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July 1st week Current Affairs MCQ

1. The Foundation day of the State Bank of India has been observed every year on 1st July. The bank was turned from the Imperial Bank of India to SBI in which among the following year?

- (a) 1945
- (b) 1960
- (c) 1955
- (d) 1950
- (e)1947

Answer: C

The oldest commercial bank in the country, State Bank of India, SBI, is celebrating its 66th year on 1st July 2021. SBI descends from the Bank of Calcutta founded in 1806 through the Imperial Bank of India. The Bank of Madras merged into the other two presidency banks, the bank of Calcutta and the bank of Bombay to form the Imperial Bank of India which in turn became the State Bank of India on this day in 1955.

SBI is an Indian Multinational, Public Sector Banking and Financial services statutory body headquartered in Mumbai.

2. Which among the following Country's defence system has unveiled a 5th generation long range, precision-guided missile system called Sea Breaker?

- (a) Russia
- (b) Israel
- (c) France

(d) US

(e) Japan

Answer: B

Israeli defence major Rafael Advanced Defense Systems unveiled Sea Breaker, a 5th generation long range, autonomous, precision-guided missile system meant to hit high-value maritime and land targets.

Described by the firm as a naval and artillery unit force-multiplier, Sea Breaker, which has stand-off ranges of up to 300 km, can be fired both from land and surface ships.

Though company sources said they would be offering the system to India in future with a possible Make in India initiative, the country already has a similar product, BrahMos, an Indo-Russia missile system.

3. Who among the following has been appointed as the new Revenue Board chairperson the Uttar Pradesh government?
(a)MukulSinghal
(b)Renuka Kumar
(c)DeveshChaturvedi
(d) Suresh Chandra
(e)Hithesh Gupta
Answer: A
In a late night announcement, the Uttar Pradesh government has elevated senior IAS officer
MukulSinghal as chairperson Revenue Board.

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Singhal was earlier posted as additional chief secretary (appointment and personnel) and member of Board of Revenue.

The 1986-batch IAS officer would replace top administrator Renuka Kumar who has moved to Delhi on deputation as secretary of the minority affairs ministry.

According to the state government notification, while senior IAS officer and ACS (agriculture) DeveshChaturvedi has been given additional charge of the appointment and personnel department, IAS officer Suresh Chandra, ACS (labour and employment) has been given additional charge of the planning department.

4. NITI Aayog'sAtal Innovation Mission has recently concluded its first fintech cohort of AIM-iLEAP to accelerate Tech Start-ups across India. What does P mean in LEAP?

- (a) Partnership
- (b) Participation
- (c) Program
- (d)Pioneering
- (e) Profitability

Answer: E

In a move to give a major push to tech startups across the country, Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog concluded its first fintech cohort of AIMiLEAP- an initiative to back tech start-ups with much-needed access to industry, markets and investors. The fintech cohort was done through a series of thematic virtual demo days organised AIM in partnership with StartupRéseau and Visa as part of AIM-iLEAP (Innovative leadership for entrepreneurial agility and profitability) initiative. After going through rigorous polishing, the start-ups showcased their solutions to various enterprises for market access and investors for funding via the inaugural virtual Demo Day on 30th June 2021. The Demo Day saw participation from a large number of corporates and investors. Fintech giants such as Visa, Paytmetc as well as big investors attended the program.

5. The National Doctors Day has been celebrated every year on July 1. It is celebrated on the remembrance of whom among the following?

- (a) Suresh H. Advani
- (b) Gopi Krishna Maddali
- (c) Ashok Rajgopal
- (d)Bidhan Chandra Roy
- (e)SandeepVaishya

Answer: D

India celebrates National Doctors' Day on July 1 every year to honour the birth and death anniversary of great physician and second chief minister of West Bengal, Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy. This day serves to show gratitude to all those doctors who have selflessly aided us in our time of need and tirelessly worked for the health of their patients.

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6. Which among the following state government has set up Vedic Shiksha and Sanskar Board to teach students how Vedic education is linked to Science and Yoga?

