

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1) Where did the 'First Policy Makers Forum' was held to foster meaningful discussions on the recognition of the Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP)?

- A) Bengaluru
- B) Chennai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) New Delhi

2) The 'Mukhyamantri Bal Paushtik Aahar Yojana' was launched by which of the following state government?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Himachal Pradesh
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Uttar Pradesh

3) _____ were India's flagbearers for opening ceremony of Paris Paralympics 2024.

- A) Yogesh Kathuniya and Nishad Kumar
- B) Sumit Antil and Bhagyashri Jadhav
- C) Manish Narwal and Avani Lekhara
- D) Krishna Nagar and Ajeet Singh

4) Union Minister of Power Manohar Lal Khattar has launched three online platforms PROMPT, DRIPS, and JAL VIDYUT DPR developed by _____.

- A) Central Electricity Authority
- B) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- C) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- D) National Thermal Power Corporation

5) In August 2024, Teesta 5 power station of National Hydroelectric Power Corp. (NHPC) damaged due to landslide. The power station is located in which of the following state?

- A) Sikkim
- B) Odisha
- C) Bihar
- D) Assam

6) _____ was appointed as the Chef de Mission (CDM) of the Indian contingent for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

- A) Satya Prakash Sangwan
- B) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore
- C) PT Usha

D) Abhinav Bindra

7) The International Cricket Council (ICC) has agreed to move the upcoming Women's T20 World Cup out from Bangladesh to which of the following country?

- A) Australia
- B) India
- C) Pakistan
- D) UAE

8) _____ has entered into a strategic partnership with the Indian Navy, a pivotal move towards achieving self-reliance in defense manufacturing.

- A) BEML Limited
- B) Reliance Power
- C) Tata Steel
- D) Tech Mahindra

9) _____ received an 'A+' rating for the 2nd consecutive year in the Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2024.

- A) Urjit Patel
- B) Shaktikanta Das
- C) Raghuram Rajan
- D) Nirmala Sitharaman

10) Along with which of the following country India has signed an agreement for the export of green ammonia?

- A) Australia
- B) Japan
- C) Sri Lanka
- D) USA

11) To transform Fair Price Shops into 'Jan Poshan Kendras' which company has collaborated with the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and SIDBI?

- A) Udaan
- B) JioMart
- C) Flipkart
- D) Amazon

12) _____ joined BRICS partners to launch a Centre for Industrial Competences in

cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO).

- A) Australia
- B) Mauritius
- C) Saudi Arabia
- D) United Arab Emirates

13) _____ has introduced a new feature 'UPI Circle' on its Unified Payments Interface (UPI) platform that allows users to share their UPI accounts with others.

- A) National Payments Corporation of India
- B) BharatPe
- C) Paytm
- D) PhonePe

14) The 2023 National Geoscience Award (NGA) for Lifetime Achievement was conferred upon _____.

- A) Soumya Swaminathan
- B) Dhiraj Mohan Banerjee
- C) Brijesh Nambiar
- D) Ashutosh Pandey

15) Which of the following country won a silver medal at the Maruhaba Cup, a team event, at the Asian Surfing Championships 2024 at Thulusdhoo, Maldives?

- A) China
- B) France
- C) India
- D) Japan

16) The overall tele-density in India increased from 84.51% at the end of March 2023 to 85.69% at the end of March 2024 showed a report released by _____.

- A) Centre for Development of Telematics
- B) Tata Communications Limited
- C) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India
- D) Telecommunications Industry Association

17) In April – June FY25, inflows into the NRI schemes stood at _____, compared to \$2.21 billion during the same period a year ago, showed RBI data.

- A) USD 6 billion
- B) USD 4 billion
- C) USD 3 billion

D) USD 2 billion

18) Aditya Birla Finance and _____ have partnered to launch a co-branded credit card powered by and available on Visa and RuPay payment networks.

- A) Punjab National Bank
- B) Federal Bank
- C) Axis Bank
- D) AU Small Finance Bank

19) Who among the following was elected as the new President of Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB)?

- A) Faruque Ahmed
- B) Habibul Bashar
- C) Nazmul Hassan Papon
- D) None of the above

20) _____ has introduced a special home loan scheme 'Griha Rakshak' for Indian defence forces.

- A) Shriram Housing Finance Limited
- B) LIC Housing Finance Limited
- C) Hero Housing Finance Limited
- D) Aadhar Housing Finance Limited

21) The International Day of Charity is observed on September 5 to commemorate the death anniversary of which famous personality?

- A) Mahatma Gandhi
- B) Nelson Mandela
- C) Mother Teresa
- D) Florence Nightingale

22) Teachers' Day in India is observed on September 5 to honor the birth anniversary of which Indian leader?

- A) Mahatma Gandhi
- B) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
- C) Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- D) Jawaharlal Nehru

23) Who received the prestigious Ramon Magsaysay Award for 2024, often referred to as Asia's Nobel Prize?

- A) Hayao Miyazaki
- B) Akira Kurosawa
- C) Isao Takahata
- D) Yasujiro Ozu

24) The Union Ministry of Finance is selling what percentage of its stake in GIC Re for Rs 4,700 crore?

- A) 10.5%
- B) 5.2%
- C) 6.78%
- D) 8.5%

25) Which Tamil film producer, known for producing Vijay's 'Kannukkul Nilavu' and Vikram's 'Deiva Thirumagal', passed away recently?

- A) Mohan Natarajan
- B) A. R. Murugadoss
- C) K. Balachander
- D) Shankar

26) Which of the following ministry has launched BoCW Management Information System Portal?

- A) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- B) Ministry of Labour & Employment
- C) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- D) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

27) In which of the following city Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the GST Bhawan, an Official complex of CGST?

- A) Patna
- B) Shimla
- C) Udaipur
- D) Varanasi

28) The Centre has appointed who among the following as the director general of the National Security Guard (NSG)?

- A) B. Srinivasan
- B) Hemant Kumar Sharma
- C) Rajeev Kumar
- D) Rajveer Singh

29) _____ signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sri Lanka's LTL Holdings Limited to supply liquefied natural gas (LNG).

- A) Reliance Industries Limited
- B) Petronet LNG Limited
- C) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited
- D) Indian Oil Corporation Limited

30) India's technology industry body NASSCOM announced the appointment of _____ as its president designate.

- A) Ajith Kumar KK
- B) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- C) Rajesh Nambiar
- D) Rizwan Koita

31) Along with India which of the following country has collaborated to launch 'smart laboratory' for rejuvenation of Varuna river in Varanasi?

- A) Azerbaijan
- B) Denmark
- C) Israel
- D) Japan

32) To enhance access to quality and affordable tertiary health care and medical education in Maharashtra, India has signed USD 500 million loan package with _____.

- A) Asian Development Bank
- B) Burgan Bank
- C) Deutsche Bank AG
- D) Societe Generale

33) A comprehensive term policy named 'Sampoorna Raksha Promise' was launched by which of the following insurance company?

- A) Universal Sompo General Insurance
- B) Life Insurance Corporation of India
- C) Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance
- D) Tata AIA Life Insurance

34) Which of the following private sector insurer has entered into a bancassurance partnership with HSBC India, aiming to expand its insurance product outreach?

- A) Tata AIG General Insurance
- B) ICICI General Insurance
- C) Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance
- D) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance

35) In a groundbreaking development which of the following state has officially recorded the presence of mithun (*Bos frontalis*) for the first time?

- A) Sikkim
- B) Nagaland
- C) Manipur

D) Assam

36) Department of Posts (DoP) has partnered with _____ to launch standardized geo-coded addressing system in India.

- A) Geological Survey of India
- B) National Geographic Information System
- C) National Remote Sensing Centre
- D) National Sample Survey Office

37) For comprehensive safety audits and zero accidents Ministry of Coal launched _____ Portal.

- A) Mine Safety Assessment System
- B) Indian Coal Safety Portal
- C) National Coal Mines Safety Report Portal
- D) Coal Mine Safety Tracker

38) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has signed an MoU with which of the following company to upskill thousands of employable youths across India?

- A) Flipkart
- B) International Labour Organization
- C) Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd.
- D) World Bank

39) Along with Central Bank of India _____ have formed a strategic agreement to expand their co-lending business.

- A) Shriram Finance Limited
- B) Sammaan Capital Limited
- C) Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited
- D) Aadhar Housing Finance Limited

40) Tata Power Solar Systems Ltd has partnered with _____ to offer financing options for solar units to residential and corporate customers.

- A) Axis Bank
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) State Bank of India

41) David Malan of which of the following country has announced his retirement from international cricket?

- A) South Africa
- B) New Zealand
- C) England
- D) Australia

42) _____ is planning to launch the Unified Lending Interface (ULI).

- A) TransUnion CIBIL Limited
- B) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C) Reserve Bank of India
- D) RuPay

43) _____ agreed to finance up to Rs 45,000 crore for various Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) projects.

- A) Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited
- B) REC Limited
- C) Power Finance Corporation Limited
- D) Srei Infrastructure Finance Limited

44) _____ has partnerd with US-based Petron Scientech to explore a joint venture for setting up a 500 Kilo Tonne per Annum (KTA) bio-ethylene plant in India?

