defending disputed islands off its east coast against an unlikely attack from **Japan**, further stoking tensions between the Asian neighbours.

➤ The annual drills come just days after **Seoul** terminated a military intelligence-sharing pact with **Tokyo**, with the countries at loggerheads over Japan's use of forced labour during World War II.

➤ The drill re-named **"East Sea territory defence training"** will solidify the military's resolve to defend the **Dokdo islands** and the area surrounding the Sea of Japan. While a Japanese attack is deemed highly unlikely, South Korea first staged the drills in 1986 and has conducted them twice a year, usually in June and December.

➤ Seoul has controlled the rocky islets in the Sea of Japan since 1945. Tokyo also claims the islands and accuses South Korea of occupying them illegally.

PM To Address Sessions At G-7 Summit; To Hold Bilateral Talks With German Chancellor, US Prez On Sidelines Of Summit

➤ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** met the **President of Senegal Macky Sall** and held bilateral talks on the side-lines of the **G-7 Summit at Biarritz; France**. Mr Modi will now participate in the Session on Climate, Bio-diversity and Oceans raising India's concerns on the emerging issues.

➤ The Prime Minister will then meet the **German Chancellor Angela Merkel** and **United States President Donald Trump** to discuss bilateral and a gamut of issues of mutual interest.

➤ India is one of the few countries which were extended a special invitation to participate in the summit. World leaders in the Summit aim to provide a common platform for various issues including climate change, terrorism, inequalities and trade amidst changing scenario in world trade and blocs.

➤ The highlight of the summit is that newly invited countries will have a definite determination to work for furthering peace and stability in the region and also in boosting world economy

Democratic Republic Of Congo Announces New Govt

➤ In the **Democratic Republic of Congo**, a coalition government was announced, seven months after the inauguration of **new President Felix Tshisekedi**.

➤ **Prime Minister Sylvester Ilunga** announced the President has signed the decree and the government will begin work soon.

The power-sharing agreement will see 23 members of the executive drawn from **Tshisekedi's** Direction for Change and the remaining 42 from **former President Joseph Kabila's Common Front for Congo**.

Brazil Rejects Aid From G-7 Countries To Fight Amazon Forest Fires

➤ **The G7 leaders have vowed to help Brazil fight Amazon forest fires and repair damage in the region.** Brazil has **rejected** aid from G-7 countries to fight wildfires in the Amazon.

➤ Chief of Staff to **President Jair Bolsonaro**, Onyx Lorenzoni, expressed a news website that Brazilian Government appreciates the offer. But those resources are probably more relevant to reforest Europe, referring to a pledge of **20 million dollars** made at the **G-7 Summit in France** to fight the rainforest blazes.

Sudan Urges UNSC To Withdraw All Peacekeepers By June 2020

➤ **Sudan urged United Nations Security Council (UNSC)** to lift its suspension of troop withdrawals and ensure all peace keepers leave **Darfur by June 2020**. **Sudan's UN Ambassador, Omer Mohamed Siddig** announced the council that it's time to shift from peace keeping to peace building in Darfur and to end restrictions on the government's movement of arms and troops in and out of the region.

Intel Launches First Artificial Intelligence Chip Springhill

➤ **Intel Corp launched its latest processor, its first using artificial intelligence (AI), designed for large computing centres.** The chip, developed at its development facility in **Haifa, Israel**, is known as **Nervana NNP-I** or **Springhill** and is based on a **10 nanometre** Ice Lake processor that will allow it to cope with high workloads using minimal amounts of energy.

➤ Intel's first AI product comes after it had invested more than **\$120 million** in three AI start-ups in Israel. The new hardware chip will help **Intel Xeon processors** in large companies as the need for complicated computations in the AI field increases.

DEFENCE NEWS

Japanese Maritime Self Defence Ship Visits Kochi

➤ **Missile destroyer, JS Sazanami** of the **Japanese Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF)**, commanded by **Commander Shoji Ishikawa**, is on a two day goodwill visit to **Kochi**.

➤ During the stay at **Kochi**, various activities such as visit of **IN personnel on board JS Sazanami** and professional interaction between the two navies were conducted. The visiting crew were also given a conducted tour of the Anti-Submarine Warfare School and the Naval Offshore Patrol Vessel, **INS Sunayna**.

➤ **JS Sazanami** with about 25 officers, 156 sailors and eight Japanese Coast Guard personnel (3 officers + 5 sailors) on board for the current

deployment is planned to depart for Bahrain on this week.

PM Modi Announces Creation Of Chief Of Defence Staff Post

➤ Addressing the nation from the Red Fort on the occasion of Independence Day, the **Prime Minister announced that the country will now have a Chief of Defence Staff, CDS**, who will ensure synergy among the three Services and provide effective leadership to them.

➤ He unveiled **Jal Jiwan Mission** under which the **government will spend Rs 3.5 lakh crore to provide piped drinking water to all households**.

➤ The Prime Minister also touched upon a host of other issues including tackling cross-border terrorism, corruption, poverty, ensuring ease of living, banning single-use plastic and curbing indiscriminate use of fertilizers.

India Test-Fires Surface To Air-Missile from Chandipur In Odisha

➤ **India** today successfully test-fired its **All-weather tracked-chassis Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile (QR-SAM)** from a **mobile launcher at launch complex III of the Integrated Test Range at**

➤ **Chandipur in Odisha**. It was the second developmental trial of the missile in this year from the same test range.

➤ Earlier, the surface-to-air missile was tested successfully on Feb 26, 2019. It was test fired from a rotatable truck-based launch unit at **Chandipur**. Jointly developed by **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** and **Bharat Electronics Ltd**, the **QR-SAM weapon system** is a quick reaction, network-centric missile system capable of search-on-the-move.

➤ QR-SAM system can also engage multiple targets within a range of around 25 to 30 km with two vehicle configuration for area air defence. It is a truck-mounted missile with a 360 degree rotatable, electro-mechanically operated, turret-based launch unit. The first test launch of the missile was conducted on June 4, 2017, from the same base.

Arunachal Pradesh Home Minister Flags Off Riot Control Vehicle 'Vajra'

➤ **Arunachal Pradesh State Home Minister Bamang Felix** flagged off **Five Anti-Riot police vehicle**, also known as **Vajra**, from **Police Headquarter in Itanagar**. This is the first set of anti-riot vehicles introduced in the state police department.

➤ These vehicles come with special features for quick response, automatic multi-barrel launchers for tear gas, with a capacity of 12 persons and a battery backup for long hours stuck in the rioting crowd.

➤ The initiative is a step towards the total modernization of the state Police department. Two will be deployed in the Capitol Complex and one each will be routed towards Yupia, Pasighat and Bomdila. State's Director-General of Police **RP Upadhyaya** informed that **Vajra** is a protected vehicle used by the police forces during riots and civil unrest.

North Korea Fires Two Short-Range Ballistic Missiles Into Sea Off Its East Coast

➤ **North Korea** has fired **two short-range ballistic missiles** into the sea off its **east coast**.

The South Korean military confirmed the North launched what appeared to be two short-range ballistic missiles.

➤ Meanwhile, North Korea's state media announced, a super-large multiple rocket launcher had been tested. According to South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff, the projectiles were launched from north-eastern **South Hamgyong province**. They flew about 380 kilometres at the maximum altitude of 97 kilometres.

➤ In response to the test, the South Korean government called a National Security Council meeting. This is the seventh such missile test by North Korea since **US President Donald Trump** and **Kim Jong-Un** met at the inter-Korean border in June.

COMMITTEES & RECOMMENDATIONS

Rajnath Singh Approves Setting Up Of Committee To Review Defence Procurement Procedure

➤ **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** has approved the setting up of a **Committee under the Chairmanship of Director General (Acquisition) to review the Defence Procurement Procedure (DPP) 2016 and Defence Procurement Manual (DPM) 2009**.

➤ The Committee will revise and align the procedures with the **aim** of ensuring seamless flow from asset acquisition to life cycle support. Apart from DG (Acquisition) 11 other members, not below the rank of Joint Secretary/Major General equivalent, are part of this high-level committee.

NGT Forms Panel To Examine Allegations Of Illegal Sand Mining In River Yamuna

➤ **The National Green Tribunal (NGT)** has formed a **committee to examine allegations of illegal sand mining in the Yamuna River and sought a report within a month**.

➤ The **NGT action** follows a move by the **Delhi Jal Board** which alleged illegal sand mining in the **Yamuna River**. A **bench headed by NGT Chairperson Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel** asked the panel consisting of Delhi District Magistrate, Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) and Central Pollution Control Board to look into the matter and take appropriate action. The green tribunal declared that the DPCC will be the nodal agency for coordination and compliance.

CVC Constitutes Panel To Examine Bank Fraud

➤ The **Central Vigilance Commission (CVC)** has constituted **Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF)** to examine bank fraud of over **50 crore rupees** and recommend action. The panel in its previous avatar called the **Advisory Board on Bank, Commercial and Financial Frauds**.

➤ The **ABBF** headed by **former Vigilance Commissioner T M Bhasin** has been formed in consultation with the **RBI** and it will function as the first level of examination of all large fraud cases before recommendations or references are

made to the investigative agencies by the respective Public Sector Banks.

➤ The CVC expressed the four-member board's jurisdiction will be confined to those cases involving officers of General Manager Level and above in the PSBs in respect of an allegation of a fraud in a borrowal account.

➤ **The banks will refer all large fraud cases above 50 crore rupees to ABBF and on receipt of its recommendation, they concerned will take further action in such matter.**

GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

Rural India Set To Become ODF By October 2

➤ **Rural India** is poised to become **Open Defecation Free (ODF)** by **2nd October this year** due to the successful implementation of **Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)**. The resounding success of this mission has huge lessons for governments around the world.

➤ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has reflected on the importance of cleanliness in his monthly **programme of Mann Ki Baat on All India Radio** on various occasions.

➤ In the **39th edition of the programme, Mr Modi** announced people should make a contribution towards making India clean to fulfil the dream of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.

Target To Provide Skill Development To 10 Lakh Youth Under SAMARTH Scheme: Smriti Irani

➤ **Union Textiles Minister Smriti Irani** informed under **SAMARTH** scheme (scheme for capacity building in textile sector), target is to provide skill development to 10 lakh youth in the textile sector. The signing MoUs with different state governments in **New Delhi**, Mrs Irani expressed in textile industry, 75 per cent of those who work are women.

➤ The **main aim** is to develop skills in the youths to help them get gainful and sustainable employment in textile sector, the ministry of textiles launched Samarth scheme for them in the organized and traditional textile clusters.

Punjab Govt To Provide 28000 Agro-Machines To Farmers To Prevent Stubble Burning

➤ With a view to making Punjab a '**zero stubble burning state**', the **Punjab Agriculture Department** has initiated a massive drive to provide more than 28000 agro-machines /farm equipment to farmers.

➤ Subsidy component of 278 crore rupees will be provided for the scheme during the current fiscal year under the first phase for in-situ management of paddy residue. Subsidy ranging from 50 per cent to 80 per cent is being provided to the farmers under the scheme with 80 percent subsidy to cooperative societies and farmers groups while 50 percent for individuals.

➤ The Secretary Agriculture KS Pannu informed that department has received around 12000 applications from individual farmers and farmers groups and Primary Agriculture Cooperative Societies till date for subsidized machinery.

Scheme to Involve School Eco Clubs in DDA's Plantation Drive Launched

➤ In **Delhi**, a scheme to involve school eco clubs in the **DDA's plantation drive** was launched at a green belt in Rohini's sector 37 by **Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri**.

➤ As part of an afforestation drive of the **Delhi Development Authority (DDA)**, four lakh indigenous trees will be planted this year across various biodiversity parks and other green belts in the national capital.

➤ Delhi Lieutenant Governor (LG) and DDA Chairman **Anil Baijal** expressed happiness at the response of the schools and said there was a need to incentivise the performers of the scheme.

MP: About 80 Lakh Farmer Families To Benefit From PMKSNY

➤ In **Madhya Pradesh**, about **80 lakh** eligible farmer families will benefit from the **Pradhanmantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana** in the state.

➤ The scheme has been envisioned with an **aim** to improve the life of small and marginal farmers of the country. Under the scheme, total Rs 6 thousand that is Rs 2 thousand each in three installments are being deposited every year directly in the accounts of the eligible farmer families.

➤ More than **35 lakh beneficiaries** have been selected so far in **Madhya Pradesh for Pradhanmantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana**. Out of them, over **29 lakh 70 thousand farmers** have got the **first instalment of scheme**.

First Central Institute Of Chemical Engineering & Technology To Be Set Up In Gujarat

➤ Union Minister of State for Chemical & Fertilizers Mansukh **Mandaviya** has announced that the first **Central Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology (CICET)** will be set up in **Gujarat**.

➤ Mr Mandaviya expressed that looking to the significant presence of Chemical industries in Vapi, Ankleshwar and Vatva, Government is planning to set up Central Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology -CICET on the line of CIPET to benefit the chemical industry.

➤ A Skill Development Centre will start functioning from this October in Bhavnagar. CIPET will also start diploma courses in Sanand near Ahmedabad.

Arvind Kejriwal Informs Delhiites To Get Free Electricity Up To 200 Units

➤ **Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal** today announced that Delhiites will get cheapest electricity in the country. The consumers consuming up to 200 units of electricity will not need to pay their power bills. Delhi government will give full subsidy to those consuming up to 200 units of electricity.

➤ **Delhi government** will continue to give **50 percent power subsidy** to those consuming 201 to 401 units of electricity.

➤ For 250 units people in the Delhi used to pay 800 rupees but now they will pay 252 rupees. For

300 units, they used to pay 971 rupees but now it will be 526 rupees. For 400 units, it will be 1075 rupees instead of 1320 rupees.

Maharashtra Govt Decides To Waive Off Exam Fees

➤ **Maharashtra Government has decided to waive off the entire exam fees**, including practical exam for class ten and twelve students hailing from drought-affected districts of the state.

➤ Maharashtra's education minister **Mr. Ashish Shelar** informed that the amount of the entire fee will be credited back into the bank accounts of students or their guardians.

➤ A government resolution issued in this regard said, students, staying in districts which have already been declared drought-hit will not have to pay any fees while students whose districts are declared drought-affected later in the year will be reimbursed.

Gujarat CM Launches 'Vhali Dikri Yojna'

➤ Gujarat Chief Minister **Vijay Rupani** has launched the '**Vhali Dikri Yojna**'. It is a state wide cash incentive scheme for every girl child born in Gujarat, with a view to raising the female birth rate at par with male to achieve gender equality.

➤ According to scheme, the State Government will pay Rs. 4,000 to every girl child at the time of admission to Standard 4th, Rs. 6,000 at the time of taking admission to Standard IX. Rs. 1-lakh at the time of taking admission for higher education at the age of 18 and another Rs. 1-lakh at the time of marriage.

➤ The Scheme was launched at a function in Rajkot as a part of 'Seva Setu' Mega Camp jointly organized by the district administration and Municipal Corporation. And Rs.133-crore has been allocated

➤ for this scheme.

TN: Education Dept Launches Exclusive 24-Hour TV Channel For Students

➤ The **Education Department** in **Tamil Nadu** has launched an exclusive **24-hour television** channel for the **school students**.

➤ It was launched by the state **Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswamy** at a function in **Chennai**. Interviews and motivational programmes on joining civil services, defence forces and banks would be aired by the television as a form of career guidance.

➤ Hi-fi laboratories are being established in all Government High Schools and Higher Secondary Schools in the state at a cost of 520 crore rupees. "**Smart Classes**" are being installed in all Government-run primary and middle schools as well.

TN CM Flags Off First Electric Bus In Chennai

➤ The **first electric bus** in **Chennai** has been flagged off by the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister **Edappadi K Palaniswamy**. It is being operated on a trial basis **from the Central Railway Station to Tiruvanmiyur**, four trips a day.

➤ The **fully air-conditioned** bus has **32 seats**. It has inbuilt features like **GPS** and **fire detection** and **suppression system**. It can be monitored remotely by transport officials. The bus has been designed by keeping in view the Indian road conditions and has been certified by **Pune-**

based Automotive Research Association of India.

➤ The state government has planned to deploy two thousand electric buses throughout the state in several phases. The Union government has given its nod for buying **525** electric buses for the state in the first phase.

➤ The German financial institution KfW has agreed to offer the loan for the purchase of a hundred such buses, out of which Chennai would get 80 and Coimbatore and Madurai ten each.

AGREEMENTS & MOU

Indian Bank, Tata AIG General Insurance Tie Up

➤ **Indian Bank** has joined hands with **Tata AIG General Insurance** to offer the latter's diverse range of general insurance policies benefiting the bank's customers by way of protection, wealth creation and savings.

➤ Tata AIG General Insurance will work with the bank for sales training, product support and ensuring smooth operational processes.

➤ The agreement was signed in the presence of Padmaja Chunduru, MD and CEO, Indian Bank and Saurabh Maini, senior vice president & business head – Key partnership Group, Tata AIG General Insurance.

Reliance Jio Partners with Microsoft for Blockchain and Cloud Services announced at the **Reliance India Limited's 42nd Annual General Meeting**, the aim of the partnership is to accelerate the various aspects required for the digital transformation of the Indian economy and society.

➤ The 10-year partnership will see the two companies working together on a number of solutions comprising connectivity, computing, storage solutions, and other technology services and applications essential for Indian businesses.

➤ Microsoft will be working with Jio to give a push to data analytics, AI (Artificial Intelligence), cognitive services, blockchain, Internet of Things, and edge computing among small and medium enterprises to make them ready to compete and grow, at the same time help in the GDP growth in India.

India And Bhutan Resolve To Expand Bilateral Cooperation

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has returned home after a successful two day visit to Bhutan. During the visit, Prime Minister **Modi** and the **Bhutanese leadership** resolved to take the bilateral cooperation beyond hydroelectric power sector.

➤ The two countries signed various MoUs to diversify the friendship. The sectors include space, education, science, technology and legal education.

➤ The Prime Minister expressed, going beyond the traditional sectors of cooperation, both countries are seeking to cooperate extensively in new frontiers, from schools to space, and digital payments to disaster management.

India, Guinea Sign Three MoUs On 2nd Day Of President Kovind's Visit

➤ **India** and **Guinea** have signed **three MoUs** on the second day of

President Ram Nath Kovind's three-day visit to that country.

➤ These MoUs were signed between the **two countries Cooperation in the Field of Traditional System of Medicine, e-Vidhyabharati – e-Aarogya Bharati e-VBAB Network Project and Renewal Energy.**

➤ The two Heads of State held an in-depth exchange of views in a warm and friendly atmosphere on bilateral relations, international and regional issues of mutual interest.

➤ **Mr Kovind** will be conferred with the highest **State honour of National Order of Merit**; President of Guinea Alpha Conde will give award to him at a function held in Conakry.

Bangladesh Signs Uranium Supply Deal With Russia

➤ **Bangladesh** today signed a deal with **Russia** for the supply of **uranium** for its **2,400 MW Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant (RNPP).**

➤ Under the deal, **Russia** will supply the **nuclear fuel** needed for the plant during its entire life cycle. The deal was signed in **Dhaka between the Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission and Russian Nuclear Fuel Supply Company (TVEL).** Work on the **two units** of the plants, each producing **1200 MW of electricity** is scheduled to be completed in **2022 and 2024** respectively.

UP Extends Bilateral Cooperation MoU With Netherlands In Several Fields

➤ **Uttar Pradesh government** and **Netherlands** have extended the **existing bilateral agreement of cooperation in several fields by another five years.**

➤ A memorandum of understanding in this regard was signed by officials in the presence of **Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath** and the **Netherlands ambassador to India, Marten van den Berg** extending the **cooperation between two countries till 2024.**

➤ The MoU, inked earlier, sought cooperation and exchange of the knowledge and techniques in the fields of solid waste management, spatial planning, water management including restoration of water bodies and mobility planning.

➤ The MoU is also related to cooperation in fields of transport management, energy efficiency, sewerage and effluent treatment, agriculture, dairy and horticulture.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

'Sridevi: Girl Woman Superstar': Penguin Announces Book On Indian Cinema Legend

➤ On cinema legend **Sridevi's 56th birth anniversary**, **Penguin Random House India** has announced a book on the life of the actor.

➤ The book, titled **"Sridevi: Girl Woman Superstar"**, is written by author-screenwriter **Satyarth Nayak** and **approved by the actor's producer husband Boney Kapoor.**

➤ The writer revealed Sridevi's iconic body of work in Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and

Kannada cinema. The book recounts the life and times of the iconic actor who changed how women stars were perceived in the male-dominated film industry.

BANKING & FINANCE AND BUSINESS & ECONOMY

Postal Dept Decides To Convert India Post Payments Bank Into SFB

➤ **The Postal Department** announced it has decided to **convert** the **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** into a **small finance bank (SFB)**, enabling it to **offer small loans to customers.**

➤ Besides, the department also looks to open **one crore accounts for IPPB in 100 days.** A statement of the Postal Department announced that the decisions were taken at the annual Heads of Circles Conference held at Srinagar. Chairman of Post Payment bank is **Suresh sethi.**

Task Force On Direct Tax Code To Submit Report By August 16

➤ The **Government** has allowed the **task force**, formed to draft **new direct tax law**, to submit its report by **August 16.** Earlier, the force had to submit its report by **July 31.**

➤ The Finance Ministry in a released, the extension has been given as new members of the Task Force requested for more time to provide further inputs.

➤ The Task Force was constituted by the Government in November, 2017 to review the existing **Income Tax Act, 1961** and to draft a new direct tax law in consonance with economic needs of the country.

PRACTO TIES UP WITH RBL BANK TO LAUNCH INDIA'S FIRST HEALTH-FOCUSED CREDIT CARD

➤ **RBL Bank** and **digital healthcare platform Practo** have partnered to launch a co-branded credit card, powered by MasterCard.

➤ This Industry-first credit card is available on both Practo and RBL mobile apps and websites. The digital healthcare market is on a tremendous uptake in **India and is expected to reach Rs 372 billion by 2022.**

➤ The card is designed to cater to customers in both metros and non-metro cities, through Practo and RBL Bank's extensive customer base that spans across the country. With benefits like unlimited online consultations with doctors 24*7, users are guaranteed that there is an experienced qualified doctor available to them whenever there is a need – instead of relying on self-diagnosis or advice from friends and relatives.

Indian Bank Inks Pact With Cholamandalam MS General Insurance

➤ Public sector **Indian Bank** signed a **corporate agency agreement** with **Cholamandalam MS General Insurance Company** for distribution of its insurance products to bank customers.

➤ According to the agreement, Cholamandalam MS, a Murugappa Group company, would sell its range of insurance policies to customers of Indian Bank. The partnership will greatly benefit our customers and through this alliance, our

customers will get a wide range of innovative products.

➤ Indian Bank has 2,872 branches, across the country. Both Indian Bank and Chola MS seek to fulfil the non-life insurance needs of bank's customers. Two great institutions **headquartered in Chennai** are coming together for a longstanding partnership. Indian Bank Managing Director and CEO: **Padmaja Chunduru**. Cholamandalam MS General Insurance Company, Managing Director: **SS Gopalarathnam**

Wholesale Inflation In July Falls To Multi-Year Low Of 1.08 %

➤ **Wholesale price-based inflation** in July fell to a multi-year low of **1.08 per cent** mainly on account of cheaper fuel and food items.
➤ Data released by the Government showed inflation in food articles was **6.15 per cent in July as against 6.98 per cent in the previous month**. Similarly, wholesale inflation in fuel and power segment contracted further to (-) 3.64 per cent as against (-) 2.2 per cent in June.
➤ The retail inflation last month too had eased to 3.15 per cent over the previous month when it was 3.18 per cent. Inflation based on Wholesale Price Index, WPI was at 2.02 per cent in June this year and 5.27 per cent in July 2018

RBI Asks Banks Not To Count Failed Transactions, Balance Enquiry As Free ATM Transaction

➤ **Reserve Bank of India** has asked banks **not to count failed transactions at ATMs** due to technical reasons as part of "**free ATM transactions**" permitted **every month**.
➤ Use of ATMs for balance enquiry and fund transfers too should not be part of the free transactions facility given to a customer. Banks provide certain number of free transactions at ATMs to their customers and beyond that impose charges.
➤ The RBI clarified that transactions which fail on account of technical reasons, non-availability of cash, and any other reason attributable to the bank should not be counted as valid ATM transactions for the customer.

All Communication From Tax Dept To Assessee To Carry DIN From Oct 1: CBDT

➤ The **Central Board of Direct Taxes-CBDT** has confirmed that all **communications made by the tax department to assesseees from 1st of October will carry a Document Identification Number -DIN**.
➤ The issuance of DIN is another step towards better delivery of taxpayer services while ensuring accountability in official dealings. According to the **Ministry of Finance, with a view to bringing greater transparency and improvement in service delivery**, almost all notices and orders are being generated electronically on the Income Tax Business Application platform.

Exports Rise By 2.25% To 26.33 Billion US Dollar In July

➤ **India's exports** grew by **2.25 per cent to 26.33 billion US dollar** in July this year. According to data released by the **Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Imports, it's**

slipped by 10.43 per cent to 39.76 billion US dollar, narrowing trade deficit to 13.43 billion US dollar in July.

➤ The deficit was **18.63 billion US dollar in July last year**. Export sectors that recorded positive growth in the last month include chemical, iron and pharmaceuticals. As per data, oil imports declined 22.15 per cent to 9.6 billion US dollar.

➤ Cumulatively, from April to July 2019, exports dipped 0.37 per cent to 107.41 billion US dollar, while imports were contracted by 3.63 per cent to 166.8 billion US dollar.

India's Foreign Exchange Reserves At New Life-Time High Of \$430.572 Bn

➤ **India's foreign exchange reserves surged by \$1.620 billion to \$430.572 billion in the week to 9 August** on rise in foreign currency assets, according to the latest RBI data released.
➤ In the previous reporting week the reserves had declined by **\$697.2 million to \$428.952 billion**. Expressed in dollar terms, foreign currency assets include the effect of appreciation/depreciation of non-US units like the euro, pound and yen held in the reserves.

➤ The **country's gold reserves surged by \$1.591 billion to \$26.754 billion**, according to data. Special drawing rights with the International Monetary Fund were up by \$6.7 million to \$1.441 billion. The country's reserve position with the fund rose by \$7 million to \$3.636 billion.

RBI Relaxes External Commercial Borrowing Norms For Corporates, Non-Banking Lenders

➤ In more liquidity easing measures, the **Reserve Bank** has liberalised the end-use stipulations for the **External Commercial Borrowings** both for corporates as well as liquidity starved non-banking lenders.
➤ The central bank in a statement released that liberalisation will be applicable to ECBs taken for working capital, general corporate purpose loans or repayment of rupee loans.
➤ Corporate borrowers will be able to avail of ECBs to repay rupee loans taken for Capital expenditures if they are into manufacturing or infrastructure building and classified as Special Mention Account, SMA-2 or
➤ Non-Performing Asset, under any one-time settlement arrangement with lenders. The RBI also issued a revised circular for bankers capturing the changes.

KABIL Set Up To Ensure Supply Of Critical Minerals To Indian Domestic Market

➤ **A joint venture company Khanij Bidesh India limited, KABIL** has been set up with the participation of three Central Public Sector Enterprises, CPSEs to ensure supply of critical Minerals to Indian
➤ domestic market. These CPSEs are **National Aluminium Company Limited, Hindustan Copper Limited and Mineral Exploration Company limited**.
➤ The agreement was signed in the presence of **Minister of Coal and Mines Prahalad Joshi** in New Delhi. The newly setup company will ensure mineral security of the nation. The

company will ensure supply of Lithium and Cobalt which is available in less quantity in the country.

Govt Approves Proposal Given By RBI On Draft Modalities Of Guarantee To Operationalize Budget Announcement

➤ The government has approved a proposal given by the **Reserve Bank of India** on draft modalities of the guarantee to operationalize the Budget announcement. This is in regard to one-time partial credit to the Public Sector Banks for purchase of high-rated assets of financially sound Non-banking financial companies.
➤ Disclosing this **Finance Ministry official** announced in New Delhi today, after the approval from the Government, the modalities would be set in motion by RBI. The **Department of Financial Services** would put in place an oversight mechanism for this scheme.

German Bank KfW Explores Funding For MMRDA Infra Projects

➤ A delegation from **Germany's state-owned development bank KfW** met the **Mumbai Metropolitan Commissioner** to discuss about the various infrastructure projects being undertaken by the Authority.
➤ **Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority - MMRDA** informed that the delegation was briefed about the various Metro and the multi-modal integration projects.
➤ Metropolitan Commissioner, **RA Rajeev** has announced association with Germany's third largest bank will be a big boon to MMRDA's flagship project, the Mumbai Metro.

➤ MMRDA has emphasized on its need to protect the environment while creating infrastructure. MMRDA has planned 12 metro lines for Mumbai and its suburbs with a total length of 276 kilometres.

Eight Core Sectors Growth Drops To 0.2% In June

➤ Growth of eight core industries dropped to **0.2 per cent in June** mainly due to a contraction in oil-related sectors as well as in cement production. According to official data released today, the eight-core sector industries - coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertiliser, steel, cement and electricity - had expanded by **7.8 per cent in June** last year.
➤ According to the data, crude oil output contracted by 6.8 per cent while the refinery segment de-grew by 9.3 per cent. The cement output declined by 1.5 per cent. Snapping its two-month declining trend, the production of fertilisers grew by 1.5 per cent.
➤ However, steel production increased by 6.9 per cent and electricity production increased by 7.3 per cent during the month under review. During April-June, the eight sectors grew by 3.5 per cent compared to 5.5 per cent in the same period last year.

GST Revenue Collection Stands At Rs 1,02,083 Crore In July

➤ The total gross revenue collected under **Goods and Services Tax, GST** in the month of **July, 2019 was 1,02,083 crore rupees**. It consisted of Central GST component of 17,912 crore rupees and State GST 25,008 crore rupees along with the Integrated GST

revenue which was 50,612 crore rupees and Cess collection was 8,551 crore

- rupees.
- The revenue collection in July 2018 was 96,483 crore rupees and the revenue during the month of review registered a growth of 5.8 per cent over the revenue in the same month last year.
- During the period from April to July 2019, the domestic component has grown by 9.2 per cent while the GST on imports has come down by 0.2 per cent and the total collection has grown by 6.83 per cent. An amount of 17,789 crore rupees has been released to the states as GST compensation for the months of April and May last.

RBI Imposes Penalty On Seven Public Sector Banks For Violating Norms

- **Reserve Bank of India** has imposed a penalty ranging between one to two crore rupees on seven public sector banks for violating norms on fraud classification, bill discounting and monitoring of end use of funds.
- **Bank of Baroda, Bank of India, Indian Overseas Bank and Union Bank of India** were fined **1.5 crore rupees each**.
- **Allahabad Bank and Bank of Maharashtra** were penalised **2 crore rupees each**. **Oriental Bank of Commerce** was penalised with **1 crore rupees**.
- A scrutiny was carried out in the accounts of the companies of a group and it was observed that the banks had failed to comply with provisions of one or more of the directions issued by RBI.
- **A fine of 1 crore rupees was levied on Corporation Bank** for non-compliance of norms on cyber security framework as well as fraud classification and reporting.

CRISIL Cuts FY20 GDP Growth Forecast To 6.9% From 7.1%

- Ratings agency **CRISIL** has cut its forecast for **GDP growth in 2019-20 to 6.9% from its earlier forecast of 7.1%**, citing weak monsoon, slow global growth and poor high-frequency data for the first quarter of the
- financial year.
- **CRISIL** has sliced its estimate of India's gross domestic product (GDP) growth by 20 basis points to 6.9% for this fiscal. Because of following a triangulation of downside risks: weak monsoon, slowing global growth, and sluggish high-frequency data for the first quarter.

RBI Slashes Repo Rate By 35 Basis Points To 5.40% To Give Fillip To Economy

- **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has cut **repo rate by 35 basis points to 5.40 per cent** to give a **fillip** to the economy. This is the **fourth consecutive time** that the **Monetary Policy Committee** has **reduced the rates**. In the earlier three policies, RBI had reduced repo rate by 25 basis points each.
- Consequently, the reverse repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility stands revised to 5.15 per cent, and the marginal standing facility rate and the Bank Rate to 5.65 per cent. On the inflation front, RBI has informed that actual

headline inflation for first quarter of 2019-20 stood at 3.1 percent and in alignment with the Committee's projections of 3-3.1 percent inflation figure for first half of the current financial year.