- (a) Rajasthan
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Odisha
- (e) Kerala

Answer: A

The government of Rajasthan has decided to set up Vedic Shiksha and Sanskar Board within 4-5 months to teach students how Vedic education is linked to Science and Yoga. Technical and Sanskrit Education Minister of Independent Charge, Dr SubhashGarg informed that a committee formed to look into the matter has submitted its report. "Rajasthan government is going to set up Vedic Shiksha and Sanskar Board within 4-5 months. The committee has submitted its report. We would teach students how Vedic education is linked to Science and Yoga," said Garg.

The decision comes amidst the ongoing tussle within the Congress government in Rajasthan.

7. How much financial assistance has been approved by the World Bank to support India's vast informal workforce and create greater flexibility for state governments to cope with the covid-19 pandemic?

(a) \$550 Million

- (b) \$400 Million
- (c) \$450 Million
- (d) \$500 Million
- (e) \$200 Million

Answer: D

The World Bank has approved a \$500 million programme to support India's vast informal workforce including gig workers, and create greater flexibility for state governments to cope with the covid-19 pandemic, and future climate and disaster shocks.

The funds, the World Bank said, will strengthen the capability of the central and state governments in India to respond to the needs of informal workers through a resilient and coordinated social protection system.

8. 'Operation Oliva' has been launched by the Coast Guard in Odisha coast. What does 'Operation Oliva' mean?

- (a) To prevent illegal smuggling
- (b) To intercept unlawful trawling
- (c) To control Oil spillage
- (d) To defeat enemies submarine
- (e) None of these

Answer: B

The Coast Guard has launched 'Operation Oliva' to intercept unlawful trawling activities along Odisha coast while embarking on its annual mission to ensure safe mid-sea sojourn of Olive Ridley turtles.

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"The Odisha government agencies have sought for our services in the turtle conservation programme. Accordingly the operation to keep watch and vigil on illegal fishing along the turtle concentration zone is presently going on in full swing," said Deupty Commandant (operation), Coast Guard Paradip, V Vijay.

9. K V Sampath Kumar an editor of which among the following newspaper has passed away recently?

- (a)VishvasyaVrutantam
- (b)Sudharm Sanskrit daily
- (c) Sanskrit dainik newspaper
- (d)Vishvasyavrutantamsanskrit newspaper
- (e) Sanskrit daily Sudharma

Answer: E

K V Sampath Kumar, editor of India's only Sanskrit daily Sudharma for the past 31 years, passed away following a heart attack. He was 64. Sudharma was founded by his father KalaleNadadurVaradarajalyengar, a renowned Sanskrit scholar from Mysuru, on July15,1970. After his death in 1990, Sampath Kumar and his wife VidushiJayalakshmi K S took over. 10.Abhimanyu Mishra became the youngest chess grandmaster in history after a victory in Budapest. He hails from which among the following place?

- (a) Florida
- (b) Pittsburgh
- (c) New Jersey
- (d) Pennsylvania
- (e) Toronto
- Answer: C

Abhimanyu Mishra became the youngest chess grandmaster in history. The 12-year-old player from New Jersey scored his third GM norm in Budapest, having already crossed the required 2500 Elo rating barrier.

Mishra spent several months in Budapest, Hungary playing back-to-back tournaments, chasing the title and the record. He scored both his first and second GM norms there, at the April Vezerkepzo tournament and the May 2021 First tournament, both round-robins of 10 players specially set up for scoring norms

July 2nd week Current Affairs MCQ

1. The International badminton tournament has won by Malvika Bansod after defeating Rachael Darragh of which among the following country?
(a) Ireland

(b) England

(c) US

(d) France
(e) Australia
Answer: A
India's Malvika Bansod defeated Rachael Darragh of Ireland in straight games to clinch the women's

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singles crown at the RSL Lithuanian International badminton tournament here.

The third seeded Indian beatfourth seed Darragh 21-14 21-11 in the summit clash . Malvika, who reached the quarterfinals of the Austrian Open last month, had earlier defeated France's Anna Tatranova 21-13 21-10 to enter the women's singles final.

2. Which among the following country's President has recently assassinated by armed Gunmen at his residence?

(a) Honduras

- (b) Puerto Rico
- (c) The Bahamas
- (d) Haiti
- (e) Cuba

Answer: D

A squad of gunmen assassinated Haitian President Jovenel Moïse and wounded his wife in an overnight raid on their home, and police later said they had shot dead four suspects and arrested two others, inflicting more chaos on the poorest country in the Americas.