- A) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
- B) GAIL India Limited
- C) Indian Oil Corporation Limited
- D) Power Grid Corporation of India Limited

45) Which of the following bank was awarded the Best Performance on Risk Management award at the ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards (2024)?

- A) AU Small Finance Bank
- B) ESAF Small Finance Bank
- C) Jana Small Finance Bank
- D) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Limited

46) The Jal Jeevan Mission was launched in which of the following year?

- A) 2020
- B) 2019
- C) 2016
- D) 2015

47) The ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Education and _____ signed an MoU to enhance cooperative management in fisheries.

- A) Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute
- B) Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management
- C) National Cooperative Development Corporation

D) National Cooperative Union of India

48) The Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with _____ to optimize the utilization of Community Investment Funds (CIF).

- A) Export-Import Bank of India
- B) MicroSave Consulting
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation

49) _____ has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.

- A) Yes Bank
- B) Indian Bank
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) Axis Bank

50) _____ has partnered with Amazon Pay Later to provide instant digital credit access to Indian shoppers.

- A) Jupiter Money
- B) PayU
- C) Talkcharge
- D) TechFini

51) Which of the following state was awarded the PATA Gold Award 2024 for its innovative 'Holiday Heist' campaign?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Gujarat
- C) Kerala
- D) Rajasthan

52) A conference on "Experience Sharing and Capacity Building in Disaster Management" was hosted by _____.

- A) Department of Telecommunications
- B) Department of Revenue
- C) Department of Health and Family Welfare
- D) Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

53) The Ministry of Textiles has approved four start-ups with a grant of approximately _____ each under its 'GREAT' scheme.

- A) Rs 80 Lakhs

B) Rs 60 Lakhs

C) Rs 50 Lakhs

D) Rs 20 Lakhs

54) Bharat BillPay System (BBPS) for Business was launched by which of the following Organisation recently?

- A) India Post Payments Bank
- B) Indian Financial Technology and Allied Services
- C) National Payments Corporation of India
- D) Reserve Bank Innovation Hub

55) The Reserve Bank of India has recognised _____ as a Self-Regulatory Organisation in FinTech Sector (SRO-FT).

- A) National Payments Corporation of India
- B) National Fintech Regulatory Board
- C) Internet And Mobile Association of India
- D) Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment

56) Which of the following ministry launched the SHE-Box portal for registering and monitoring complaints of workplace sexual harassment?

- A) Ministry of Communications
- B) Ministry of Education
- C) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- D) Ministry of Women and Child Development

57) Which of the following was awarded coveted the ISO 14001:2015 certification?

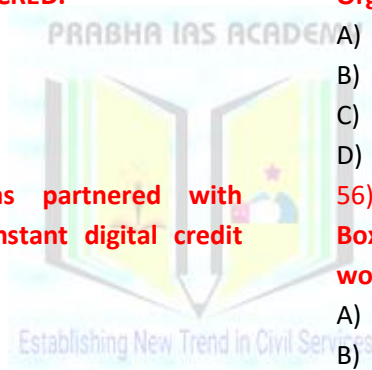
- A) Gas Authority of India Limited
- B) RailTel Corporation of India Ltd
- C) Infosys
- D) Securities and Exchange Board of India

58) _____ became the first Indian life insurer to start operations in Gujarat International Finance Tec City (GIFT City).

- A) Ageas Federal Life Insurance
- B) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Limited,
- C) IndiaFirst Life Insurance Company Limited
- D) Life Insurance Corporation of India

59) Who among the following took charge as the Chairman of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL)?

- A) Satyanarayan Goel
- B) V Satish Kumar
- C) Ravi Agrawal



D) Rajendra Prasad Goyal

60) Shriram Capital has appointed who among the following as its managing director and CEO?

- A) Subhasri
- B) Sameer Bansal
- C) Hitesh Kumar Sethia
- D) Atul Mehra

61) _____ has signed an agreement with the American digital payments company, Visa to upskill about 20,000 youth in tourism-related skills.

- A) India Tourism Development Corporation
- B) MakeMyTrip
- C) Tourism and Hospitality Skill Council
- D) Tripadvisor

62) The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with _____ to promote and develop cooperation in the field of public sector audit.

- A) Australia
- B) Gambia
- C) Nepal
- D) UAE

63) _____ has introduced a scheme to facilitate the trading and settlement of Sovereign Green Bonds (SGrBs) in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in India.

- A) State Bank of India
- B) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C) Reserve Bank of India
- D) National Stock Exchange of India Limited

64) _____ has introduced GIGA, a new suite of financial products and services specifically designed for gig workers and freelancers in India.

- A) Punjab National Bank
- B) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) Axis First Bank

65) _____ has signed a landmark MoU with NHIDCL to supply and install Double-Lane Class 70 modular steel bridges.

- A) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited
- B) Goa Shipyard Limited

C) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

D) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited

66) Uttar Pradesh hosted the three-day Armed Forces Festival in which of the following city?

- A) Gorakhpur
- B) Kanpur
- C) Lucknow
- D) Varanasi

67) _____ and SAFHAL Helicopter Engines Pvt. Ltd. (SAFHAL) have signed an airframer contract to develop a new generation high power engine named Aravalli.

- A) Signaltron Systems Private Limited
- B) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- C) Defence Research and Development Organisation
- D) Adani Defence & Aerospace

68) _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the United World Wrestling (UWW) to develop wrestling in India.

- A) Inspire Institute of Sport
- B) Sports Authority of India
- C) International Olympic Committee
- D) Indian Olympic Association

69) Ministry of Panchayati Raj in collaboration with which of the following institute has organised a five-day management development programme recently?

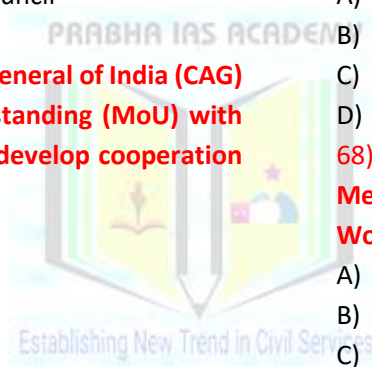
- A) NITI Aayog
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIM Bodh Gaya
- D) IIM Ahmedabad

70) The Union Cabinet has approved the Digital Agriculture Mission with total cost of _____.

- A) Rs 4,817 crore
- B) Rs 3,817 crore
- C) Rs 2,817 crores
- D) Rs 1,817 crore

71) Which of the following organisation has released 100 million U.S. dollars for critical underfunding of emergencies across 10 countries?

- A) Asian Development Bank
- B) Deutsche Bank AG
- C) United Nations



D) World Bank

72) Which of the following insurance company has launched US Dollar-denominated life insurance products to Non-Resident Indians (NRIs)?

- A) Tata AIA Life Insurance
- B) Star Health and Allied Insurance
- C) Life Insurance Corporation of India
- D) ICICI Lombard General Insurance

73) Who among the following won the 2024 Italian Grand Prix?

- A) Max Verstappen
- B) Lewis Hamilton
- C) Lando Norris
- D) Charles Leclerc

74) India's GDP is expected to be _____ for the first quarter of the Financial Year 2024–25 based on the National Statistical Office's (NSO) Quarterly Estimates (QE).

- A) 7.5%
- B) 7.1%
- C) 6.9%
- D) 6.7%

75) _____ was awarded with the Olympic Order in gold in recognition of his generous support for the success of the Olympic Games Paris 2024.

- A) Anne Hidalgo
- B) Emmanuel Macron
- C) Rigoberta Menchú Tum
- D) Thomas Bach

76) The Indian government has launched _____ 'AgriSure' fund to boost agritech startups, supporting innovation and investment in the agriculture sector.

- A) Rs 1000 crore
- B) Rs 750 crore
- C) Rs 500 crore
- D) Rs 250 crore

77) To advance digital infrastructure and bolster transparency, which of the following ministry has launched the Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack?

- A) Ministry of Defence
- B) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

- C) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- D) Ministry of Urban Development

78) Along with Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) which of the following company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to boost energy efficiency in India?

- A) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
- B) National Test House
- C) ReNew Energy Global PLC
- D) TotalEnergies

79) In September 2024 India and France conducted which of the following bilateral naval exercise in the Mediterranean Sea?

- A) JIMEX-24
- B) Exercise VARUNA
- C) Exercise SHAKTI
- D) Exercise Pitch Black

80) _____ has launched India's first multi-brand co-branded credit card with RuPay and Yes Bank.

- A) TechFini
- B) POP
- C) Covrzy Technologies Private Limited
- D) BranchX India Private Limited

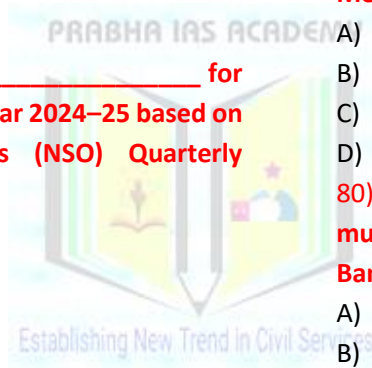
81) The _____ was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Maharashtra Eknath Shinde, on 03 September, 2024, at the Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai, Maharashtra.