- While marginally lowering its GDP growth forecast for current fiscal to 6.9 percent from 7 percent as previously predicted, RBI has informed the base effect of policy transmission will turn favourable only in the second half of 2019-20.

RBI Announces NEFT Facility Will Be Available Round-The-Clock For Customers

- The **Reserve Bank of India** announced that the **National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT)** facility will be **available round-the-clock for the customers**.
- **RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das** informed the **RBI** will make available the **NEFT system on a 24x7 basis from December 2019**. Currently, NEFT payment system operated by the Reserve Bank as a retail payment system is available for customers from **8 AM to 7 PM** on all working days of the week except 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.
- The RBI has also decided to create a central payments fraud information registry system to deal banking frauds adding that the details of the same will be shared later.

Loans To Get Cheaper As RBI Cuts Repo Rates

- **Loans** are set to **get cheaper** as **Reserve Bank of India cut repo rate by 35 basis points to 5.40 per cent**. Consequently, the reverse repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility stands revised to 5.15 per cent, and the marginal standing facility rate and the **Bank Rate to 5.65 per cent**.
- The country's largest lender, State Bank of India announced a 15 basis points reduction in its lending rates the new rates of 8.25 per cent will be effective from 10th of this month. After this cut, SBI home loans have become cheaper by 35 bps since April. The bank is offering a repo linked home loans from 1st July this year.

US Formalizes Ban on Govt Contracts to China's Huawei

- **The United States unveiled rules formally banning technology giant Huawei and other Chinese firms from government contracts**. The move is a part of the escalating trade war between the two countries.
- The interim rule will preclude any US federal agency from purchasing telecom or technology equipment from the firms as a substantial or essential component, or as critical technology as part of any system.
- The new rules are part of a sweeping effort by President Donald Trump's administration to restrict Huawei, which officials claim is linked to Chinese intelligence.

Multi-Sectoral, Multi-Dimensional Policy Stimulus Will Boost Stability, Growth: CII

- Industry body **Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** has announced that the **multi-sectoral and multi-dimensional policy** stimulus announced last week will have significant impact, imparting stability and underpinning a new growth impetus for India.

- The measures announced come at a time when the world economy is buffeted by global headwinds and trade slowdown. The Industry body further added it expects that the economy will climb up in the coming months.

- The government announced a raft of measures, including rollback of enhanced super-rich tax on foreign and domestic equity investors, exemption of start-ups from 'angel tax', a package to address distress in the automobile sector and upfront **infusion of 70,000 crore rupees to public sector banks**, in efforts to boost economic growth

RBI To Transfer Rs 1.76 Lakh Cr As Dividend, Surplus Reserve To Govt

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has decided to transfer **1.76 lakh crore rupees** as **dividend and surplus** reserve to the government.
- RBI informed that this amount includes over **1, 23,000 crore rupees of surplus for the year 2018-19 and 52,637 crore rupees of excess provisions identified as per the revised Economic Capital Framework**.
- RBI's Central Board has accepted the recommendations of a high-level **panel headed by former RBI Governor Bimal Jalan** on transfer of excess reserves to the government.
- The Central Board has finalized RBI's accounts for 2018-19 using the revised framework as suggested by the Jalan committee to determine risk provisioning and surplus transfer.

Bandhan Bank Partners With Standard Chartered Bank For Its Foray Into Credit Cards Segment

- **Bandhan Bank** announced its foray into the **credit cards** segment, in partnership with **Standard Chartered Bank**. The announcement comes on the **fourth** anniversary of Bandhan Bank.
- Bandhan Bank has launched three variants of co-branded credit cards called **One** – for the mass market, **Plus** for the affluent segment, and **Xclusive** – for the premium segment.
- Among the benefits offered to customers through these cards are attractive reward points for spends on dining, movie tickets and supermarkets. There will also be a fuel surcharge waiver, offers on flights and hotels, airport lounge access and waiver of fee against a minimum annual spend.

Govt Extends Last Date For Furnishing Of Annual Return In Form GSTR-9

- The Government has extended the last date for furnishing of annual return in **form GSTR-9 or form GSTR-9A** and reconciliation statement form **GSTR-9C** for the **financial year 2017-18 to 30th November 2019**. Previously, the last date for filing return was 31st of this month.

Amazon India Launches Employment Programme For Ex-Servicemen And Their Spouses

- **Amazon India** launches military **Veterans Employment programme**, it will create hundreds of opportunities for military veterans and their spouses across Amazon India's Fulfilment Centres, Sort Centres and Delivery Centres in the country.

➤ Amazon India is partnering with the **Office of the Director General of Resettlement (DGR)** and the **Army Welfare Placement Organisation (AWPO)** to create continued work opportunities for military families across the country.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

IIT Madras Introduces Smart Agricopter For Spraying Pesticides

➤ **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras** has developed a **Smart agricopter**. The innovation **aims to eliminate manual spraying of pesticides** in agricultural fields. As the manual pesticide spraying remains an extremely hazardous activity as it affects the health of the **farmers' and labourers'** in a massive overuse of toxic chemicals.

➤ The Cost estimation of the agricopter is to be around **Rs 5.1 lakh**. The Smart Agricopter is a hexacopter drone with the capacity to **carry 15 litres of pesticide**.

➤ Agricopter will allow spraying pesticides ten times faster and with **100% precision**. It has multispectral imaging camera which provides smart analysis of crop health. It also ensures that the entire spraying process is completely autonomous and that the farmer is never exposed to the pesticide

Chandrayaan-2 To Begin Its Journey Towards Moon Early Tomorrow

➤ India's second lunar probe Chandrayaan-2 will begin its journey straight towards the moon from early morning tomorrow. Known in the scientific parlance as the trans-lunar ion, the lunar craft will be navigated out of its present earth-centric orbit and made to travel straight towards the moon by firing the fuel in its engine by around 3.30 am.

➤ It is considered one of the very significant steps in its 48-day journey to the moon since its launch. "**Chandrayaan-2** will finally free itself away from the gravitational pull of the earth and will start moving towards its final destination, the moon.

➤ When it was launched by the **rocket GSLV-Mark-Three** on the 22nd of last month, it was parked in a Geo-Stationary Transfer orbit as is the usual practice. On the 7th September, its lander is expected to soft-land on the south pole of the moon and unleash the rover to explore the surface, a first by India.

SpaceX Launches Falcon 9 Loaded With Israel's AMOS-17

➤ Falcon 9 launches AMOS-17 off Pad 40 in Florida, marking this booster's third flight and SpaceX's 25th reflight of an orbit class rocket. The rocket was launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida at 23:24 GMT.

➤ Amos-17 is set to replace Amos-5 satellite launched in 2011. Communication with Amos-5 was lost in 2015. Amos-17, built by Boeing, will provide Ka, Ku and C-band signal transmission and expand Israeli communications satellite operator Space com's coverage in Africa, the Middle East and Europe.

Huawei Launches Its Own Operating System Harmony OS

➤ **Huawei Technologies Co** unveiled its much-anticipated **in-house operating system**

Harmony OS, marking the Chinese tech giant's arguably biggest push to build its own software ecosystem. The move is also expected to offset the influence of the US government's restrictions over the use of Google's Android operating system in smartphones and other hardware.

➤ **Yu Chengdong, CEO of Huawei's consumer business group**, expressed an operating system is needed to address future challenges in the era of internet of things, and it is hard to deliver a smooth experience across different devices with millions of lines of code.

➤ Unlike the much-expected name of **HongMeng**, Huawei adopted Harmony for its in-house operating system to solve all these problems. Huawei has over 500 million registered users and 910,000 mobile application developers on Huawei's platform.

NASA Scientists Fly Over Greenland To Track Melting Ice

➤ **NASA scientists** are crisscrossing **Greenland on a mission to track melting ice**.

➤ **Greenland** has been melting faster in the last decade and this summer, it has seen **two of the biggest melts on record since 2012**. Both warmer air and warmer water are eating away at Greenland, causing it to lose billions of tons of ice daily in the summer.

➤ A team of scientists and engineers aboard a research plane this week are dropping probes into the ice to help figure out which is the bigger cause.

UK Researchers Develop New Technique To Make Cancer Treatment More Effective, Affordable

➤ Researchers in the **University of Sheffield in Britain** recently developed a **new technique** that could make **light-based cancer treatment more effective and safer for patients while reducing its cost**.

➤ Light-based or photo-dynamic therapy is already a clinically-approved treatment, which uses drugs that only work when exposed to light to destroy cancer cells. However, many of these drugs are frequently toxic even without light, causing many side effects in patients and leading to treatment failure.

➤ The researchers have sought to improve these drugs by using small carbon dots as a way to get the drug to the tumour. Carbon dots are fluorescent nanoparticles with very little toxicity, making them extremely useful for this application.

➤ Two different versions of the carbon dots were developed as part of the research, one with the drug bound on the surface and the other where the drug was inside the dot. The research has the potential to produce cheaper anti-cancer drugs with greater efficiency to kill tumours and less side-effect in patients.

ISRO To Get Space Situational Awareness Control Centre In Bengaluru

➤ **Space Situational Awareness & Management (SSAM)** has become an internationally significant area due to the ever

growing manmade space debris population and the increased collision threat with operational spacecraft.

➤ **Chairman, ISRO** laid foundation stone for **Space Situational Awareness Control Centre at Peenya, Bengaluru** on 2nd August, which is an important milestone in the progress of ISRO.

➤ ISRO has set up a **Directorate of Space Situational Awareness and Management** aiming at protecting high valued space assets from space debris close approaches and collisions. To carryout systematically all activities related to SSAM, a control centre is being established at Bengaluru.

ISRO Releases First Set Of Earth Pictures Captured By Chandrayaan-2

➤ **Space agency ISRO** today released the first set of pictures of the earth, captured by **Chandrayaan 2**, the **country's second Moon mission** launched a fortnight ago. The pictures were captured by **L 14 camera on board Chandrayaan II**. The pictures show the earth in different hues.

➤ ISRO tweeted along with the pictures the earth as viewed by **#Chandrayaan2 L 14 Camera** yesterday. The first set of pictures by the lander of the Chandrayaan-2 is only indicative of the high resolution camera it has. The LI-4 camera on board the **lander Vikram** of the spacecraft show the crystal clear and panoramic view of the earth, around which it is still revolving **Chandrayaan-2 Spacecraft Undergoes 4th Earth-Bound Manoeuvring Successfully**

➤ In yet another step closer to the moon, India's **Chandrayaan-2** spacecraft has undergone the **fourth earth-bound manoeuvring** successfully.

➤ The **national space agency ISRO** has said in a tweet, the operation began at 3.27 pm by firing the engine on-board the spacecraft, which lasted for ten minutes and 46 seconds. The operation helped to raise its orbit to 277 km at the near end to the earth and nearly ninety thousand kilometres at the farthest end.

➤ The ISRO has observed that all the parameters of Chandrayaan-2 are normal. Chandrayaan-2 is set to be pushed away from the earth's sphere of influence and end into a flight path towards the moon on the 14th of this month. After less than seven days journey, it will be captured in an orbit around the moon on the 20th. Its lander along with the rover is scheduled to have a touch down near the South Pole of the moon on the 7th of September.

Chandrayaan-2 Successfully Completes Its Final Earth-Bound Orbit-Raising Manoeuvre

➤ In yet another significant development in its journey towards the **Moon, India's lunar probe Chandrayaan-2** has **successfully completed its fifth and final earth-bound orbit-raising manoeuvre today**.

➤ The **national space agency ISRO** has informed, the operation began at 15:04 hours, by firing the engine on board the aircraft and went on for 17 minutes and 21 seconds. The manoeuvre led the spacecraft to reach an orbit of substantial apogee that is the farthest point from

the Earth, at nearly one lakh-forty three thousand kilometres.

> The country’s second lunar expedition to the Moon, Chandrayaan-2 is expected to reach an orbit around the Moon. **ISRO** expressed, all the spacecraft parameters are normal. It will have a touch down on the lunar South Pole on 7th September.

IIT Guwahati Researchers Develop Portable Device To Detect Bacteria Without Cell Culture Or Microbiological Assays

> A team of researchers at the **Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati (IIT-G)** has developed a **portable device to detect bacteria without cell culture or microbiological assays.**

> The hand-held device, with bio-compatible sensor can also diagnose time-critical illnesses such as Meningitis researchers informed. The **bacterial infection** is a **common cause of morbidity and mortality across the world.**

> The present techniques are extremely time-consuming. Currently, cells derived from a patient are cultured or grown in laboratories to detect and microanalyses bacteria. The new portable device, however, can instantly detect the charges on the cell walls of bacteria. The rapid detection kits are like those used for blood sugar monitoring.

> The research has enabled rapid detection of bacteria, which is not just important in healthcare but also in anti- bioterrorism measures and environmental monitoring. The team work has been recently patented as well as published in the **July 2019** issue of ‘**Journal of Materials Chemistry of the Royal Society of Chemistry**’.

NASA Investigating First Crime Committed In Space: Report

> The **US space agency NASA** is reported to be investigating a claim that an astronaut accessed the bank account of her estranged spouse from the **International Space Station.**

> **This is the first such allegation of a crime committed in space. Astronaut Anne McClain** is accused of identity theft and improperly accessing her estranged spouse’s private financial records while on a sixth-month mission aboard the International Space Station.

> The astronaut’s spouse Summer Worden filed a complaint earlier this year with the Federal Trade Commission after learning **McClain** had accessed her bank account without permission, while Worden’s family filed another with NASA’s Office of Inspector General. The astronaut had done nothing wrong and accessed the bank records while to monitor the couple’s combined finances something she had done over the course of their relationship.

IHS Found Indian Have Average Resting Heart Rate Higher Than Desired Rate

> **Indian Heart Study (IHS)** has found that Indians have an average resting heart rate of **80 beats per minute** which is higher than the desired rate of **72 beats per minute.**

> The IHS also highlighted that unlike people of other countries, Indians have higher blood pressure in the evenings than in mornings.

> The study was conducted on 18,918 participants, both men and women, across 355 cities in 15 states over a period of nine months from April 2018. It was carried out by 19 doctors to get the idea about the timing of prescribing **anti-hypertension drug dosage.**

> The study has provided us insights on the prevalence of **white-coat hypertension, masked hypertension** and **resting heart** rates pertinent to Indian population.

ISRO Releases New Images Of Lunar Surface Captured By Chandrayaan-2

> The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** has released more pictures of **lunar surface** which were captured by India’s lunar craft **Chandrayaan-2.**

> The Terrain Mapping Camera-2 on-board the orbiter of the lunar craft has captured the set of images from a distance of over 4,300 kilometres above the moon’s surface.

> They show several craters and the coldest region of the moon at her north pole. Earlier, on the 22nd of this month, the camera on board the lander of Chandrayaan-2 has sent an image of the moon.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNS

PERSON	DESIGNATION
Shri Dinesh Bhatia	Ambassador of India to the Republic of Paraguay.
Sanjiv Ranjan	Ambassador of India to the Republic of Colombia.
Justice A.K. Sikri	Ombudsman and ethics officer of Indian Federation of Sports Gaming (IFSG),
Debashis Chatterjee	Mindtree Ltd chief executive officer (CEO) and Managing director (MD).
S.N. Subrahmanyam	L&T group’s managing director and CEO.
Naresh Kumar	New Chief Secretary Of Arunachal Pradesh
Chandrima Shaha	Head Of Indian National Science Academy (INSA).
Ghotu Ram Meena	India’s New Envoy To Republic Of Congo
Ravi Shastri	Head Coach Of Indian Men’s Team
Harshad Pandurang Thakur	National Institute of Health and Family Welfare. (NIHFW)

RESIGNATION

> Congress Rajya Sabha MP **Bhubaneswar Kalita Resigns** From Membership Of The House

> Tamil Nadu State Information Technology Minister **Dr Manikandan** Dropped From Cabinet

RANKING & INDEX

London Named World’s Best Student City In New Rankings

> **London** named the world’s best city for students. According to the rankings, India’s best student city is **Bengaluru** at 81st. It is followed by **Mumbai** (85th) and **Delhi** at 113 and **Chennai** at 115.

> There are a total of 120 cities in the list. This report is released for the second consecutive year. **London** beat **Tokyo** and **Melbourne** and came second and third respectively on new worldwide rankings.

> The **QS Best Student Cities** ranking was done by global education consultancy **QS Quacquarelli Symonds.** It mainly highlights each city’s performance across different categories.

> The **number of Indians** moving to **London** for **higher studies rose by 20% in 2017-18.**They marked an increase from 4,545 in 2016-17 to 5,455 in the fiscal year 2017-18. The numbers are below the mark than could be achieved considering India’s vast student base.

Djokovic Remains At Top Of ATP Rankings

> Rafael Nadal’s **Rogers Cup win in Montreal** at the weekend marked a significant step for the Spaniard but it wasn’t enough to topple Novak Djokovic at the top of the ATP rankings.

> Nadal, who will be vying for a fourth title at Flushing Meadows, was too strong for Daniil Medvedev in Sunday’s final, seeing off the Russian 6-3 6-0 to claim his 35th Master’s title.

Roger Federer stays third and Dominic Thiem fourth.

> Stefanos Tsitsipas, who entered the top five for the first time last week, drops two places and is leapfrogged by Kei Nishikori and Alexander Zverev. Medvedev’s reward for his appearance in Sunday’s final was a one-place climb to eight.

MacKenzie Bezos Is Officially World’s Third Richest Woman Now

> **MacKenzie Bezos** is officially **world’s third richest woman** now. She is also **Amazon’s second largest shareholder** after her ex-husband Jeff Bezos.

> **Amazon founder Jeff Bezos** shares worth \$1.8 billion between July 29 and July 31 as a part of his stock-sale plan. The regulatory filings also revealed that the Amazon founder had transferred a quarter of his shares in the e-retail giant to his ex-wife as a part of their divorce settlement.

> Mackenzie’s 19.7 million shares in Amazon are worth \$36.8 billion, which according to Forbes makes her the third richest woman in the world.

> Ahead of MacKenzie Bezos are two women – Francoise Bettencourt Meyers, who is the heiress to the brand L’Oreal and is worth \$53.7 billion, and Alice Walton, who is the daughter of Walmart founder Sam Walton, who is worth \$50.4 billion.

India Tops Latest ICC Test Rankings

➤ **India topped** the latest **ICC Test team rankings** while **New Zealand** is placed **2nd** and **South Africa** is in **3rd position**.

➤ India skipper Virat Kohli retains his number one position in the latest ICC Test batsmen’s rankings. Australian batsman Steve Smith overtook India’s Cheteshwar Pujara to grab the No.3 spot.

➤ His elevation in rankings came after consecutive hundreds in the opening Ashes Test in Edgbaston. Pujara is placed fourth in the fresh standings.

➤ Australian speedster Pat Cummins retains his top position in Test bowling. Indian spinners Ravindra Jadeja is placed 6th and Ravichandran Ashwin 10th.

‘Avengers’ Star Scarlett Johansson Tops Forbes Highest-Paid Actresses List

➤ For the second consecutive year, Hollywood star **Scarlett Johansson** has topped the **Forbes’ list of highest paid female actors** in the world. Spurred by the success of her summer Marvel film **Avengers: Endgame**, the 34-year-old actor’s earning reached **USD 56 million**. **Jennifer Aniston**, who earned in **USD 28 million**, rounds out the top **five**.

OBITUARIES

1. **Anant Setalvad** -Cricket commentator

2. **Amarendra Sharan** - Former ASG, Senior Advocate and Former Additional Solicitor General of India.

3. **DJ Arafat**- Ivory Coast Music Star

4. **Jose Luis Brown** - Argentina FIFA World Cup Winner

5. **Rizia Rahman**- Bangladeshi Novelist and Ekushey Padak winning

6. **VB Chandrasekhar** - Former Cricketer

7. **Damodar Ganesh Bapat**- social worker and Padma Shri awardee

8. **Kanti Bhatt**- Veteran Gujarati Journalist

9. **Russi Taylor**- Voice Of Minnie Mouse

10. **Abdul Hamid’s Widow Rasoolan Bibi** - Param Vir Chakra Awardee Veer

11. **Malcolm Nash**- Former Glamorgan All-Rounder

12. **Sushma Swaraj**- Veteran BJP Leader, Former External Affairs Minister and First Woman CM of Delhi

13. **J Om Prakash**-Veteran director and actor Hritik Roshan’s maternal grandfather

14. **YG Raja Lakshmi Parthasarathy**- Noted educationalist and founder of the Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan (PSBB) Group of Schools,

15.**Kanchan Chaudhary Bhattacharya** - India’s First Woman DGP.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Date	Day	Theme
August 01 To August 07	World Breastfeeding Week	“Empower Parents, Enable Breastfeeding.”
2nd August (First Friday of August) - International Beer Day	International Beer Day	—
August 4 (First Sunday of August)	Friendship Day	—
August 4	U.S. Coast Guard Day	—
August 6	Hiroshima Day	—
August 7	The National Handloom Day	—
August 8	Quit India Movement Day	—
August 9	Nagasaki Day August Kranti Diwas International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	—
August 10	World Bio Fuel Day	"Indigenous Languages"
August 12	International Youth Day and World Elephant Day	Theme: "Transforming education"
August 13	International Lefthanders Day	—
August 14	Independence Day Of Pakistan	—
August 15	73rd Independence Day of India and Raksha Bandhan	—
August 15	Bangladesh’s National Mourning day	—
August 16	First Death Anniversary Of Former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee	—
August 17th	Indonesia’s Independence Day and The Parsi New Year, also known as Navroz	—
August 19th	World Photography Day and World Honey Bee Day	—
August 19th	World Humanitarian Day	#Women Humanitarians.
August 20	World Mosquito Day Indian Akshay Urja Day Sadbhawna Diwas, Birthday of Shri Rajiv Gandhi	—
August 21	World Entrepreneurs' Day National Senior Citizen Day	—

August 23	International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition	—
August 26	Women’s Equality Day	—
August 29	National Sports Day or Dhyanchand's Birthday	—
August 30	International day of the victims of enforced Disappearances	—

SPORTS NEWS

Australia Ellyse Perry Becomes First Cricketer To Reach 1000 Runs, 100 Wickets In T20

➤ **Australia all-rounder Ellyse Perry** became the first cricketer to reach the rare milestone of scoring **1000 runs**. She took **100 wickets** in the T20 format.

➤ Ellyse Alexandra Perry is an Australian sportswoman who made her debut for both the Australian cricket and the Australian women’s national football team at the age of 16.

➤ Former **Pakistani all-rounder Shahid Afridi** (1416 runs and 98 wickets) stands closest to achieving the feat. **Bangladesh’s Shakib al Hasan** got 1471 runs and 88 wickets. Australia Women unassailable lead 2-0 lead in the three-match T20 series.

Tarun Chaudhri Becomes First IAF Pilot To Complete Wing Suit Skydive Jump

➤ **Indian Air Force (IAF)** Wing Commander **Tarun Chaudhri** became the first pilot to perform a wing suit skydive jump.

➤ He jumped **8500 feet** from the **Mi-17 V5** helicopter at **Air Force Station in Jodhpur; Rajasthan**. This is the first time when a pilot of the IAF jumped the wing suit skydives with the same helicopter, which he has just flown.

➤ It is a military transport variant, equipped with modern avionics and glass cockpit instrumentation. The rotary-wing aircraft has state-of-the-art navigational equipment, avionics, and weather radar.

Tamil Nadu Girl Won Gold Medal In World Deaf Youth Badminton Championship

➤ **Tamil Nadu** girl **Jerlin Anika** won the **gold medal** in the **World Deaf Youth Badminton Championships**. The competition is held in **Taipei** last week.

➤ **Anika** bagged four medals in the championship, including the gold, two silver, and one bronze. The main reason behind her success is the support extended by her school and the efforts put in by her coach Saravanan.

Australia Beat England By 251 Runs To Win First Ashes Cricket Test

➤ **Australia beat England by 251 runs to win the first Ashes Cricket Test at Edgbaston**.

➤ England, set a target of 398 to win, collapsed to 146 all out on the last day, with Australia off-spinner Nathan Lyon taking six wickets giving 49 runs and fast bowler Pat Cummins four for 32. The Victory gave Australia a 1-0 lead in the five-match series.

IWF Provisionally Suspends Five Russian Athletes

➤ The **International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)** announced Five Russian weightlifters, including a 2012 Olympic bronze medallist, have been provisionally suspended

after doping tests on samples recovered from the Moscow lab.

➤ **Ruslan Albegov**, who took a London Games bronze in the plus 105 kilo category and won back-to-back world titles in the next two years, was suspended along with women’s minus 63 kilo 2013 **world champion Tima Turieva**. Also provisionally banned were **David Bedzhanyan, Oleg Chen** and **Egor Klimanov**. The **World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)** announced in April it had retrieved 2,262 samples from Moscow’s former drug-testing laboratory.

Women’s Cricket To Be Part of Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games

➤ The **Commonwealth Games federation** today announced that **women’s T20 Cricket** has been confirmed for inclusion at the **Birmingham Commonwealth Games in 2022**.

➤ Eight teams will compete across eight match days, as cricket returns to the Commonwealth Games for the first time since 1998 when South Africa won the gold medal in a men’s 50-over format competition in Kuala Lumpur. The 2022 Commonwealth Games will take place in England from 27th July to 7th August.

➤ Edgbaston, the venue of England’s semi-final victory over Australia in the men’s 50-over World Cup, will play host to all the matches.

Canadian Teen Bianca Andreescu Wins Rogers cup after Serena Williams Withdraws

➤ A tearful Serena Williams saw her US Open preparation thrown into disarray as back spasms forced her out of the WTA Toronto final after just four games, handing Canadian teenager Bianca Andreescu the title.

➤ Andreescu, 19, was up 3-1 with a break of serve when 23-time Grand Slam champion Williams decided she couldn’t continue. She called for a medical timeout, but within a minute, the umpire announced she was retiring.

Rafael Nadal Wins Montreal Masters, Secures Record 35th ATP Masters 1000 Title

➤ Rafael Nadal completed a 6-3, 6-0 **demolition of Russian Daniil Medvedev** to win in Montreal on Sunday and extend his record haul of Masters 1000 titles.

➤ The world number two secured his 35th Masters crown, pulling clear by two in that category from Novak Djokovic, who has won 33 of the elite tournaments. Claycourt king Nadal successfully defended a hard court title for the first time in his career. For Nadal it was a **third title of 2019**, after clay court success at Rome and the French Open.

Davis Cup: AITA Seeks Another Security Check In Islamabad From World Body

➤ India’s national tennis federation decided that it will not seek a change of venue for the Davis Cup tie versus Pakistan in Islamabad but requested the world body ITF to conduct another security check there in view of the fresh diplomatic tension.

➤ India’s participation in the Asia-Oceania Zone Group 1 Davis Cup tie, scheduled on September 14 and 15 is uncertain owing to high political tension with Pakistan.

➤ Meanwhile, **Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju** made it clear that the government will not have a say in the matter as Davis Cup is not a bilateral engagement. Davis Cup is not bilateral and is organised by a world sporting body.

➤ No Indian Davis Cup team has travelled to Pakistan since 1964 and bilateral cricket ties between the two countries have been dormant since the 2008 terror attacks in Mumbai.

Aishwarya Pissay Becomes First Indian To Claim A World Title In Motorsports

➤ Aishwarya Pissay became the first Indian to claim a world title in motorsports, annexing the **FIM World Cup (Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme)** in the women’s category after the final round of the championship at Varpalota in Hungary.

➤ The 23-year old from Bengaluru also finished second in the FIM Junior category yesterday. Aishwarya, who won the first round in Dubai and was placed third (Portugal), fifth (Spain) and fourth (Hungary) in the subsequent outings, finished with a tally of 65 points, just four ahead of Portugal’s Rita Vieira in the final overall standings for women. She was placed second in the junior category with 46 points, behind championship winner Tomas de Gavardo (60) of Chile.

India Beat West Indies By 59 Runs Via D/L Method In 2nd ODI

➤ India beat West Indies by 59 runs via **Duckworth-Lewis method** in the second ODI at Port-of-Spain in Trinidad last night. By virtue of the win, India took a 1-0 lead in the three-match series.

➤ The first ODI between the two sides was washed out. India rode on Kohli’s 120 off 125 balls and Shreyas Iyer’s 71 to post a challenging 279 for seven after opting to bat.

➤ West Indies were then set a revised target of 270 runs to chase off 46 overs under Duckworth-Lewis method. In pursuit, the West Indies were bundled out for 210 in 42 overs.

Indian Junior Shuttlers Win 6 Medals At Bulgarian Open

➤ In Badminton, Indian junior shuttlers won **six medals at the Bulgarian Junior International Championships** which concluded in

Pazardzhik, Bulgaria. The medals comprised of three gold, a silver and two bronze.

➤ The gold medals were won by Samiya Imad Faruqi in women's singles, the duo of Edvin Joy and Shruti Mishra in Mixed Doubles and pair of Tanisha Crasto and Aditi Bhatt in women's doubles.

➤ Men's doubles combination of Ishan Bhatnagar and Vishnuvardhan settled for the silver medal. Malvika Bansod and Meiraba Luwang won a bronze each in other singles events.

Sourabh Verma Wins Hyderabad Open Title

➤ In Badminton, reigning national champion, Sourabh Verma clinched the Men's Singles title in the Hyderabad Open. He **beats Singapore's Loh Kean Yew** 21-13, 14-21, 21-16 in a 52-minute final clash. The 26-year-old Sourabh from Madhya Pradesh had won the Slovenian International in May this year.

➤ He had also won two Super 100 titles at the Dutch Open and Russian Open last year. Top seeds Ashwini Ponnappa and N Sikki Reddy, however, finished runners up in women's doubles. They lost 17-21, 17-21 to Korean combination of Baek Ha Na and Jung Kyung Eun in the summit clash.

Former Uruguay Captain Diego Forlan Announces Retirement From Football

➤ Former **Uruguay striker Diego Forlan has announced his retirement**, bringing to an end a 21-year career in which he played club soccer on three different continents.

➤ Forlan, who started his career in South America with Argentine club Independiente, played for major European teams such as Manchester United, Villarreal, Atletico Madrid and Inter Milan before ending his career in Asia. He was awarded the Golden Ball for best player at the tournament and finished as one of the tournament's top scorers with five goals.

➤ Forlan won the Premier League and FA Cup with United before moving to Spain where he helped Atletico wins the Europa League in 2010 with a double in the final against Fulham. He also led Uruguay to the Copa America title in 2011, grabbing another two goals in a final, when they beat Paraguay 3-0.

Prithviraj Tondaiman Best Placed Indian In Shotgun World Cup

➤ **India's Prithviraj Tondaiman** shot a **47** on the first day qualifiers of the **men's trap event in the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Shotgun World Cup in Lahiti, Finland**. He was the best placed Indian at sixth, as the fourth and final stage of the ISSF World Cup got underway.

➤ The competition schedule has five finals over the next one week, which will see the distribution of eight Tokyo 2020 Olympic quota places Prithviraj had rounds of 22 and 25 to grab the sixth and final qualifying spot with three more qualifying rounds to go before the finals.

➤ In the women's trap, Shagun Chowdhary shot 44 over two rounds to lie 11th, while Seema Tomar shot 40 to be in 35th spot. Manisha Keer was down in 54th with a score of 36

Deepak Punia Becomes India's First Junior World Champion In 18 Years

➤ **Wrestler Deepak Punia** has become **India's first junior World Champion in 18 years**. He claimed a **gold medal** at the **Junior Worlds with a win over Russia's Alik Shebzukhov at Tallinn, Estonia**.

➤ In 92-kg weight category, Vicky claimed bronze after he defeated Batmagnai Enkhtuwacin of Mongolia 4-3. The President of Indian Wrestling Federation, **Brijbhushan Sharan Singh** congratulated Deepak for his achievement.

