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Q.1) Who is the winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature 2020?

- (1) Olga Tokarczuk
- (2) Peter Handke
- (3) Louise Gluck
- (4) Kazuo Ishiguro

Correct Answer - (3) Louise Gluck

Explanation:

The Nobel Prize in Literature 2020 has been awarded to American poet Louise Gluck by The Swedish Academy (Stockholm, Sweden).

Louise Glück:

American poet

Born: 22 April 1943 (age 77 years), New York, New York, United States

Nationality: American

Education: Columbia University School of the Arts (1967–1968), MORE

Awards: Nobel Prize in Literature, Bollingen Prize, MORE

Parents: Daniel Glück, Beatrice Glück

Q.2) Who has won the Nobel Peace Prize 2020?

- (1) The World Health Organization
- (2) Jacinda Ardern
- (3) Donald Trump
- (4) World Food Programme

Correct Answer - (4) World Food Programme

Explanation:

The Nobel Peace Prize 2020 has been awarded to the World Food Programme (WFP) for its efforts to combat hunger. The World Food Programme (WFP) has been honoured with the prestigious prize for its contribution to bettering conditions for peace in conflict-affected areas and for acting as a driving force in efforts to prevent use of hunger as a weapon of war and conflict.

World Food Programme:

Humanitarian aid organization

Heads: Ertharin Cousin, David

Beasley **Headquarters:** Rome, Italy

Founded: 1961

Founders: Food and Agriculture Organization, United Nations General Assembly

Video games: Food Force, Freerice – Learn, Have Fun, Help End Hunger

Q.3) Which authority launched online startup platform 'Startup India Showcase'?

- (1) RBI
- (2) Government of India
- (3) President
- (4) Google

Correct Answer - (2) Government of India

Explanation:

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has launched an online discovery platform for startups called "Startup India Showcase". The main aim of this website is to make a repository of India's most promising startups that have proved their capabilities, from across sectors such as fintech, enterprise tech, social impact, health tech, and edutech, among others.

Q.4) Which state government has passed a Tree Transplantation Policy?

- (1) Delhi
- (2) Uttar Pradesh
- (3) Karnataka
- (4) Kerala

Correct Answer - (1) Delhi

Explanation:

Delhi government has passed a tree transplantation policy, under which 80% of the trees uprooted for any construction or development project will have to be transplanted elsewhere. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal announced that the transplantation agency will only get their due payment if 80 percent of the transplanted trees survive.

Q.5) Which institute has developed non-invasive bandage to treat skin cancer?

- (1) IIT Delhi
- (2) IISc Bengaluru
- (3) IIT Madras
- (4) IIT Kanpur

Correct Answer - (2) IISc Bengaluru

Explanation:

The Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru has developed a non-invasive bandage with magnetic nano fibers that can potentially treat skin cancer. The researchers conducted two experiments using the magnetic bandage and both times, its application killed the cancer cells successfully.

Q.6) Which state Government signed a tripartite agreement between DET, GIZ India and Siemens India to implement a new initiative?

- (1) Andhra Pradesh
- (2) Telangana
- (3) Chhattisgarh
- (4) Uttar Pradesh

Correct Answer - (2) Telangana

Explanation:

The Telangana Government on Tuesday signed a tripartite agreement between DET, GIZ India and Siemens India to implement a new initiative, Indo-German Initiative for Technical Education (IGnITE), which focuses on the need of the industry, industry practices and training of trainees in the presence of Labour and Employment Minister Ch Malla Reddy.

Telangana:

Capital: Hyderabad

Governor: Tamilisai Soundararajan

Chief minister: K. Chandrashekar Rao

Q.7) Who launched "COVID-19 Appropriate Behaviour" Campaign?

- (1) Narendra Modi
- (2) Amit Shah
- (3) Nitin Gadkari
- (4) Smriti Irani

Correct Answer - (1) Narendra Modi

Explanation:

On October 7, 2020, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched Jan Andolan. It is a campaign for covid-19 appropriate behaviour. The campaign was launched by the Prime Minister in the social media platform Twitter.

Q.8) As per the latest RBI Monetary Policy, how much is policy repo rate?

- (1) 4 percent
- (2) 5 percent
- (3) 3 percent
- (4) 2 percent

Correct Answer - (1) 4 percent

Explanation:

The RBI Governor in his address on October 9, 2020 announced that the Monetary Policy Committee had decided to keep repo rates unchanged at 4 percent. The MPC has also decided to maintain an accommodative stance as long as required for growth.