- A) ONDC Startup Mahotsav
- B) National Conference on e-Governance
- C) International Conference on Steel Slag Road
- D) Global IndiaAI Summit

82) Dharambir from Sonipat, Haryana won the _____ medal in the men's club throw F51 event breaking the asian record at the Paris 2024 Paralympics.

- A) Bronze
- B) Gold
- C) Silver
- D) None

83) Which of the state government announced that August 20 will be observed as Sootea Day to



commemorate the region's vital role in the freedom movement?

- A) Assam
- B) Haryana
- C) Karnataka
- D) Uttarakhand

84) When the International Day of Charity was observed?

- A) 09 September
- B) 06 September
- C) 05 September
- D) 04 September

85) The President of India, Droupadi Murmu, has sanctioned the formation of the Law Commission for a three-year term.

- A) 23
- B) 22
- C) 21
- D) 20

86) The government has introduced Blockchain Technology Stack to provide a Blockchain-as-a-Service (BaaS) through a geographically distributed infrastructure.

- A) Bhooskhalan
- B) Bima Central
- C) eSankhyiki
- D) Vishvasya

87) The navies of India and _____ has signed an implementation agreement to enhance submarine rescue support cooperation.

- A) South Africa
- B) Philippines
- C) Mongolia
- D) Japan

88) In a substantial move to strengthen India's position in the global fashion industry the government has launched _____ initiative.

- A) VisioNxt
- B) SABB
- C) PRAGATI-2024

D) Ideas4LiFE

89) Sebi has formed a new expert group of 22 members on listing obligations headed by _____.

- A) Abhaya Prasad Hota
- B) Rajeev Kher
- C) R Gandhi
- D) Sunil Mehta

90) India's first ever Nifty 500 Momentum 50 Index Fund was launched by which of the following Mutual fund company?

- A) Groww Mutual Fund
- B) HDFC Mutual Fund
- C) Mirae Asset Mutual Fund
- D) Motilal Oswal Mutual Fund

91) For strengthening service delivery and engaging communities for social change, Panchayati Raj Ministry has collaborated with which of the following organization?

- A) Food and Agriculture Organization
- B) UNICEF
- C) UNDP
- D) UNESCO

92) Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched the _____ initiative in Gujarat's Surat, aimed at strengthening community involvement in water conservation.

- A) Aatmanirbharta
- B) e-FAST India
- C) Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari
- D) Jeevan Samarth

93) When the International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies was observed?

- A) 10 September
- B) 07 September
- C) 05 September
- D) 01 September

94) The inaugural International Solar Festival (ISF) 2024 was organized by which of the following organisation?

- A) International Solar Alliance
- B) JSW Neo Energy Limited
- C) National Institute of Solar Energy
- D) Tata Power Solar Systems Limited

95) To empower early-stage startups, which of the following ministry launched the 2nd Cohort of the SAMRIDH scheme?

- A) Ministry of Communication
- B) Ministry of Culture
- C) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- D) Ministry of Women and Child Development

96) Abdelmajid Tebboune was re-elected as the president of which of the following country?

- A) Vietnam
- B) Iran
- C) Australia
- D) Algeria

97) Which of the following city has secured the top position in the 'Swachh Vayu Survekshan (SVS) 2024'?

- A) Varanasi
- B) Surat
- C) Kolkata
- D) Jaipur

98) India's para-athletes secured how many medals at the 2024 Paris Paralympics?

- A) 29
- B) 25
- C) 20
- D) 15

99) Which of the following minister featured on TIME magazine's "Most Influential People in AI 2024"?

- A) Ashwini Vaishnav
- B) Jyotiraditya Scindia
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman
- D) S. Jaishankar

100) _____ approved 33% reservation for women in the police force by deciding to amend the State Police Subordinate Service Rules, 1989.

- A) Bihar
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Uttar Pradesh

101) When the International Literacy Day was observed?

- A) 10 September
- B) 09 September
- C) 08 September
- D) 07 September

102) Michel Barnier was announced as the Prime Minister of which of the following country?

- A) France
- B) Germany
- C) Italy
- D) Portugal

103) How much was the GST rate on cancer medications lowered at the 54th GST Council meeting?

- A) 5%
- B) 12%
- C) 18%
- D) 28%

104) Who among the following was re-elected as the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language?

- A) Amit Shah
- B) Giriraj Singh
- C) Mallikarjun Kharge
- D) Ram Nath Kovind

105) Who among the following launched the Prime Minister Matsya Kisan Samridhhi Sah-Yojna to address critical gaps in fish production?

- A) Rajiv Ranjan Singh
- B) Rajiv Pratap Rudy
- C) Giriraj Singh
- D) Amit Shah

106) The Union Health Ministry has approved the introduction of a new treatment regimen _____ for drug-resistant tuberculosis in India.

- A) BPaLM
- B) NIRMAN
- C) Pravah
- D) PREFIRE

107) Which of the following bank became first major Indian bank to join the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF)?

- A) Axis Bank

- B) Indian Bank
- C) State Bank of India
- D) Union Bank of India

108) Malpe and Mulki, fourth and fifth ships of the Eight Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft project were built by which of the following defence manufacturing company?

- A) Cochin Shipyard Limited
- B) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited
- C) Mazagon Dock Limited
- D) SECON Engineering Projects Private Limited

109) Who among the following won the 2024 US Open men's singles final?

- A) Alexander Zverev
- B) Carlos Alcaraz
- C) Jannik Sinner
- D) Taylor Fritz

110) When the International Vulture Awareness Day 2024 was observed?

- A) 08 September
- B) 07 September
- C) 06 September
- D) 05 September

111) Which of the following bank has unveiled the third edition of its flagship initiative, the Asha Scholarship Programme?

- A) State Bank of India
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) Axis Bank

112) Which of the following country has become the 101st country to join the International Solar Alliance (ISA) as a full member?

- A) Bhutan
- B) Croatia
- C) Nepal
- D) Pakistan

113) The event titled "Greening Steel: Pathway to Sustainability" was organized by which of the following ministry?

- A) Ministry of Defence
- B) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

- C) Ministry of Science and Technology
- D) Ministry of Steel

114) The Union Cabinet, led by PM Narendra Modi, has approved which phase of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana recently?

- A) Second
- B) Third
- C) Fourth
- D) Fifth

115) 'Ahaetulla longirostris' a new species of _____ with exceptionally long snout has been discovered in Bihar.

- A) Fish
- B) Frog
- C) Snake
- D) Spider

116) To enhance the skills and capability building of their personnel, Indian Army and Indian Air Force has signed an MoU with _____.

- A) Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya
- B) Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya
- C) Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya
- D) Visva Bharati

117) Who among the following became the first Pakistani woman to be nominated to the ICC international panel of development umpires?

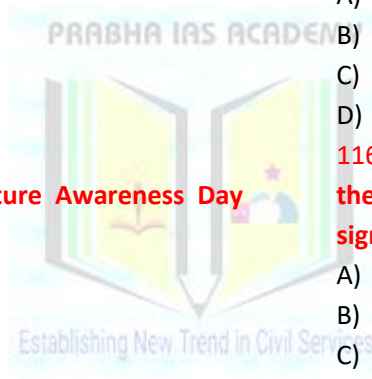
- A) Kainat Imtiaz
- B) Salima Imtiaz
- C) Sana Mir
- D) None of these

118) Which of the following city has emerged as the top tourist destination in Uttar Pradesh with over 11 crore visitors?

- A) Varanasi
- B) Prayagraj
- C) Ayodhya
- D) Agra

119) When the Himalaya Diwas was observed?

- A) 11 September
- B) 10 September
- C) 09 September
- D) 08 September



120) The Union Cabinet has approved the PM E-drive Scheme with an outlay of _____ for two years in a bid to boost the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) in India.

- A) Rs 9,900 crore
- B) Rs 8,900 crore
- C) Rs 11,900 crore
- D) Rs 10,900 crore

121) The 'Health Dynamics of India (Infrastructure and Human Resources) 2022-23' report was published by which of the following?

- A) International Labour Organization
- B) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- C) National Medical Commission
- D) World Health Organization

122) Which government organization is set to launch the Partnerships for Accelerated Innovation and Research (PAIR) programme?

- A) All India Council for Technical Education
- B) Anusandhan National Research Foundation
- C) Council of Scientific and Industrial Research
- D) University Grants Commission

123) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has partnered with _____ to offer a variety of opportunities in restaurant operations and retail management.

- A) Amazon
- B) Flipkart
- C) Porter
- D) Swiggy

124) The Indian Navy recently participated in the 16th edition of Exercise Kakadu 2024 held in which of the following country?

- A) Australia
- B) Mongolia
- C) Thailand
- D) United States of America

125) When the World Ozone Day was observed?

- A) 17 September
- B) 16 September
- C) 15 September
- D) 14 September

126) A committee named _____ which was formed to oversee all statistical surveys by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has been dissolved.

- A) Standing Committee on Statistics
- B) Committee on Public Undertakings
- C) Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes
- D) Public Accounts Committee

127) In a bid to support Indian exporters, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has launched which platform?

- A) eSwasthya Dham
- B) NERACE
- C) TRACE
- D) Trade Connect

128) India's first silicon carbide manufacturing facility is to be established in which of the following state?