Wrestler Bajrang Punia Nominated For Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award

➤ Asian and Commonwealth Games gold-medalist **wrestler Bajrang Punia** has been nominated for the country's highest sporting honour – the **Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award**. His name was finalized by a **12-member selection committee** on the opening day of a two-day meeting.

➤ The panel comprises the likes of **Bhaichung Bhutia and MC Mary Kom** among others and is headed by **Justice Mukundakam Sharma**. Bajrang had last year won the gold medal in the 65-kg freestyle event at the Asian Games held in Jakarta.

➤ **He had also won the gold medal in the same category at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games**. **Bajrang** is only the **fourth wrestler** to be finalised for the **Khel Ratna award after Sushil Kumar, Yogeshwar Dutt and Sakshi Malik**.

Indian Women's Team Registers 2-1 Victory over Japan in Olympic Test Event

➤ In **Hockey**, the **Indian women's team** registered a comfortable 2-1 victory over the hosts Japan in the **Olympic Test event in Tokyo**.

➤ Both the Indian teams have secured their places in the **FIH Olympic Qualifiers**, to be held later this year, by winning their **FIH Series Finals**.

➤ Being **World No. 5 and the top-ranked side in the tournament among men**, India starts as favorites against **World No. 12 Malaysia**.

➤ The **Indian men** will play **World No. 8 New Zealand** tomorrow and **World No. 16 Japan** in their last round-robin match.

Complete Election Process By 14th Sep To Vote In BCCI Polls: EO To State Units

➤ BCCI Electoral Officer **N Gopalaswami** has made it clear that all the affiliated state units will have to conduct their polls by the **14th of next month** to be eligible for participating in parent body's elections. **Committee of Administrators (CoA) has prepared a tentatively scheduled for BCCI elections on 22nd October**.

➤ The procedural rules for the **election of Board's Apex Council** have been posted on the cricket body's website. The ninth member on the Council will be a representative from the **Comptroller and Auditor General office**.

➤ The **Apex Council** will comprise (men and women) and one state unit representative. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, two players' representatives. The ninth member on the

Council will be a representative from the Comptroller and Auditor General office.

India Win Gold At Under- 12 Asian Tennis Team Championships In Kazakhstan

➤ **India** has won gold at the **Under 12 Asian Tennis Team championship held in Kazakhstan**. **India defeated Chinese Taipei 2-1 in the summit clash to win the title**.

➤ The final was a tie of three matches – 2 singles and one doubles and India won both the singles matches while lost the doubles encounter. However, lost their doubles encounter. 12-year-old Manas remained unbeaten in the entire tournament.

Indian Men Beat Malaysia 6-0 In Their Opening Encounter At Olympic Test Event In Tokyo In Hockey

➤ The **men's hockey team defeated Malaysia 6-0 in their opening encounter of the Olympic Test Event in Tokyo**. Forwards Mandeep Singh and Gursahibjit Singh scored two goals each for India, while Gurinder Singh and SV Sunil also registered their names on the score-sheet. Earlier, Indian women's team registered a convincing 2-1 win over Japan.

Liverpool Beat Chelsea On Penalties To Win UEFA Super Cup In Istanbul

➤ **Adrian** was the shootout hero as **Liverpool lifted the UEFA Super Cup with victory over Chelsea in Istanbul**. The 32-year-old saved Tammy Abraham's spot-kick as Jurgen Klopp's men won 5-4 on penalties at Vodafone Park after a 2-2 draw.

➤ It was **Liverpool's fourth UEFA Super Cup triumph** and made amends for their Community Shield defeat by Manchester City on penalties.

Lewis Hamilton Wins Hungarian Grand Prix

➤ **Lewis Hamilton** regained the momentum in the world championship with a memorable strategic victory when he overcame young rival Max Verstappen with three laps to go in a tense Hungarian Grand Prix.

➤ The 34-year-old defending five-time world champion started third on the grid in his Mercedes and, after stalking the 21-year-old Dutch tyro for most of a fascinating tactical contest swept into the lead on lap 67 of a

➤ stirring 70-lap contest.

➤ It was **Hamilton's record seventh win in Hungary**, his eighth this year and the **81st of his career**, wrecking Red Bull's hopes of turning Verstappen's first pole position into victory and increased his

➤ lead in the title race to 62 points before the sport's European summer break.

Vinesh Phogat Wins Third Successive Gold In 53kg

➤ **Star India grappler Vinesh Phogat** has bagged **gold in women's 53kg category of the Poland Open** wrestling tournament in **Warsaw**.

➤ The 24-year-old prevailed 3-2 over local wrestler Rokšana in the final of the competition. This was her **third consecutive gold** in the 53 kg category after winning Gold at Grand Prix of Spain and at the Yasar Dogu International at Istanbul, Turkey last month.

Thailand Open: Satwiksairaj, Chirag 1st Indian Doubles Pair To Win Super 500 Title

➤ **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** today became the **first Indian pair to win a BWF Super 500 badminton tournament.**

➤ They beat World champions Li Jun Hui and Liu Yu Chen of China in the summit clash of Thailand Open 21-19, 18-21, 21-18 in Bangkok to win the men's doubles category.

Indian Boxers End Their Campaign With Six Medals In Boxing

➤ **Indian boxers** have ended their campaign at the **Magomed Salam Umakhanov Memorial International Boxing Tournament in Kaspiysk, Russia with a rich haul of six medals.**

➤ These comprised two gold, one silver and three bronze. Gaurav Solanki (56 kg) had to settle for a silver. World Championships bronze-medallist, Lovlina Borgohain (69kg) and India Open gold-medallist champion Neeraj (57kg), clinched gold medals.

➤ Reigning Asian Championships gold medallist Pooja Rani had to be content with a bronze in the middleweight (75 kg) category. Govind Sahani (49Kg) and Jony (60Kg) also grabbed bronze medals after their semi-final losses.

India Beat West Indies By Four Wickets In First T20

➤ In Cricket, India beat the West Indies by four wickets in the first Twenty20 of the three-match international series at Lauderhill in the US last night.

➤ Chasing the target of 96 runs, India made 98 losing six wickets with 16 balls to spare. Rohit Sharma top scored 24. **Captain Virat Kohli** and Manish Pandey made 19 each.

Lionel Messi Suspended 3 Months And Fined \$50,000 For CONMEBOL Criticism

➤ The **Argentine star Lionel Messi** was barred on Friday from playing for his national team for three months and was fined \$50,000 by CONMEBOL, the South American soccer governing body, after he heavily criticized the organization during the Copa America.

➤ Messi, 32, accused CONMEBOL of corruption after he was sent off against Chile in the third-place playoff match during the tournament in Brazil, which ended last month. Messi was angered by two incidents during the Copa.

➤ Argentina was denied two penalty claims in its 2-0 semi-final loss to the hosts, after which Messi claimed Brazil was managing a lot in CONMEBOL these days. And when he was harshly dismissed in the next game, which Argentina won, 2-1, he could not contain his anger.

Adarsh Singh Wins Double Gold In Shooting Meet

➤ In Shooting, young **Adarsh Singh** outclassed his rivals in the **Sardar Sajjan Singh Sethi Memorial Masters** competition, winning the **gold** medal in both the men and junior 25 metres rapid fire pistol event in **New Delhi**. The 17-year-old Adarsh shot 584 to top the qualification rounds, his score way above the second-ranked shooter in both the competitions.

Indian Men's 20km Race Walk Team Wins Bronze After Seven Years

Through Upgrade

➤ **Seven years after** India missed a podium place at the **IAAF World Race Walking Cup in Russia**, the Country was today handed a **bronze** medal upgrade following disqualification of a member of the second-placed Ukrainian team for dope violation.

➤ The Indian team of KT Infra, **Babubhai Panucha and Surinder Singh** had finished fourth in the men's 20 kms team event behind China, Ukraine and Australia in May 2012 at Saransk.

➤ The performance of three best finishers in the 20km individual event was counted to decide the team rankings and India collected 68 points to finish fourth originally. Dmytrenko had won a bronze in the individual event and he will be stripped off that medal as well.

Football Giant East Bengal Club Turns 100 Years

➤ Football Giant **East Bengal Club** turns 100 years on Aug 01st. On this day in 1920 East Bengal Club was established at Kumartuli Park in North Kolkata.

➤ West Bengal **Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee** inaugurated the centenary year celebrations at a glittering function in Kolkata this evening. Speaking on the occasion Ms Banerjee recalled glorious

➤ contribution of the East Bengal Club for popularizing football game in the country.

➤ The State Sports Department will also organize special programmes to mark the Centenary of East Bengal Club. Former Indian Cricket Captain **Kapil Dev** was given '**Bharat Gourav' Award** at the function.

➤ Former footballer Manaranjan Bhattacharjee and Bhaskar Ganguli were presented Life Time Achievement Awards and P. K. Banerjee was given best football coach of the Century award and the State Sports Minister Mr. Arup Biswas, was present at the function.

Aishwary Wins Gold At Sardar Sajjan Singh Sethi Memorial Shooting

➤ In Shooting, **Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar** clinched a **yellow metal** in Men's Rifle 3 Positions (3P) at 12th **Sardar Sajjan Singh Sethi Memorial Masters competition in New Delhi** today.

➤ Having qualified at third position for the eight-man final with a modest qualifying score 1166, 18-year-old Aishwary from Madhya Pradesh was back in his elements in the finals as he posted a comfortable victory with a score of 459.9 and a classy 10.7 in the end.

➤ India international Parul Kumar settled for the bronze. Tinjit Dhanota of Punjab and Esha Singh of Telengana won the Men's and Women's 10 metres Air Pistol gold medals.

India Whitewash West Indies In Three Match T-20 Series

➤ **India** completed a 3-0 clean sweep over the **West Indies** after winning the third and final **Twenty20 International** by seven wickets in Guyana last night.

➤ **Indian skipper Virat Kohli** and young **wicket-keeper Rishabh Pant** starred with the bat, helping India achieve the 147-run target with five balls to spare. Pant stitched a 106-run partnership with Kohli.

➤ **Deepak Chahar**, who claimed 3 wickets, was **awarded Man of the Match** while **Krunal Pandya was adjudged player of the series.**

Rankireddy-Shetty Jump Seven Spots In Badminton Rankings

➤ In Badminton, **Indian men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** jumped seven places to enter the **top 10 of the latest world rankings.** This follows their historic win at last week's **Thailand Open**. They are placed ninth in the doubles rankings.

➤ The other Indian men's doubles duo of Manu Attri and B Sumeeth Reddy remained on 25th spot. In the men's singles, **Parupalli Kashyap** moved up three places to **32nd spot**, while **Subhankar Dey** climbed two places to **39th**.

➤ In the women's singles rankings, Olympic medallists **P V Sindhu** managed to hold on to her fifth place and **Saina Nehwal** the eighth spot.

➤ In the women's doubles, **Ashwini Ponnappa and N Sikki Reddy** moved up a place to 23rd.

Players From Ladakh To Continue To Represent J&K

➤ **Cricketers** emerging from the newly-created **Union Territory of Ladakh** will continue to qualify to represent **Jammu and Kashmir in all BCCI domestic competitions.** The J&K Ranji team is not known to have featured a player from Ladakh till date.

➤ **Chief of Indian cricket's Committee of Administrators Vinod Rai** in New Delhi informed the arrangement remains the same like it is for Chandigarh which is also a Union Territory. Their players either play for Punjab or Haryana in domestic competitions.

South African Quick Dale Steyn Retires From Test Cricket

➤ **South African Dale Steyn**, one of the great fast bowlers of the modern era, announced his **retirement from Test cricket** in a bid to extend his longevity in the shorter forms of the game.

➤ **Steyn**, who made his international debut against England in 2004 and last played a Test in February against Sri Lanka, is still contracted in the white-ball form of the game for the 2019/20 season and **he remains South Africa's leading wicket-taker in Tests.**

Simone Biles Makes History With The 'Hardest Move In The World' At The U.S. Gymnastics Championship.

➤ During the U.S. Gymnastics Championships, Biles made history when she became the first woman to ever hit a triple double, meaning a double back flip with three twists, on floor during a competition.

➤ She attempted the move during her floor routine at the championships and had an uneasy landing when she had to put both hands on the ground to steady her.

Dutch Hero Wesley Sneijder Announces Retirement From Football

➤ The **Netherlands’ most-capped player Wesley Sneijder** announced on Monday his retirement from football, bringing down the curtain on a trophy-laden career that spanned 17 years.

➤ The 35-year-old, who played 134 times for his country, made the announcement while speaking to the YouTube channel of his hometown club **FC Utrecht** after having bought a corporate box at their stadium.

➤ Sneijder’s career included a World Cup runners-up medal as well as Champions League, La Liga and Series A titles. The playmaker had successful spells with Real Madrid, Inter Milan and Galatasaray after having graduated from Ajax’s academy in 2002. His final club was Al Gharafa in Qatar’s top-flight.

Bangladesh To Host Zimbabwe Despite ICC Ban

➤ **Bangladesh will host Zimbabwe for a tri-nation Twenty20 tournament in September** despite the **African nation being suspended by the International Cricket Council**.

➤ The **ICC suspended Zimbabwe** last month over the **country’s failure to keep the sport free from government interference**, putting its participation in multi-nation events in doubt.

➤ Bangladesh Cricket Board spokesman, Jalal Yunus announced, they have been informed by the concerned officials that there is no bar on Zimbabwe playing in bilateral matches as they are only suspended from ICC events.

➤ **Afghanistan is the third team** in the tournament scheduled to be held from September 13 to 24. Bangladesh were originally scheduled to play a bilateral series against Afghanistan in September, but officials said Zimbabwe had been included in the series following a request from the strife-torn country.

Mary Kom, Lovlina Borgohain Selected For World Boxing C’ship

➤ **Six-time world champion MC Mary Kom and Lovlina Borgohain** have been selected for the upcoming **women’s world boxing championships** based on their recent performances.

➤ The 36-year-old Mary Kom, who has already claimed two gold medals this year India Open and a recent tournament in Indonesia, has been selected in the 51kg category.

➤ World and Asian bronze-medallist Borgohain will be competing in the 69kg category. The **world championships** are scheduled from October 3 to 13 in **Russia**.

Cancer Researcher Fiona Kolbinger Becomes First Woman To Win Cycling’s Transcontinental Race

➤ **German paediatric cancer researcher Fiona Kolbinger, 24, has won the Transcontinental Race, becoming the first woman** to do so after **cycling nearly 4,000km from Bulgaria to France** unassisted in just 10 days, two hours and 48 minutes. She beat a field of 263 competitors, all but 40 of whom were men. It was Kolbinger’s maiden ultra-endurance race.

PV Sindhu Creates History, Wins Gold Medal In BWF World Championships

➤ **PV Sindhu** became the **first Indian** to win the **BWF World Championships**, crushing **Japan’s Nozomi Okuhara** 21-7, 21-7 in **just 38 minutes** in a one-sided final. With the win, Sindhu now has a full set of medals at World Championships – two bronze medals, two silver medals and a gold medal.

➤ Sindhu’s gold is the second medal that India won at the Worlds this year with **Sai Praneeth** winning a **bronze** in **men’s singles** category.

➤ Sindhu has also **won Olympic silver in 2016 Rio Games, silver at Gold Coast Commonwealth Games, Asian Games silver at Jakarta and the BWF World Tour Finals last year**.

India Win First Test Against West Indies By Huge Margin Of 318 Runs

➤ India beat West Indies by a massive 318-run margin in the first cricket Test at North Sound in Antigua. With this win, India has taken 1-0 lead in the 2-match series.

➤ Chasing a stiff target of 419 runs, West Indies were all out for just 100 in 26.5 overs in their second innings on the fourth day. India seamer Jasprit Bumrah took five second-innings wickets for just seven runs.

➤ Earlier, India declared their second innings at 343 for seven, setting the West Indies a 419-run target to win the Test. Ajinkya Rahane scored 102 and adjudged Man of the Match.

Komalika Bari Becomes Recurve Cadet World Champion; India Wins 2 Gold, 1 Bronze

➤ India’s Komalika Bari became recurve cadet **world champion at the World Archery Youth Championships in Madrid, Spain**. She defeated higher-ranked Sonoda Waka of Japan 7-3 in the final and earn India’s second gold on the final day of the Championships.

➤ The **17-year-old Komalika is now India’s second recurve cadet world champion (under-18)** after Deepika Kumari who won the title in 2009.

➤ India also won gold in the compound junior mixed pair event and a bronze in the compound junior men’s team event. India concluded their campaign with two gold and one bronze medal in their last event.

MotoGP: Spain’s Alex Rins Wins British Grand Prix At Silverstone

➤ **Alex Rins** (Team **Suzuki Ecstar**) claimed a sensational victory at the **GoPro British Grand Prix** as he and **Marc Marquez (Repsol Honda Team)** treated us to a phenomenal **MotoGP** race.

➤ The Suzuki man eventually beating the Honda rider to the line in a stunning finish. **Maverick Vinales** (Monster Energy Yamaha MotoGP) picked up P3 but there was drama at the first turn involving **Fabio Quartararo** (Petronas Yamaha SRT) and **Andrea Dovizioso** (Ducati Team).

US Open: Nagal Takes A Set From Federer Before Exiting

➤ **Indian’s Sumit Nagal** took a set off the iconic **Roger Federer** before fizzling out at the **US Open** in **New York**. After giving a

glimpse of his talent, Nagal lost 4-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4, but the fighting spirit shone through in his dream Grand Slam debut.

➤ Nagal became only the **fourth Indian** to win a set in the main draw of a Grand Slam in the last 20 years. What made it special was that it came against Federer, a colossal figure with 20 Grand Slams to his credit.

India Bags Four Medals In World skills Kazan Competition

➤ The **Indian team** created history by winning one gold, one silver and two bronze medals at the **45th World Skills Kazan 2019** competition, in **Russia**.

➤ It has been the country’s best performance since it first participated at the event in 2007. **S Aswatha Narayana** won the **gold** medal in **water** technology. **Pranav Nutalapati** won **silver** medal in **web** technologies. Sanjoy Pramanik and Shweta Ratanpura won one bronze medal each in Jewellery and graphic design technology.

Sports Minister Gives Rs 1.82 Cr To Medallists Of Para-Badminton World Championship

➤ **Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju** has handed over **1.82 crore rupees** to the medallists of the **Para-Badminton World Championship**, amending the policy for Para-athletes to make them eligible for more cash awards.

➤ As per the amended guidelines, medal winners in world events and world championships, organised by International Paralympic Committee, International Sports Federation and recognised by International Olympic Committee, will be eligible for cash awards from the government.

➤ While the **gold** medal winners took home **20 lakh** rupees, the **silver** medallists were given **14 lakhs** and **bronze** winners **8 lakhs** each. Winners in the doubles events won 15 lakh rupees each for gold, 10.5 lakh each for silver and six lakhs for bronze.

AUGUST CA QUIZ

Q.1) _____ announced the launch of its state-of-the-art Cyber Defence Centre in Bucharest, Romania.

- a) **Infosys** b) Wipro
c) HCL d) TCS
e) Accenture

Q.2) Shri Dinesh Bhatia ambassador of India to the Republic of Argentina appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the _____ in Buenos Aires.

- a) Republic of Ireland
b) Republic of Benin

c) **Republic of Paraguay**

- d) Republic of China
e) Republic of Gambia

Q.3) Present India's envoy to Argentina _____ has appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Colombia.

- a) Sharat Sabharwal
b) Gautam Bambawale
c) Ajay Bisaria
d) Vardhan Shringla

e) **Sanjiv Ranjan**

Q.4) Indian Federation of Sports Gaming (IFSG) announced the appointment of Justice _____ as its ombudsman and ethics officer.

- a) Dilip Ram Dixit
b) **Arjan Kumar Sikri**
c) John Loffhagen
d) Harsh Kumar Jain
e) Rajeev Raja Sharma

Q.5) _____ co-founder and Director of Einfole Technologies Pvt Ltd were awarded the prestigious Entrepreneur Award 2019.

- a) Naseeruddin Shah b) Paresh Rawal
c) Arshad Warsi d) **Ruhan Rajput**
e) Raghu Kulbhushan

Q.6) _____ named the world's best city for students, report by 'QS Best Student Cities' ranking was done by global education consultancy QS Quacquarelli Symonds.

- a) Tokyo b) Melbourne
c) Bengaluru d) New York

e) **London**

Q.7) DD News (Doordarshan) news channel of India awarded "Champions of Empathy Award" is given for spreading awareness about _____.

- a) **Hepatitis** b) HIV
c) Tuberculosis d) Heart attack
e) Cancer

Q.8) Australia all-rounder _____ became the first cricketer to reach the rare milestone of scoring 1000 runs.

- a) Rachael Haynes b) Delissa Kimmince
c) **Ellyse Perry** d) Georgia Wareham

e) Alyssa Healy

Q.9) Indian Air Force (IAF) Wing Commander _____ became the first pilot to perform a wing suit skydive jump 8500 feet from the Mi-17 V5 helicopter.

- a) Rakesh Mantri b) Laxman Narsimhan
c) Johnson Kurian d) Hazraf Ahmad Al

e) **Tarun Chaudhri**

Q.10) In a major boost to national _____, August 2, 2019 Government launched the One

Nation-One Ration Card scheme on a pilot basis in Four major states.

- a) **Food security** b) Nutrients security
c) Consumer security
d) Sea animal security e) Women security

Q.11) Ministry of _____ has launched a competition for designing a Postage Stamp along Golden Jubilee edition of International Film Festival of India (IFFI).

a) Consumer & Corporate Affairs

b) **Information & Broadcasting**

- c) Culture & Tourism
d) Sports & Youth Affairs
e) Information & Technology

Q.12) The _____ banned face-covering clothing, such as a burqa or niqab, in public buildings and on transport as a contentious law on the garment came into force.

- a) Switzerland b) Hong Kong
c) Denmark d) **Netherlands**
e) Scotland

Q.13) President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated exhibitions on Mahatma Gandhi and Khadi at the Ebunjan Theatre in The _____ on his three nation visit.

- a) Benin b) Norway
c) **Gambia** d) China
e) Guinea

Q.14) The six-time BJP MLA from Sirsi Assembly constituency _____ was unanimously elected as the new Speaker of the Karnataka state Assembly.

- a) K. S. Nagarathnamma
b) Daradahalli Chandre Gowda
c) Kagodu Thimmappa
d) Ramappa Ramesh Kumar

e) **Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri**

Q.15) _____ Giant East Bengal Club turns 100 years on Aug 01 st, on this day in 1920 East Bengal Club was established at Kumartuli Park in North Kolkata.

- a) Cricket b) Hockey
c) **Football** d) Kabaadi
e) Basketball

Q.16) In Shooting, Aishwary Singh Tomar clinched a gold medal in Men Rifle (3Position) at 12th Sardar Sajjan Singh Sethi Memorial Masters competition in _____.

- a) Kolkata b) Amritsar
c) Gurugram d) **New Delhi**
e) Chandigarh

Q.17) _____, the Glamorgan bowler who entered cricket folklore when Garfield Sobers struck him for six sixes in an over, has died at the age of 74.

- a) Phillip Hughes b) Darryn Randall
c) Alwyn Jenkins
d) Richard Beaumont e) **Malcolm Nash**

Q.18) Senior Indian television journalist _____ has been awarded the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award referred as the Asian version of the Nobel Prize.

- a) Ajith Singh b) **Ravish Kumar**
c) Sanjeev Reddy d) Linga Moorthi
e) Dheena Dhayalan

Q.19) _____, a freedom fighter and the designer of the flag on which the Indian national flag was based was born on Aug 02nd in 1876.

- a) Sucheta Kriplani b) Tilka Manjhi
c) Surendranath Banerjee

d) **Pingali Venkaiah** e) Ullaskar Dutta

Q.20) In yet another step closer to the moon, India's _____ spacecraft has undergone the fourth earth-bound manoeuvring successfully.

- a) Microsat-R b) AstroSat-1
c) **Chandrayaan-2** d) Saral-2
e) GSAT-7A

Q.21) President Ram Nath Kovind has been awarded the National order of Merit by the President of _____ recently.

- a) Uruguay b) Gambia
c) Tanzania d) Benin

e) **Guinea**

Q.22) In Shooting, _____ outclassed in the Sardar Sajjan Singh Sethi Memorial competition, winning the gold medal 25 metres rapid fire pistol event in New Delhi.

- a) Heena Sidhu b) **Adarsh Singh**
c) Gagan Narang d) Shardul Vihan
e) Prakash Mitharwal

Q.23) Seven years after India missed a podium place at the IAAF World Race Walking Cup in _____, the country was today handed a bronze medal.

- a) France b) Hong Kong
c) Brazil d) Zimbabwe

e) **Russia**

Q.24) The 11th Annual General Meeting of the Indo-Lanka Chamber of Commerce & Industry was held in _____.

- a) New Delhi b) Jayawardhana
c) Mumbai d) **Colombo**
e) Rameshwaram

Q.25) Param Vir Chakra awardee Veer Abdul Hamid's widow, _____ passed away in Dhamupur village of Ghazipur district in Uttar Pradesh.

- a) **Rasoolan Bibi** b) Savitri Khanolkar
c) Lakshmi Veer d) Salaria Gurbachan
e) Subedar Bana

Q.26) The Second All India Annual Conference of Indian Information Service Officers was organized in _____ under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.

- a) Mumbai b) Chennai
c) Kolkata d) **New Delhi**
e) Patna

Q.27) _____ legislative assembly passed two important bills to curb honour killings and Mob Lynching in the state on Aug 05th with a voice vote.

- a) Punjab b) Maharashtra
c) Gujarat d) Uttar Pradesh

e) **Rajasthan**

Q.28) Home-grown IT Company Mindtree Ltd appointed _____ as its new chief executive officer (CEO) and managing director (MD).

- a) Shantanu Narayen
b) **Debashis Chatterjee**
c) Ashwani Lohani
d) Sandeep Bakhshi
e) Sudipta Bhattacharya

Q.29) In a first-of-its-kind initiative in the country, _____ traffic police have launched

3-D Smart Traffic Signal devised by the students of a Chandigarh university.

- a) Panaji b) Haridwar
c) Mohali d) Amritsar
 e) Ladakh

Q.30) Congress, Rajya Sabha MP _____ resigned from the membership of the House opposing the party's stand on the abrogation of Article 370.

- a) Akhilesh Prasad Singh
 b) Harshadray Yajnik
 c) Ghulam Nabi Azad
d) Bhubaneshwar Kalita
 e) Jairam Ramesh

Q.31) _____ Assembly passed a resolution to support and thank the Central Govt. for deciding to repeal Article 370 of the Constitution granting special status to J&K.

- a) Haryana
b) Jammu and Kashmir
 c) Puducherry
 d) Manipur
 e) Gujarat

Q.32) Australia beat _____ by 251 runs to win the first Ashes Cricket Test at Edgbaston. Victory gave Australia a 1-0 lead in the five-match series.

- a) West Indies b) New Zealand
 c) South Africa d) Pakistan

e) England

Q.33) Rajya Sabha adopted resolutions to scrap Article 370 and Article 35A in _____ and provision of 10 per cent reservation for Economically Weaker Sections category.

- a) Andaman & Nicobar
b) Jammu and Kashmir
 c) Telangana
 d) Puducherry
 e) Chandigarh

Q.34) On _____ every year, Hiroshima Day is observed in remembrance of the first atomic bombing of the world by the United States in the city of Hiroshima.

- a) August 6** b) August 8
 c) August 4 d) August 7
 e) August 5

Q.35) External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will be paying a three-day visit to _____ from 11th of this month; this will be his first visit to the country after assuming office.

- a) Japan b) Norway
 c) France d) **China**
 e) Russia

Q.36) Cricket commentator _____ died in Mumbai, in his mid-80s, according to sources in the Cricket Club of India, of which he was a long-term member.

- a) Harsha Bhogle b) Sanjay Manjrekar
c) Anant Setalvad d) Michael Atherton
 e) Hussein Ramalan

Q.37) _____ has appointed S.N. Subrahmanyam as its non-executive vice chairman who currently serves as L&T group's managing director and CEO.

- a) Air India b) **Mindtree**
 c) Britannia d) Jindal Steel
 e) Royal Enfield

Q.38) Chairman, ISRO laid foundation stone for Space Situational Awareness Control Centre at

Peenya, _____, which is an important milestone in the progress of ISRO.

- a) Greater Noida b) **Bengaluru**
 c) Gurgaon d) Jamshedpur
 e) Kanchipuram

Q.39) _____ Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank was inaugurating Technology Expo at IIT Delhi to showcase latest innovation in the field of science and technology.

- a) Health & Family Welfare
 b) Social Justice & Empowerment
c) Human Resources Development
d) Information & Technology
 e) Women & Child Development

Q.40) _____ regained the momentum in the world championship with a memorable strategic victory on Sunday in a tense Hungarian Grand Prix.

- a) Lewis Hamilton** b) Max Verstappen
 c) Sebastian Vettel d) Charles Leclerc
 e) Carlos Sainz

Q.41) National Academy of Art, Lalit Kala Akademi, celebrated its 65th Foundation Day in New Delhi inaugurated by Culture and Tourism Minister _____.

- a) Santosh Kumar Gangwar
 b) Rao Inderjit Singh
 c) Shripad Yesso Naik
d) Prahlad Singh Patel
 e) Hardeep Singh Puri

Q.42) Star India grappler Vinesh Phogat has bagged gold in women's 53kg category of Poland Open wrestling tournament in _____.

- a) Lusaka b) **Warsaw**
 c) Dushanbe d) Singapore
 e) Ulaanbaatar

Q.43) Turkish President _____ laid the foundation stone for the first new church of the country since it became a modern republic in 1923.

- a) Mohamed Bejicaid Essebsi
 b) Pepe Mujica Cordano
 c) Mario Abdo Benítez
 d) James Scott Ryan

e) Recep Tayyip Erdogan

Q.44) The first Indian pair to beat World champions of _____ in the summit clash of Thailand Open win a BWF Super 500 badminton tournament held in Bangkok.

- a) Malaysia b) Japan
 c) Taiwan d) **China**
 e) Singapore

Q.45) India successfully test-fired its weather tracked-chassis _____ from a mobile launcher at launch complex III of the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur in Odisha.

- a) QR-SAM** b) DR-TAM
 c) PR-DAM d) NR-HAM
 e) JR-BAM

Q.46) Indian boxers have ended their campaign at the Magomed Salam Umakhanov International Boxing Tournament in Kaspiysk, _____ with a rich haul of six medals.

- a) France b) Jamaica
c) Russia d) Bulgaria
 e) Mexico

Q.47) Veteran Gujarati journalist, author and columnist _____ also worked as a writer

and editor in various Gujarati publications passed away.

- a) Behramji Malabari b) **Kanti Bhatt**
 c) Harindra Dave d) Ichharam Desa
 e) Navalram Pandya

Q.48) In a countrywide effort to enhance water security, in water-stressed areas, the _____, delivered over 3.5 lakh water conservation measures in 256 districts.

- a) Neer Purashkar Abhiyan
 b) Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
 c) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
 d) Arogya Jan Abhiyan

e) Jal Shakti Abhiyan

Q.49) In _____, the "Aadi Perukku" festival is being celebrated, people performed puja's on the banks of larger water bodies including sea coasts, lakes and rivers.

- a) Karnataka b) Telangana
 c) Kerala d) **Tamil Nadu**
 e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.50) _____, a 1983-batch Indian Civil Accounts Service (ICAS) officer, took over as the Controller General of Accounts (CGA) with effect from August 1, 2019.

- a) Anthony Lianzuala Kurian
 b) Ritvik Ranjanam Pandey

c) Giriraj Prasad Gupta

- d) Rakesh Rawat Mitra**
 e) Bipin Bihari Mallick

Q.51) _____ has announced it will start accepting applications for funding of feature films under the Government scheme, 'Production of films in various Indian languages'.

- a) NFDC** b) CSIR
 c) NDER d) CRIDL
 e) RDFT

Q.52) _____, 23-year-old Indian-origin doctor has been crowned Miss England after fending off competition from dozens of other models.

- a) Yashika Reddy b) Vaani Priyanka
 c) Nilani Motwani d) Akshara Lal

e) Bhasha Mukherjee

Q.53) _____ will create a protected marine area in the country's Arctic region, where climate change is taking effect three times faster than the global average.