Q.9) What is the name of the anti-radiation missile that was successfully test-fired by DRDO on October 9?

- (1) Rudraksh
- (2) Rudram
- (3) Shivam
- (4) Shakti

Correct Answer - (2) Rudram

Explanation:

India successfully test-fired the 'Rudram' Anti-Radiation Missile on October 9, 2020. The missile has been designed and developed by India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

Q.10) Which bank has recently partnered with the airline company Vistara to launch a co-branded forex card?

- (1) ICICI Bank
- (2) HDFC Bank
- (3) Yes Bank
- (4) Axis Bank

Correct Answer - (4) Axis Bank

Explanation:

Private lender Axis Bank has partnered with Vistara, India's finest full-service airline, to launch a co-

branded forex card 'Axis Bank Club Vistara Forex Card', to cater to the needs of international travelers. **Axis Bank:**

CEO: Amitabh Chaudhry (1 Jan 2019–)

Headquarters: Mumbai

Founded: 1993, Ahmedabad

Q.11) Who launched India's first "Financial Control Center" on mobile to empower 60 million small business owners?

- (1) Chqbook
- (2) Khata book
- (3) Google
- (4) Reliance

Correct Answer - (1) Chqbook

Explanation:

Chqbook, India's first Neobank for small business owners like kiranas, merchants, chemists, and others running proprietorships, announced the launch of its new mobile platform. With this launch, Chqbook brings world-class financial services to a massive underserved segment.

Q.12) Who launched first ever Brand & Logo for Indian Cotton?

- (1) Smriti Irani
- (2) Nirmala Sitharaman
- (3) Nitin Gadkari
- (4) Amit Shah

Correct Answer - (1) Smriti Irani

Explanation:

Union Minister of Textiles, Smriti Irani has launched the first-ever Brand and Logo for Indian Cotton on Second World Cotton Day through video conferencing. Now India's premium cotton would be known as 'Kasturi Cotton' in the world cotton trade. The Kasturi Cotton brand will represent Whiteness, Brightness, Softness, Purity, Luster, Uniqueness and Indianness.

Smriti Irani:

Born: 23 March 1976 (age 44 years), New Delhi

Spouse: Zubin Irani (m. 2001)

Education: Holy Child Auxilium School

Movies: Jai Bolo Telangana, Amrita, Malik Ek

Q.13)NDDDB is to promote livelihood in which State/UT through dairying?

- (1) Delhi
- (2) Ladakh
- (3) J&K
- (4) Himachal Pradesh

Correct Answer - (2)

Ladakh Explanation:

The National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB) and Ladakh administration signed a Memorandum of Understanding for conducting a benchmark survey to promote dairying and rural livelihood in the region. NDDDB's dairy potential survey will help prepare a road map to boost dairying in the union territory (UT) and will help in enhancing income of rural population in the mountainous border areas, NDDDB said in a release.

Ladakh:

Capital: Leh, Kargil

Districts: 2

Union territory: 31 October 2019

Q.14)The Centre has appointed M Rajeshwar Rao as the new deputy governor of whichbank?

- (1) Reserve Bank of India
- (2) Central Bank of India
- (3) State Bank of India
- (4) Punjab National Bank

Correct Answer - (1) Reserve Bank of India

Explanation:

The Centre has appointed M Rajeshwar Rao as the new deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India on 7th October 2020. Prior to this, M Rajeshwar Rao was an executive director at RBI. He succeeds NS Vishwanathan as the central bank's fourth deputy governor. NS Vishwanathan resigned from the post in March 2020 before the completion of his term in June, citing health reasons.

Reserve Bank of India:

Headquarters: Mumbai

Founder: British Raj

Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata

Q.15)J Venkatramu has been appointed as MD and CEO of whichbank?

- (1) SBI
- (2) RBI
- (3) India Post Payments Bank
- (4) PNB

Correct Answer - (3) India Post Payments Bank

Explanation:

J Venkatramu has been appointed the managing director and chief executive officer of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB). He will succeed Suresh Sethi, who served the post till March 2020. Venkatramu is presently working as the chief digital officer in Equitas Small Finance Bank. He has been appointed to the post of MD and CEO of IPPB for a period of three years.

India Post Payments Bank:

Headquarters location: New

Delhi **Founded:** 1 September

2018 **Parent organization:**

India Post **Area served:** India

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