- A) Goa
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Odisha
- D) Uttar Pradesh

129) _____ is one of the eight companies selected for NASA's USD 476 million "Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Programme On-Ramp1 Multiple Award" contract.

- A) Agnikul Cosmos
- B) Capella Space
- C) Dhruva Space Private Limited
- D) Pixxel

130) What is the rank of India in the U.S. News & World Report's "Best Countries Ranking 2024"?

- A) 37
- B) 33
- C) 32
- D) 30

131) The second edition of the International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH-2024) was held in which of the following city?

- A) Bhubaneswar
- B) New Delhi
- C) Kolkata
- D) Mumbai

132) Along with which of the following institutes the National Health Authority (NHA) has inked an MoU for development of digital public goods for Artificial Intelligence in healthcare?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Hyderabad
- D) IIT Kanpur

133) The Indian Air Force (IAF) has successfully completed which of the following exercise with the Royal Air Force of Oman (RAFO) at the RAFO airbase in Masirah?

- A) Eastern Bridge VII
- B) Pitch Black
- C) Red Flag 24-2
- D) Tarkash

134) When the Hindi Diwas (India) was observed?

- A) 12 September
- B) 13 September
- C) 14 September
- D) 15 September

135) The World Food India 2024 was held in which of the following city?

- A) Chandigarh
- B) Jaipur
- C) Mumbai
- D) New Delhi

136) The government has notified which of the following institution as a 'Public Financial Institution' under the Company law?

- A) Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited
- B) National Housing Bank
- C) National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development
- D) Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited

137) The India Defence Aviation Exposition (IDAX-24) was held in which of the following city?

- A) Amethi, Uttar Pradesh
- B) Chandipur, Odisha
- C) Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- D) Umroi, Meghalaya

138) The National Test House (NTH), Ghaziabad, was provisionally approved as a certification body for type certification of drones by the _____.

- A) Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India
- B) Bureau of Indian Standards
- C) National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies
- D) Quality Council of India

139) Who among the following was appointed as the brand ambassador of Shriram Finance Limited?

- A) Gautam Gambhir
- B) Rahul Dravid
- C) Shikhar Dhawan
- D) Virat Kohli

140) When the National Engineer's Day (India) was observed?

- A) 13 September
- B) 14 September
- C) 15 September
- D) 16 September

141) Port Blair, the capital city of the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, was renamed as _____.

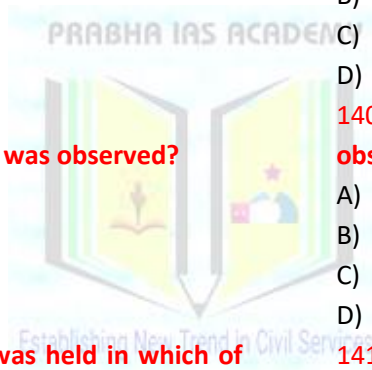
- A) Atal Nagar
- B) Bharatpur
- C) Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Dweep
- D) Sri Vijaya Puram

142) The Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology (CSTT) launched a unique website 'shabd.education.gov.in' to provide access to technical terms in how many Indian languages?

- A) 22
- B) 20
- C) 12
- D) 08

143) The G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting held from 12-13 September 2024 was hosted by which of the following country?

- A) Australia
- B) Brazil
- C) Germany



D) India

144) Which of the following business emerged as the sixth Indian startup to reach unicorn status in 2024?

- A) Covrzy
- B) Jai Kisan
- C) Moneyview
- D) TechFini

145) Who among the following won the Singapore Literature Prize in English fiction for the book "Nine Yard Sarees"?

- A) Bhavi Mehta
- B) Prasanthi Ram
- C) Ruskin Bond
- D) Sanjana Thakur

146) Which of the following company has collaborated with the Ministry of MSME to promote products of artisans?

- A) Allen Solly
- B) Fabindia
- C) Manyavar
- D) Raymond

147) Which of the following company secured USD 100 million funding from ADB, AIIB for electric bus expansion in India?

- A) Ather Energy
- B) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
- C) JBM ECOLIFE Mobility
- D) Olectra Greentech Limited

148) 'Aditi' a GenAI powered Virtual Relationship Manager was launched by which of the following bank?

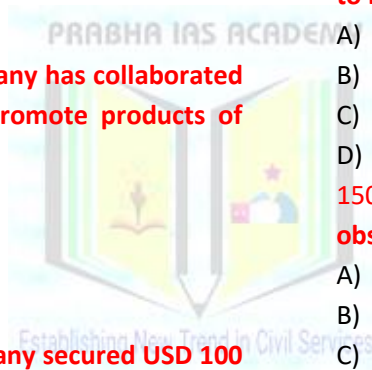
- A) Axis Bank
- B) Bank of Baroda
- C) State Bank of India
- D) Yes Bank

149) Which of the following fintech company has partnered with Liquid Group to enable Indian travelers to make UPI payments in Singapore?

- A) Amazon Pay
- B) Paytm
- C) PayU
- D) PhonePe

150) When the International Equal Pay Day was observed?

- A) 17 September
- B) 18 September
- C) 19 September
- D) 20 September



ANSWERS

1) Correct Answer: D

The 'First Policy Makers' Forum' inaugurated by Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare and Chemicals and Fertilisers JP Nadda, was held in New Delhi. To elevate India's position in the global pharmaceutical sector, the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC), in collaboration with the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and the Ministry of External Affairs, hosted an international delegation of policymakers and drug regulators from 15 countries.

2) Correct Answer: B

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu inaugurated the Mukhyamantri Bal Paushtik Aahar Yojana, aimed at delivering nutritious food to children in government-run schools. During the launch in Hamirpur, Sukhu stated that this initiative would complement the

existing midday meal scheme, targeting students from nursery to Class 8 across 15,181 schools.

3) Correct Answer: B

Tokyo Paralympics gold medalist Sumit Antil and shot-put star Bhagyashri Jadhav were the flagbearers of Indian contingent at the opening ceremony of the Paris Paralympics. The Paralympic Games is being held from 28 August to 08 September 2024.

4) Correct Answer: A

The Union Minister of Power and Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs, Shri Manohar Lal, launched three online portals DRIPS, PROMPT, and JAL VIDYUT DPR during an event held in New Delhi. This portal is a strategic initiative by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) aimed at bolstering the development of

hydropower and pumped storage projects (PSPs) in the country.

5) Correct Answer: A

The 510 MW Teesta 5 power station of National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) in Sikkim was damaged by a severe landslide in August 2024. In a statement, NHPC said that the landslide has affected the "TRT Gate hoist structure and part of the GIS Building".

6) Correct Answer: A

The Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) has appointed Satya Prakash Sangwan as the Chef de Mission (CMD) of the Indian contingent for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Sangwan, is also the Vice-President of PCI. Sangwan's extensive experience and passion for para-sports have made him a respected figure in the community.

7) Correct Answer: D

Amid political unrest in Bangladesh, International Cricket Council (ICC) moved the upcoming Women's T20 World Cup out of the country. The global cricket governing body had a virtual board meeting and United Arab Emirates has been zeroed in as the new venue.

8) Correct Answer: A

Bengaluru headquartered BEML, signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding with the Directorate of Marine Engineering, Indian Navy. The collaboration will enhance indigenous marine engineering capabilities, ensuring that both current and future naval projects are equipped with state-of-the-art, domestically produced technology.

9) Correct Answer: B

The Reserve Bank of India has announced that the RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das has received an "A+" rating in the Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2024 for the second consecutive year. The Global Finance magazine has been publishing the Central Banker Report Cards every year since 1994.

10) Correct Answer: B

In a significant development for India's green energy sector, the union minister of new and renewable energy Pralhad Joshi, chaired the signing ceremony of the first-ever agreement for the export of Green Ammonia from

India to Japan. This project offtake agreement marks a crucial step forward in India's aim to become a global leader in green hydrogen and ammonia production.

11) Correct Answer: A

B2B e-commerce company Udaan has partnered with the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, and the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) to transform fair price shops (FPSs) into Jan Poshan Kendras (JPK), the company announced in a press release.

12) Correct Answer: D

The UAE Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology joined its BRICS counterparts on the launch of a Centre for Industrial Competences in cooperation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) to support the development of Industrial skills and capabilities.

13) Correct Answer: A

The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has introduced a new feature called 'UPI Circle' on its Unified Payments Interface (UPI) platform. This feature allows primary UPI account holders to securely delegate payment responsibilities to trusted secondary users.

14) Correct Answer: B

In August 2024, President Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Geoscience Awards (NGA) for 2023 to 21 geoscientists, including academicians and professionals from across the country. Prof Dhiraj Mohan Banerjee received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his pioneering work on phosphorites, isotope geology, and organic geochemistry.

15) Correct Answer: C

India edged out Chinese Taipei and China to bag the silver medal at the Maruhaba Cup, a team event in the Asian Surfing Championships 2024 held in the Maldives. The silver came just a day after India secured its first-ever Asian Games quotas in surfing.

16) Correct Answer: C

The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India reported a significant surge in internet subscribers from 88.1 crore in March 2023 to 95.4 crore by March 2024, marking an 8.30% annual growth. Broadband users also saw a

notable rise, increasing by 9.15%, alongside higher wireless data usage, leading to an overall tele-density of 85.69% by March 2024.