- a) Russia b) **Canada**
 c) Iceland d) Netherlands
 e) France

Q.54) In Cricket, India beat the _____ by four wickets in the first Twenty20 of the three-match international series at Lauderhill in the USA.

- a) Australia b) Sri Lanka
c) West Indies d) England
 e) South Africa

Q.55) In _____, the Gandhi Nagar model village built with Indian assistance was inaugurated and the completed houses handed over to the beneficiaries.

- a) Indonesia b) Bangladesh
 c) Pakistan d) **Sri Lanka**
 e) Maldives

Q.56) The Argentine star _____ was barred on two days ago from playing for his national team for three months and was fined \$50,000 by CONMEBOL.

a) Cristiano Ronaldo b) **Lionel Messi**
 c) Carlos Tevez d) Javier Zanetti
 e) Sergio Aguero
 Q.57) Former Vice President of _____
 Ahmed Adheeb Abdul Ghafoor, who had sought political asylum in India, has been sent back to his home country.
 a) Pakistan b) Indonesia
 c) Vietnam d) Bangladesh
e) Maldives
 Q.58) Every year, the _____ of the month of August is observed as Friendship Day to celebrate this bond while the idea of Friendship Day was first proposed in 1958.
 a) **First Sunday** b) Last Monday
 c) First Saturday d) Last Thursday
 e) First Friday
 Q.59) _____ is officially world's third richest woman now, Amazon's second largest shareholder after her ex-husband Jeff Bezos.
 a) Jacqueline b) Yan Huiyan
 c) Susanne d) **MacKenzie Bezos**
 e) Laurene
 Q.60) _____, the voice of Minnie Mouse since the mid-1980s, also voiced the characters of Martin Prince and the twins Sherri and Terri on "The Simpsons" has died at 75.
 a) Dan Castellana b) Nancy Cartwright
 c) **Russi Taylor** d) Tress MacNeille
 e) Julie Kavner
 Q.61) The United States unveiled rules formally banning technology giant _____ and other Chinese firms from government contracts.
 a) Sinopec b) Korbax
 c) Synaty d) Jamnis
e) Huawei
 Q.62) A special _____ and First Day Cover will be released to commemorate the Golden Jubilee Edition of International Film Festival of India, IFFI.
 a) New Website b) Article News
 c) Award & Reward d) **Postage Stamp**
 e) Prize Coupon
 Q.63) Uttar Pradesh government and _____ have extended the existing bilateral agreement of cooperation in several fields by another five years.
 a) Denmark b) **Netherlands**
 c) Turkmenistan d) Norway
 e) Switzerland
 Q.64) The Seventh meeting of the India-Bangladesh Home Minister Level Talks was held in _____ with two countries Home Minister and portfolios.
 a) Pune b) Greater Noida
 c) **New Delhi** d) Kolkata
 e) Trivandrum
 Q.65) In _____, a minister has been dropped from the state cabinet. Dr Manikandan was serving as the state Information Technology Minister.
 a) **Tamil Nadu** b) Andhra Pradesh
 c) Puducherry d) Karnataka
 e) Telangana
 Q.66) _____ Government has organised a special musical programme, Barshamongol based on Tagore's songs and writings to mark the day.
 a) Rajasthan b) **West Bengal**

c) Gujarat d) Madhya Pradesh
 e) Bihar
 Q.67) _____ will host Zimbabwe for a tri-nation Twenty20 tournament in September despite the African nation being suspended by the International Cricket Council.
 a) India b) Sri Lanka
 c) Indonesia d) Pakistan
e) Bangladesh
 Q.68) Six-time world champion M C Mary Kom and _____ have been selected for the upcoming women's world boxing championships based on their recent performances.
 a) **Lovlina Borgohain** b) Simranjit Kaur
 c) Ankushita Boro d) Sonia Chahal
 e) Laishram Sarita
 Q.69) German paediatric cancer researcher _____ has won the Transcontinental Race, becoming the first woman to do so after cycling nearly 4,000km from Bulgaria to France.
 a) Elizabeth Blackwell b) Rebecca Crumpler
 c) Flesche Picotte d) Helen Taussig
e) Fiona Kolbinger
 Q.70) The 77th anniversary of the August Kranti Din, which is one of the important milestones in the history of freedom struggle, is being observed on _____.
 a) August 06th b) August 08th
 c) August 05th d) **August 09th**
 e) August 10th
 Q.71) Noted educationist and founder of Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan (PSBB) Group of Schools, _____, passed away from a cardiac arrest at the age of 93.
 a) **YG Rajalakshmi Parthasarathy**
 b) JS Veeralakshmi Ramalingam
 c) DV Mahalakshmi Narayanan
 d) KL Dhanalakshmi Swaminathan
 e) TR Athirshita lakshmi Kalyanamoorathi
 Q.72) A team of researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology, _____ has developed a portable device to detect bacteria without cell culture or microbiological assays.
 a) IIT-Madras b) IIT-Bombay
 c) IIT-Kharagpur d) **IIT-Guwahati**
 e) IIT-Delhi
 Q.73) Bangladesh Home Minister _____ has left Dhaka on a three day visit to Delhi to attend the 7th India- Bangladesh Home Minister level bilateral talks starting.
 a) Mahfuzur Rahman
 b) **Asaduzzaman Khan**
 c) Nurul Islam Nahid
 d) Syed Mahmud Hossain
 e) Abdul Hamid Rasood
 Q.74) India completed a 3-0 clean sweep over the West Indies after winning the third and final Twenty20 International by seven wickets in _____.
 a) Hungary b) Romania
 c) Kenya d) Canada
e) Guyana
 Q.75) In _____, Indian men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty jumped seven places to enter the top 10 of the latest world rankings.
 a) **Badminton** b) Table Tennis
 c) Chess d) Rowing
 e) Ice Hockey

Q.76) The UN's humanitarian agency informs Malaria has killed more than 1,800 people in _____ this year over 5.7 million cases of malaria had been recorded in 2019.
 a) Bahrain b) Belgium
 c) **Burundi** d) Brazil
 e) Bahamas
 Q.77) South African _____, one of the great fast bowlers of the modern era, announced his retirement from Test cricket in a bid to extend his longevity in the shorter forms of the game.
 a) Liam Denly b) Jack Leach
 c) Thomas Westley d) Andrew Dawson
e) Dale Steyn
 Q.78) The United States has revoked visa-free entry rights to the country, for foreigners who have visited _____ in the past eight years.
 a) China b) **North Korea**
 c) India d) South Korea
 e) Venezuela
 Q.79) Former External Affairs Minister and First Woman CM of Delhi _____ passed away in New Delhi by suffering a massive cardiac arrest.
 a) Sikander Bakht b) Madhav Solanki
 c) **Sushma Swaraj** d) Rajinder Kaur
 e) Shashikala Kakodkar
 Q.80) India topped the latest ICC Test team rankings while New Zealand is placed 2nd, who is CEO of ICC?
 a) **Manu Sawhney**
 b) Shubhangi Kulkarni
 c) Shashank Manohar
 d) Anurag Thakur
 e) Anil Kumble
 Q.81) Cricketers emerging from the newly-created Union Territory of _____ will continue to qualify to represent Jammu and Kashmir in all BCCI domestic competitions.
 a) Udhampur b) Baramulla
 c) Ramban d) **Ladakh**
 e) Akhnoor
 Q.82) The National Handloom Day is observed annually on _____ to honour the handloom weavers in the country and also highlight India's handloom industry.
 a) 4thAugust b) 8thAugust
 c) 6thAugust d) 5thAugust
e) 7thAugust
 Q.83) Government has sanctioned 5595 electric buses in 64 cities for intracity and intercity operations under the second phase of _____ scheme.
 a) Digital India b) **FAME India**
 c) BHARAT India d) Green India
 e) Friend India
 Q.84) In _____, the two-day-long 22nd National Conference on E-Governance was inaugurated by State Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma.
 a) Tripura b) Manipur
 c) Sikkim d) Nagaland
e) Meghalaya
 Q.85) President Ram Nath Kovind conferred country's highest civilian honour _____ on Pranab Mukherjee, Nanaji Deshmukh and Bhupen Hazarika.
 a) **Bharat Ratna** b) Padma Vibhushan

c) Ashoka Chakra d) Padma Shri
e) Khel Ratna
Q.86) _____ Assembly Speaker Ram Niwas Goel disqualified rebel AAP MLAs Devinder Sehrawat and Anil Bajpai under the anti-defection law.
a) Tamil Nadu b) **Andhra Pradesh**
c) Delhi d) Karnataka
e) Rajasthan
Q.87) The only South African batsman _____ to have scored a triple century in the Test format has retired from all international crickets with immediate effect.
a) Peter Kirsten b) Adrian Kuiper
c) Imran Tahir d) **Hashim Amla**
e) Brian McMillan
Q.88) India and _____ have agreed to set up a Joint Technical committee for optimum utilisation of Ganges water as being received under the Sharing Treaty 1996.
a) Bangladesh b) Pakistan
c) Indonesia d) Sri Lanka
e) Maldives
Q.89) On _____ every year, Nagasaki Day is observed because on this day US dropped atomic bomb on the Nagasaki city of Japan in 1945 during World War II.
a) 10 August b) **9 August**
c) 8 August d) 7 August
e) 6 August
Q.90) _____, Pakistan's former Prime Minister Sharif's daughter, was arrested from the Kot Lakhpat jail, in a money laundering case.
a) Kashmala Tariq b) Hina Rabbani
c) Alizeh Haider d) Fauzia Wahab
e) Maryam Nawaz
Q.91) Nobel laureate _____, a pioneer and reigning giant of modern literature was the first black woman to receive the Nobel literature prize has died at age 88.
a) Diahann Carroll b) Freema Agyeman
c) Lynn Whitfield d) **Toni Morrison**
e) Angela Bassett
Q.92) More than 5 lakh Rohingya refugees over the age of 12 living in Bangladesh have been issued identity documents by the _____.
a) UNICEF b) UNDP
c) UNHCR d) ICAO
e) UNESCO
Q.93) On every year _____ commemorates the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples worldwide, a day dedicated to indigenous peoples, their human rights, languages.
a) 10th August b) **9th August**
c) 8th August d) 7th August
e) 6th August
Q.94) Defence Acquisition Council has accorded approval for procurement of indigenous SDR and Next Generation Maritime Mobile Coastal Batteries for the _____.
a) Indian Army b) CRPF
c) Indian Air Force d) State Police
e) Indian Navy
Q.95) A Sukhoi fighter jet of the Indian Air Force crashed near Tezpur the local flying area in Sonitpur district in _____.
a) Assam b) Tripura
c) Punjab d) Goa
e) Uttarakhand

Q.96) _____ has topped the rankings in Breastfeeding and Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices in the country.
a) Tamil Nadu b) Gujarat
c) Manipur d) Maharashtra
e) Nagaland
Q.97) World Archery Secretary General _____ informed WA suspended the Archery Association of India (AAI) for defying its guidelines by electing two parallel bodies.
a) Mario Scarzella b) Ugur Erdener
c) Nicole Hovertsz d) **Tom Dielen**
e) Ronald Maughan
Q.98) Vice President launched the _____ government's 'Mukhya Mantri Krishi Ashirwad Yojana' money will be directly transferred into the bank accounts of farmers.
a) Jharkhand b) Arunachal Pradesh
c) Uttarakhand d) West Bengal
e) Chhattisgarh
Q.99) National Liberation Front of _____ led by Sabir Kumar Debbarma, NLFT-SD has agreed to abjure the path of violence and join the mainstream.
a) Tamil Nadu b) Punjab
c) Telangana d) Haryana
e) Tripura
Q.100) In _____, world record has been made in the massive plantation drive 'Vriksharopan Mahakumbh' on the occasion of 77th anniversary of Quit India Movement.
a) Arunachal Pradesh b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Himachal Pradesh d) **Uttar Pradesh**
e) Andhra Pradesh
Q.101) _____ has been named as interim Congress President adopted by Congress Working Committee during its meeting in New Delhi.
a) Rahul Gandhi b) Pranab Mukherjee
c) Sonia Gandhi d) Manmohan Singh
e) Priyanka Gandhi
Q.102) Member Secretary of Sports and Youth Welfare Committee, Lakhya Konwar announced the Khelo India will be held in _____ in January of next year.
a) Meghalaya b) Sikkim
c) Mizoram d) Nagaland
e) Assam
Q.103) The 53-year-old Actor _____ will be felicitated with the Charlie Chaplin Award by the British Academy's Los Angeles branch for Excellence in Comedy.
a) Eugene Carrey b) Adam Sandler
c) Robin Williams d) **Steve Coogan**
e) Martin Lawrence
Q.104) External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will leave on a three-day visit to _____ during his visit, he will hold bilateral meeting with his counterpart Wang Yi.
a) China b) Japan
c) Mauritius d) Russia
e) France
Q.105) The book titled "Listening, Learning & Leading" chronicling the two years in office by Vice President will be released by Union Home Minister _____, in the presence of Mr Naidu.
a) Rajnath Singh b) Salman Khurshid
c) Amit Shah d) Prakash Javadekar
e) Piyush Goel

Q.106) _____ conducted new missile tests firing two missiles into the sea it was the fifth round of such launches in two weeks.
a) Republic of Seychelles
b) **North Korea**
c) United states
d) Democratic of Congo
e) South Korea
Q.107) India's top wrestler _____ continued their impressive with defending his title at Tbilisi Grand Prix over Iran's Peiman Bibyani in the 65 Kilogram category.
a) Bajrang Punia b) Sushil Kumar
c) Yogeshwar Dutt d) Jinder Mahal
e) Sangram Singh
Q.108) INS Tarkash, a state-of-the-art stealth frigate of the Indian Navy equipped with a versatile range of weapons, arrived in _____ for a three-day visit.
a) Ireland b) Sweden
c) New Zealand d) Denmark
e) Norway
Q.109) Minister of State (I/C) for Youth Affairs and Sports _____ has informed that the Ministry will be exploring sporting talent from every nook and corner of the country.
a) Rao Inderjit Singh
b) Mansukh Mandaviya
c) Shripad Yesso Naik
d) **Kiren Rijiju**
e) Anurag Thakur
Q.110) Hockey India named 33 players for the junior men's national camp begins at the Sports Authority of India centre in Bengaluru, to prepare for the _____.
a) Aga Khan Cup
b) Durand Cup
c) Sultan of Johor Cup
d) Murugappa Gold Cup
e) Subroto Mukerji Cup
Q.111) A Famous Actor _____ won the best actress award for her portrayal of yesteryear star Savitri in Telugu film Mahanati.
a) Keerthy Suresh b) Anushka Shetty
c) Kajal Aggarwal d) Shruti Haasan
e) Nayanthara
Q.112) Union ministers Ramesh Pokhriyal and Gajendra Singh have launched the Samagra Shiksha-Jal Suraksha drive to promote water conservation activities among _____.
a) Senior Citizens b) Parents
c) School Students d) Teachers
e) Entrepreneurs
Q.113) President Ram Nath Kovind hosted At-Home reception in the honour of freedom fighters at Rashtrapati Bhavan to mark the _____ anniversary of Quit India Movement.
a) 73rd b) 74th
c) 75th d) 76th
e) 77th
Q.114) As per Home Ministry notification, the two new Union territories Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh will come into existence on _____ this year.
a) 01st September b) 01st October
c) 31st October d) 30th September
e) 31st August
Q.115) The Central Government aims to cover almost every part of the country under 'One

Nation, One Ration Card' scheme by _____ of next year.

- a) **01st June** b) 15th August
c) 31st May d) 01st October
e) 30th April

Q.116) The DMK party' Mr. Kathir Anand has won the closely fought election in the _____ Lok Sabha constituency by a slender margin of over 8000 votes.

- a) Ghazipur b) Dharwad
c) Morigaon d) **Vellore**
e) Dibrugarh

Q.117) India's transsexual woman _____ has made the country proud with a third successive victory in the beauty pageant Miss World Diversity.

- a) Nitasha Biswas b) Prithika Yashini
c) Gauri Sawant d) Joyita Mondal

e) **Naaz Joshi**
Q.118) Nearly two million Muslims to marking the beginning of five-day pilgrimage from across the world including India will perform Haj in _____.

- a) Kuwait b) **Saudi Arabia**
c) United Arab Emirates d) Qatar
e) Iran

Q.119) Every year on _____ is World Biofuel Day to create awareness about the importance of non-fossil fuels as an alternative to conventional fossil fuels.

- a) 7th August b) 9th August
c) 11th August d) **10th August**
e) 8th August

Q.120) PM Modi will inaugurate a hydropower project and will roll out RuPay Card during the visit, will hold talks with his Bhutanese counterpart _____.

- a) **Lotay Tshering**
b) Imran Ahmed Khan
c) Joko Widodo
d) Abdul Hamid
e) Maithripala Sirisena

Q.121) The Board of Control for Cricket in India agreed to come under the ambit of the _____ Board has given in writing that it would adhere to the anti-doping policy.

- a) IDRA b) ACFD
c) **NADA** d) DFAR
e) CGAD

Q.122) _____, the long-time wrestler and promoter best known for playing the arrogant "King of the Ring" had died at the age of 76.

- a) Dolph Ziggler b) **Harley Race**
c) Brock Lesnar d) Randy Orton
e) Jeff Hardy

Q.123) The 4th edition of National Entrepreneurship Awards (NEA), given for recognize and encouraging the outstanding Indian Entrepreneurs and catalyse by the Ministry of _____.

- a) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
b) Social Justice and Empowerment
c) Electronics and Information Technology
d) Human Resource Development

e) **Skill Development and Entrepreneurship**
Q.124) India celebrated the 100th birth anniversary of scientist and innovator _____, is considered as the father of India's space program on August 12, 2019.

- a) Sir C V Raman
b) Dr Homi Jehangir Bhabha
c) **Dr Vikram Sarabhai**
d) Satyendra Nath Bose
e) Sir Birbal Sahni
Q.125) Falcon 9 launches _____ AMOS-17 off Pad 40 in Florida, marking this booster's third flight and SpaceX's 25th reflight of an orbit class rocket.

- a) **Israel** b) Pakistan
c) Egypt d) India
e) Russia

Q.126) India beat West Indies by 59 runs via _____ method in the second ODI at Port-of-Spain in Trinidad by virtue of the win, India is 1-0 lead in the three-match series.

- a) Leg before Wicket b) **Duckworth-Lewis**
c) Handled the Ball d) Hit the Ball Twice
e) Shearling-Goal

Q.127) In _____, 1000 of students and members of several social organisations unfurled a 15-km long national flag by forming a human chain, for Independence Day.

- a) Haryana b) Assam
c) **Chhattisgarh** d) Nagaland
e) Jharkhand

Q.128) In Badminton, Indian junior shuttlers won six medals at the Junior International Championships which concluded in Pazardzhik, _____.

- a) Serbia b) Mexico
c) Estonia d) Nigeria

e) **Bulgaria**
Q.129) In Sri Lanka, former Defence Secretary _____ has been named as the Presidential candidate of main opposition Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP).

- a) Sagara Kariyawasam
b) **Gotabaya Rajapaksa**
c) Ranil Wickremesinghe
d) Sajith Premadasa
e) Mahendra Rajapaksa

Q.130) In Badminton, reigning national champion, _____ clinched the Men's Singles title in the Hyderabad Open by beating Singapore's Loh Kean Yew.

- a) **Sourabh Verma** b) Kidambi Srikanth
c) Sai Praneeth d) H S Prannoy
e) Sameer Verma

Q.131) Indian Railways – Northern Railway has cancelled _____ train after Pakistan suspended operations on its side.

- a) Tejas Express b) Humsafar Express
c) Antyodaya Express
d) **Samjhauta Express**
e) Rajdhani Express

Q.132) Former Uruguay striker _____ has announced his retirement, bringing to an end a 21-year career in which he played club soccer on three different continents.

- a) Luis Alberto b) Edinson Roberto
c) Martin Silva d) Fernando Muslera

e) **Diego Forlan**
Q.133) The United Nations' (UN) International Youth Day is celebrated on _____ each year to recognize efforts of the world's youth in enhancing global society.

- a) **August 12** b) August 11
c) August 10 d) August 09

e) August 08
Q.134) _____ has announced "Vikram Sarabhai Journalism Award in Space Science, Technology and Research" to recognize and reward journalists who involved in field of Space.

- a) Government of India
b) **Indian Space Research Organisation**
c) National Green Tribunal
d) Defence Research and Development Organisation
e) Council of Scientific & Industrial Research

Q.135) Biologist _____ will become the first woman to head the Indian National Science Academy (INSA) in 85-Year Existence.

- a) Manju Sharma b) Anuradha Lohia
c) **Chandrima Shaha** d) Gagandeep Kang
e) Soniya Nityanand

Q.136) Who is the Chairman National Green Tribunal (NGT)?

- a) **Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel**
b) Justice Lokeshwar Singh Panta
c) Justice Swatanter Kumar
d) Justice Rajendra Mal Lodha
e) Justice Mehr Chand Mahajan

Q.137) Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports _____ conferred the National Youth Awards for 2016-17 on twenty individuals and three organisations at a function in New Delhi.

- a) Shripad Yesso Naik b) **Kiren Rijiju**
c) Jitendra Singh
d) Mansukh Mandaviya e) Ramdas Athawale

Q.138) In Uttar Pradesh, the government has swung in action to stop the use of banned plastic in capital city _____.

- a) Patna b) Kolkata
c) Ahmedabad d) Agra

e) **Lucknow**
Q.139) On the _____, Chandrayaan-2 lander is expected to soft-land on the south pole of the moon and unleash the rover to explore the surface, a first by India.

- a) 10th September b) 15th October
c) 30th November d) **07th September**
e) 20th October

Q.140) Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar released a patriotic song _____ in New Delhi in the run up to the Independence Day.

- a) Gurgaon b) **Watan**
c) Rapteni d) Sangeetha
e) Pramonisha

Q.141) _____ completed a 6-3, 6-0 demolition of Russian Daniil Medvedev to win in Montreal and extend his record haul of Masters 1000 titles.

- a) Novak Djokovic b) Kei Nishikori
c) **Rafael Nadal** d) Dominic Thiem
e) Roger Federer

Q.142) The Supreme Court ordered that the list of those excluded from the final Assam NRC be published only online on _____.

- a) **31st of August** b) 01st of September
c) 30th of September d) 01st of October
e) 31st of October

Q.143) India's national tennis federation decided that it will not seek a change of venue for the _____ tie versus Pakistan in Islamabad requested the world body ITF.

- a) Wimbledon b) BNP Paribas

c) Hopman Cup d) **Davis Cup**
 e) Laver Cup
 Q.144) _____ became the first Indian to claim a world title in motorsports, in the women’s category world championship at Varpalota in Hungary.
 a) Roshni Misbah
 b) Yashmeen Chauhan
c) Aishwarya Pissay
d) Veenu Paliwal
 e) Neharika Yadav
 Q.145) As per new report of ATP 2019 _____ remains at top of ATP rankings.
a) Novak Djokovic b) Rafael Nadal
 c) Dominic Thiem d) Kei Nishikori
 e) Roger Federer
 Q.146) World Elephant Day is observed on _____ annually to make people understand to preserve and protect the giant animal elephant.
 a) August 10 b) **August 12**
 c) August 14 d) August 08
 e) August 06
 Q.147) Every year on _____ Lefthanders Day is observed to raise awareness about the problems and difficulties that left-handed people faced.
 a) 11 August b) 14 August
 c) 10 August d) **13 August**
 e) 12 August
 Q.148) Reliance Jio has announced a long-term strategic partnership with _____ at the Reliance India Limited’s 42nd Annual General Meeting for the digital platform.
 a) Google b) Cisco
 c) Facebook d) **Microsoft**
 e) Infosys
 Q.149) The country’s largest sanitation survey Swachh Survekshan Grameen-2019 was launched by Jal Shakti Minister _____ in New Delhi.
 a) Ashwini Kumar Choubey
 b) Sanjeev Kumar Balyan
 c) Arjun Ram Meghwal
 d) Kailash Choudhary
e) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
 Q.150) _____ has taken over the charge as the new Chief Secretary of Arunachal Pradesh called on Governor Dr. B. D. Mishra at Raj Bhawan in Itanagar.
 a) Ramesh Kanna b) **Naresh Kumar**
 c) Harish Chandran d) Suresh Krishnan
 e) Aakash Raman
 Q.151) Jammu and Kashmir government will host a three-day Global Investors Summit from 12th October this year in _____.
a) Srinagar b) Kashmir
 c) Ladakh d) Jammu
 e) Udhampur
 Q.152) The International Weightlifting Federation (IWF) announced five _____ weightlifters, including a 2012 Olympic bronze medallist, have been provisionally suspended.
 a) Indian b) Chinese
c) Russian d) American
 e) Japanese
 Q.153) Former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh filed nomination papers as a Congress

candidate for the by-poll to Rajya Sabha from _____.
 a) Manipur b) **Rajasthan**
 c) Telangana d) Madhya Pradesh
 e) Jharkhand
 Q.154) The Commonwealth Games Federation announced that women’s T20 Cricket has been confirmed for inclusion at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games in _____.
 a) 2020 b) 2021
 c) 2024 d) 2023
e) 2022
 Q.155) A tearful Serena Williams saw her US Open preparation thrown into disarray handing Canadian teenager _____ the title.
 a) Sloane Stephens b) Angelique Kerber
c) Bianca Andreescu d) Flavia Pennetta
 e) Hana Mandlikova
 Q.156) Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Dynamic Facade Lighting of the _____ estate, 875 energy-efficient LED lights have been installed in the Complex.
 a) Supreme Court
 b) National Green Tribunal
 c) Konark Sun Temple
 d) **Parliament House**
 e) Rashtrapati Bhavan
 Q.157) Pakistan Independence Day is observed annually on _____ this day Pakistan achieved Independence and was declared a sovereign nation, the end of British rule in 1947.
 a) August 16 b) **August 14**
 c) August 12 d) August 15
 e) August 13
 Q.158) Union Textiles Minister Smriti Irani informed under _____ scheme target is to provide skill development to 10 lakh youth in the textile sector.
a) SAMARTH b) SETHUAN
 c) MARTHAN d) JAMNIS
 e) TMSDS
 Q.159) Former Additional Solicitor General of India, _____ Senior Advocate _____ passed away after suffering a massive heart attack.
 a) Rajdeepak Rastogi
 b) Shashi Prakash Singh
c) Amarendra Sharan
d) Satya Pal Jain
 e) Maninder Acharya
 Q.160) Wing Commander _____ of Indian Air Force will be conferred with Vir Chakra on Independence Day had shot down F-16 jet of Pakistan Air Force.
 a) Pradeep Padmakar
 b) **Abhinandan Varthaman**
 c) Harpal Singh
 d) Rakesh Kumar
 e) Pawan Kapoor
 Q.161) The government has reconstituted the Inter State Council and the Standing Committee of the Inter State Council _____ is the Chairman of the I-S council.
 a) President of India
 b) Chief Justice of India
 c) Chief Minister of Delhi
 d) Home Minister of India
e) Prime Minister of India

Q.162) Penguin Random House India has announced a book titled “Sridevi: Girl Woman Superstar”, is written by author-screenwriter _____ on the life of the actor.
a) Satyarth Nayak b) Anurag Kashyap
 c) Vishal Bhardwaj d) Shakun Batra
 e) Himanshu Sharma
 Q.163) Women in the capital will be able to travel free of cost on _____ Transport Corporation, buses on Raksha Bandhan.
 a) Chennai b) Mumbai
c) Delhi d) Bangalore
 e) Kolkata
 Q.164) Huawei Technologies Co unveiled its much-anticipated in-house operating system _____, marking the Chinese tech to build its own software ecosystem.
 a) Tizen OS b) Lineage OS
 c) Lune OS d) **Harmony OS**
 e) Kaione OS
 Q.165) The famous _____, an offering of the Palani Dandayuthaswamy temple, in Tamil Nadu, has been granted the Geographical Identity (GI) tag.
a) Panchamritham b) Laddoo
 c) Moori kadha d) Mathadi
 e) Palpayasam
 Q.166) _____ Makes History with the ‘Hardest Move in the World’ at the U.S. Gymnastics Championships became the first woman to ever hit a triple double.
 a) Shannon Miller b) Aly Raisman
 c) Nastia Liukin d) Dominique Dawes
e) Simone Biles
 Q.167) _____ of the Vamos party as the Guatemala’s next president defeated former First Lady Sandra Torres from the centrist National Unity of Hope party.
 a) Rivera Estrada
b) Alejandro Giammattei
 c) Aristides Crespo
 d) Ruben Dario Morales
 e) Jorge Herbruger
 Q.168) The Netherlands’ most-capped player _____ announced on Monday his retirement from football, bringing down the curtain on a trophy-laden career that spanned 17 years.
 a) Virgil Dijk b) Matthijs Ligt
 c) Frenkie Jong d) **Wesley Sneijder**
 e) Ryan Babel
 Q.169) Missile destroyer, JS Sazanami of the _____ Maritime Self Defense Force (JMSDF), commanded by Commander Shoji Ishkawa, is on a two day goodwill visit to Kochi.
 a) Chinese b) French
c) Japanese d) Russian
 e) Israeli
 Q.170) This year in 2019, India will celebrate its _____ Independence Day to pay tribute and remember all the freedom fighters that had contributed a lot for the Independence of India.
 a) 71st b) **73rd**
 c) 72nd d) 75th
 e) 74th
 Q.171) The neighbouring country Bangladesh, which was part of India before partition in 1947, observes _____ as its National Mourning Day.

a) August 15 **b) August 13**
c) August 12 d) August 14
e) August 16
Q.172) _____ has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Congo by Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).
a) Suresh Kumar Makhijani
b) Ruchi Ghanashyam
c) Ghotu Ram Meena
d) Vinay Mohan Kwatra
e) Pranay Kumar Verma
Q.173) _____, a singer from Ivory Coast with a huge following in francophone Africa, has died after a road accident in Abidjan.
a) VJ Calvin Harris b) DJ Fatboy Slim
c) VJ Martin Garrix d) **DJ Arafat**
e) AJ Bassnectar
Q.174) _____ State Police Department got its first Laboratory-cum-Training Centre for Prevention of Cyber Crime against Women and Children.
a) Tamil Nadu b) Haryana
c) Nagaland d) Karnataka
e) Andhra Pradesh
Q.175) "Aadi Mahotsav" the national tribal festival will start at Polo Ground in Leh-Ladakh inaugurated by the Jammu and Kashmir Governor, _____.
a) Phagu Chauhan b) **Satya Pal Malik**
c) Biswabhusan Harichandan
d) Kalraj Mishra e) Lalji Tandon
Q.176) _____ became the first Indian chef to be awarded the 'Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite Agricoleto' by the French government for reinventing the gastronomic scene in India.
a) Sanjeev Kapoor b) Vikas Khanna
c) Saransh Goila
d) **Priyam Chatterjee** e) Nilesh Limaye
Q.177) Environment Minister _____ has announced that a massive campaign will be launched to make India free of single-use plastic.
a) Pralhad Joshi b) Harsh Vardhan
c) Sadananda Gowda d) Piyush Goyal
e) Prakash Javadekar
Q.178) NASA scientists are crisscrossing _____ on a mission to track melting ice has been melting faster in the last decade and this summer.
a) Greenland b) Argentina
c) New Zealand d) Estonia
e) Ireland
Q.179) _____ Ministry has decided to implement Accessibility Standards for Persons with Disabilities in private TV channel programmes from this Independence Day.
a) Information and Technology
b) Human Resource Development
c) Information and Broadcasting
d) Social Justice and Empowerment
e) Law and Justice
Q.180) India's _____ shot a 47 on the first day qualifiers of the men's trap event in the ISSF International Shotgun World Cup in Lahiti, Finland.
a) Om Prakash Mitharwal
b) Gagan Narang
c) Manavjit Sandhu
d) **Prithviraj Tondaiman**
e) Adarsh Singh

Q.181) North Korea fired two unidentified projectiles into the sea which is the latest in a series of such launches by _____.
a) Seoul b) **Pyongyang**
c) Dodoma d) Changsha
e) Zhengzhou
Q.182) Wrestler _____ claimed a gold medal at the Junior Worlds with a win over Russia's Alik Shebzukhov at Tallinn, Estonia.
a) Deepak Punia b) Sushil Kumar
c) Arjun Halakurki d) Ranjan Dinseh
e) Suraj Aswala
Q.183) The _____ of India announced that the country will now have a Chief of Defence Staff, CDS, who will ensure synergy among the three Services.
a) President b) Chief Justice
c) Prime Minister d) Defence Minister
e) Home Minister
Q.184) _____ 2019 is first death anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee who served as the Prime Minister for three times from 1996 to 2004.
a) August 12 b) August 13
c) August 14 d) August 15
e) August 16
Q.185) Former Argentina defender and FIFA World Cup-winner _____ passed away recently, at the age of 62.
a) Roberto Fabian Ayala
b) Jorge Mario Olguin
c) Daniel Alberto Passarella
d) **Jose Luis Brown**
e) Alberto Cesar Tarantini
Q.186) _____ was re-appointed head coach of the Indian men's team by the Kapil Dev-led three-member Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC).
a) Rahul Dravid b) Sourav Ganguly
c) Ravi Shastri d) Sanjay Bangar
e) Ramakrishnan Sridhar
Q.187) _____ State chaired the 2nd meeting of the high-powered committee of Chief Ministers for transformation of Indian agriculture in Mumbai organised by NITI Aayog.
a) Tamil Nadu b) **Maharashtra**
c) Gujarat d) Karnataka
e) Rajasthan
Q.188) _____ has been appointed as the Director of National Institute of Health and Family Welfare for a period of five years.
a) Jayanta Kalyan Das
b) Hrushikesh Senapaty
c) Raveendranath Nair
d) **Harshad Pandurang Thakur**
e) Chithra Madhavan
Q.189) The Ministry of _____ has amended the provisions relating to the issue of shares with Differential Voting Rights (DVRs) provisions under the Companies Act.
a) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
b) Panchayati Raj
c) Commerce and Industry
d) Heavy Industries and Public Enterprise
e) Corporate Affairs
Q.190) _____ State government honoured its 'son of the soil' and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chief K Sivan by presenting him with Dr A P J Abdul Kalam award.

a) Tamil Nadu b) Maharashtra
c) Gujarat d) Rajasthan
e) Uttar Pradesh
Q.191) Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) will conduct the _____ edition of the Central Teacher Eligibility Test (CTET) on 8th of December this year 2019.
a) 15th b) 11th
c) 14th d) **13th**
e) 12th
Q.192) Asian and Commonwealth medalist _____ Bajrang Punia has been nominated for the country's highest sporting honour - the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award.
a) Swimmer b) **Wrestler**
c) Shuttler d) Boxer
e) Shooter
Q.193) India's Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu's visit will be the first-ever high level visit to the _____ Baltic countries.
a) One b) Two
c) Three d) Four
e) Five
Q.194) In _____, the Indian women's team registered a comfortable 2-1 victory over the hosts Japan in the Olympic Test event in Tokyo.
a) Hockey b) Gymnastics
c) Wrestling d) Boxing
e) Shuttle
Q.195) _____ visit to Bhutan in the beginning of the current term reflects the high importance that the Government attaches to India's relations with that country.
a) General Bipin Rawat
b) Ram Nath Kovind
c) Venkaiah Naidu
d) Amit Anilchandra Shah
e) Narendra Modi
Q.196) BCCI Electoral Officer N Gopalaswami confirmed all the affiliated state units will have to conduct their polls by the _____ for participating in parent body's elections.
a) 12th September b) 13th September
c) 14th September d) 15th September
e) 16th September
Q.197) In Delhi, a scheme to involve school eco clubs in the DDA's plantation drive was launched by Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs _____.
a) Mahendra Nath Pandey
b) **Hardeep Singh Puri**
c) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi
d) Dharmendra Pradhan
e) Shripad Yesso Naik
Q.198) On _____ in 1945, the Indonesian leader Soekarno read a proclamation at his home in Jakarta, declaring the independence of Indonesia.
a) August 14 b) August 15
c) August 16 d) **August 17**
e) August 18
Q.199) In _____, about 80 lakh eligible farmer families will benefit from the Pradhanmantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana in the state.
a) Uttar Pradesh b) Andhra Pradesh
c) Himachal Pradesh d) Arunachal Pradesh
e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.200) Renowned Bangladeshi novelist and the Ekushey Padak winning author _____ passed away in Dhaka at the age of 79.