Three police officers held hostage by the suspected gunmen were freed, said Léon Charles, chief of Haiti's National Police.

3. In the recent appointment of 43 Ministers, who among the following has been appointed as the Ministry of Textiles?

- (a) Mansukh Mandaviya
- (b) Piyush Goyal
- (c) Aswhini Vaishnaw
- (d) Smriti Irani
- (e) Hardeep Singh Puri

Answer: B

In the biggest revamp of the Union Cabinet during the second term of the Narendra Modi government, as many as 43 members, including old and new ministers, were sworn.

Senior BJP leader and Union Home Minister Amit Shah is now the new head of the newly formed Ministry of Cooperation. -Mansukh Mandaviya is the Health Ministry and the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers.

Amit Shah has been given charge of the newlycreated Ministry of Co-operation. Shah will also handle the Home Ministry.Dharmendra Pradhan will take charge as Minister for Education, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Aswhini Vaishnaw is now Union Minister for Information Technology (IT) and Railways. Union Minister for Commerce Piyush Goyal is being given additional charge of the Ministry of Textiles. He also holds additional charge of the ministries of Consumer Affairs and Food and Public Distribution. Hardeep Singh Puri has been given charge of the ministries of Urban Housing and Petroleum.Jyotiraditya Scindia has been made Minister of Civil Aviation. Smriti Irani will be the

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minister in charge of the Ministry of Women and Child Development (WCD).

Anurag Thakur has been given charge of the Ministry of Sports and Youth Development, along with the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. Pashupati Paras is now Minister for Food Processing. Giriraj Singh will take charge of the Ministry of Rural Development.

Bhupender Yadav has been given charge of the Labour Ministry and Ministry of Environment and Forests.

4. Dilip Kumar has been passed a way recently. He as sociated with which among the following field?

- (a) Politics
- (b) Journalism
- (c) Film
- (d) Sports
- (e) None of these

Answer: C

Veteran actor Dilip Kumar has died at the age of 98. He leaves behind a legacy of films that spanned six decades, and gave Hindi cinema some of its most enduring classics.

Born Mohammed Yusuf Khan, Dilip Kumar debuted as an actor in the film Jwar Bhata (1944). In a career spanning over five decades, he worked in over 65 films. He is known for roles in films such as the romantic Andaz (1949), the swashbuckling Aan (1952), the social drama Daag (1952), the dramatic Devdas (1955), the comical Azaad (1955), the epic historical Mughal-e-Azam (1960), the social dacoit crime drama Gunga Jamuna (1961), and the comedy Ram Aur Shyam (1967).

5. The Humboldt Research Award for Economics has been conferred to Kaushik Basu by Professor Dr Hans-Bernd Schäfer of Bucerius Law School of which country?

- (a) Italy
- (b) England
- (c) US
- (d) France
- (e) Germany

Answer: E

Indian economist Kaushik Basu has been awarded the Humboldt Research Award for Economics. The award was conferred on him by Professor Dr Hans-Bernd Schäfer of Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, Germany.

A former chief economist of the World Bank, Basu is currently a professor of Economics at Cornell University. He also served as the Government of India's chief economic advisor from 2009 to 2012. Basu is also a recipient of the Padma Bhushan, the third-highest civilian award in India.

6. Who among the following minister would be the brand ambassador of Khadi Prakritik Paint to encourage young entrepreneurs to take up the manufacturing of the cow dung paint?
(a) Nitin Gadkari

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(b) Amit Shah

(c) Nirmala Sitharaman

(d) Smiti Irani

(e) Narendra Modi

Answer: A

Union MSME Minister Nitin Gadkari said he would be the brand ambassador of Khadi Prakritik Paint and would promote it across the country so as to encourage young entrepreneurs to take up the manufacturing of the cow dung paint.

The new plant has been set up in the campus of Kumarappa National Handmade Paper Institute, Jaipur. Commissioning of the new unit will double the production capacity of the paint.

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- (a) Aswhini Vaishnaw
- (b) Anurag Thakur
- (c) Bhupender Yadav
- (d) Jyotiraditya Scindia
- (e) Pashupati Paras

Answer: D

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Aviation.