17) Correct Answer: B

Overseas Indians deposited around \$4 billion in non-resident Indian (NRI) deposit schemes in April – June FY25, up 79 per cent over the amount deposited in these schemes in the same period last year, data released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) showed.

18) Correct Answer: D

Aditya Birla Finance Limited (ABFL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Aditya Birla Capital and AU Small Finance Bank Limited, India's largest small finance bank (SFB), has announced the launch of Aditya Birla Finance AU credit cards, powered by and available on Visa and RuPay payment networks.

19) Correct Answer: A

Former cricketer and chief selector Faruque Ahmed replaced Nazmul Hasan Papon as the new president of the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) after the incumbent resigned in the wake of the political unrest in the country. The BCB held an emergency meeting on 21 August during which the 58-year-old Ahmed was elected.

20) Correct Answer: B

LIC Housing Finance Limited has launched a home loan scheme called 'Griha Rakshak' for the armed forces. Under the Griha Rakshak scheme, eligible applicants with a CIBIL score of 750 and above can avail of home loans up to Rs 2 crore at a competitive interest rate of 8.4 per cent per annum.

21) Correct Answer: C

The International Day of Charity, established by the United Nations in 2012, is observed annually on September 5 to honor the life and work of Mother Teresa, who passed away on this day in 1997. Mother Teresa, a Nobel Peace Prize laureate, dedicated her life to the poor and sick, earning global recognition for her acts of compassion. This day promotes charitable efforts and humanitarian work across the world, inspiring global solidarity and social responsibility. The focus is on raising awareness about the need for charity and encouraging

individuals and organizations to take part in philanthropic activities.

22) Correct Answer: C

Teachers' Day in India is celebrated annually on September 5 in honor of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was born on this day in 1888. Radhakrishnan was not only India's second President but also a distinguished philosopher and educationist. When his students wanted to celebrate his birthday, he requested that the day be dedicated to all teachers. Since 1962, September 5 has been marked as a day to honor the dedication and contributions of teachers, recognizing their role in shaping society and nurturing future generations.

23) Correct Answer: A

Legendary Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki, co-founder of Studio Ghibli, has been honored with the Ramon Magsaysay Award for 2024. This award, often referred to as Asia's equivalent of the Nobel Prize, recognizes individuals and organizations who have made significant contributions to society in various fields, including governance, literature, and arts. Miyazaki, known for creating iconic films like Spirited Away and My Neighbor Totoro, received the award for his contributions to environmental protection and peace advocacy through animation. His work often explores themes of environmentalism, pacifism, and the human connection to nature.

24) Correct Answer: C

The Union Ministry of Finance has announced plans to sell a 6.78% stake in General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re), a public-sector reinsurance company. This is part of the government's efforts to divest its holdings in state-owned enterprises. The sale is expected to raise around Rs 4,700 crore through the offer-for-sale (OFS) route. Non-retail investors had the opportunity to participate in this sale, and the floor price was set at Rs 395 per share, which represents a 6% discount on the current market price. This is the first major stake sale in GIC Re since its IPO in 2017.

25) Correct Answer: A

Mohan Natarajan, a prominent figure in Tamil cinema, passed away recently after suffering from age-related

ailments. He was a well-respected producer who produced several successful films under his banner, Sri Rajakaliamman Enterprises. Some of his most notable works include Kannukkul Nilavu starring Vijay, Deiva Thirumagal featuring Vikram, and Vel with Suriya. In addition to producing films, Natarajan also appeared in several movies, often portraying villainous roles. His contribution to the Tamil film industry, both as a producer and actor, made him a respected figure in Indian cinema.

26) Correct Answer: B

The Ministry of Labour and Employment launched a Building and Other Construction Workers (BoCW) Management Information System (MIS) portal to review the preparedness of states and union territories in the finalisation of draft rules under the four Labour Codes and progress of implementation of welfare schemes for BoCW.

27) Correct Answer: C

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has recently inaugurated the new GST Bhavan in Udaipur located in the Hiran Magri area of the city. The new GST Bhawan has a conference hall, meeting hall, data analytics cell, library, interrogation cell, and a guest house, officials said.

28) Correct Answer: A

The Centre has appointed 1992 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer B Srinivasan as the new director general of National Security Guard (NSG). Srinivasan takes over as NSG director general after Nalin Prabhat's departure to being deputed as Jammu and Kashmir's Special Director General of Police.

29) Correct Answer: B

Oil and gas company Petronet LNG signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sri Lanka's LTL Holdings Limited to supply liquefied natural gas (LNG) to LTL's dual-fuel power plants in Colombo. The LNG will be transported via ISO tank containers using a multi-modal transport system.

30) Correct Answer: C

IT industry body national association of software services companies (NASSCOM) announced the appointment of

Rajesh Nambiar as its president-designate. Nambiar, who resigned as chairman and managing director of Cognizant India, succeeds Debjani Ghosh at NASSCOM, who completes her tenure in November 2024.

31) Correct Answer: B

India and Denmark have joined hands to establish a 'smart laboratory on clean rivers' (SLCR) in Varanasi to bring excellence in small river rejuvenation and management. The alliance is a tripartite initiative between the Government of India, the Indian Institute of Technology-Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU), and the Govt of Denmark.

32) Correct Answer: A

India has signed a loan package of USD 500 million with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to improve access to quality and affordable tertiary health care and medical education in Maharashtra. The loan will help establish four medical colleges attached to tertiary care teaching hospitals incorporating climate- and disaster-resilient, gender-responsive, and socially inclusive features in under-served districts.

33) Correct Answer: D

Tata AIA Life Insurance introduced a term insurance plan called Sampoorna Raksha Promise, which offers term insurance with immediate payouts on death claims, flexible premium payments, and benefits for terminal illness diagnoses.

34) Correct Answer: D

Bajaj Allianz General Insurance, one of the leading private general insurers in India, and HSBC India have announced a strategic partnership to offer Bajaj Allianz General Insurance's comprehensive suite of insurance products and services to HSBC's vast customer base in India.

35) Correct Answer: D

Assam has recorded the mithun (*Bos frontalis*) for the first time, generations after the semi-wild gaur-like animal began to be reared by tribals in the state's hill district of Dima Hasao. Mithun is the state animal of Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland and found also in the hills of Mizoram and Manipur.

36) Correct Answer: C

In a significant advancement of its ongoing initiative to establish a standardized, geo-coded addressing system in India, the Department of Posts (DoP) has signed a pivotal memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).

37) Correct Answer: C

Amrit Lal Meena, Secretary of the Ministry of Coal launched the National Coal Mines Safety Report Portal. The portal aims for comprehensive safety audits and zero accidents. It includes an Accident Module for prompt reporting and a Safety Audit Module to strengthen processes.

38) Correct Answer: A

Flipkart's Supply Chain Operations Academy (SCOA) exchanged a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) at the Samarth event with the mission to upskill thousands of employable youths across India.

39) Correct Answer: C

Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited and Central Bank of India have announced a strategic partnership to expand their co-lending business. The collaboration will provide loans to middle and low-income borrowers with focus on rural and semi-urban regions.

40) Correct Answer: C

Tata Power Solar Systems Ltd (TPSSL) has signed an agreement with ICICI Bank to provide financing for solar units to residential and corporate customers. As part of the agreement, the customers can avail themselves of loans up to Rs 90 lakh with collateral-free options and tenure extending up to 5 years.

41) Correct Answer: C

Dawid Malan, England's former world No. 1 T20I batter, has announced his retirement from international cricket at the age of 37. The batter played 22 Tests, 30 ODIs and 62 T20Is for England. He was one among the only two England batters in the men's team, alongside Jos Buttler to have scored centuries across all the three formats in international cricket.

42) Correct Answer: C

The Reserve Bank is piloting an application for frictionless credit —Unified Lending Interface (ULI). It will be launched nationwide soon and will become the UPI on the credit side, Governor Shaktikanta Das said. The new technology is aimed at reducing the time taken for appraisal, especially for small borrowers in rural areas, he added.

43) Correct Answer: B

Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) Limited signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) to finance various upcoming projects. As part of the MoU, REC will provide funds of up to Rs 45,000 crore for JNPA's infrastructure projects, including the development of the Vadhavan port.

44) Correct Answer: B

GAIL (India) said that it has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Petron Scientech Inc (Petron) to jointly explore setting up of a 500 Kilo Tons per Annum (KTA) bio-ethylene plant in India. In line with the MoU, GAIL and Petron will jointly undertake feasibility studies to ascertain technical viability and financial prospects of the project.

45) Correct Answer: C

The bank's commitment to excellence and innovation was recognized at the prestigious 2nd ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards, where it clinched four coveted awards. Jana Small Finance Bank was honoured with the titles of Best Small Finance Bank, India, Best Performance on Profitability (Runners-up), Best Performance on Asset Quality, and Best Performance on Risk Management.

46) Correct Answer: B

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Jal Jeevan Mission: Har Ghar Jal on August 15, 2019, aiming to ensure safe and sufficient drinking water access for rural households. On March 7, 2024, the Jal Jeevan Mission marked a significant landmark, having furnished tap water connections to more than 75% of households nationwide.