- a) **Rizia Rahman** b) Taslima Nasrin
c) Rabeya Khatun d) Selina Hossain
e) Dilara Hashem

Q.201) Union Minister for Chemical & Fertilizers Mansukh Mandaviya confirmed the First Central Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology-CICET will be set up in _____.

- a) Bihar b) **Gujarat**
c) Sikkim d) Punjab
e) Goa

Q.202) In _____, researchers of the Rajiv Gandhi University have discovered five new fish species in various districts of the state.

- a) Madhya Pradesh
b) Andhra Pradesh
c) Uttar Pradesh
d) **Arunachal Pradesh**
e) Himachal Pradesh

Q.203) Prime Minister Modi and the Bhutanese leadership _____ resolved to take the bilateral cooperation beyond hydroelectric power sector.

- a) Joko Widodo b) Upul Chandika
c) Pema Dorji d) Simon McMenemy

e) Lotay Tshering

Q.204) President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated an underground Bunker Museum at Raj Bhavan _____ also laid the foundation stone of reconstruction of Governor's Office.

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Gujarat
c) **Maharashtra** d) Rajasthan

e) Karnataka

Q.205) Top Indian sprinters Hima Das and Mohammad Anas have won a gold each in 300m races at the Athleticky Mitink Reiter event in _____.

- a) **Czech Republic** b) Poland Republic
c) Austria Republic d) Slovakia Republic
e) Romania Republic

Q.206) _____ will embark on a three-day visit to United Arab Emirates and Bahrain of this month, the visit will further strengthen India's friendly bilateral ties with those countries.

- a) Ram Nath Kovind b) Nirmala Sitaraman
c) M Venkaiah Naidu d) Rajnath Singh

e) Narendra Modi

Q.207) A team of 48 Indian contestants who will take part in World Skills International Competition at Kazan in _____ was given a grand send-off in New Delhi.

- a) France b) Egypt
c) Jamaica d) **Russia**
e) Hungary

Q.208) Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu has expressed happiness at receiving a copy of 'History of Lithuania in _____ during his official visit to Lithuania.

- a) Tamil b) **Hindi**
c) Telugu d) Sanskrit
e) Bengali

Q.209) Indian women's hockey team held _____ to a 2-2 draw in Olympic Test Event in Tokyo while in men's hockey New Zealand beat India 2-1.

- a) **Australia** b) Canada
c) Palestine d) Denmark

e) Pakistan

Q.210) The 5th Meeting of India-Nepal Joint Commission will be held in _____ on 21- 22 August, India-Nepal Joint Commission was established in June 1987.

- a) New Delhi b) Shimla
c) **Kathmandu** d) Dhulikhel
e) Kolkata

Q.211) World Photography Day is observed on _____ annually to raise awareness about the importance of photography founded in 2009 by Australian photographer Korske Ara.

- a) 20 August b) **19 August**
c) 18 August d) 17 August
e) 16 August

Q.212) In _____, leader of Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP) Anura Kumara Dissanayake has announced to contest the upcoming Presidential election.

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

Q.213) _____, noted social worker and Padma Shri awardee who was an octogenarian, dedicated his life to the treatment and service of leprosy patients, died at 84.

- a) Raghunath Panigrahi
b) Alluri Satyanarayana Raju
c) Rabindra Narain Singh
d) Om Prakash Agrawal

e) Damodar Ganesh Bapat

Q.214) The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has formed a committee to examine allegations of illegal sand mining in the _____ river and sought a report within a month.

- a) Ganga b) Brahmaputra
c) **Yamuna** d) Mahanadi
e) Sutlej

Q.215) World Humanitarian Day is observed annually on _____ around the world to pay tribute to aid workers who risk their lives in humanitarian service.

- a) **19 August** b) 17 August
c) 20 August d) 18 August
e) 21 August

Q.216) Defence Minister _____ has approved the setting up of a Committee under the Chairmanship of DG (Acquisition) to review the DPP 2016 and DPM 2009.

- a) Amit Shah b) Harsh Vardhan
c) Arjun Munda d) Piyush Goyal

e) Rajnath Singh

Q.217) Union Human Resource Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank inaugurated an International Conference on Teacher Education (ICTE) in _____.

- a) Chennai b) Mumbai
c) Surat d) **New Delhi**
e) Jaipur

Q.218) The Bangladesh Cricket Board appointed former South African Coach _____ as the Head Coach for the national cricket team.

- a) **Russel Domingo** b) Mark Boucher
c) Adrian Birrell d) Malibongwe Maketa
e) Dale Benkenstein

Q.219) _____ Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal will inaugurate the first ever CNG fuel station of the state in Dibrugarh.

- a) Tripura b) Manipur
c) **Assam** d) Sikkim

e) Nagaland

Q.220) Paralympics silver medallist _____ was nominated for the country's highest sporting honour the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award.

- a) Mariyappan Thangavelu
b) **Deepa Malik**
c) Rajinder Rahelu
d) Varun Singh Bhati
e) Devendra Jhajharia

Q.221) In _____, state government will set up Atal Bihari Vajpayee residential schools for children of labourers in all 18 divisions of state.

- a) Maharashtra b) Gujarat
c) Karnataka d) **Uttar Pradesh**
e) Meghalaya

Q.222) Researchers in the _____ in Britain developed a new technique that could make light-based cancer treatment more effective and safer for patients while reducing its cost.

- a) Massachusetts Institute of Technology
b) Harvard University
c) University of Cambridge
d) Stanford University

e) University of Sheffield

Q.223) President Ram Nath Kovind attended the golden jubilee celebration of Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Science at Sevagram in Wardha District of _____.

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Kerala
c) **Maharashtra** d) Andhra Pradesh

e) Gujarat

Q.224) India has won gold at the Under 12 Asian Tennis Team championship held in _____ defeated Chinese Taipei 2-1 in the summit clash to win the title.

- a) **Kazakhstan** b) Turkmenistan
c) Uzbekistan d) Kyrgyzstan
e) Tajikistan

Q.225) The United Nation refugee agency (UNRA) has informed Myanmar and Bangladesh are making a second attempt to start repatriating _____ muslims.

- a) Azad Kashmir b) **Rohingya**
c) Sargodha d) Mawlamyine
e) Rawalpindi

Q.226) The Men's hockey team of India defeated _____ 6-0 in their opening encounter of the Olympic Test Event in Tokyo.

- a) Japan b) Indonesia
c) China d) Australia

e) Malaysia

Q.227) In Iceland, people will gather to commemorate the loss of the glacier _____, which was officially declared dead in 2014 at the age of 700.

- a) Biafo b) Pasterze
c) Satopanth d) **Okjokull**
e) Malaspina

Q.228) Veteran Cricketer, Former India and Tamil Nadu opener _____ passed away at the age of 57.

- a) **V.B. Chandrasekhar**
b) P. R. Ashokanand
c) T.K. Balasubramaniam
d) M. G. Bhavanarayanan

e) D. C. Karthikeyan
Q.229) _____ won the UEFA Super Cup for a fourth time following a penalty shoot-out defeat of Premier League rivals Chelsea in Istanbul.

- a) FC Barcelona b) **Liverpool FC**
c) KV Mechelen d) UC Sampdoria
e) Manchester United

Q.230) Over 160 boxers from 20 countries participated in this tournament India's junior women boxers clinched 12 medals at the third Nation's Cup in Vrbas, _____.

- a) Romania b) Bulgaria
c) Croatia d) **Serbia**

Q.231) _____ Chief Minister B.S.Yediyurappa expanded his Cabinet with the induction of 17 new Ministers Governor Vajubhai Vala administered the oath of office and secrecy.

- a) Telangana b) **Karnataka**
c) Maharashtra d) Kerala
e) Gujarat

Q.232) Indian skipper Virat Kohli retained the top spot in the latest Test batsmen's rankings released by the International Cricket Council in _____.

- a) **Dubai** b) Manama
c) New Delhi d) Zagreb
e) Macedonia

Q.233) All personnel working in the Central Armed Police Forces, CAPFs will now retire at a uniform age of _____ order issued by a Home Ministry.

- a) 65 years b) 58 years
c) 63 years d) 57 years

e) 60 years

Q.234) Indian shuttlers Kidambi Srikanth, B Sai Praneeth and H S Prannoy have advanced to the second round of men's singles in Badminton World Championships in _____.

- a) Russia b) Hong Kong
c) **Switzerland** d) Denmark

e) France
Q.235) Former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh was declared elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha from _____ No other nomination had been filed for the seat.

- a) Maharashtra b) **Rajasthan**
c) Gujarat d) Uttar Pradesh
e) Sikkim

Q.236) World Mosquito Day is observed on _____ every year to raise awareness about the diseases caused by the 'female mosquitoes Anopheles'.

- a) 19 August b) 17 August
c) 22 August d) **20 August**
e) 21 August

Q.237) _____ Prime Minister Imran Khan extended the term of the Army Chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa for another three years.

- a) **Pakistan** b) Sri Lanka
c) Bangladesh d) Indonesia
e) Afghanistan

Q.238) Sadbhavana Diwas is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister _____ on 20 August every year.

- a) Indira Gandhi

b) Lal Bahadur Shastri

c) **Rajiv Gandhi**

d) Atal Bihari Vajpayee

e) Jawaharlal Nehru

Q.239) External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has announced that _____ presents the model relationship in India's neighbourhood first policy.

- a) Indonesia b) Pakistan
c) Sri Lanka d) Maldives

e) **Bangladesh**

Q.240) Akshay Urja diwas is an awareness campaign about the developments of _____ in India, celebrated on August 20 every year since 2004.

- a) Agriculture
b) Water Conservation
c) Steel Production
d) **Renewable Energy**

e) Human Resources

Q.241) A Task Force appointed by the Central Government to draft New Direct Tax law submitted its report to Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister _____.

- a) Narendra Modi
b) **Nirmala Sitharaman**
c) Kalraj Mishra
d) Prakash Javadekar
e) Piyush Goyal

Q.242) Former Bihar Chief Minister _____ passed away in a hospital in Delhi at the age of 82 he had been unwell for the last several months.

a) **Jagannath Mishra**

- b) Bhagwat Jha Azad
c) Chandrashekhar Singh
d) Bindeshwari Dubey
e) Bhola Paswan Shastri

Q.243) Prasar Bharti Chairman _____ has announced that would soon be introducing two awards – the Neelum Sharma Tejaswini award and the Achyutananda Sahoo Award.

- a) Dr Mrinal Pandey b) Nalin Shinghal
c) Gurdeep Singh d) R Narayan Nayak

e) **A Suryapakash**

Q.244) Lieutenant General _____ was appointed as the 23rd Commander of the Sri Lanka Army by President Maithripala Sirisena.

- a) Gaurav Shumsher b) Purna Chandra
c) Sumangala Dias d) Piyalesh Kanwa

e) **Shavendra Silva**

Q.245) _____ Transport Minister Diwakar Raote launched a tracking system for SRTC buses which will allow people to have real-time information about their commute.

- a) Karnataka b) Gujarat
c) Rajasthan d) **Maharashtra**
e) Uttar Pradesh

Q.246) President Ram Nath Kovind planted a sapling of Maulsari in the Rashtrapati Bhavan Estate and launched a plantation drive as part of _____ celebration.

- a) Akshay Urja b) **Van Mahotsav**
c) Sadbhavana Diwas d) Gokulashtami
e) Raksha Bandhan

Q.247) _____, chief scientist at the CSIR-CCMB, Hyderabad, bagged this year's J C Bose Fellowship for his outstanding contribution in the field of population and medical genomics.

a) **K Thangaraj**

c) T Sudeep Kumar

e) V Ramalingam

Q.248) India and Zambia signed six MoUs in several areas in the presence of Zambia President _____ with the Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

- a) Kaunda Mainza Chona
b) Chishimba Kambwili Sata
c) Michael Charles Chilufya
d) **Edgar Chagwa Lungu**

e) Kenneth David Buchizya

Q.249) Indian Space Research Organisation Chairman _____ has shared that they are targeting at launching Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) by December.

- a) Dr G Satheesh Reddy
b) Dr Subbiah Arunan
c) Dr Anil Bhardwaj
d) Dr Shailesh Nayak

e) **Dr Kailasavadivoo Sivan**

Q.250) _____ Para Swimmer from Madhya Pradesh has become the first Asian swimmer to cross the Catalina Channel of America.

a) **Divyang Satendra Singh Lohia**

- b) Shridhar Nagappa Malagi
c) Niranjana Sharath Mukundan
d) Suyash Narayan Jadhav
e) Chetan Giridhar Raut

Q.251) The Ombudsman of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), has ordered that Indian pacer _____ ban for alleged spot-fixing will end in August next year.

- a) Ishant Sharma b) **S Sreesanth**
c) Varun Aaron d) Umesh Yadav
e) Ashish Nehra

Q.252) The Indian Coast Guard held a High-Level Meeting (HLM) with four-member delegation of the _____ Coast Guard at Coast Guard Headquarters in New Delhi.

- a) Maldives b) Bhutan

c) **Sri Lanka**

e) Bangladesh

Q.253) Former Arsenal and Chelsea left-back _____ has announced his retirement from football at the age of 38.

- a) Sandy MacFarlane b) Jimmy Sharp
c) Leslie Knighton d) Bob Turnbull

e) **Ashley Cole**

Q.254) _____ is the current Governor of Jammu and Kashmir State, appointed by President Ram Nath Kovind on 21 August 2018.

- a) Brigadier BD Mishra b) Praful Khoda Patel
c) Om Prakash Kohli d) **Satya Pal Malik**
e) Acharya Dev Vrat

Q.255) In Madhya Pradesh, 89-year-old former Chief Minister of the state _____ died in Bhopal due to illness.

- a) Jitan Ram Das b) Satyendra Narayan
c) **Babulal Gaur** d) Ram Sundar Nikhil

e) Prakash Chandra Sethi

Q.256) _____, currently Vodafone Group's representative in India, will be appointed as the new MD and CEO with immediate effect of Vodafone Idea.

- a) Sanjiv Mehta b) **Ravinder Takkar**
c) Asim Kumar Basu d) Philipe Haydon
e) Karsanbhai Patel

Q.257) Veteran music director-composer _____, popularly known as Khayyam, passed away after a prolonged illness at a hospital in Mumbai.

a) Mohammed Zahur Hashmi

b) Rahul Dev Burman

c) Laxmikant Shantaram

d) Shravan Rathod Kudalkar

e) Jaikishan Dayabhai Panchal

Q.258) Punjab Chief Minister _____ launched the scheme 'Mahatma Gandhi Sarbat Sehat Bima Yojana' to mark the 75th birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

a) Parkash Singh Badal

b) Sukhbir Singh

c) Preneet Kaur

d) **Amarinder Singh**

e) Bhagwant Badal

Q.259) Human Resources Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank launched the Integrated Teachers Training Programme, _____ in New Delhi.

a) KAUSAL

b) **NISHTHA**

c) ISHWAR

d) SHANTNI

e) DHARAN

Q.260) The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet, headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has appointed _____ as Defence Secretary.

a) Ajay Kumar Bhalla

b) Yogendra Narain

c) Subir Dutta

d) Rakesh Prasad

e) Sanjay Mishra

Q.261) _____ is the present Governor of Uttar Pradesh State, appointed by President Ram Nath Kovind in 2019.

a) Satyadev Narayan Arya

b) Draupadi Murmu

c) Jagdish Mukhi

d) Satya Pal Malik

e) Anandiben Patel

Q.262) An Indian-American teenager from New Jersey _____ won the 2019 South Asian Spelling Bee to earn the national title and \$3,000 grand prize.

a) Navya Murugesan

b) Shourav Dasari

c) Navneeth Murali

d) Sohum Sukhatankar

e) Rahul Walia

Q.263) Railways' second double-decker _____ will run between Visakhapatnam and Vijayawada to cater to the busy route in the East Coast Railway zone.

a) Sampark Express

b) **Uday Express**

c) Rajdhani Express

d) Shatabdi Express

e) Gatimaan Express

Q.264) Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju & former India football captain Baichung Bhutia flagged off the Delhi leg of _____ is a nation-wide adaptive scuba diving programme.

a) Op-Red Sacrifice

b) Op-Green Happiness

c) Op-Yellow Peace

d) **Op-Blue Freedom**

e) Op-Pink Safety

Q.265) Both the Indian Women's and Men's hockey teams have won the Olympic Test event in _____ Women's team defeated Japan and Men's team beating New Zealand.

a) Tokyo

b) Berlin

c) Seoul

d) Moscow

e) Athens

Q.266) Power Minister R K Singh launched the State Rooftop Solar Attractiveness Index _____ in New Delhi by creating healthy competition among the States.

a) MEGHA

b) BHUVI

c) PRAVE

d) NETRA

e) SARAL

Q.267) Eminent Punjabi writer and Sahitya Akademi winner Professor _____ died at his residence in Ludhiana's Vishal Nagar at the age of 91.

a) Balwant Gargi Dhani

b) Kartar Singh Duggal

c) Waris Shah Ram

d) **Niranjan Singh Tasneem**

e) Harcharan Singh Chatrik

Q.268) Centre has notified new sets of health warnings for all tobacco products, new warnings will come into effect from _____ by Union Health Ministry.

a) January 01st

b) December 31st

c) October 01st

d) November 30th

e) September 01st

Q.269) _____ has been placed at the first rank in the Index- State Rooftop Solar Attractiveness launched by Power Minister R K Singh.

a) Telangana

b) Maharashtra

c) Karnataka

d) Tamil Nadu

e) Gujarat

Q.270) Professor _____ of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) has been conferred with the Pushkin Medal, the highest honour given to an Indian scholar by the Russian government.

a) Bhargavi Rao

b) Sangeeta Bhatia

c) Meeta Narain

d) Jayati Ghosh

e) Bishnupriya Dutt

Q.271) Road Transport and Highways Minister _____ announced that FASTags will become mandatory for all vehicles from December this year.

a) Dharmendra Pradhan

b) Harsh Vardhan

c) Prakash Javadekar

d) **Nitin Gadkari**

e) Piyush Goyal

Q.272) Amazon built its world's largest campus building in _____ inaugurated by Mohammed Mahmood Ali Minister of Home, Prisons, Fire Services, State government.

a) Chennai

b) Mumbai

c) Kolkata

d) New Delhi

e) Hyderabad

Q.273) Ministry of Railways has directed all its units to enforce ban on single use plastic material, with less than 50 micron thickness from _____ this year.

a) December 25th

b) **October 02nd**

c) November 20th

d) August 31st

e) September 05th

Q.274) Former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh took oath as a member of the Rajya Sabha from Rajasthan the oath was administered by Rajya Sabha Chairman _____.

a) Ram Nath Kovind

b) Om Birla

c) M Venkaiah Naidu

d) Ranjan Gogoi

e) Narendra Modi

Q.275) Culture Minister _____ will launch the book -'The Diary of Manu Gandhi' at a function in New Delhi the first volume covers the period 1943-1944.

a) Prahlad Singh Patel

b) Debasree Chaudhuri

c) Sanjeev Kumar Balyan

d) Arjun Ram Meghwal

e) Hardeep Singh Puri

Q.276) The 9th Session of the India-Kenya Joint Trade Committee (JTC) was held in _____ Indian delegation was led by Piyush Goyal and Kenyan delegation was led by Peter Munya.

a) Nairobi

b) Mumbai

c) Indore

d) Mombasa

e) New Delhi

Q.277) _____ a former Police and a current member of the BCCI's Anti-Corruption Unit, to beat US in the men's singles final to win the gold medal at the World Police and Fire Games.

a) D.V. Krishan

b) L.S. Patiala

c) B.N.S. Reddy

d) R.K. Vijender Singh

e) S.P. Chaudari

Q.278) Californian start-up _____ Systems has shown off what it claims to be the "world's largest computer chip" at the Hot Chips conference at Stanford University in Palo Alto.

a) Rimeto

b) Inspirex

c) Dexfire

d) **Cerebras**

e) Letmego

Q.279) The International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition is commemorated on _____ each year.

a) 21 August

b) **23 August**

c) 22 August

d) 20 August

e) 24 August

Q.280) Constable _____ from Maharashtra won three medals, at the World Police and Fire Games International Championship held in Chengdu, China.

a) Kanchan Bhattacharya

b) Meera Borwankar

c) Sanjukta Parashar

d) Vimla Mehra

e) Monali Jadhav

Q.281) The BCCI announced mobile payments platform _____ has retained the title sponsorship rights for all cricket matches, domestic & international played in India for five years.

a) Paytm

b) Google Pay

c) PhonePe

d) Amazon

e) Flipkart

e) Muskan Kirar

Q.282) North Korea has fired two short-range ballistic missiles into the sea off its east coast admired by North Korea Chief Leader _____.

a) Moon Jae-in

b) Kim Tu-bong

c) Yang Hyong-sop

d) Choe Yong-gon

e) Kim Jong-Un

Q.283) Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced to celebrate _____ as a month of nutrition in his Mann Ki Baat programme.

a) September

b) November

c) October

d) December

e) August

Q.284) Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister _____ announced India will have ten thousand CNG stations in the next five years.

- a) Narendra Singh Tomar
b) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
c) Dharmendra Pradhan
d) Thaawar Chand Gehlot

e) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
Q.285) Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa will embark on a three-day visit to _____ he will attend the Indo Pacific Chiefs of Defence Conference in Bangkok.

- a) China
b) Japan
c) Singapore
d) **Thailand**
e) Malaysia

Q.286) The NASA reported to be investigating a claim that an astronaut _____ accessed the bank account of her estranged spouse from the International Space Station.

- a) Anne McClain**
b) James McDivitt
c) Edgar Mitchell
d) Christa McAuliffe
e) Ellen Ochoa

Q.287) Election Commission announced by-elections to Uttar Pradesh, Tripura, Chhattisgarh and Kerala, Chief Election Commissioner of India is _____.

- a) Ashok Lavasa
b) Sushil Chandra
c) Om Prakash Rawat
d) Achal Kumar Jyoti

e) Sunil Arora

Q.288) PV Sindhu became the first Indian to win the BWF World Championships, crushing Japan's _____ 21-7, 21-7 in just 38 minutes in a one-sided final.

- a) Carolina Martín
b) **Nozomi Okuhara**
c) Hendra Setiawan
d) Guan Weizhen
e) Liliyana Natsir

Q.289) South Korea began two days of war games to practice defending disputed islands off its east coast against an attack from _____, further tensions among the Asian neighbours.

- a) Singapore
b) North Korea
c) Japan
d) Russia
e) China

Q.290) India beat _____ by a massive 318-run margin in the first cricket Test at North Sound in Antigua and Ajinkya Rahane scored 102 and adjudged Man of the Match.

- a) New Zealand
b) Australia
c) England
d) South Africa

e) West Indies

Q.291) Prime Minister Narendra Modi met the President of Senegal Macky Sall and held bilateral talks on the side-lines of the G-7 Summit at Biarritz, _____.

- a) France**
b) Russia
c) Brazil
d) Uruguay
e) Israel

Q.292) India's _____ became recurve cadet world champion at the World Archery Youth Championships in Madrid, Spain defeated higher-ranked Sonoda Waka of Japan.

- a) Deepika Kumari
b) Jyothi Surekha
c) Trisha Deb
d) **Komalika Bari**

Q.293) In the Democratic Republic of Congo, a coalition government was announced, seven months after the inauguration of new President _____.

- a) Joseph Kabange
b) Vital Kamerhe
c) Felix Tshisekedi
d) Martin Fayulu

e) Bruno Tshibala
Q.294) Women's Equality Day is observed on _____ every year to commemorate the right of women to vote in U.S and also generated an idea of equality between men and women.

- a) 24 August
b) **26 August**
c) 22 August
d) 23 August
e) 25 August

Q.295) For the second consecutive year, Hollywood star _____ has topped the Forbes' list of highest paid female actors in the world.

- a) Sofia Vergara
b) Reese Witherspoon
c) Nicole Kidman
d) **Scarlett Johansson**
e) Jennifer Aniston

Q.296) _____ will host the Conference Of Parties, COP 14, of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification from 2nd to 13th of next month.

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

e) India

Q.297) Union Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Information and Broadcasting Minister _____ inaugurate the National Centre for Avian Ecotoxicology in Tamil Nadu.

- a) Thaawar Chand Gehlot
b) **Prakash Javadekar**
c) Shripad Yesso Naik
d) Piyush Goyal
e) Dharmendra Pradhan

Q.298) Union Health Minister _____ inaugurated FSSAI's National Food Laboratory in Ghaziabad on the occasion of 13th anniversary of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

- a) Nitin Gadkari
b) Ram Vilas Paswan
c) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
d) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi

e) Harsh Vardhan

Q.299) _____, DG, CPWD, has been chosen for the 'Eminent Engineer Award' for the year 2019' by the Institution of Engineers (India) in the field of Engineering and Technology.

- a) Mahendra Sharma
b) Anil Chaudhary
c) Madhavan Raju
d) **Prabhakar Singh**
e) Damodhar Rao

Q.300) Actor Shah Rukh Khan launched heritage postal stamp of _____ station on the completion of 150 years of the railway station.

- a) Rayagada
b) Titilagarh
c) Bandra
d) Jagdalpur
e) Sompeta

Q.301) Indian Heart Study (IHS) has found that Indians have an average resting heart rate of 80 beats per minute which is higher than the desired rate of _____ per minute.

- a) 70 beats
b) **72 beats**
c) 74 beats
d) 76 beats
e) 78 beats

Q.302) In the much-anticipated clash, Indian's _____ took a set off the iconic Roger Federer before fizzling out at the US Open in New York.

- a) Sumit Nagal**
b) Aparna Popat
c) Prannoy Kumar
d) Chirag Shetty

e) Satwiksairaj Rankireddy
Q.303) The ISRO headquarter _____ has released more pictures of lunar surface which were captured by India's lunar craft Chandrayaan-2.

- a) Kolkata
b) New Delhi
c) Dehradun
d) **Bangalore**
e) Hyderabad

Q.304) The G7 leaders have vowed to help _____ fight Amazon forest fires and repair damage in region but country has rejected aid from G-7 to fight wildfires in the Amazon.

- a) Germany
b) Russia
c) Morocco
d) Ireland

e) Brazil

Q.305) _____ (Suzuki Ecstar) claimed a sensational victory at the GoPro British Grand Prix as he and Marc Marquez (Repsol Honda) treated us to a phenomenal MotoGP race.

- a) Maverick Vinales
b) Fabio Quartararo
c) Alex Rins
d) Andrea Dovizioso
e) Valentino Rossi

Q.306) _____ urged United Nations Security Council (UNSC) to lift its suspension of troop withdrawals and ensure all peace keepers leave Darfur by June 2020.

- a) North Korea
b) **Sudan**
c) Britain
d) Hong Kong
e) Somalia

Q.307) _____ launched Military Veterans Employment programme, it will create hundreds of opportunities for military veterans across Fulfilment, Sort & Delivery Centres in the country.

- a) Flipkart
b) Myntra
c) Amazon India
d) Snapdeal
e) Alibaba

Q.308) _____ Ministry under its National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology has launched the National Digital Library of India project.

- a) Electronics and Information Technology
b) Social Justice and Empowerment
c) Science and Technology
d) Information and Broadcasting

e) Human Resource Development

Q.309) The Education Department in _____ has launched an exclusive 24-hour television channel for the school students as a form of career guidance.

- a) Karnataka
b) Telangana
c) Kerala
d) **Tamil Nadu**
e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.310) The Delhi and District Cricket Association (DDCA) decided to rechristen _____ Stadium as Arun Jaitley Stadium in the memory of its former president.

- a) Wankhede Stadium
b) **Feroz Shah Kotla**
c) Eden Gardens
d) Jawaharlal Nehru
e) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

Q.311) _____ tied with Tata AIG General Insurance to offer the latter's diverse range of general insurance policies benefiting the bank's customers by way of protection, and savings.