8. A new book titled "The Light of Asia" has been authored by Jairam Ramesh. It is a biography of whom among the following?

- (a) Sai Baba
- (b) Buddha
- (c) Dalai Lama
- (d) Bodhi Dharma
- (e) Mahavir

Answer: B

A new book titled "The Light of Asia" authored by Jairam Ramesh is a biography of an epic bio-poem on the Buddha. Ramesh, the author, Member of Parliament, former Union Minister, and Congress leader, digs deep in his new book to bring out the fascinating story behind the epic 1879 poem, "The Light of Asia" by Sir Edwin Arnold, that took the world by storm and in some ways, brought the Buddha's story to the world at the turn of the last century.

9. Which among the following organisation has confirmed that Antarctica has logged temperatures up to 18.3 degrees Celsius, a new maximum temperature record for the region?
(a) UNEP

(b) IPCC (c) WMO

- (d) IMO
- (e) UNESCO

Antarctica logged temperatures up to 18.3 degrees Celsius (64.9 degrees Fahrenheit), a new maximum temperature record for the region, on February 6 earlier this year, the United Nations World Meteorological Organization (UN WMO) has confirmed.

With this, Antarctica has now become one of the fastest-warming regions in the world -- registering a rise of almost three degrees Celsius in the last 50 years, WMO secretary-general Petteri Taalas.

10. Keshav Datt has passed away recently. He belonged to which among the following sports?

- (a) Football
- (b) Golf
- (c) Tennis
- (d) Wrestling
- (e) Hockey

Answer: E

Two-time Olympic gold medallist in hockey, Keshav Datt, died due to age-related ailments. Datt was 95. The former centre halfback died around 12.30 am at his residence in Santoshpur, Kolkata.

Datt had donned the national jersey in the 1948 London Games, where India won the first gold post-Independence, and the former centre halfback won his second Olympic gold in Helsinki 1952.

Answer: C



July 3rd week Current Affairs MCQ

1. Recently, Bandaru Dattareya sworn in as the 18th governor of Haryana. He succeeded whom among the following?

(a)Satyadeo Narain Arya

(b)Manohar Lal Khattar

(c)BD Mishra

(d)Jagdish Mukhi

(e)JB Patnaik

Answer: A

Former Union minister Bandaru Dattatreya sworn in as the 18th governor of Haryana.

Dattatreya was administered the oath of office by Punjab and Haryana High Court Chief Justice Ravi Shanker Jha.

He was the minister of state for labour and employment in the NDA government headed by Narendra Modi in 2014 and was also part of the Atal Bihari Vajpayee cabinet earlier.

Dattatreya was governor of Himachal Pradesh. He succeeds Satyadeo Narain Arya.

2. In July, 2021, Government of Haryana has set up India's first-ever 'Grain ATM' as a pilot project in which of the following districts of the state?
(a)Faridabad
(b)Gurugram
(c)Ambala
(d)Karnal
(e)Panipat
Answer: B The Haryana government has set up India's firstever 'Grain ATM' as a pilot project in Gurugram. The newly installed machines can dispense approximately 70 kg of grains in five to seven minutes' time.

It is installed under the 'World Food Programme' of the United Nation.

It aims to provide relief to the consumers who wait in long queues to get the ration.

Three types of grains - wheat, rice, and millet can be distributed through this machine.

3. Recently, RBI cancelled the license of Dr Shivajirao Patil Nilangekar Urban Co-operative Bank due to inadequate capital. The bank is based in which district of Maharashtra? (a)Solapur (b)Thane (c)Latur (d)Aurangabad (e)Bhandara Answer: C The Reserve Bank of India cancelled the license of Dr Shivajirao Patil Nilangekar Urban Co-operative Bank Ltd, Nilanga, Latur, as it does not have adequate capital and earning prospects and as

such, it does not comply with the provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.

The Maharashtra-based bank with its current financial position would be unable to pay its

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depositors in full, the central bank said while announcing the cancellation of its licence. The bank ceases to carry on banking business, with effect from the close of business.