47) Correct Answer: B

With the objective of fostering collaboration in the field of cooperative management within the fisheries sector, the Central Institute of Fisheries Education (ICAR-CIFE) and the Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU).

48) Correct Answer: B

The Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) has entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with MicroSave Consulting (MSC) to optimize the utilization of Community Investment Funds (CIF) and enhance the effectiveness and sustainability of Community-Based Organizations (CBOs).

49) Correct Answer: A

Private sector lender Yes Bank, has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance to provide personalised financing solutions to creditworthy individuals on CRED. Dreamplug Technologies Private Limited (DTPL), which operates CRED, will serve as the Lending Service Provider (LSP) for Yes Bank and Newtap Finance in this partnership.

50) Correct Answer: B

Naspers-backed fintech firm PayU has partnered with Amazon Pay Later to provide instant digital credit access to Indian shoppers. As part of this partnership, Amazon Pay Later will be integrated into PayU's checkout infrastructure, allowing online merchants to offer an instant credit line to their customers.

51) Correct Answer: C

Kerala Tourism was presented the globally acclaimed Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA) Gold Award 2024 for its online contest 'Holiday Heist' in the Digital Marketing Campaign category, at a function PATA Travel Mart 2024 in Bangkok.

52) Correct Answer: A

The Disaster Management Division of the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) in collaboration with the National Telecommunications Institute for Policy Research, Innovation, and Training (NTIPRIT) and LSA, Delhi successfully organized the conference on "Experience Sharing and Capacity Building in Disaster Management".

53) Correct Answer: C

The Ministry of Textiles has approved four start-ups with a grant of approximately fifty lakh rupees each under the 'General Guidelines for Enabling of Academic Institutes in Technical Textiles' (GREAT) scheme at the eighth Empowered Programme Committee meeting.

54) Correct Answer: C

The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) unveiled two new products at the Global Fintech Fest 2024: Bharat BillPay System (BBPS) for Business and UPI Circle for delegated payments. Shaktikanta Das, the Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), introduced these products at the event.

55) Correct Answer: D

The Reserve Bank of India has recognised Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment (FACE) as a Self-Regulatory Organisation in FinTech Sector (SRO-FT). Earlier in May 2024, the RBI finalised the framework for establishing SROs within the FinTech industry, aiming to promote "healthy and sustainable development" under the central bank's oversight.

56) Correct Answer: D

In a significant move aimed at bolstering workplace safety for women, the Ministry of Women and Child Development, under the leadership of Union Minister Smt. Annpurna Devi, has launched the new SHe-Box portal in an event on 29 August 2024.

57) Correct Answer: B

RailTel Corporation of India Ltd (RailTel) was awarded the ISO 14001:2015 certification, a globally recognized standard for Environmental Management Systems (EMS). This achievement underscores RailTel's dedication to not only adhering to regulatory requirements but also prioritizing environmental protection.

58) Correct Answer: C

IndiaFirst Life has become the first Indian life insurer to commence operations in Gujarat International Finance Tec City (GIFT City). Headquartered in Mumbai, IndiaFirst Life Insurance Company Ltd, with a paid-up share capital of Rs 754 crore, is one of the country's youngest life insurance companies.

59) Correct Answer: B

V Satish Kumar took over as the chairman of the Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), the nation's largest oil firm. Kumar, who is director (marketing) at IOC, was given additional charge of chairman following delays in finding a full-time chairman.

60) Correct Answer: A

Shriram Capital, the holding company of the Shriram Group, has appointed Subhasri as its new Managing Director and CEO, effective 1 September. Subhasri, who previously served as Joint Managing Director, has been a key figure in the company since joining as an Officer in the NBFC business in 1991.

61) Correct Answer: C

The Tourism and Hospitality Skill Council (THSC) an arm of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the American digital payments company, Visa to upskill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.

62) Correct Answer: D

The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the UAE Accountability Authority during a bilateral meeting with the President of the UAE Accountability Authority. The MoU aims to foster collaboration between the two Supreme Audit Institutions.

63) Correct Answer: C

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has introduced a scheme for trading and settlement of sovereign green bonds (SGrBs) in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in India. The scheme will apply to investments in SGrBs issued by the Government of India to eligible investors in the IFSC in India.

64) Correct Answer: C

HDFC Bank has introduced GIGA, a financial suite designed for gig workers and freelancers. The programme aims to address the financial needs of India's burgeoning gig economy. GIGA will cater to this diverse group's financial requirements.

65) Correct Answer: A

Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd (GRSE) announced that they have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Highway Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd (NHIDCL), for the fabrication, supply, and launching of Double-Lane Class 70 modular steel and Bailey bridges.

66) Correct Answer: C

The Armed Forces Festival, organised by Surya Command, unfolded on September 3 at Surya Khel Parisar in Lucknow Cantonment. The three-day event from September 3 to 5, was inaugurated by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.

67) Correct Answer: B

State-owned Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) signed an airframer contract with SAFHAL Helicopter Engines Pvt. Ltd. (SAFHAL) to begin the joint design, development, manufacture, supply and support of a new generation high power engine 'Aravalli' for two helicopters which it is designing and developing.

68) Correct Answer: A

The Inspire Institute of Sport (IIS) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the United World Wrestling (UWW), the global governing body for wrestling, to develop the sport in India. The agreement aims to establish a collaborative framework for developing wrestling in India through various mutually beneficial programs, initiatives, projects, and activities.

69) Correct Answer: C

The Ministry of Panchayati Raj, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Management Bodh Gaya (IIM BG), has organised a transformative 5-day residential Management Development Programme (MDP) from 2nd September to 6th September, 2024.

70) Correct Answer: C

The Union Cabinet Committee chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved the Digital Agriculture Mission with an outlay of Rs. 2817 Crore, including the central share of Rs. 1940 Crore. For a similar transformation of the Agriculture Sector, the government announced the building of Digital Public Infrastructure for agriculture in the Union Budget 2023-24.

71) Correct Answer: C

The United Nations released \$100 million for humanitarian emergencies in 10 countries in Africa, the Middle East, Asia and the Caribbean. Acting UN humanitarian chief Joyce Msuya said a lack of funding in these countries is preventing aid agencies from providing life-saving assistance, and that is heart-wrenching.

72) Correct Answer: A

Tata AIA Life Insurance Co. Ltd. (Tata AIA) has launched its offshore branch at Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City), India's first International Financial Services Centre (IFSC). Tata AIA has introduced its first product, the USD-denominated Life Protect Supreme, a comprehensive term insurance plan. The new offering provides policy benefits in US dollars and covers various risks including death, accidents, disability, and critical illness, with coverage extending up to 100 years of age.

73) Correct Answer: D

Ferrari's Monacan racing driver Charles Leclerc claimed the Formula One (F1) Italian Grand Prix (GP) 2024 (formally known as the F1 Pirelli Gran Premio D'Italia 2024), which took place at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza in Monza, Italy. Leclerc's triumph marks his second Italian Grand Prix title. He previously won the Italian Grand Prix title in 2019.

74) Correct Answer: D

India's economic growth slowed to a 15-month low of 6.7 per cent in April-June 2024-25, mainly due to poor performance of the agriculture and services sectors, National Statistical Office (NSO) data showed. The gross domestic product (GDP) expanded by 8.2 per cent in the April-June quarter of 2022-23.

75) Correct Answer: B

In a ceremony that underscored his exceptional contributions to the Olympic movement, President Emmanuel Macron of France was awarded the Olympic Order in gold. This prestigious distinction was bestowed upon him by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in recognition of his unwavering support for the Olympic Games Paris 2024.

76) Correct Answer: B

Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has launched a Rs 750-crore fund 'AgriSure' to provide financial support to agritech startups even as he underlined the need for increasing public as well as private investments in the farm sector.

77) Correct Answer: B

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has launched a series of blockchain-based solutions, aimed at enhancing transparency, security, and efficiency in digital service delivery. The Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack is designed to offer Blockchain-as-a-Service (BaaS) with a geographically distributed setup to support a range of permissioned blockchain applications.

78) Correct Answer: B

The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) and the National Test House (NTH) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at strengthening India's Standards & Labeling (S&L) Program. The initiative, crucial for promoting energy efficiency nationwide, will enhance the accuracy and reliability of energy performance standards, impacting millions of consumers.

79) Correct Answer: B

Indian Navy's frontline stealth frigate, INS Tabar commanded by Captain MR Harish had recently visited Toulon, France from 29 Aug 24 to 01 Sep 24 and later upon departure participated in the 22nd edition of IN - FN Bilateral Exercise VARUNA from 02 - 04 Sep 24 in the Mediterranean Sea.

80) Correct Answer: B

Fintech startup POP, founded by former Flipkart employees, has introduced India's first multi-brand co-branded credit card, the YES BANK POP-CLUB RuPay credit card, developed in collaboration with RuPay and YES Bank.

81) Correct Answer: B

The 27th National Conference on e-Governance was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Maharashtra Eknath Shinde, in the presence of Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra Devendra Fadnis on 03 September at the Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai. The theme of

the 27th edition of the Conference was 'Viksit Bharat: Secure And Sustainable e- Service Delivery'.