- a) Indian Bank**
b) Canara Bank
c) Allahabad Bank
d) State Bank of India
e) Indian Overseas Bank

Q.312) In _____, the Union Minister of Textiles Smriti Irani laid the foundation stone of the Integrated Textiles Tourism Complex in Ri Bhoi district the presence of CM Conrad K Sangma.

- a) Sikkim b) Mizoram
c) Tripura d) Assam

e) Meghalaya

Q.313) _____ who is currently posted as DIG, Indo Tibetan Police Force at Dehradun, has been selected for the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2018.

- a) Priyanka Ganesh b) Vaani Arora

c) Aparna Kumar d) Jairani Karan

e) Ganga Dhillip

Q.314) The Indian Army has established 45 Army Goodwill schools in _____ wherein over 14 thousand students are studying at present.

- a) Daman & Diu
b) **Jammu & Kashmir**
c) Dadra & Nagar Haveli d) Pondicherry
e) Andaman & Nicobar

Q.315) The Indian team created history by winning one gold, one silver and two bronze medals at the 45th World Skills Kazan 2019 competition, in _____.

- a) Malaysia b) Iceland
c) Kazakhstan d) **Russia**
e) Sri Lanka

Q.316) The fourth edition of India's largest conclave "IoT India Congress 2019" was set in motion at the Hotel Lalit Ashok in _____, Congress was inaugurated via the mobile app.

- a) Bengaluru b) Mumbai**
c) Chennai d) Patna
e) Noida

Q.317) Sports Minister _____ has handed over 1.82 crore rupees to the medallists of the Para-Badminton World Championship, amending the policy for Para-athletes.

- a) Jitendra Singh
b) Mansukh Mandaviya **c) Kiren Rijiju**
d) Ramdas Athawale e) Anurag Thakur

Q.318) _____ launched its latest processor, its first using artificial intelligence, Nervana NNP-I or Springhill designed for large computing based on a 10 nanometre Ice Lake processor.

- a) Google b) Microsoft
c) IBM Industry d) Samsung

e) Intel Corp

Q.319) _____, India's first woman Director General of Police (DGP), was also the second woman IPS officer passed away following an illness in Mumbai.

- a) Sanjukta Parashar
b) Archana Ramasundaram
c) Meera Borwankar
d) **Kanchan Chaudhary Bhattacharya**

e) Sonia Narang

Q.320) The Government has extended the last date for furnishing of annual return in form GSTR-9 or GSTR-9A and GSTR-9C for the Financial Year 2017-18 to _____ 2019.

- a) 01st October b) **30th November**
c) 30th October d) 01st November
e) 31st December

BANKING AWARENESS

Q.1) The Postal Department announced it has decided to convert the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) into a _____, enabling it to offer small loans to customers.

- a) Payment Bank
b) **Small Finance Bank**
c) Micro Finance Institution
d) Commercial Bank
e) Non-Banking Finance corporation

Q.2) The Government has allowed the task force, formed to draft new direct tax law, to submit its report by _____, earlier the force had to submit its report by July 31.

- a) August 31 b) September 30
c) September 01 d) **August 16**
e) August 25

Q.3) Growth of eight core industries dropped to _____ in June mainly due to a contraction in oil-related sectors as well as in cement production.

- a) 0.1percent b) 0.4 per cent
c) 0.2 per cent d) 0.5 per cent
e) 0.3 per cent

Q.4) FINO stands for _____.

- a) Financial Investment Network and Operations
b) Farmers Investment in National Organization
c) Farmers Inclusion News and Operations
d) **Financial Inclusion Network and Operations**
e) None of the given options is true

Q.5) _____ has become the fifth largest investor in Africa with cumulative investment at over 54 billion US dollars.

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

Q.6) The total gross revenue collected under Goods and Services Tax, GST in the month of July, 2019 was _____ crore rupees.

- a) 1,20,685 crore b) 1,15,217 crore
c) 1,08,199 crore d) **1,02,083 crore**
e) 1,14,456 crore

Q.7) President Donald Trump has announced that the US will impose an additional 10 per cent tariff on 300 billion US Dollars in _____ imports.

- a) Pakistani b) **Chinese**
c) Indian d) Japanese
e) French

Q.8) In more liquidity easing measures, the Reserve Bank has liberalised the end-use stipulations for the _____ both for corporates as well as liquidity starved non-banking lenders.

- a) External Commercial Borrowings**
b) Block chain Technology
c) Minimum Reserve System
d) Balance of Trade
e) Letter of Credit

Q.9) _____ has been set up with the participation of three Central Public Sector Enterprises, CPSEs to ensure supply of critical Minerals to Indian domestic market.

- a) CIBIL b) **KABIL**
c) FREDIL d) DEBAL
e) CRISIL

Q.10) The University Grants Commission (UGC) has released a list of _____

institutes for the grant of the status of Institutions of Eminence (IoE).

- a) 10 b) 15
c) 30 d) **20**
e) 25

Q.11) The government has approved a proposal given by the _____ on draft modalities of the guarantee to operationalize the Budget announcement.

- a) Ministry of Finance
b) National Green Tribunal

c) Reserve Bank of India

d) Central Statistical Office

e) Securities and Exchange Board of India

Q.12) President Ram Nath Kovind announced a new Line of Credit of _____ for Water Supply Project of Conakry city in Guinea.

- a) US\$ 150 million b) **US\$ 170 million**
c) US\$ 140 million d) US\$ 160 million
e) US\$ 130 million

Q.13) US President Donald Trump ordered a freeze on all _____ government assets in the United States, in the latest move against President Nicolas Maduro.

- a) Venezuela b) Saudi Arabia**
c) Netherlands d) Jamaica
e) Lithuania

Q.14) Union Finance Minister _____ has asserted that the major Indian banks have committed to step up affordable and hassle-free credit, with a special focus on the MSME's.

- a) Smriti Irani b) Prakash Javadekar
c) Nirmala Sithraman d) Pralhad Joshi
e) Arvind Sawant

Q.15) The United States has designated _____ a "currency manipulator", a move that could escalate the tense trade relations between the two nations.

- a) North Korea b) Japan
c) South Korea d) Canada

e) China

Q.16) As per the Indian State of Forest Report 2017, Elephant population in the country is estimated at _____ as per the census conducted in 2017.

- a) 29,964 b) 28,853**
c) 27,742 d) 26,631
e) 25,520

Q.17) A delegation from Germany's state-owned development bank KfW tied with the _____ Metropolitan Authority to discuss about the various infrastructure projects.

- a) Chennai b) Delhi
c) Mumbai d) Patna
e) Cochin

Q.18) The tiger population across the country is estimated at _____ as per the 2018 census is undertaken at the national level once every four years.

- a) 3,523 b) 1,634
c) 2,745 d) 1,856

e) 2,967

Q.19) RBI has imposed a penalty ranging between one to two crore rupees on _____ public sector banks for violating norms on fraud classification, bill discounting.

- a) Five b) **Seven**
c) Four d) Eight
e) Six

Q.20) Ratings agency CRISIL has cut its forecast for GDP growth in 2019-20 to _____ from its earlier forecast of 7.1%, poor high-frequency data for the first quarter of the financial year.

- a) **6.9%** b) 6.7%
c) 7.0% d) 6.8%
e) 6.6%

Q.21) The US government has approved the sale of 12 multi-mission Seahawk helicopters to _____ worth 800 million US dollar.

- a) North Korea b) China
c) Pakistan d) **South Korea**
e) India

Q.22) An American and British diplomats are prepared to move on a trade deal after Britain's planned withdrawal from the _____ on 31 October this year.

- a) United Nations
b) International Cricket Council

c) **European Union**

d) G20 Nations

e) World Bank Group

Q.23) The Reserve Bank of India announced that the _____ facility will be available round-the-clock for the customers.

- a) RTGS b) UPI
c) IMPS d) **NEFT**
e) VPA

Q.24) In its 3rd Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Committee meeting, RBI has reduced the real GDP growth for 2019-20 from 7% to-?

- a) **6.9%** b) 6.7%
c) 6.6% d) 6.8%
e) 6.2%

Q.25) Which among the following committee constituted on Payment Banks license?

- a) AC Shan b) BD Thakur
c) **Dr. Nachiket Mor** d) Deepak Mohanty
e) None of these

Q.26) Home ministry assured that Central government has no intention of removing _____, which gives special status to North eastern states to preserve their tribal culture.

- a) **Article 371** b) Article 359
c) Article 365 d) Article 370
e) Article 387

Q.27) India contributed _____ to the UN Palestine refugee agency and called for ensuring sustained fiscal support for the organisation's work.

- a) USD 4 million b) USD 7 million
c) USD 3 million d) **USD 5 million**
e) USD 6 million

Q.28) Bangladesh signed a deal with _____ for the supply of uranium for its 2,400 MW Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant (RNPP) on the two units of the plant.

- a) India b) **Russia**
c) North Korea d) France
e) China

Q.29) _____ Secretariat will be soon made paperless so that public money worth crores of rupees can be saved by decreasing the use of paper.

- a) Human Rights Commission
b) **Lok Sabha**
c) Election Commission
d) Supreme Court
e) Rajya Sabha

Q.30) Industrial production growth dropped to _____ in June this year, mainly on account of poor show by mining and manufacturing sectors.

- a) One per cent b) **Two per cent**
c) Three per cent d) Four per cent
e) Five per cent

Q.31) International Monetary Fund, IMF an international watchdog, has warned that increasing _____ tariffs could cut China's growth sharply.

- a) Japan b) North Korea
c) Russia d) **United States**
e) India

Q.32) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare initiated the registration for the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana for _____ to small and marginal Farmers.

- a) Double income
b) **Old-age pension scheme**
c) Savings account
d) Subsidiary scheme
e) Cooperative loan waive

Q.33) The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a loan of _____ to upgrade rural roads in Maharashtra to better connect rural areas with markets and services.

- a) \$100 million b) \$250 million
c) \$300 million d) \$150 million

e) **\$200 million**

Q.34) The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has increased the fees of Class 10 and 12 board examinations for SC and ST students from Rs 50 to _____.

- a) Rs 100 b) Rs 500
c) Rs 1,000 d) **Rs 1,200**
e) Rs 1,500

Q.35) A public sector _____ signed a corporate agency agreement with Cholamandalam MS General Insurance Company for distribution of its insurance products to bank customers.

- a) Canara Bank
b) Union Bank of India
c) **Indian Bank**
d) State Bank of India
e) Punjab & Sind Bank

Q.36) The _____ Agriculture Department has initiated a massive drive to provide more than 28000 agro-machines /farm equipment to farmers to making a 'zero stubble burning state'.

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Haryana
c) Karnataka d) **Punjab**
e) Maharashtra

Q.37) External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar held a bilateral meeting with _____ Foreign Minister when Four MoUs signed on the occasion in various fields.

- a) Japanese b) American
c) British d) Pakistani

e) **Chinese**

Q.38) RBL Bank and digital healthcare platform _____ have partnered to launch a co-branded credit card, powered by MasterCard.

- a) Artelus b) ChironX
c) Lybrate d) Jamnis

e) **Practo**

Q.39) India has contributed _____ US Dollars to the United Nations Special Purpose Trust Fund for the Resident Coordinator System.

- a) Four million b) Two million
c) Five million d) **One million**
e) Three million

Q.40) The US is delaying imposing tariffs on some imports from China until _____ announced by US President Mr. Donald Trump.

- a) **15 December** b) 18 October
c) 25 November d) 28 September

e) 30 August

Q.41) Consumer price index-based retail inflation eased marginally to _____ in July on the back of softening fuel prices.

- a) 2.25 per cent b) 3.12 per cent
c) 4.52 per cent d) **3.15 per cent**
e) 15 per cent

Q.42) Wholesale price-based inflation in July fell to a multi-year low of _____ mainly on account of cheaper fuel and food items.

- a) 2.05 per cent b) 1.29 per cent
c) 3.23 per cent d) 2.41 per cent

e) **1.08 per cent**

Q.43) The CBDT has confirmed that all communications made by the tax department to assesses from _____ will carry a Document Identification Number -DIN.

- a) **01st of October** b) 31st of August
c) 01st of September d) 30th of October

e) 10th of November

Q.44) India's exports grew by _____ to 26.33 billion US dollar in July this year reported by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

- a) 2.50 per cent b) 1.25 per cent
c) 2.00 per cent d) 1.50 per cent

e) **2.25 per cent**

Q.45) _____ has asked banks not to count failed transactions at ATMs due to technical reasons as part of "free ATM transactions" permitted every month.

- a) Government of India
b) **Reserve Bank of India**
c) Ministry of Finance
d) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
e) Securities and Exchange Board of India

Q.46) India's foreign exchange reserves surged by \$1.620 billion to _____ in the week to 9 August on rise in foreign currency assets according to the latest RBI data released.

- a) \$210.350 billion b) \$320.461 billion
c) **\$430.572 billion** d) \$540.683 billion

e) \$650.794 billion

Q.47) After over a dozen public sector banks, including State Bank of India, have voluntarily linked their loans and deposits pricing to the _____.

- a) Loan to Value b) Direct Asset
c) **Repo rate** d) Moral Suasion

e) Credit Ceiling

Q.48) Digital payments player Paytm announced the promotion of its Chief Financial Officer _____ as the company's President.

- a) Punit Geonka b) Ravneet Gill
c) **Madhur Deora** d) Harit Nagpal

e) Arun Sawhney

Q.49) The International Monetary Fund's board recommended a rule change that would scrap the

age limit for its leader Bulgaria's _____.

a) Rodrigo Rato b) Dominique Strauss
c) Kristalina Georgieva
d) Lionel Jospin e) Anne Sinclair

Q.50) Easing the regulatory framework for Foreign Portfolio Investors, capital market regulator _____ simplified KYC and permitted the off-market transfer of securities.

a) RBI b) **SEBI**
c) NABARD d) SIDBI
e) TRAI

Q.51) The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of _____ as the Cabinet Secretary with tenure of two years from 30th of this month.

a) Rajiv Gauba **b) Kamal Pande**
c) Gopal Krishna d) Vinod Duggal
e) Dhirendra Singh

Q.52) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) permitted processing of e-mandate on credit and debit cards for recurring transactions (merchant payments) with a cap of _____.

a) Rs 1,000 b) **Rs 2,000**
c) Rs 2,500 d) Rs 3,000
e) Rs 3,500

Q.53) Transfer of funds through the real time gross settlement (RTGS) system will be available from _____, instead of the present 8am, from August 26 by Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

a) 7am **b) 9am**
c) 6am d) 10am
e) 5am

Q.54) The _____ has announced a reward of upto one crore rupees for informants willing to provide credible information regarding insider trading cases.

a) Reserve Bank of India
b) National Green Tribunal
c) Supreme Court of India
d) **Securities and Exchange Board of India**
e) Finance Ministry of India

Q.55) Industry body _____ announced that the multi-sectoral and multi-dimensional policy stimulus will have significant impact, imparting stability for India.

a) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
b) International Air Transport Association
c) Central Warehousing Corporation
d) **Confederation of Indian Industry**
e) Central Statistics Office

Q.56) The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) constituted Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF) to examine bank fraud of over _____ rupees and recommend action.

a) 25 crore b) **50 crore**
c) 35 crore d) 70 crore
e) 20 crore

Q.57) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to transfer _____ crore rupees as dividend and surplus reserve to the government as per Economic Capital Framework.

a) 1.65 lakh b) 2.59 lakh
c) 1.76 lakh **d) 2.37 lakh**
e) 3.48 lakh

Q.58) Bandhan Bank announced its foray into the credit cards segment, in partnership with

_____ Bank at fourth anniversary of Bandhan Bank.

a) Standard Chartered Bank
b) HSBC Bank
c) Deutsche Bank
d) Royal Bank of Scotland
e) Development Bank of Singapore

Q.59) Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla has announced that the Lower House will become _____ from the next session.

a) Moneyless b) Speechless
c) Non-Zero hour d) **Paperless**
e) Animation

Q.60) Rural India is poised to become Open Defecation Free (ODF) by _____ this year due to the successful implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).

a) 2nd October **b) 30th November**
c) 25th December d) 1st September
e) 30th August

Q.61) Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal today announced that Delhiites will get free electricity up to _____, the cheapest electricity in the country.

a) 100 units b) 150 units
c) 300 units d) 250 units
e) 200 units

Q.62) _____ Government has decided to waive off the entire exam fees, including practical for class 10 and 12th students hailing from drought-affected districts of the state.

a) Maharashtra **b) Gujarat**
c) West Bengal d) Odisha
e) Bihar

Q.63) _____ Chief Minister Vijay Rupani has launched the 'Vhali Dikri Yojna' from his home town Rajkot for the welfare of girl child.

a) Karnataka b) Tamilnadu
c) Maharashtra d) Rajasthan
e) Gujarat

Q.64) India and Guinea have signed _____ MoUs on the second day of President Ram Nath Kovind's three-day visit to that country.

a) Three **b) One**
c) Four d) Two
e) Five

Q.65) National Investigation Agency (Amendment) Act, 2019 has come into force today after the notification issued by the Union _____.

a) Defence Ministry
b) Sports & Youth Affairs
c) Home Ministry
d) External Affairs
e) Finance Ministry

Q.66) External Affairs Minister _____ has emphasised on better connectivity between India and other member countries of the Mekong Ganga Cooperation (MGC).

a) S Jaishankar b) Ashwini K Choubey
c) Raosaheb Danve d) G Kishan Reddy
e) Ramdas Athawale

Q.67) About 35 lakh people have so far benefited from the Ayushman Bharat Yojana scheme in the country of which five lakh are from _____.

a) Haryana b) Uttar Pradesh
c) Jharkhand d) Punjab
e) Chhattisgarh

Q.68) Arunachal Pradesh State Home Minister Bamang Felix flagged of Five Anti-Riot police vehicle, also known as _____, from Police Headquarter in Itanagar.

a) Bhima b) Yugan
c) Chakra d) **Vajra**
e) Asthra

Q.69) Union Minister for Textiles, Smriti Zubin Irani launched Project SU.RE, a move towards sustainable fashion, at Lakmé Fashion Winter/Festive 2019, in _____.

a) Mumbai **b) New Delhi**
c) Surat d) Pune
e) Bhubaneswar

Q.70) Fourteenth edition G20 Summit is formally known as the 'Summit on Financial Markets and the World Economy was held in?

a) Argentina b) Brazil
c) South Korea d) **Japan**
e) China

Q.71) Who among the following is the MD and CEO of Central Bank of India?

a) Padmaja Chundru b) Atul Kumar Goel
c) Pallav Mohapatra **d) Karnam Sekar**
e) Mrutyunjay Mahapatra

Q.72) Who among the following is the MD and CEO of Indian Overseas Bank?

a) Karnam sekar
b) S Harisankar
c) AS Rajeev
d) SS Mallikarajuna Rao
e) Packirisamy

Q.73) The price of Non-Subsidised cooking gas (LPG) has been cut by _____ per cylinder based on softening international rates.

a) 60 rupees 75 paise
b) **62 rupees 50 paise**
c) 61 rupees 25 paise
d) 62 rupees 75 paise
e) 61 rupees 50 paise

Q.74) What is the upper limit prescribed for RTGS transaction?

a) Rs. 5 lacs Rs. 1 lacs
b) Rs. 25 lacs Rs. 50 lacs
c) No upper limits is prescribed

Q.75) An account that allows you to buy, sell as well as transact without any paperwork is:

a) Current account
b) Demat account
c) Savings account
d) Recurring Deposit Account
e) Certificates of deposit (CDs)

Q.76) _____ is the rate at which the banks are able to borrow overnight funds from RBI against the approved government securities.

a) Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)
b) Reverse Repo Rate
c) Repo Rate
d) **Marginal Standing Facility Rate**
e) MCLR (Marginal Cost of Funds based Lending Rate)

Q.77) SEBI was set up on recommendation of which committee?

a) N K Singh Committee
b) Usha Thorat Committee
c) Kumar Mangalam Birla Committee
d) Shivaraman Committee
e) Bimal Jalan committee

Q.78) The sensitive index of National Stock Exchange of India is popularly known as.?
a) SENSEX b) MCS
b) CSE d) **NIFTY**
e) CRIS

Q.79) The liberalization of Indian Banking and Regulation was done based on recommendation of _____?
a) R Gandhi Committee
b) Narasimham Committee
c) Basel Committee
d) Nachiket mor committee
e) N K Singh Committee

Q.80) Headquarters of HUDCO is in _____.
a) Mumbai b) **New Delhi**
c) Kolkata d) Bangalore
e) Chennai

Q.81) The headquarters of CARE (Credit Analysis & Research Limited) is in _____?
a) Delhi b) Haryana
c) Mumbai d) **Noida**
e) Kolkata

Q.82) When was the PMMY (Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)) launched?
a) 8th March 2015 b) **8th April 2015**
c) 10th May 2015 d) 15th April 2015

Q.83) IFSC Code is a 11 alpha numeric code. What is the fifth character?
a) Bank b) Branch
c) City d) **Zero**
e) None

Q.84) Headquarters of Capital Small Finance Bank is _____.
a) Kolhapur b) Varanasi
b) Trissur d) Karur
e) Jalandhar

Q.85) _____ Bank has introduced first ATM in India.
a) ICICI b) Axis
b) City Bank d) **HSBC**
e) HDFC

Q.86) First Rural Bank has introduced co-branded ATM card is _____.
a) Deccan Grameena Bank
b) Uttar Bihar Gramin Bank
c) Prathama Grameen Bank
d) Pallava Grama Bank
e) Andhra Pragadhi Grameena Bank

Q.87) First Indian bank open its branch in foreign country is _____.
a) Union Bank of India
b) Canara Bank
c) Oudh Commercial Bank
d) Union Bank of India
e) Bank of India

Q.88) In REITs, "I" stands for _____.
a) Infrastructure b) **Investment**
c) Internal d) Initial
e) International

Q.89) Who among the following is the Chairperson of IBBI?
a) Amardeep Singh Bhatia
b) G. S. Yadav c) A Unnikrishnan
d) **M.S.Sahoo** e) Ajay Tyagi

Q.90) MICR code is used for _____.
a) For Cheque Truncation Services
b) For Electronic Funds Transfer
c) For Code Banking Solution
d) **For Electronic Clearance of Cheques**

e) None of these

Q.91) As per the Banking Ombudsman Scheme, any person can file a complaint before the Banking Ombudsman, if the satisfied reply is not received from the bank within a period of _____.
a) 2 months b) 6 months
c) 2 months d) **1 month**
e) 4 months

Q.92) Smart Money is a term used for _____.
a) Demand Drafts of Banks
b) Mobile Apps c) Internet Banking
d) **Credit Card** e) Promissory note

Q.93) Money lent for more than one day but less than 15 days in the money market is known as _____.
a) Term Money b) **Call Money**
c) Notice Money d) Fixed Money
e) None of these

Q.94) PPP is a theory that measures prices at different locations using a common basket of goods. What is the full form of PPP?
a) Permanent Public Private
b) Personal Private Power
c) Permanent Public Private
d) **Purchasing Power Parity**
e) Personal Private Parity

Q.95) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Monetary Policy Committee has cut repo rate by 35 basis points to _____ by fourth consecutive time to give a fillip to the economy.
a) 3.50 per cent b) **5.40 per cent**
c) 4.34 per cent d) 5.33 per cent
e) 6.57 per cent

Q.96) Teaser Loans are related to which type of loans?
a) Infrastructure b) **Home loans**
c) Education d) Industries
e) Small business

Q.97) Who is the appellate authority in Banking Ombudsman?
a) Governor of RBI
b) Bussiness correspondent
c) Deputy Governor of RBI
d) Finance Minister
e) Insurance Brokers

Q.98) What is the motif of Rs 50 bank note?
a) Red Fort b) Sanchi stupa
c) Mangalayan
d) **Hampi with chariot**
e) None of these

Q.99) The Reserve Bank of India will make available the NEFT system on a 24x7 basis from December 2019 as per the Payment System Vision 2021 document. What is the full form of NEFT?
a) National Electronic Funds Treaty
b) **National Electronic Funds Transfer**
c) National Electronic Funds Transaction
d) National Electronic Financial Transfer
e) None of these

Q.100) The reverse repo rate under the LAF stands revised to _____ per cent, and the marginal standing facility rate and the Bank Rate to _____ per cent respectively.
a) 5.25 & 5.75 b) 5.10 & 5.60
c) 5.15 & 5.65 d) 5.20 & 5.70
e) 5.35 & 5.85

ENGLISH VOCABULARY

1) acquittal
Meaning : a judgement or verdict that a person is not guilty of the crime with which they have been charged(n).
Synonyms : absolution
Antonyms : employment
Example : "the trial resulted in an acquittal"

2) accused
Meaning : a person or group of people who are charged with or on trial for a crime.
Synonyms : implicated
Antonyms : acquitted
Example : "the accused was ordered to stand trial on a number of charges"

3) substantial
Meaning : of considerable importance, size, or worth.
Synonyms : extraordinary
Antonyms : broken
Example : "a substantial amount of cash"

4) conviction
Meaning : a formal declaration by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law that someone is guilty of a criminal offence(n).
Synonyms : confidence
Antonyms : distrust
Example : "she had a previous conviction for a similar offence"

5) cited
Meaning : refer to (a passage, book, or author) as evidence for or justification of an argument or statement, especially in a scholarly work.(v)
Synonyms : allege
Antonyms : conceal
Example : "authors who are highly regarded by their peers tend to be cited"

6) saddened
Meaning : cause to feel sorrow; make unhappy.(v)
Synonyms : dispirit
Antonyms : encourage
Example : "he was greatly saddened by the death of his only son"

7) allegedly
Meaning : used to convey that something is claimed to be the case or have taken place, although there is no proof.(adv)
Synonyms : purportedly
Example : "he was allegedly a leading participant in the coup attempt"

8) intercepted
Meaning : obstruct (someone or something) so as to prevent them from continuing to a destination.(v)
Synonyms : arrest
Antonyms : allow
Example : "intelligence agencies intercepted a series of telephone calls"

9) prosecution
Meaning : the continuation of a course of action with a view to its completion(n).
Synonyms : pursuit
Antonyms : defeat
Example : "the BBC's prosecution of its commercial ends"

10) denied
Meaning : state that one refuses to admit the truth or existence of.(v)

Synonyms : contradict
Antonyms : allow
Example : "both firms deny any responsibility for the tragedy"
11) victims
Meaning : a person harmed, injured, or killed as a result of a crime, accident, or other event or action.
Synonyms : casualty
Antonyms : criminal
Example : "victims of domestic violence"
12) consolation
Meaning : the comfort received by a person after a loss or disappointment.(n)
Synonyms : comfort
Antonyms :d disdain
Example : "there was consolation in knowing that others were worse off"
13) suspicion
Meaning : a feeling or thought that something is possible, likely, or true.
Synonyms : conjecture
Antonyms : belief
Example : "she had a sneaking suspicion that he was laughing at her"
14) subsequently
Meaning : after a particular thing has happened; afterwards(adv).
Synonyms : finally
Antonyms : former
Example : "the officer decided to stop and subsequently made an arrest"
15) exoneration
Meaning : the action of officially absolving someone from blame; vindication.(n)
Synonyms : absolution
Example : "the defendants' eventual exoneration"
16) interpreted
Meaning : explain the meaning of (information or actions).(v)
Synonyms : explained
Antonyms : encode
Example : "the evidence is difficult to interpret"
17) implied
Meaning : suggested but not directly expressed; implicit.(adj)
Synonyms : hidden
Antonyms : explicit
Example : "she was aware of his implied criticism"
18) controversial
Meaning : giving rise or likely to give rise to controversy or public disagreement.
Synonyms : contentious
Antonyms : certain
Example : "years of wrangling over a controversial bypass"
19) claimed
Meaning : state or assert that something is the case, typically without providing evidence or proof.
Synonyms : assert
Antonyms : abandon
Example : "the Prime Minister claimed that he was concerned about Third World debt"
20) Pre-emptive

Meaning : serving or intended to pre-empt or forestall something, especially to prevent attack by disabling the enemy.
Synonyms : preventive
Antonyms : permissive
Example : "a pre-emptive strike"
21) tacit
Meaning : understood or implied without being stated.(adj)
Synonyms : implicit
Antonyms : stated
Example : "your silence may be taken to mean tacit agreement"
22) sought
Meaning : attempt to find (something).
Synonyms : desired
Example : "they came here to seek shelter from biting winter winds"
23) recovery
Meaning : a return to a normal state of health, mind, or strength.
Synonyms : improvement
Antonyms : deterioration
Example : "signs of recovery in the housing market"
24) starved
Meaning : suffer or die or cause to suffer or die from hunger.
Synonyms : anorexic
Antonyms : full
Example : "she left her animals to starve"
25) tranche
Meaning : a portion of something, especially money.
Synonyms : share
Antonyms : emit
Example : "they released the first tranche of the loan"
26) stimulate
Meaning : raise levels of physiological or nervous activity in (the body or any biological system).(v)
Synonyms : inspire
Antonyms : block
Example : "the women are given fertility drugs to stimulate their ovaries"
27) restrictive
Meaning : imposing restrictions on someone's activities or freedom.(adj)
Synonyms : confining
Example : "a web of restrictive regulations"
28) semblance
Meaning : the outward appearance or apparent form of something, especially when the reality is different.(n)
Synonyms : pretense
Antonyms : reality
Example : "she tried to force her thoughts back into some semblance of order"
29) hump
Meaning : a rounded raised mass of earth or land.(n)
Synonyms : bulge
Antonyms : depression
Example : "they sat on a hump of cropped grass"
30) allocations
Meaning : the action or process of allocating or sharing out something(n).
Synonyms : allotment
Antonyms : whole

Example : "more efficient allocation of resources"
31) triumph
Meaning : a great victory or achievement.(n)
Synonyms : pride
Antonyms : failure
Example : "a garden built to celebrate Napoleon's many triumphs"
32) regrettable
Meaning : (of conduct or an event) giving rise to regret; undesirable; unwelcome.
Synonyms : deplorable
Antonyms : cheerful
Example : "the loss of this number of jobs is regrettable"
33) restrictions
Meaning : a limiting condition or measure, especially a legal one(n).
Synonyms : constraint
Antonyms : allowance
Example : "planning restrictions on commercial development"
34) mystery
Meaning : something that is difficult or impossible to understand or explain.
Synonyms : conundrum
Antonyms : known
Example : "the mysteries of outer space"
35) unfortunate
Meaning : having or marked by bad fortune; unlucky(adj).
Synonyms : adverse
Antonyms : auspicious
Example : "there'd been an unfortunate accident"
36) apportion
Meaning : divide up and share out.
Synonyms : allocate
Antonyms : withhold
Example : "voting power will be apportioned according to contribution"
37) recovery
Meaning : a return to a normal state of health, mind, or strength.
Synonyms : improvement
Antonyms : deterioration
Example : "signs of recovery in the housing market"
38) waiver
Meaning : an act or instance of waiving a right or claim.
Synonyms : remission
Antonyms : allowance
Example : "their acquiescence could amount to a waiver"
39) grappling
Meaning : engage in a close fight or struggle without weapons; wrestle(v).
Synonyms : confront
Antonyms : agree
Example : "passers-by grappled with the man after the knife attack"
40) prudence
Meaning : the quality of being prudent; cautiousness.(n)
Synonyms : austerity
Antonyms : ignorance
Example : "we need to exercise prudence in such important matters"

41) sought
Meaning : attempt to find (something).(v)
Synonyms : desired
Antonyms : unwanted
Example : "they came here to seek shelter from biting winter winds"
42) agrarian
Meaning : relating to cultivated land or the cultivation of land.(adj)
Synonyms : rural
Antonyms : urban
Example : "Brazil is rapidly diversifying its agrarian economy"
43) waiver
Meaning : an act or instance of waiving a right or claim.
Synonyms : remission
Antonyms : allowance
Example : "their acquiescence could amount to a waiver"
44) mitigate
Meaning : make (something bad) less severe, serious, or painful(v).
Synonyms : alleviate
Antonyms : aggravate
Example : "drainage schemes have helped to mitigate this problem"
45) indebtedness