82) Correct Answer: B

For the first time in para-athletics, India had a historic one-two finish when Dharambir and Pranav Soorma won the men's club throw F51 at the Paris Paralympics 2024. In the Stade de France, the 35-year-old Dharambir from Sonipat, Haryana won the gold medal in the event with a record 34.92 meters and broke the Asian record in the process.

83) Correct Answer: A

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced that August 20 will be observed and celebrated as Sootea Day to mark the region's importance in the freedom movement. From now onwards, 20 August will be observed and celebrated as Sootea Day with government's patronage where people of Sootea will also render adequate support in celebration of the day, he said.

84) Correct Answer: C

The International Day of Charity is observed annually on September 5 in honour of Mother Teresa. This day was established by the General Assembly of the United Nations to educate individuals, NGOs, and stakeholders about the significance of participating in charitable causes.

85) Correct Answer: A

President Droupadi Murmu has sanctioned the constitution of the 23rd Law Commission of India, which will serve from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2027. According to a notification, the commission will comprise a full-time Chairperson, four members, and additional ex-officio and part-time members.

86) Correct Answer: D

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87) Correct Answer: A

The Indian Navy and the South African Navy have signed an Implementing Agreement (IA) that ensures the safety of the South African Navy's submarine crew in times of distress or accident. Under this agreement, the Indian Navy will provide assistance by deploying its Deep Submergence Rescue Vehicle (DSRV) when required, further strengthening the collaborative ties between the two navies.

88) Correct Answer: A

Union Minister of Textiles, Shri Giriraj Singh launched the 'VisioNxt Fashion Forecasting Initiative' of National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), a bilingual web portal and the India-specific Fashion Trend Book 'Paridhi 24x25'.

89) Correct Answer: C

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has set up a 22-member advisory committee to streamline the rules for listing obligations and disclosures. The expert group will be chaired by R Gandhi, former deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

90) Correct Answer: D

Motilal Oswal Mutual Fund launched the Nifty 500 Momentum 50 Index Fund on September 4, 2024. This fund is an open-ended index fund designed to track the performance of the Nifty 500 Momentum 50 Total Return Index.

91) Correct Answer: B

Panchayati Raj Ministry and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) have collaborated for strengthening service delivery and engaging communities for social change. According to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, this collaboration will help accelerate progress on localised Sustainable Development Goals.

92) Correct Answer: C

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched the "Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari" initiative in Gujarat's Surat, a step aimed at strengthening community involvement in water conservation. The initiative aligns with the ongoing "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain" campaign.

93) Correct Answer: B

The United Nations General Assembly designated 7 September as the International Day of Clean Air to raise awareness and drive action on combating air pollution. UNEP says the day "aims to build a global community of action, encouraging countries to collaborate in tackling air pollution to protect our ecosystems."

94) Correct Answer: A

On September 5, 2024, Narendra Modi, India's Prime Minister (PM), virtually addressed the two-day inaugural International Solar Festival (ISF) 2024, organized by the International Solar Alliance (ISA) at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi, Delhi. India's solar energy capacity has expanded 32-fold during the last decade, he said.

95) Correct Answer: C

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) on 04 September launched the second cohort of SAMRIDH. Secretary, MeitY S. Krishnan, launched the programme. It is a part of the 100-day agenda of the Government of India to select and support 125 startups through potential accelerators so as to achieve the target of nurturing 300 startups.

96) Correct Answer: D

Algeria's incumbent President Abdelmadjid Tebboune, 78, has been re-elected to the position with an emphatic vote, says the country's electoral authority. "Of 5,630,000 voters recorded, 5,320,000 voted for the independent candidate Abdelmadjid Tebboune, accounting for 94.65 percent", they told reporters.

97) Correct Answer: B

Surat has been ranked as the top major city in India for air quality improvements followed by Jabalpur and Agra. The Union Environment Ministry presented the "National Clean Air City" Awards during the Swachh Vayu Survekshan 2024 held at a national workshop celebrating the "International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies" in Jaipur.

98) Correct Answer: A

The Indian contingent concluded its historic Paris Paralympics campaign with 29 medals, including seven gold, nine silver, and 13 bronze medals, marking the country's best performance in the competition's history.

India also crossed the 50-medal mark in Paralympic Games history with this impressive performance.

99) Correct Answer: A

India's Minister of Electronics and Information Technology Ashwini Vaishnaw secured a coveted spot on TIME magazine's "Most Influential People in AI 2024". "India, the world's fifth largest economy, is trying to become a major player in the world of AI. The country's electronics and information technology minister, Aishwini Vaishnaw, leads its efforts," said the magazine.

100) Correct Answer: C

The Rajasthan Cabinet has approved 33 per cent reservation to women in the police force and five per cent additional allowance to pensioners. Deputy Chief Minister Dr Prem Chand Bairwa said an amendment to the Rajasthan Police Subordinate Services Rules, 1989, was approved in the cabinet meeting, paving the way for the one-third quota for women in police.

101) Correct Answer: C

International Literacy Day (ILD) was first declared by UNESCO in 1965, and it was celebrated for the first time on September 8, 1967. The theme for International Literacy Day 2024 is "Promoting Multilingual Education: Literacy for Mutual Understanding and Peace."

102) Correct Answer: A

Michel Barnier is France's new prime minister. Barnier has served as the Cabinet Minister of Environment, European Affairs, Foreign Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries under four different conservative Prime Ministers.

103) Correct Answer: A

The Council decided to reduce the GST rate on cancer drugs Trastuzumab Deruxtecan, Osimertinib and Durvalumab from 12% to 5%. The 54th GST Council meeting, held in New Delhi on Monday (September 9, 2024) announced several changes to the existing Goods and Services Tax (GST) slabs.

104) Correct Answer: A

Union Home Minister Amit Shah was unanimously re-elected as the Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language. The decision was taken in a meeting of the committee, which was held in New

Delhi. Amit Shah was elected for the first time as the chairperson of the committee in 2019.

105) Correct Answer: A

Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Rajiv Ranjan Singh has launched Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojna in an event in New Delhi. Mr Singh also released Standard Operating Procedure on Production and Processing Clusters in the Fisheries Sector.

106) Correct Answer: A

The Union health ministry has approved the introduction of the BPaLM regimen, a novel treatment for multi-drug resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) under its National TB Elimination Program (NTEP) as a highly effective and shorter treatment option.

107) Correct Answer: D

Union Bank of India announced its decision to become a signatory to the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF). This step aligns with the growing global emphasis on climate risk management and the recent draft guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on climate risk disclosures.

108) Correct Answer: A

Two anti-submarine warfare shallow watercrafts vessels (ASWCWC) of the Indian Navy were launched at Cochin Shipyard in Kerala. Once commissioned by the Indian Navy, the vessels will be called INS Malpe and INS Mulki. The ships, with a displacement about 900 tons, are designed to fit the indigenously developed sonar for underwater surveillance.

109) Correct Answer: C

World No.1 Jannik Sinner made history after becoming the first Italian to win the US Open men's singles title. On September 8, the 23-year-old defeated USA's Taylor Fritz 6-3, 6-4, 7-5 at the Arthur Ashe Stadium. Sinner took two hours and 16 minutes to beat Fritz, who played in his maiden Grand Slam final.

110) Correct Answer: B

Each year, the first Saturday in September marks International Vulture Awareness Day, a global initiative dedicated to the preservation of vultures. This year it was observed on 07 September. This day is intended to raise

awareness around the most imperiled group of birds in the world all while celebrating their importance within our ecosystems.

111) Correct Answer: A

The State Bank of India (SBI) has introduced the third edition of its flagship Asha Scholarship programme, pledging to assist 10,000 academically gifted students from disadvantaged backgrounds across the country. Applications are open until 1st October, with details on eligibility and forms available at the official website.

112) Correct Answer: C

Nepal has become the 101st country to join the International Solar Alliance-ISA as a full member. In a social media post, the Ministry of External Affairs said that Nepal handed over its Instrument of Ratification to the ISA in New Delhi.

113) Correct Answer: D

The Ministry of Steel successfully hosted the event 'Greening Steel: Pathway to Sustainability' at C.D. Deshmukh Hall, India International Centre, New Delhi. The Chief Guest, Shri H. D. Kumaraswamy, Union Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries, released the Report titled "Greening the Steel Sector in India: Roadmap and Action Plan."

114) Correct Answer: C

The Union Cabinet, under PM Narendra Modi, has approved the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - IV (PMGSY-IV) for FY 2024-25 to 2028-29 with a total outlay of Rs 70,125 crore. In total, around 62,500 kilometers of rural roads will be constructed during this phase, with fresh connectivity to 25,000 unconnected habitations.

115) Correct Answer: C

A new species of snake with a remarkably long snout has been discovered in India, marking an exciting addition to the country's rich biodiversity. The species, named the long-snouted vine snake (*Ahaetulla Longirostris*), was identified after two specimens were found in vastly different regions, Bihar in the eastern part of the country and Meghalaya in the northeastern region.

116) Correct Answer: B

The Indian Army and Indian Air Force has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya to enhance the skills and capability building of personnel in logistics operations. On this occasion, the Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh said that it is a monumental partnership to build a world-class and future proof logistics system and achieve self-reliance in defence sector.

117) Correct Answer: B

Saleema Imtiaz became the first Pakistani woman to be nominated to the ICC international panel of development umpires, the Pakistan Cricket Board said. Imtiaz's nomination on the panel makes her eligible to officiate in women's bilateral international matches and ICC women's events.

118) Correct Answer: C

Ayodhya has edged out Varanasi to emerge as the top tourist attraction in Uttar Pradesh, with 11 crore domestic and international tourists visiting the temple town in the first six months of this year as compared to 4.61 crore visiting Varanasi.

119) Correct Answer: C

Himalaya Diwas is celebrated every year on 9th September in the state of Uttarakhand. It is celebrated with the aim to conserve Himalayan ecosystem and region. It was officially declared as Himalaya Day in 2015 by the then Chief Minister.

120) Correct Answer: D

The Union Cabinet has approved the PM E-drive Scheme with an outlay of Rs 10,900 crore for two years in a bid to boost the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) in India. As per the new scheme, subsidies worth Rs 3,679 crore will reportedly be offered to incentivise the adoption of battery-driven two and three-wheelers, ambulances, trucks and other emerging electric vehicles (EVs).

121) Correct Answer: B

Health Ministry released the "Health Dynamics of India (Infrastructure and Human Resources) 2022-23". Union Health Secretary Apurva Chandra has released the annual publication in New Delhi. The publication offers comprehensive data on health infrastructure and human resources as of March 31st of each year.

122) Correct Answer: B

The government will launch the Partnerships for Accelerated Innovation and Research (PAIR) programme designed to elevate research capabilities in higher education institutions (HEIs). The decision was taken during the inaugural Governing Board meeting of the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF).

123) Correct Answer: D

Swiggy has joined hands with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) to launch Swiggy Skills, an initiative designed to offer a range of skilling and employment opportunities within its food delivery and quick commerce network.

124) Correct Answer: A

The Indian Navy's P8I aircraft, led by Commanding Officer Captain Ajay Kanwar, has visited Australia's Darwin to participate in the 16th edition of Exercise Kakadu 2024. The Indian Navy participated in the exercise alongside more than 30 nations with the theme of 'Regional Cooperation through Trusted and Proven Partnerships.'

125) Correct Answer: B

World Ozone Day is celebrated on 16th September each year to commemorate the signing of the Montreal Protocol, an international environmental treaty for phasing out of production and consumption of Ozone Depleting Substances, that came into force on this day in 1987.

126) Correct Answer: A

The Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has quietly dissolved the 14-member Standing Committee on Statistics (SCoS) headed by eminent economist and former chief statistician of the country Pronab Sen, allegedly after its members questioned the delay in conducting the census.

127) Correct Answer: D

The Trade Connect e-Platform is a single window initiative that is fast, accessible and transformational as it will enable exporters to add newer markets. This was stated by Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal during the launch of the Trade Connect e-Platform in New Delhi.

128) Correct Answer: C

In a boost to the semiconductor industry, the ground-breaking ceremony for India's first silicon carbide manufacturing facility was held in the Bhubaneswar city. The facility, to be built at an investment of Rs 620 crore over three years, is set to generate over 500 jobs and signifies a vital step in Odisha's entry into the power electronics industry.

129) Correct Answer: D

NASA has selected Indian private spacecraft company Pixxel for a new contract to provide Earth-observation data and services. Pixxel, which specialises in hyperspectral imaging and Earth observation, is one of the eight companies selected for NASA's USD 476 million "Commercial SmallSat Data Acquisition Programme On-Ramp1 Multiple Award" contract.

130) Correct Answer: B

Switzerland has been ranked as the number one country in the world by US News & World Report in its 'Best Countries Ranking 2024'. India ranked at number 33 on the list this year, dropping three spots from its place on the list in 2023. Only Japan, Singapore, China and South Korea managed to crack the top 25 from Asia.

131) Correct Answer: B

The second edition of the International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH-2024) was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. The event held from 11-13 September, brought together thought leaders, policymakers, industry experts, and innovators from around the world to explore the latest advancements in Green Hydrogen technology.

132) Correct Answer: D

The National Health Authority (NHA) and IIT Kanpur have inked an MoU for development of digital public goods for Artificial Intelligence (AI) in healthcare. The platform will subsequently be operated and governed by the NHA, thereby unlocking the immense potential of AI for improving health outcomes.

133) Correct Answer: A

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has successfully completed Exercise Eastern Bridge VII with the Royal Air Force of

Oman (RAFO) at the RAFO airbase in Masirah. The IAF contingent has returned to India after participating in a comprehensive series of training missions, which featured the participation of MiG-29 and Jaguar aircraft from IAF, F-16 and Hawk from RAFO.

134) Correct Answer: C

Hindi Diwas, observed on September 14, marks the anniversary of Hindi's recognition as an official language in 1949. While the Constitution of India does not give any language the status of national language, Hindi in Devanagari script is the official language of the central government and the Union as per Article 343.

135) Correct Answer: D

World Food India 2024 - A Mega Food Event in Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi was held from 19th-22nd September 2024. Addressing the gathering at World Food India 2024, Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Pralhad Joshi welcomed the global dignitaries and highlighted India's remarkable journey in achieving food security, sustainability, and innovation.

136) Correct Answer: C

The government has notified the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) as a public financial institution under the Companies Act. This will help the government fortify the nation's infrastructure finance structures.

137) Correct Answer: C

The India Defence Aviation Exposition (IDAX-24) was officially inaugurated by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on September 12, 2024, at Jodhpur. This major event coincided with Exercise Tarang Shakti-24, one of the largest multinational air exercises hosted by the Indian Air Force (IAF).

138) Correct Answer: D

Quality Council of India (QCI) has given provisional approval to National Test House (NTH), Ghaziabad, as a certification body for drones. This significant milestone aligns with the Government of India's push towards fostering a robust and globally competitive drone ecosystem under the Drone Rules 2021.

139) Correct Answer: B

Shriram Finance has announced the appointment of former Indian cricket team coach and legendary cricketer, Rahul Dravid, as its new brand ambassador. Known for his unwavering discipline and trustworthiness, Dravid embodies the qualities that Shriram Finance values and aims to project.

140) Correct Answer: C

National Engineers' Day is celebrated on September 15 every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, one of the greatest engineers of India. He was born on September 15, 1861, and is widely regarded as a pioneering engineer and statesman who made significant contributions to the development of India.

141) Correct Answer: D

The Centre has decided to rename Port Blair Sri Vijaya Puram, in a move aimed at shedding the colonial legacy associated with the Andaman and Nicobar. The decision to give an Indian name to the Andaman and Nicobar capital follows nearly six years after the Centre, renamed three islands of the Union Territory as it honoured the freedom fighter.

142) Correct Answer: A

The Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology (CSTT), under the aegis of the Union Education Ministry, has launched a unique website which provides technical terms in all 22 official Indian languages. The web portal 'shabd.education.gov.in' aims to be a central repository for all the terminologies prepared for Indian languages.

143) Correct Answer: B

Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shri Ram Nath Thakur led the Indian delegation at the G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting. A bilateral meeting between Shri Thakur and Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan Shri Sakamoto was held on 12 September 2024, in Brazil.

144) Correct Answer: C

Fintech startup Moneyview has turned unicorn after bagging about Rs 38.6 crore (\$4.6 million) in fresh funding from Accel and Nexus Venture Partners. Moneyview joins Krutrim, Perfios, Porter, Rapido, and Ather to become the sixth Indian unicorn this year.

145) Correct Answer: B

An Indian-origin lecturer at Nanyang Technological University has won the Singapore Literature Prize for English fiction for her short story – 'Nine Yard Sarees'. Prasanthi Ram, 32, debut work was published in late 2023.

146) Correct Answer: B

Fabindia announced its strategic collaboration with the Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MoMSME) under the Central Government's PM Vishwakarma Scheme. The PM Vishwakarma Scheme, a program initiated by the Government of India, seeks to empower traditional artisans across the country by providing them with financial support, skill development, and marketing assistance.

147) Correct Answer: C

JBM Auto's arm, JBM Ecolife Mobility said it has secured strategic funding of USD 100 million from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB). The newly infused fund will be used to supply and operate electric buses across multiple states in India under the Gross Cost Contract (GCC) model, implemented in a phased manner, it said.

148) Correct Answer: B

'Aditi', a GenAI-powered virtual relationship manager by Bank of Baroda, is designed for customer service by acting as a 24x7 virtual relationship manager to answer all customer queries. Available on the bank's web portal, Aditi supports audio, video, and chat-based interactions, offering round-the-clock banking services with multilingual support.

149) Correct Answer: D

PhonePe has partnered with Liquid Group to expand its merchant acceptance network in Singapore, allowing users to pay using UPI at various tourist locations. The partnership also enables Indian travellers to receive international remittances through UPI.

150) Correct Answer: B

On 15 November 2019, the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution proclaiming 18 September as International Equal Pay Day. The resolution was introduced by the Equal Pay International Coalition

(EPIC) with the support of Australia, Canada, Germany, New Zealand, Panama, South Africa and Switzerland. The

day is intended to promote further action towards the achievement of equal pay for work of equal value.