Meaning : the condition of owing money(n).
Synonyms : liability
Antonyms : asset
Example : "the industry is taking steps to reduce indebtedness and cut costs"
46) remuneration
Meaning : money paid for work or a service(n).
Synonyms : compensation
Antonyms : penalize
Example : "they work in excess of their contracted hours for no additional remuneration"
47) precarious
Meaning : not securely held or in position; dangerously likely to fall or collapse(adj).
Synonyms : delicate
Antonyms : certain
Example : "a precarious ladder"
48) distress
Meaning : extreme anxiety, sorrow, or pain(n).
Synonyms : affliction
Antonyms : comfort
Example : "to his distress he saw that she was trembling"
49) stir
Meaning : a slight physical movement.
Synonyms : uproar
Antonyms : peace
Example : "I stood, straining eyes and ears for the faintest stir"
50) appreciation
Meaning : recognition and enjoyment of the good qualities of someone or something.
Synonyms : recognition
Antonyms : criticism
Example : "I smiled in appreciation"
51) restrained
Meaning : characterized by reserve or moderation; unemotional or dispassionate.
Synonyms : discreet
Antonyms : extroverted

Example : "his restrained, gentlemanly voice"
52) Galvanised
Meaning : shock or excite (someone) into taking action(v).
Synonyms : astonish
Antonyms : calm
Example : "the urgency of his voice galvanized them into action"
53) palpable
Meaning : able to be touched or felt.
Synonyms : conspicuous
Antonyms : ambiguous
Example : "the palpable bump at the bridge of the nose"
54) perspective
Meaning : a particular attitude towards or way of regarding something; a point of view.
Synonyms : aspect
Antonyms : perspectiveless
Example : "most guidebook history is written from the editor's perspective"
55) imploding
Meaning : collapse or cause to collapse violently inwards.
Synonyms : fall down
Antonyms : explode
Example : "both the windows had imploded"
56) dimmed
Meaning : make or become less intense.
Synonyms : tarnish
Antonyms : explain
Example : "the difficulty in sleeping couldn't dim her happiness"
57) reiterating
Meaning : say something again or a number of times, typically for emphasis or clarity(v).
Synonyms : renew
Antonyms : recant
Example : "she reiterated that the government would remain steadfast in its support"
58) semblance
Meaning : the outward appearance or apparent form of something, especially when the reality is different.
Synonyms : pretense
Antonyms : reality
Example : "she tried to force her thoughts back into some semblance of order"
59) reboot
Meaning : (with reference to a computer system) boot or be booted again.
Synonyms : reset
Example : "the new value will not be in force until you reboot the system"
60) aversion
Meaning : a strong dislike or disinclination.
Synonyms : animosity
Antonyms : rapport
Example : "they made plain their aversion to the use of force"
61) angst
Meaning : a feeling of deep anxiety or dread, typically an unfocused one about the human condition or the state of the world in general.
Synonyms : agony
Antonyms : calmness
Example : "the existential angst of the middle classes"
62) aspire

Meaning : direct one's hopes or ambitions towards achieving something.
Synonyms : pursue
Antonyms : dislike
Example : "we never thought that we might aspire to those heights"
63) recognised
Meaning : acknowledge the existence, validity, or legality of(v).
Synonyms : admit
Antonyms : deny
Example : "the defence is recognized in British law"
64) humble
Meaning : having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's importance(adj).
Synonyms : courteous
Antonyms : brave
Example : "I felt very humble when meeting her"
65) distort
Meaning : pull or twist out of shape(v).
Synonyms : alter
Antonyms : preserve
Example : "a grimace distorted her fine mouth"
66) amicable
Meaning : characterized by friendliness and absence of discord(adj).
Synonyms : courteous
Antonyms : impolite
Example : "an amicable settlement of the dispute"
67) plaguing
Meaning : pester or harass (someone) continually(v).
Synonyms : beleaguer
Antonyms : help
Example : "he was plaguing her with questions"
68) disputes
Meaning : a disagreement or argument.
Synonyms : bickering
Antonyms : agreement
Example : "a territorial dispute between the two countries"
69) intellectual
Meaning : relating to the intellect.(adj)
Synonyms : thoughtful
Antonyms : body
Example : "children need intellectual stimulation"
70) refrain
Meaning : stop oneself from doing something.
Synonyms : burden
Antonyms : silence
Example : "she refrained from comment"
71) imposed
Meaning : force (an unwelcome decision or ruling) on someone.
Synonyms : charge
Antonyms : disorder
Example : "the decision was theirs and was not imposed on them by others"
72) tariff
Meaning : a tax or duty to be paid on a particular class of imports or exports(v).
Synonyms : levy
Example : "the reduction of trade barriers and import tariffs"
73) concerns

Meaning : have a specific connection with or responsibility for.
Synonyms : burden
Antonyms : pastime
Example : "those concerned in industry, academia, and government"
74) negotiations
Meaning : discussion aimed at reaching an agreement.
Synonyms : arbitration
Antonyms : disagreement
Example : "a worldwide ban is currently under negotiation"
75) seismic
Meaning : relating to earthquakes or other vibrations of the earth and its crust.
Synonyms : basaltic
Antonyms : subtle
Example : "after a few days of seismic activity the volcanic eruption started"
76) emphasised
Meaning : give special importance or value to (something) in speaking or writing.
Synonyms : attention
Antonyms : ignorance
Example : "they emphasize the need for daily, one-to-one contact between parent and child"
77) probably
Meaning : almost certainly; as far as one knows or can tell.
Synonyms : doubtless
Antonyms : improbably
Example : "she would probably never see him again"
78) prompted
Meaning : (of an event or fact) cause or bring about (an action or feeling).
Synonyms : arouse
Antonyms : depress
Example : "the violence prompted a wave of refugees to flee the country"
79) impact
Meaning : the action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another.
Synonyms : brunt
Antonyms : failure
Example : "there was the sound of a third impact"
80) truce
Meaning : an agreement between enemies or opponents to stop fighting or arguing for a certain time(n).
Synonyms : amnesty
Antonyms : continuation
Example : "the guerrillas called a three-day truce"
81) retaining
Meaning : continue to have (something); keep possession of(v).
Synonyms : absorb
Antonyms : abandon
Example : "Labour retained the seat"
82) wisdom
Meaning : the quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgement; the quality of being wise.(n)
Synonyms : acumen
Antonyms : ineptness
Example : "listen to his words of wisdom"

83) arbitrary
Meaning : based on random choice or personal whim, rather than any reason or system.
Synonyms : capricious
Antonyms : consistent
Example : "an arbitrary decision"
84) influences
Meaning : the capacity to have an effect on the character, development, or behaviour of someone or something, or the effect itself.
Synonyms : impact
Antonyms : source
Example : "the influence of television violence"
85) laid
Meaning : put (something) down gently or carefully.(v)
Synonyms : establish
Antonyms : confuse
Example : "she laid the baby in his cot"
86) regulation
Meaning : the action or process of regulating or being regulated.(n)
Synonyms : supervision
Antonyms : deregulation
Example : "the regulation of financial markets"
87) freak
Meaning : a very unusual and unexpected event or situation.
Synonyms : anomaly
Antonyms : conformity
Example : "the teacher says the accident was a total freak"
88) imposed
Meaning : force (an unwelcome decision or ruling) on someone(v).
Synonyms : appoint
Antonyms : disorder
Example : "the decision was theirs and was not imposed on them by others"
89) endorse
Meaning : declare one's public approval or support of(v).
Synonyms : affirm
Antonyms : attack
Example : "the report was endorsed by the college"
90) assertion
Meaning : a confident and forceful statement of fact or belief.
Synonyms : allegation
Antonyms : desertion
Example : "his assertion that his father had deserted the family"
91) outrage
Meaning : an extremely strong reaction of anger, shock, or indignation.(n)
Synonyms : violence
Antonyms : glee
Example : "her voice trembled with outrage"
92) deterrence
Meaning : the action of discouraging an action or event through instilling doubt or fear of the consequences.
Synonyms : deterrent
Example : "nuclear missiles remain the main deterrence against possible aggression"
93) clamour
Meaning : a loud and confused noise, especially that of people shouting(n).

Synonyms : uproar
Example : "the questions rose to a clamour"
94) render
Meaning : provide or give (a service, help, etc.).
Synonyms : distribute
Antonyms : hold
Example : "money serves as a reward for services rendered"
95) substantial
Meaning : of considerable importance, size, or worth(adj).
Synonyms : generous
Antonyms : broken
Example : "a substantial amount of cash"
96) ought
Meaning : used to indicate duty or correctness, typically when criticizing someone's actions.
Synonyms : prerequisite
Antonyms : lacked
Example : "they ought to respect the law"
97) punitive
Meaning : inflicting or intended as punishment.
Synonyms : retaliatory
Antonyms : beneficial
Example : "he called for punitive measures against the Eastern bloc"
98) retributive
Meaning : punishment inflicted on someone as vengeance for a wrong or criminal act.
Synonyms : reprisal
Antonyms : forgiveness
Example : "employees asked not to be named, saying they feared retribution"
99) reformative
Meaning : the action or process of reforming an institution or practice.
Synonyms : realignment
Antonyms : worsening
Example : "the reformation of the Senate"
100) grave
Meaning : a hole dug in the ground to receive a coffin or dead body, typically marked by a stone or mound.(n)
Synonyms : dignified
Antonyms : agitated
Example : "the coffin was lowered into the grave"
101) heinous
Meaning : (of a person or wrongful act, especially a crime) utterly odious or wicked.
Synonyms : abhorrent
Antonyms : pleasant
Example : "a battery of heinous crimes"
102) condign
Meaning : (of punishment or retribution) appropriate to the crime or wrongdoing; fitting and deserved.
Synonyms : equitable
Antonyms : imprecise
Example : "condign punishment was rare when the criminal was a man of high social standing"
103) curative
Meaning : able to cure disease.
Synonyms : corrective
Antonyms : damaging
Example : "the curative properties of herbs"
104) humanised
Meaning : make (something) more humane or civilized.

Synonyms : temper
Example : "his purpose was to humanize prison conditions"
105) clemency
Meaning : mercy; lenience.
Synonyms : compassion
Antonyms : cruelty
Example : "an appeal for clemency"
106) prevails
Meaning : prove more powerful or superior.
Synonyms : abound
Antonyms : forfeit
Example : "it is hard for logic to prevail over emotion"
107) perception
Meaning : the ability to see, hear, or become aware of something through the senses.
Synonyms : approach
Antonyms : ignorance
Example : "the normal limits to human perception"
108) abolition
Meaning : the action of abolishing a system, practice, or institution.
Synonyms : abrogation
Antonyms : approval
Example : "the abolition of the death penalty"
109) tends
Meaning : regularly or frequently behave in a particular way or have a certain characteristic(v).
Synonyms : contribute
Antonyms : dislike
Example : "written language tends to be formal"
110) skew
Meaning : neither parallel nor at right angles to a specified or implied line; askew; crooked.(adj)
Synonyms : slant
Antonyms : maintain
Example : "his hat looked slightly skew"
111) tepid
Meaning : (especially of a liquid) only slightly warm; lukewarm(adj).
Synonyms : warm
Antonyms : enthusiastic
Example : "she soaked a flannel in the tepid water"
112) stalling
Meaning : (of a motor vehicle or its engine) stop running, typically because of an overload on the engine(v).
Synonyms : hamper
Antonyms : advance
Example : "her car stalled at the crossroads"
113) restrained
Meaning : characterized by reserve or moderation; unemotional or dispassionate(adj).
Synonyms : discreet
Antonyms : extroverted
Example : "his restrained, gentlemanly voice"
114) reveals
Meaning : make (previously unknown or secret information) known to others.
Synonyms : acknowledge
Antonyms : conceal
Example : "Brenda was forced to reveal Robbie's whereabouts"
115) aggregated
Meaning : form or group into a class or cluster.
Synonyms : accumulate

Antonyms : detach
Example : "socio-occupational groups aggregate men sharing similar kinds of occupation"
116) buttress
Meaning : a structure of stone or brick built against a wall to strengthen or support it.(n)
Synonyms : abutment
Example : "the cathedral's massive buttresses"
117) intensification
Meaning : the action of making or becoming more intense.(n)
Synonyms : merger
Antonyms : decline
Example : "the intensification of the conflict"
118) slid
Meaning : move smoothly along a surface while maintaining continuous contact with it.
Synonyms : accelerate
Antonyms : ascend
Example : "she slid down the bank into the water"
119) robust
Meaning : strong and healthy; vigorous(adj).
Synonyms : hearty
Antonyms : fragile
Example : "the Caplan family are a robust lot"
120) equitable
Meaning : fair and impartial.
Synonyms : decent
Antonyms : intolerable
Example : "the equitable distribution of resources"
121) imposed
Meaning : force (an unwelcome decision or ruling) on someone.(v)
Synonyms : demand
Antonyms : disorder
Example : "the decision was theirs and was not imposed on them by others"
122) emerge
Meaning : move out of or away from something and become visible.
Synonyms : develop
Antonyms : decrease
Example : "black ravens emerged from the fog"
123) reconciliation
Meaning : the action of making one view or belief compatible with another.
Synonyms : agreement
Antonyms : disagreement
Example : "any possibility of reconciliation between such clearly opposed positions"
124) defiant
Meaning : showing defiance.(adj)
Synonyms : audacious
Antonyms : acquiescent
Example : "a defiant gesture"
125) snub
Meaning : an act of rebuffing or ignoring someone or something(n).
Synonyms : disregard
Antonyms : praise
Example : "the move was a snub to the government"
126) triggered
Meaning : (of a response) caused by particular action, process, or situation.
Synonyms : generate
Antonyms : destroy

Example : "a triggered memory of his childhood"
127) mediate
Meaning : intervene in a dispute in order to bring about an agreement or reconciliation.(v)
Synonyms : arbitrate
Antonyms : refuse
Example : "Wilson attempted to mediate between the powers to end the war"
128) accelerated
Meaning : increase in rate, amount, or extent.(v)
Synonyms : increased
Example : "inflation started to accelerate"
129) dampened
Meaning : make less strong or intense.
Synonyms : sprinkle
Antonyms : collect
Example : "nothing could dampen her enthusiasm"
130) integration
Meaning : the action or process of integrating.(n)
Synonyms : assimilation
Antonyms : disunion
Example : "economic and political integration"
131) customary
Meaning : according to the customs or usual practices associated with a particular society, place, or set of circumstances.
Synonyms : accepted
Antonyms : abnormal
Example : "it is customary to mark an occasion like this with a toast"
132) emphasising
Meaning : give special importance or value to (something) in speaking or writing(v).
Synonyms : attention
Antonyms : ignorance
Example : "they emphasize the need for daily, one-to-one contact between parent and child"
133) slammed
Meaning : shut (a door, window, or lid) forcefully and loudly.
Synonyms : batter
Antonyms : assist
Example : "he slams the door behind him as he leaves"
134) erred
Meaning : be mistaken or incorrect; make a mistake(v).
Synonyms : misbehave
Antonyms : behave
Example : "the judge had erred in ruling that the evidence was inadmissible"
135) privileging
Meaning : grant a privilege or privileges to(v).
Synonyms : accredit
Antonyms : disallow
Example : "English inheritance law privileged the eldest son"
136) mould
Meaning : a distinctive and typical style, form, or character.
Synonyms : blight
Example : "he's a superb striker in the same mould as Gary Lineker"
137) mockery
Meaning : teasing and contemptuous language or behaviour directed at a particular person or thing.

Tamil Meaning :

Synonyms : farce

Antonyms : flattery

Example : "stung by her mockery, Frankie hung his head"

138) conventions

Meaning : a way in which something is usually done.(n)

Synonyms : show

Antonyms : discord

Example : "to attract the best patrons the movie houses had to ape the conventions and the standards of theatres"

139) preceded

Meaning : come before in order or position(v).

Synonyms : anticipate

Antonyms : end

Example : "take time to read the chapters that precede the recipes"

140) opted

Meaning : make a choice from a range of possibilities.(v)

Synonyms : decide

Antonyms : dislike

Example : "consumers will opt for low-priced goods"

141) despite

Meaning : contemptuous treatment or behaviour; outrage.

Synonyms : against

Example : "the despite done by him to the holy relics"

142) detractors

Meaning : a person who disparages someone or something(n).

Synonyms : critic

Example : "the island, say its detractors, has been devoured by development"

143) spearhead

Meaning : an individual or group chosen to lead an attack or movement.

Synonyms : initiate

Antonyms : end

Example : "she became the spearhead of a health education programme"

144) perceived

Meaning : become aware or conscious of (something); come to realize or understand.

Synonyms : recognized

Example : "his mouth fell open as he perceived the truth"

145) claim

Meaning : state or assert that something is the case, typically without providing evidence or proof(v).

Synonyms : allegation

Antonyms : denial

Example : "the Prime Minister claimed that he was concerned about Third World debt"

146) sober

Meaning : make or become sober after drinking alcohol.

Synonyms : restrained

Antonyms : agitated

Example : "that coffee sobered him up"

147) helm

Meaning : a tiller or wheel for steering a ship or boat.

Synonyms : control

Example : "she stayed at the helm, alert for tankers"

148) accelerate

Meaning : increase in rate, amount, or extent(v).

Synonyms : expedite

Antonyms : cease

Example : "inflation started to accelerate"

149) significance

Meaning : the quality of being worthy of attention; importance(n).

Synonyms : implication

Antonyms : exterior

Example : "adolescent education was felt to be a social issue of some significance"

150) concentrating

Meaning : the quality of being worthy of attention; importance(n).

Synonyms : establish

Antonyms : confuse

Example : "adolescent education was felt to be a social issue of some significance"

151) feeble

Meaning : lacking physical strength, especially as a result of age or illness(adj).

Synonyms : decrepit

Antonyms : capable

Example : "by now, he was too feeble to leave his room"

152) euphemism

Meaning : a mild or indirect word or expression substituted for one considered to be too harsh or blunt when referring to something unpleasant or embarrassing.

Synonyms : delicacy

Example : "the jargon has given us 'downsizing' as a euphemism for cuts"

153) reorientation

Meaning : the action of changing the focus or direction of something(n).

Synonyms : overhaul

Antonyms : corrupt

Example : "the only solution is the reorientation of our defence policy"

154) campaign

Meaning : work in an organized and active way towards a goal(v).

Synonyms : crusade

Antonyms : inaction

Example : "people who campaigned against child labour"

155) compromise

Meaning : an agreement or settlement of a dispute that is reached by each side making concessions(n).

Synonyms : accord

Antonyms : denial

Example : "eventually they reached a compromise"

156) dynamism

Meaning : the quality of being characterized by vigorous activity and progress.

Synonyms : activity

Antonyms : idleness

Example : "the dynamism and strength of the economy"

157) robust

Meaning : strong and healthy; vigorous(adj).

Synonyms : potent

Antonyms : fragile

Example : "the Caplan family are a robust lot"

158) quarrels

Meaning : an angry argument or disagreement.

Synonyms : altercation

Antonyms : agreement

Example : "he made the mistake of picking a quarrel with John"

159) stability

Meaning : the state of being stable.

Synonyms : balance

Antonyms : instability

Example : "there are fears for the political stability of the area"

160) criticised

Meaning : indicate the faults of (someone or something) in a disapproving way(v).

Synonyms : blame

Antonyms : approve

Example : "the opposition criticized the government's failure to consult adequately"

161) extradition

Meaning : the action of extraditing a person accused or convicted of a crime.

Synonyms : abandon

Antonyms : hold

Example : "they fought to prevent his extradition to the US"

162) alleged

Meaning : said, without proof, to have taken place or to have a specified illegal or undesirable quality(adj).

Synonyms : purported

Antonyms : certain

Example : "the alleged conspirators"

163) bribed

Meaning : dishonestly persuade (someone) to act in one's favour by a gift of money or other inducement(v) .

Synonyms : graft

Antonyms : hindrance

Example : "they attempted to bribe opponents into losing"

164) diplomatic

Meaning : of or concerning diplomacy.

Synonyms : gracious

Antonyms : rude

Example : "diplomatic relations with Britain were broken"

165) fugitives

Meaning : a person who has escaped from captivity or is in hiding.

Synonyms : elusive

Antonyms : enduring

Example : "fugitives from justice"

166) modest

Meaning : unassuming in the estimation of one's abilities or achievements.(adj)

Synonyms : humble

Antonyms : brave

Example : "he was a very modest man, refusing to take any credit for the enterprise"

167) amenable

Meaning : open and responsive to suggestion; easily persuaded or controlled(adj).

Synonyms : agreeable

Antonyms : intractable

Example : "parents who have amenable children"

168) deported

Meaning : expel (a foreigner) from a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime.(v)
Synonyms: dismiss
Antonyms : hold
Example : "he was deported for violation of immigration laws"
169) perception
Meaning : the ability to see, hear, or become aware of something through the senses.
Synonyms: approach
Antonyms : concrete
Example : "the normal limits to human perception"
170) fled
Meaning : run away from a place or situation of danger.
Synonyms: depart
Antonyms : arrive
Example : "to escape the fighting, his family fled from their village"
171) embarrassment
Meaning : a feeling of self-consciousness, shame, or awkwardness.
Synonyms: confusion
Antonyms : order
Example : "I turned red with embarrassment"
172) juncture
Meaning : a particular point in events or time.(n)
Synonyms: circumstance
Antonyms : certainty
Example : "it is difficult to say at this juncture whether this upturn can be sustained"
173) stretch
Meaning : an act of stretching one's limbs or body.(n)
Synonyms: distance
Antonyms : stagnation
Example : "I got up and had a stretch"

174) campaign
Meaning : a series of military operations intended to achieve a goal, confined to a particular area, or involving a specified type of fighting.(n)
Synonyms: crusade
Antonyms : inaction
Example : "a desert campaign"
175) scrutiny
Meaning : critical observation or examination.(n)
Synonyms: analysis
Example : "every aspect of local government was placed under scrutiny"
176) deliberate
Meaning : done consciously and intentionally.(adj)
Synonyms: studious
Antonyms : careless
Example : "a deliberate attempt to provoke conflict"
177) adhere
Meaning : stick fast to (a surface or substance).
Synonyms: comply
Antonyms : disobey
Example : "paint won't adhere well to a greasy surface"
178) interrogation
Meaning : the action of interrogating or the process of being interrogated.

Synonyms: inquiry
Example : "would he keep his mouth shut under interrogation ?"
179) lest
Meaning : with the intention of preventing (something undesirable); to avoid the risk of.
Synonyms: in case
Example : "he spent whole days in his room, wearing headphones lest he disturb anyone"
180) pleas
Meaning : a request made in an urgent and emotional manner.
Synonyms: appeal
Antonyms : demand
Example : "he made a dramatic plea for disarmament"
181) strenuously
Meaning : in a way that requires great physical exertion(adv).
Synonyms: strongly
Antonyms : cowardly
Example : "drink more if you're exercising strenuously"
182) consular
Meaning : relating to the consul or consulate in a foreign city.
Synonyms: diplomatic
Antonyms : apolitical
Example : "a consular official must interview applicants"
183) impact
Meaning : the action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another.
Synonyms: brunt
Antonyms : avoidance
Example : "there was the sound of a third impact"
184) reveal
Meaning : make (previously unknown or secret information) known to others(v).
Synonyms: admit
Antonyms : conceal
Example : "Brenda was forced to reveal Robbie's whereabouts"
185) ensuring
Meaning : make certain that (something) will occur or be the case(v).
Synonyms: assure
Antonyms : endanger
Example : "the client must ensure that accurate records are kept"
186) expeditiously
Meaning : with speed and efficiency.
Synonyms: fast
Antonyms : inefficiently
Example : "the directors will move expeditiously to reach a conclusion"
187) truce
Meaning : an agreement between enemies or opponents to stop fighting or arguing for a certain time(n).
Synonyms: accord
Antonyms : continuation
Example : "the guerrillas called a three-day truce"
188) fragile
Meaning : (of an object) easily broken or damaged(adj).
Synonyms: delicate

Antonyms : able
Example : "fragile items such as glass and china"
189) defuse
Meaning : remove the fuse from (an explosive device) in order to prevent it from exploding.
Synonyms: alleviate
Antonyms : increase
Example : "explosives specialists tried to defuse the grenade"
190) accused
Meaning : a person or group of people who are charged with or on trial for a crime.
Synonyms: implicated
Antonyms : acquitted
Example : "the accused was ordered to stand trial on a number of charges"
191) breaching
Meaning : make a gap in and break through (a wall, barrier, or defence).
Synonyms: disobey
Antonyms : give
Example : "the river breached its bank"
192) concerned
Meaning : worried, troubled, or anxious.
Synonyms: anxious
Antonyms : collected
Example : "the villagers are concerned about burglaries"
193) flare
Meaning : a sudden brief burst of bright flame or light.(n)
Synonyms: blaze
Example : "the flare of the match lit up his face"
194) wary
Meaning : feeling or showing caution about possible dangers or problems.(adj)
Synonyms: attentive
Antonyms : careless
Example : "dogs which have been mistreated often remain very wary of strangers"
195) espionage
Meaning : the practice of spying or of using spies, typically by governments to obtain political and military information.(n)
Synonyms: intelligence
Example : "the camouflage and secrecy of espionage"
196) exaggerate
Meaning : represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is.(v)
Synonyms: distort
Antonyms : compress
Example : "she was apt to exaggerate any aches and pains"
197) exerted
Meaning : apply or bring to bear (a force, influence, or quality).(v)
Synonyms: expend
Antonyms : conceal
Example : "the moon exerts a force on the Earth"
198) assault
Meaning : make a physical attack on.(v)
Synonyms: aggression
Antonyms : retreat
Example : "he pleaded guilty to assaulting a police officer"
199) tacit
Meaning : understood or implied without being stated(adj).

Synonyms: implicit

Antonyms : stated

Example : "your silence may be taken to mean tacit agreement"

200) intellectual

Meaning : a person possessing a highly developed intellect.(n)

Synonyms: cerebral

Antonyms : physical

Example : "a prominent political thinker and intellectual"

SIMPLIFICATION

D.1-250) Find the value of "?" or "x" in the following questions.

Q.1) $\frac{[4^8 \times 16^2 \times 2^4]}{2^8 \times (16)^3 \div 256} = 4^{2 \times ?}$

- a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
d) 4 e) None of these

Q.2) $236 + 514 \times 4 \div 2 - 6 = ?$

- a) 1268 b) 1258 c) 1234
d) 1278 e) 1233

Q.3) $\sqrt{3249} \times 15 + 2^4 - ? = 872$

- a) 1 b) 3 c) -1 d) -2 e) 5

Q.4) 25% of 256 + 18% of 350 \div 15% of 60 = ?

- a) 75 b) 76 c) 69
d) 71 e) 70

Q.5) $\sqrt{16 + \sqrt{78 + \sqrt{9}}} + 15 - 3^3 + ?^2 = 42$

- a) 49 b) 9 c) 7 d) 14 e) 21

Q.6) 25% of 20% of 15% of (?) = 3

- a) 400 b) 420 c) 540
d) 320 e) 280

Q.7) $(4\frac{1}{5} - 3\frac{2}{7}) \times \frac{7}{8} = (?)$

- a) 0.5 b) 0.1 c) 0.8
d) 0.6 e) 1.2

Q.8) $\frac{3}{7} \text{ of } \frac{4}{17} \text{ of } \frac{7}{13} \text{ of } (?) = 84$

- a) 1456 b) 1678 c) 1580
d) 1547 e) 1356

Q.9) $4(100 \times (?)) - 20 = 20\% \text{ of } 120$

- a) 0.26 b) 0.24 c) 0.28
d) 0.32 e) 0.42

Q.10) $\frac{3}{10} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times (?) = 75$

- a) 3225 b) 3250 c) 3125
d) 3520 e) 3525

Q.11) $35\% \times (3\frac{2}{5} + 4\frac{2}{7}) = (?)$

- a) 2.58 b) 3.24 c) 2.56
d) 3.12 e) 2.69

Q.12) $(\sqrt{\frac{676 \times 625}{169}}) \times (?)\% = 10$

- a) 25 b) 20 c) 30
d) 36 e) 40

Q.13) $\frac{11}{17} \times \frac{13}{19} \times (?) = 143$

- a) 332 b) 356 c) 342
d) 323 e) 312

Q.14) 2% of 5% of 7% of 100000 = (?)

- a) 5 b) 2 c) 9 d) 10 e) 7

Q.15) $11^2 + 13^2 \times 7^2 - ? = 28^2 \div \sqrt[3]{343}$

- a) 8210 b) 8274 c) 7860
d) 8290 e) None of these

Q.16) $\frac{\sqrt{7921} + \sqrt{6241}}{168} = ?$

- a) 0 b) 12 c) 15 d) 25 e) 1

Q.17) $20\% \text{ of } 285 - 16\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{8}{9} \text{ of } 261 - \frac{9}{8} \text{ of } 216 = ?$

- a) 6 b) -5 c) -4 d) 9 e) -11

Q.18) $1114 + 114.1 + 141.4 - 11.41 - 111.4 = ? - 11.14$

- a) 1275.38 b) 1257.83 c) 1345.43
d) 1354.34 e) None of these

Q.19) $2015 \div 155 + 7 + ?^2 = 69$

- a) 49 b) 14 c) 7 d) 12 e) 54

Q.20) 15% of 200 + 20% of 150 + 18% of 120 = x

- a) 61.6 b) 71.6 c) 81.6
d) 91.6 e) None of these

Q.21) $5\frac{1}{5} + 7\frac{2}{5} + 13\frac{3}{5} = x$

- a) 26.2 b) 28.2 c) 36.2
d) 38.2 e) None of these

Q.22) $7.04 + 18.06 + 5.90 + 12.5 = x$

- a) 40.5 b) 41.5 c) 42.5
d) 43.5 e) None of these

Q.23) $\frac{40}{8} + \frac{54}{9} + \frac{70}{10} + \frac{88}{11} = x$

- a) 16 b) 26 c) 36
d) 46 e) None of these

Q.24) $5.5 \times 2 + 6.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 4 + 33 = x$

- a) 85 b) 90 c) 95
d) 100 e) None of these

Q.25) $555.5 + 444.4 + 111.1 = x$

- a) 1115 b) 1110 c) 1111
d) 1112 e) None of these

Q.26) $3^x \times 81 \times 27 = 3^{19}$

- a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
d) 15 e) None of these

Q.27) $\frac{5}{8} \text{ of } 120 + \frac{8}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{4}{9} \text{ of } 81 = x$

- a) 202 b) 201 c) 200
d) 199 e) None of these

Q.28) $153 + 224 + 333 - 55 = x$

- a) 650 b) 655 c) 660
d) 665 e) None of these

Q.29) 12% of 50 + 10% of 150 + 18% of 150 = x

- a) 54 b) 52 c) 50
d) 48 e) None of these

Q.30) 25% of 2500 + 12.5% of 6800 + (?) = 39^2

- a) 40 b) 43 c) 29
d) 46 e) 48

Q.31) $\frac{779}{19} + \frac{1147}{31} + \frac{2303}{47} - 2 = (?)^3$

- a) 3 b) 4 c) 5 d) 6 e) 7

Q.32) $\frac{\sqrt{1849}}{731} \times 391 + \sqrt{3^2 - 2^2 - 1} = (?)^2$

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4 d) 5 e) 6

Q.33)

$1.234 + 3.543 + 6.765 + 87.65 + (?) = (2.5 + 1.2 \times 4 + 1.2 + 1.5)^2$

- a) 0.807 b) 0.808 c) 0.765
d) 0.864 e) None of these

Q.34) $350 \times 2 + 1.2 \times 5 + 6.2 \times 5 + 1.5 \times 2 = (?)\% \text{ of } 2000$

- a) 39% b) 27% c) 37%
d) 20% e) 23%

Q.35) $12^2 + 23^2 \times 1.25 - 18^2 = ?$

- a) 422.45 b) 481.25 c) 438.75
d) 323.25 e) 429.50

Q.36) $1\frac{2}{5} + 5\frac{7}{2} - 6\frac{5}{6} + 2\frac{1}{3} = ?$

- 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.37) $1.5 \times 3.2 \times 7.5 + 23.5 + ? = 304 + 2.5$

- a) 367 b) 289 c) 247
d) 234 e) 310

Q.38) $\frac{\sqrt{2916}}{24} \times \frac{316}{27} \div \frac{16}{219} \times 128 = ?$

- a) 42936 b) 42019 c) 41920
d) 41490 e) 46136

Q.39) $165 + 14.5 \times 4 + ? = 198 + 28$

- a) 3 b) 5 c) 11 d) 12 e) 9

Q.40) $4\frac{1}{9} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \div 20\frac{23}{16} \times 1\frac{36}{111} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times x = 16$

- a) 11 b) 9 c) 10 d) 8 e) 12

Q.41) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times x^3$

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4 d) 5 e) 6

Q.42) $\frac{5}{11} \text{ of } \frac{2}{17} \text{ of } 3\frac{6}{15} \text{ of } 1\frac{5}{17} \text{ of } x = 2452$

- a) 10450 b) 10241 c) 10330
d) 10660 e) None of these

Q.43) $2\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{36}{15} + x = 4$

- a) 3.5 b) 4 c) 3 d) 2 e) 2.5

Q.44) $(128 \div 8) \times (1\frac{1}{5} + 4\frac{4}{5}) + 44 \times \frac{13}{1456} \times 112 = 2x$

- a) 43 b) 92 c) 70
d) 40 e) None of these

Q.45) $\sqrt{256} = x^2 - 224 + 180 \div 12$

- a) 25 b) 225 c) 15
d) 625 e) None of these

Q.46) $\frac{210}{15} \times \frac{176}{8} \div \frac{5}{60} \times \frac{221}{17} = x$

- a) 48268 b) 48048 c) 48008
d) 48028 e) None of these

Q.47) $2 \times (\frac{1}{16})\% \text{ of } 2400 - (\frac{3}{15})\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$

- a) 10 b) 3 c) 5
d) 1 e) None of these

Q.48) 25% of 360 + 15% of 220 - $140 \times \frac{2}{7} - 20 = x$

- a) 53 b) 73 c) 63
d) 68 e) None of these

Q.49) $105 \times 1335 \div \sqrt{225} = x + \sqrt{169}$

- a) 9342 b) 9332 c) 9164
d) 9316 e) None of these

Q.50) $256 + \sqrt{529} - 15 \times 12 = ? + 72$

- a) 34 b) 56 c) 72
d) 48 e) 27

Q.51) $\frac{1}{3} \times 987 + 15\% \text{ of } 940 + ? = 267$

- a) 203 b) 213 c) -203
d) -222 e) -237

Q.52) $345 + 543 + 453 + 354 = ?$

- a) 1659 b) 1695 c) 1879
d) 1873 e) 1768

Q.53) $1854.5 + 984.75 + 1171.23 - ? = 565.48$

- a) 3545 b) 3354 c) 3544
d) 3445 e) 3454

Q.54) $12 \div 4 \times 24 + \sqrt{1764} = ? \times 4$

- a) 25.5 b) 32.4 c) 28.5
d) 29.7 e) 43.6

Q.55) $\sqrt{552 + (8 \times 3)} + 346 + 432 + 246 + (?) = 1089$

- a) 35 b) 32 c) 41
d) 38 e) 25

Q.56) $\frac{102}{17} \times \frac{156}{13} + \sqrt{9\frac{1}{81} - \frac{1}{81}} = (?)$

- a) 72 b) 75 c) 70
d) 65 e) 76

a) 5 b) 1 c) 0
d) 8 e) 9
Q.106) $4321 + 4433 - 2434 + 431 - 417 - 488 = ?$
a) 5836 b) 5386 c) 5766
d) 5846 e) 5486
Q.107) $2.5^2 + 1.6^2 + 1.4^2 - 2.7^2 = ?$
a) 18.06 b) 34.8 c) 3.48
d) 42.9 e) 4.29
Q.108) $\frac{42}{462} \times \frac{7}{49} \times \frac{98}{4} \times \frac{22}{14} \times 6 = ?$
a) 3 b) 4 c) 6
d) 7 e) 8
Q.109) $11\% \text{ of } 200 + 45\% \text{ of } 60 - 8\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
a) 43 b) 38 c) 31
d) 29 e) 39
Q.110) $32 + 4378 - 322 \div 2 \times 3 + \sqrt{841} = ?$
a) 3896 b) 3998 c) 4023
d) 4189 e) 3956
Q.111) $\frac{11}{13} \times 104 - \frac{11}{27} \times 108 + \frac{5}{6} \times 336 = ?$
a) 334 b) 324 c) 312
d) 342 e) 326
Q.112) $? = 14\% \text{ of } 350 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ of } 270 - 11\% \text{ of } 300$
a) 112 b) 216 c) 196
d) 262 e) 242
Q.113) $? = (1.2 \times 25) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times 32\right) + (3.5 \times 22)$
a) 82.6 b) 81.4 c) 71.4
d) 84.1 e) 82.1
Q.114) $? = \sqrt[3]{64} \div \sqrt{256} \times 8^2 \times \frac{1}{2^2}$
a) 4 b) 1 c) 3
d) 2 e) 5
Q.115) $? = \left(\frac{24}{16} \times \frac{9}{15} \times \frac{8}{12} \times \frac{45}{27}\right)$
a) 6 b) 7 c) 1
d) 3 e) 4
Q.116) $\frac{7}{4} = (12 + 35) \times (12^2 - (18 \times 7))$
a) 3384 b) 3128 c) 3484
d) 3834 e) None of these
Q.117) $? = 2\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{7}{8} + \frac{22}{4} + \frac{25}{8}$
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.118) $? = 13 \times \frac{91}{7} - 3 \times 13$
a) 160 b) 132 c) 128
d) 130 e) None of these
Q.119) $? = \frac{5^3 - 12^2 + 7^2 - 11^2}{\sqrt{4}}$
a) 42.5 b) -44.5 c) -45.5
d) 90 e) -85
Q.120) $23\% \text{ of } 200 + ? = 25\% \text{ of } 480 + 160\% \text{ of } 50 + 125\% \text{ of } 10$
a) 166.5 b) 154.4 c) 168.2
d) 186.6 e) 156.6
Q.121) $? = \frac{\frac{12 \times 60}{15} \times 132 \times \frac{4}{6}}{\frac{11 \times 51}{17}}$
a) 136 b) 614 c) 138
d) 126 e) 128
Q.122) $\frac{201}{67} \times 12 + 18\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
a) 78 b) 81 c) 62
d) 71 e) 80
Q.123) $2.5 \times 3.5 \times 1.5 \times 26 = ? + 0.25$
a) 339 b) 382 c) 341
d) 388 e) 321
Q.124) $13 + 12^2 - 11 + 8^3 - 33 = ?^2$

a) 225 b) 625 c) 5
d) 25 e) 15
Q.125) $15 \times 4 \div 20 + 156 - 13 \times 5 = ?$
a) 99 b) 97 c) 78
d) 81 e) 94
Q.126) $5\frac{4}{9} + 3\frac{2}{9} + 8\frac{5}{9} - 7\frac{7}{9} = ?$
a) $58/9$ b) $5\frac{1}{3}$ c) $4\frac{2}{3}$
d) $7\frac{3}{9}$ e) $9\frac{4}{9}$
Q.127) $56\% \text{ of } 650 + 87\% \text{ of } 200 - 21\% \text{ of } 800 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 = ?$
a) 377 b) 376 c) 328
d) 388 e) 387
Q.128) $\frac{13}{17} \times 51 + \frac{4}{9} \times 144 - \frac{2}{3} \times 51 + 111 = ?$
a) 172 b) 154 c) 180
d) 159 e) 150
Q.129) $4555 + 8646 + 231 - 5436 - 21 + 54 = ?$
a) 8123 b) 8029 c) 7929
d) 7156 e) 8213
Q.130) $\frac{1}{68} \times \frac{16}{21} \times \frac{7}{5} \times \frac{45}{4} \times 289 = ?$
a) 51 b) 53 c) 49
d) 62 e) 57
Q.131) $1.29 + 12.9 + 19.2 - 29.1 - 0.92 \times 2 = ?$
a) 3.55 b) 2.45 c) 1.25
d) 2.50 e) 4.15
Q.132) $20\% \text{ of } 300 + 12\% \text{ of } 150 + 10\% \text{ of } 80 = x$
a) 66 b) 76 c) 86
d) 96 e) None of these
Q.133) $9.09 + 6.08 + 12.07 + 15.05 = x$
a) 42.29 b) 43.29 c) 44.29
d) 45.29 e) None of these
Q.134) $8\frac{1}{6} + 9\frac{5}{6} + 5\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{1}{2} = x + \frac{7}{6}$
a) 24 b) 35 c) 32
d) 25 e) None of these
Q.135) $2.5 \times 4 + 3.5 \times 2 + 4.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 8 = x$
a) 97 b) 98 c) 99
d) 100 e) None of these
Q.136) $\frac{24}{6} + \frac{141}{3} + \frac{84}{4} + \frac{75}{5} = x$
a) 82 b) 83 c) 84
d) 85 e) None of these
Q.137) $11.11 + 22.22 + 33.67 + 44 = x$
a) 99 b) 110 c) 111
d) 112 e) None of these
Q.138) $4^3 \times 256 \times 4 = 4^{2x}$
a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
d) 7 e) None of these
Q.139) $\frac{30}{6} \text{ of } 4 + \frac{4}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{45}{9} \text{ of } 5 = x$
a) 85 b) 75 c) 79
d) 89 e) None of these
Q.140) $182 + 222 - 121 + 252 = x$
a) 565 b) 535 c) 545
d) 525 e) None of these
Q.141) $20\% \text{ of } 225 + 12\% \text{ of } 750 + 18\% \text{ of } 300 = x$
a) 184 b) 185 c) 186
d) 187 e) None of these
Q.142) $30\% \text{ of } 1500 + 40\% \text{ of } 3700 + 19\% \text{ of } 7000 = x$
a) 3380 b) 3170 c) 3260
d) 3340 e) 3080
Q.143) $2000 \times 15 + 4500 \times 2 = x + 15000$
a) 26000 b) 20000 c) 18000

d) 16000 e) 24000
Q.144) $1000 + 1500 + 2500 - 10\% \text{ of } 20000 = x$
a) 1500 b) 2000 c) 2500
d) 3000 e) 3500
Q.145) $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{8} + \frac{17}{16} - \frac{3}{16} = x$
a) $\frac{3}{4}$ b) $\frac{5}{4}$ c) $\frac{7}{4}$
d) $\frac{3}{2}$ e) None of these
Q.146) $78 \times 2 + 44 \times 3 - 27 \times 5 = x$
a) 157 b) 151 c) 159
d) 153 e) 149
Q.147) $10000 + 1400 \times 5 + 20\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$
a) 17200 b) 17020 c) 19200
d) 19020 e) 18200
Q.148) $25\% \text{ of } 3000 + \frac{45}{15} \times 1200 = x$
a) 4530 b) 5430 c) 4350
d) 4450 e) 4250
Q.149) $1200 + 2500 + 5400 + 7500 + 8400 + x = 30000$
a) 4000 b) 3000 c) 2000
d) 8000 e) 5000
Q.150) $70\% \text{ of } 25000 + 150 \times 20 - 10000 = x$
a) 10000 b) 11500 c) 9500
d) 12000 e) 10500
Q.151) $1\frac{1}{4} + 3\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - 4\frac{3}{8} = x$
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.152) $(1296 + (?)) \div 4 = 576$
a) 1004 b) 1005 c) 1010
d) 1008 e) 1020
Q.153) $20\% \text{ of } (?) + 40\% \text{ of } 500 = 280$
a) 200 b) 300 c) 400
d) 240 e) 280
Q.154) $1356 + 357 - 246 = 3755 - (?)$
a) 2290 b) 2288 c) 2456
d) 2480 e) 2454
Q.155) $\frac{\sqrt{256}}{\sqrt[3]{512}} \times (154 - 131) = (?)$
a) 45 b) 52 c) 46
d) 64 e) 58
Q.156) $((1334 + (?)) \div 3) + ((124 + 136) \div 4) = 695$
a) 556 b) 473 c) 467
d) 588 e) 548
Q.157) $426 + 3713 + 241 + 2461 + (?) = 7023$
a) 197 b) 164 c) 182
d) 164 e) 146
Q.158) $40\% \text{ of } 1920 + 60\% \text{ of } 3290 = (?)$
a) 2632 b) 3286 c) 2742
d) 2538 e) 3288
Q.159) $\sqrt{21 + \sqrt{211 + \sqrt{196}}} = (?)$
a) 5 b) 6 c) 4
d) 7 e) 8
Q.160) $\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{5}{7} \times 2625 = (?)$
a) 679 b) 750 c) 684
d) 890 e) 970
Q.161) $2\frac{1}{3} - 6\frac{2}{5} + 7\frac{2}{7} = \frac{13^2}{?}$
a) 51.5 b) 50.5 c) 52.5
d) 54.5 e) 55.5
Q.162) $15 \times 6 + 13 \times 5 - 17 \times 8 \div 2 = 29 \times ?$
a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6

Q.163) 35% of 420 + 46% of 250 – 30% of 140 = 20 × ?

- a) 15 b) 9 c) 7
d) 13 e) 11

Q.164) $5^2 \times 35^6 \times 7^3 \times 5 = 35^{11} ? 35^2$. Which of the following symbol will come on the place of question mark?

- a) × b) + c) –
d) ÷ e) ±

Q.165) $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{14} + \frac{1}{2} - ? = 1$

- a) $\frac{15}{14}$ b) $\frac{2}{7}$ c) $\frac{13}{28}$
d) $\frac{1}{56}$ e) $\frac{1}{4}$

Q.166) 123.5 + 134.01 + 45.555 + 67.876 = ?

- a) 370.491 b) 347.941 c) 370.941
d) 379.041 e) 374.941

Q.167) $14^2 + 12^2 - 15^2 + 7^3 = ? + 18^2$

- a) 136 b) 137 c) 135
d) 134 e) 130

Q.168) 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.169) $-34 + 6^2 + 8^2 - 6 \times 8 = ?$

- a) 16 b) 19 c) 18
d) 17 e) 21

Q.170) $1.2 \times 5 + 4 \times 0.8 - 8 \div 0.4 = ?$

- a) 10.8 b) 11.8 c) -12.7
d) 9.7 e) -10.8

Q.171) 987 + 876 + 765 + 654 = 345 + 456 + 567 + 789 + ?

- a) 890 b) 1125 c) 725
d) 675 e) 925

Q.172) 4591 + 3421 – 4531 – 6754 + x = 1

- a) 3272 b) 3273 c) 3275
d) 3276 e) 3274

Q.173) 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.174) $25^2 + 45 + 33^2 = 1276 + x$

- a) 483 b) 484 c) 485
d) 486 e) None of these

Q.175) $\frac{(12 \times 13) + (13 \times 12)}{12} = x$

- a) 13 b) 169 c) 144
d) 24 e) 26

Q.176) Find 21 + 22 + 23 + 24 + 48 + 49 + 50.

- a) 1065 b) 1025 c) 1115
d) 655 e) None of these

Q.177) $3\frac{1}{7} + 8\frac{2}{7} + 12\frac{3}{7} = x$

- a) 43.86 b) 33.86 c) 23.86
d) 13.86 e) None of these

Q.178) 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.179) $7^{2x} = 49 \times 343 \times 7^3$

- a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
d) 4 e) None of these

Q.180) $\frac{25}{28}$ 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.181) 255+445+200-300=x

- a) 400 b) 500 c) 600
d) 700 e) None of these

Q.182) ? = 42% of 500 – 35% of 400 + 8% of 50

- a) 88 b) 72 c) 74
d) 81 e) 84

Q.183) $8^7 = \frac{16}{64} \times 256 \times \frac{2^3}{4^2}$

- 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.184) ? = $\frac{34 \times 12}{48 \times 2} \times \frac{15 \times 45}{3 \times 25}$

- a) 38.25 b) 41.55 c) 36.50
d) 31.75 e) 41.75

Q.185) ? = $\sqrt{121} \times \frac{\sqrt{225}}{33} \times \sqrt{49}$

- a) 70 b) 35 c) 105
d) 15 e) 65

Q.186) ? = 33.03 + 133.33 – 333.33 + 1030.30

- a) 813.33 b) 873.33 c) 893.03
d) 843.33 e) 863.33

Q.187) ? = $\frac{4}{7}$ of 77 + $\frac{3}{10}$ of 120 – $\frac{2}{9}$ of 108

- a) 46 b) 96 c) 56
d) 86 e) None of these

Q.188) ? = $\frac{3}{4}$ % of 1600 – $\frac{2}{5}$ % of 2500 + $\frac{11}{9}$ % of 900

- a) 13 b) 11 c) 12
d) 21 e) 14

Q.189) ? = $\frac{(4^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{16} \times \frac{96}{3 \div 27} \times \sqrt[3]{27}$

- a) 1436 b) 1156 c) 1186
d) 1296 e) 1269

Q.190) ? = $\sqrt{16 + \sqrt{70 + \sqrt{117 + \sqrt{16}}}}$

- a) 25 b) 5 c) 4
d) 7 e) None of these

Q.191) $\frac{7^2}{2} = \frac{44}{11} \times \frac{128}{12^2} \times 3^4$

- a) 26 b) 576 c) 24
d) 16 e) 36

Q.192) Find the x value and answer the given question.

$$\frac{98! \times 96! \times 109! \times 198!}{197! \times 95! \times 97! \times 108!} = 56448x$$

- a) 3487 b) 3957 c) 3497
d) 3597 e) None of these

Q.193) 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.194) 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.195) Find the value of x and answer the given question.

$$\frac{9^{\frac{8}{7} + 7 + \frac{9}{8} + 2 - \frac{247}{504}}}{3^9} = 3^x$$

- a) 10 b) 3 c) 0
d) 9 e) 18

Q.196) Find the x value and answer the given question.

$$7845 - 9859.14 + 8945.94 + x = 23 \times 138 + \frac{2303}{47} +$$

45% of 9804

- a) 803 b) 873 c) 773
d) 793 e) 703

Q.197) $\sqrt{676} \times 25 + 19 \times (4)^2 - 609 \div 29 = ?$

- a) 920 b) 933 c) 940
d) 931 e) 900

Q.198) $32 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \left(\frac{5}{7} \right)^2 \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$

- a) 5 b) 6 c) 7
d) 8 e) 9

Q.199) 50% of {186 ÷ 3 × 30 ÷ 6 × 60 ÷ 12 + (34 × 64)} = ?

- a) 1750 b) 1754 c) 1863
d) 1850 e) 1650

Q.200) $4\frac{1}{9} \times \frac{41}{2} \div 1\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{9}{41} \times (?) = 74$

- a) 8 b) 9 c) 10
d) 11 e) 7

Q.201) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times (?)$

- a) 9 b) 8 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6

Q.202) 65% of 75% of 40% of (?) = 3510

- a) 12500 b) 18000 c) 16500
d) 17500 e) 15000

Q.203) $\left(2\frac{3}{5} \div 4\frac{2}{5} \right) + \left(7\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{4}{5} \right) = \frac{7}{418}$

- a) 1044 b) 1024 c) 1061
d) 1051 e) 1078

Q.204) 45% of 960 + $\frac{2}{5} \times 670 = (?)$

- a) 700 b) 650 c) 750
d) 800 e) 900

Q.205) $\frac{\sqrt{289}}{\sqrt{361}} \times \sqrt[3]{729} \times 20\% \text{ of } 6175 = (?)$

- a) 7959 b) 7085 c) 6890
d) 5895 e) 9945

Q.206) $\sqrt{504 + \sqrt{620 + \sqrt{4 + \sqrt{63 \times 7}}} = (?)$

- a) 27 b) 23 c) 24
d) 22 e) 26

Q.207) $\sqrt{2025} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3136}}{\sqrt{784}} \right) + 866.64 + 25.36 = ?$

- a) 913 b) 942 c) 839
d) 939 e) 833

Q.208) 4000 + 48% of 1300 + $\frac{304}{19} = ?$

- a) 4012 b) 4392 c) 4640
d) 4302 e) 4911

Q.209) $1\frac{4}{5}\% \text{ of } 3600 + 1750 + 120 - 48 =$

? + 15% of $\sqrt{676}$

- a) 1772.9 b) 1882.9 c) 1893.3
d) 1782.9 e) 1832.8

Q.210) 96 × 15 ÷ 3 × 13 + 566 = ?

- a) 6806 b) 6608 c) 6680
d) 6783 e) 6875

Q.211) $\frac{8400}{60} + \frac{810}{\sqrt[3]{729}} + \frac{\sqrt{729}}{\sqrt[3]{27}} = ?$

- a) 255 b) 241 c) 239
d) 210 e) 222

Q.212) ? = $\frac{(42 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{49}})}{(24 \times 52)} \times \sqrt{169} \times \frac{1}{(144)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$

- a) 1.5 b) 0.25 c) 1.25
d) 0.75 e) 0.50

Q.213) ? = 28% of 650 + $\frac{1}{13}\%$ of 5200 – 130% of 80

- a) 72 b) 182 c) 90

- d) 82 e) None of these
- Q.214) $? = \frac{445}{\sqrt{25}} \times \frac{648}{12} \times \frac{446}{18} \times \frac{1}{534}$
- a) 248 b) 236 c) 223
- d) 251 e) 249
- Q.215) $? = \frac{21}{19}$ of 57 + $\frac{43}{25}$ of 75 + $\frac{33}{14}$ of 28
- a) 258 b) 239 c) 274
- d) 292 e) 285
- Q.216) $?^2 = 11^2 \times 5^3 \div \sqrt[3]{125} \times 0.4^2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{64}}$
- a) 15 b) 121 c) 11
- d) 55 e) 66
- Q.217) $250 \div 8 \times 3 + \frac{1}{2}\{(1800 \times 100) \div (360 + 100 \times 2 + 40)\} = ?$
- a) 243.75 b) 250.45 c) 230.45
- d) 290.24 e) None of these
- Q.218) $\frac{7^{4.2} \times 9^{4.2} \times 7^{7.2} \times 9^{7.2}}{63^{2.2} \times 7^{3.2} \times 9^{3.2}} = 63^?$
- a) 7 b) 6 c) 8
- d) 9 e) None of these
- Q.219) $(22 \times 85.2 \div 0.2) + 100.24 + 20.4 = ?$
- a) 9997.09 b) 9492.64 c) 9000.02
- d) 9080.22 e) None of these
- Q.220) $26^2 - 7^3 + 24 + 76 = ?$
- a) 533 b) 433 c) 655
- d) 788 e) None of these
- Q.221) $39\% \text{ of } 550 + 72\% \text{ of } 850 - 372 = ?$
- a) 473 b) 454.5 c) 490.8
- d) 470 e) None of these
- Q.222) $23^2 + 31^2 \times \sqrt{16} \div 4 + 231 - 720 = ?$
- a) 1022 b) 1101 c) 1001
- d) 1000 e) 1011
- Q.223) $2\frac{3}{5} + 4\frac{2}{5} - 1\frac{3}{10} + 3\frac{1}{5} = ?$
- a) $2\frac{3}{4}$ b) $9\frac{3}{7}$ c) $7\frac{3}{8}$
- d) $8\frac{9}{10}$ e) $8\frac{5}{7}$
- Q.224) $214 \times 32 \div 8 \times 2 - 216 + 30 = ?$
- a) 1526 b) 1534 c) 1673
- d) 1529 e) 1532
- Q.225) $\frac{114}{576} \times \frac{9}{17} \times \frac{357}{19} \times \frac{16}{9} = ?$
- a) 3.8 b) 4.1 c) 3.4
- d) 2.7 e) 3.5
- Q.226) $(1011.1 + 24.1 - 11.2) \div 4 + 24\% \text{ of } 56000 = ?$
- a) 13996 b) 13459 c) 13658
- d) 13986 e) 13696
- Q.227) $12\% \text{ of } 2850 - ?\% \text{ of } 690 = 60\% \text{ of } 225$
- a) 25 b) 28 c) 35
- d) 30 e) 33
- Q.228) $3\frac{2}{7} - 11\frac{3}{14} + 10\frac{1}{5} + 6\frac{3}{10} = ?$
- a) $3\frac{6}{7}$ b) $9\frac{1}{5}$ c) $8\frac{4}{7}$
- d) $8\frac{2}{7}$ e) None of these
- Q.229) $\frac{2}{3} \times ? \times \frac{12^2}{7} = \frac{18}{21} \times \frac{16}{3} \times 27^2$
- a) 244 b) 272 c) 218
- d) 243 e) 235
- Q.230) $8990 + 6450 + 4300 - 16900 = x - 45\% \text{ of } 74000$
- a) 37240 b) 35140 c) 36140
- d) 39420 e) 36240
- Q.231) $? = \frac{2}{7} \text{ of } 420 - \frac{3}{5} \text{ of } 450 + \frac{7}{11} \text{ of } 1320$
- a) 690 b) 720 c) 630
- d) 740 e) None of these
- Q.232)

- $\frac{17 \times 14}{77} + \frac{3 \times 56}{88} + \frac{42 \times 3}{154} = x + \frac{18}{22}$
- a) 4 b) 5 c) 6 d) 8 e) 10
- Q.233) $25\% \text{ of } 780 + 3 \times 5\frac{1}{3} = x^2 - \sqrt{196}$
- a) 20 b) 16 c) 15
- d) 14 e) 25
- Q.234) $\frac{\sqrt{576}}{\sqrt{2304}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1369}}{\sqrt{4913}} + \frac{99}{51} - \frac{35}{34} = x$
- a) 3 b) 4 c) 1
- d) 2 e) 12
- Q.235) $\left(\frac{175 \times 275}{225}\right) \div \left(\frac{25}{15 \times 75}\right) + 85\% \text{ of } 760 = x$
- a) 11241 b) 10481 c) 10271
- d) 10121 e) None of these
- Q.236) $25\% \text{ of } 670 + 35\% \text{ of } 720 - 425 \times 12 = x - 210 \times 25$
- a) 582.5 b) 569.5 c) 527.5
- d) 572.5 e) 578.5
- Q.237) $189 + \left(27 \times 79 - \frac{17}{19} \times 1653\right) = x^2 + (798 - 796)$
- a) 31 b) 29 c) 27
- d) 28 e) 30
- Q.238) $\left(\frac{38\% \text{ of } 750}{95} + \sqrt{3844}\right) \times (12^2 - 11 \times 12) = x$
- a) 770 b) 840 c) 780
- d) 620 e) 740
- Q.239) $\frac{553 - 39 \times \frac{204}{17}}{17x} = 5$
- a) 3 b) 5 c) 7 d) 9 e) 1
- Q.240) $\frac{17^2 - \sqrt{2916}}{1280 - 75 \times 17} = x$
- a) 57 b) 37 c) 45
- d) 39 e) 47
- Q.241) $\frac{79}{69} \times \frac{333}{117} \times \frac{276}{237} = \frac{296}{351} x$
- a) 4.5 b) 2.5 c) 3
- d) 6 e) 5
- Q.242) $24 \times 16 + 17^2 - 654 + \sqrt{361} = ?$
- a) 54 b) 112 c) 26
- d) 38 e) 34
- Q.243) $361 \div 19 \times 18 - 17 = ? \times 5$
- a) 72 b) 65 c) 55
- d) 86 e) 60
- Q.244) $\frac{406}{161} \times \frac{23}{18} \div \frac{29}{225} = \sqrt{?}$
- a) 25 b) 5 c) 625
- d) 225 e) 3025
- Q.245) $23^2 + 54^2 + 45^2 - 51^2 = ?$
- a) 2869 b) 2689 c) 2969
- d) 2896 e) None of these
- Q.246) $52.5 \times 68 + 24 = ? \times 3$
- a) 1116 b) 1198 c) 1443
- d) 1242 e) 1209
- Q.247) $7\frac{2}{4} + 9\frac{2}{4} + 11\frac{1}{4} + 12\frac{3}{4} = ?$
- a) 38 b) 35 c) 31
- d) 40 e) None of these
- Q.248) $17 + 18^2 + 32^2 + 25 + 110 = ?$
- a) 1400 b) 1500 c) 1600
- d) 1700 e) None of these
- Q.249) $2(?) = [(0.6 + 0.4)^2 + (0.6 - 0.4)^2]$
- a) 1.52 b) 1.04 c) 0.52
- d) 2.04 e) 0.72
- Q.250) Out of the numbers, $\frac{50}{4}, \frac{250}{23}, \frac{140}{25}, \frac{150}{11}, \frac{30}{1.5}$, Which is the third smallest number?
- a) $\frac{50}{4}$ b) $\frac{250}{23}$ c) $\frac{140}{25}$
- d) $\frac{150}{1.5}$ e) None of these

ANSWER KEYS

SIMPLIFICATION

- Q.1) d Q.2) b Q.3) c Q.4) d Q.5) c Q.6) a Q.7) c
- Q.8) d Q.9) a Q.10) c Q.11) e Q.12) b Q.13) d
- Q.14) e Q.15) d Q.16) e Q.17) a Q.18) b Q.19) c
- Q.20) c Q.21) a Q.22) d Q.23) b Q.24) e Q.25) c
- Q.26) a Q.27) d Q.28) b Q.29) d Q.30) d Q.31) c
- Q.32) d Q.33) b Q.34) c Q.35) b Q.36) d Q.37) c
- Q.38) e Q.39) a Q.40) d Q.41) a Q.42) e Q.43) a
- Q.44) c Q.45) c Q.46) b Q.47) d Q.48) c Q.49) b
- Q.50) e Q.51) c Q.52) b Q.53) d Q.54) c Q.55) c
- Q.56) b Q.57) d Q.58) a Q.59) e Q.60) d Q.61) c
- Q.62) e Q.63) c Q.64) d Q.65) b Q.66) b Q.67) c
- Q.68) c Q.69) c Q.70) a Q.71) b Q.72) b Q.73) d
- Q.74) e Q.75) c Q.76) e Q.77) b Q.78) b Q.79) a
- Q.80) c Q.81) b Q.82) d Q.83) d Q.84) b Q.85) c
- Q.86) a Q.87) c Q.88) c Q.89) a Q.90) b Q.91) a
- Q.92) c Q.93) b Q.94) c Q.95) a Q.96) d Q.97) b
- Q.98) d Q.99) e Q.100) d Q.101) b Q.102) a
- Q.103) c Q.104) d Q.105) b Q.106) d Q.107) c
- Q.108) a Q.109) d Q.110) e Q.111) b Q.112) c
- Q.113) b Q.114) d Q.115) c Q.116) a Q.117) b
- Q.118) d Q.119) c Q.120) a Q.121) e Q.122) b
- Q.123) c Q.124) d Q.125) e Q.126) e Q.127) d
- Q.128) c Q.129) b Q.130) a Q.131) b Q.132) c
- Q.133) a Q.134) d Q.135) b Q.136) e Q.137) c
- Q.138) a Q.139) d Q.140) b Q.141) e Q.142) c
- Q.143) e Q.144) d Q.145) c Q.146) d Q.147) a
- Q.148) c Q.149) e Q.150) e Q.151) c Q.152) d
- Q.153) c Q.154) b Q.155) c Q.156) a Q.157) c
- Q.158) c Q.159) b Q.160) b Q.161) c Q.162) b
- Q.163) e Q.164) d Q.165) a Q.166) c Q.167) d
- Q.168) b Q.169) c Q.170) e Q.171) b Q.172) e
- Q.173) b Q.174) a Q.175) e Q.176) a Q.177) c
- Q.178) a Q.179) d Q.180) b Q.181) c Q.182) c
- Q.183) b Q.184) a Q.185) b Q.186) e Q.187) c
- Q.188) a Q.189) d Q.190) b Q.191) c Q.192) d
- Q.193) b Q.194) b Q.195) d Q.196) e Q.197) b
- Q.198) d Q.199) c Q.200) e Q.201) b Q.202) b
- Q.203) c Q.204) a Q.205) e Q.206) b Q.207) d
- Q.208) c Q.209) b Q.210) a Q.211) c Q.212) d
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- Q.233) c Q.234) d Q.235) c Q.236) b Q.237) b
- Q.238) c Q.239) e Q.240) e Q.241) a Q.242) d
- Q.243) b Q.244) c Q.245) a Q.246) b Q.247) e
- Q.248) b Q.249) c Q.250) a