4. Name the airport from where India's First pod taxi service will be operated.

- (a) Jewar Airport
- (b)Rajkot Airport
- (c)Purandar Airport
- (d)Sindhudurg Airport
- (e)Kalyani Airport

Answer: A

Indian Port Rail and Ropeway Corporation Ltd (IPRCL) has prepared a Detailed Project Report or DPR for the pod taxi service between Noida Airport at Jewar and Film City.

This is a 14 km stretch.

This will be India's first pod taxi service.

Pod taxis can accommodate four to six passengers per car.

There are plans to run a driverless taxi between the two destinations.

5. In July, 2021, PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the International Cooperation and Convention Centre, 'Rudrakash'. The Center is located in which of the following States?

(a)Gujarat

- (b)Rajasthan
- (c)Uttar Pradesh

(d)Odisha

(e)Maharashtra

Answer: C

PM inaugurated & laid foundation stones of multiple development projects in Varanasi worth more than ₹1500 cr. at IIT-BHU.

He also inaugurated the International Cooperation and Convention Centre, 'Rudrakash', which has been constructed with Japanese assistance. PM inaugurated projects worth around ₹744 cr. & laid foundation stones of several projects & public works worth ₹839 cr

Varanasi is the PM's constituency.

6. As per UNICEF, Which country has the highest number of under-vaccinated or unvaccinated children worldwide? (a)South Africa (b)China (c)India (d)Bangladesh (e)Pakistan Answer: C India has the highest number of under-vaccinated or

unvaccinated children worldwide at 3.5 million, an increase of 1.4 million from 2019, amid the pandemic outbreak.

It also noted that over 3 mn zero-dose children in 2020 lived in India.

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At nearly 4.4 million, South Asia recorded the highest number of children having failed to receive routine vaccination in the past 10 years. Just 10 countries account for 62% of all under- or unvaccinated children globally.

7. Which edition of BRICS Labour & Employment Ministers' Meeting was chaired by the Union Minister for Labour Employment Bhupendra Yadav in July 2021?

(a)5th

(b)7th

(c)9th

(d)4th

(e)3rd

Answer: B

Minister for Labour Employment Bhupender Yadav chaired the 7th BRICS Labour & Employment Ministers' Meeting under India's Presidency. Discussion on 4 priority areas of cooperation took place viz., Promoting Social Security Agreements amongst BRICS Nations; Formalisation of Labour Markets; Participation of Women in Labour Force; & Gig & Platform Workers: Role in Labour Market. Significant aspect of the meeting was adoption of BRICS Labour Ministers' Declaration.

8. 'Mathrukavacham', a covid vaccination campaign to vaccinate all pregnant women has been launched by which among the following state?
(a)Andhra Pradesh (b)Tamil Nadu
(c)Telangana
(d)Kerala
(e)Karnataka
Answer: D
The Kerala government's campaign
'mathrukavacham' to vaccinate all the pregnant
women in the state against COVID-19 infection was
inaugurated at the district level recently.
Spot registrations for vaccination of pregnant
women would be carried out at various government
hospitals.
Pregnant women can receive the COVID vaccine at

any time during their pregnancy.

The special vaccination drive comes as a strong defense to protect pregnant women.

9. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh recently launched an Artificial Intelligence powered grievance management application in New Delhi. The system was developed by which of the following IIT's?
(a) IIT Pune
(b) IIT Delhi
(c) IIT Kanpur
(d) IIT Ropar
(e) IIT Roorkee
Answer: C
Defence Minister Rajnath Singh launched an Artificial Intelligence (AI) powered grievance management application in New Delhi.



The system was developed by the Ministry of Defence with the cooperation of IIT-Kanpur. This is the 1st AI-based system developed to improve grievance redressal in the Government. The system can identify repeat complaints or spam automatically.

10. How much amount has been approved by the cabinet to provide subsidies to Indian shipping companies in global tenders floated by ministries and CPSEs for import of government cargo?

(a)1524 crores

- (b)1624 crores
- (c)1264 crores
- (d)1364 crores
- (e)1024 crores
- Answer: B

The Union Cabinet approved a scheme to provide Rs 1,624 crore over 5 years as a subsidy to Indian shipping companies in global tenders floated by ministries and CPSEs for the import of government cargo.

The subsidy support would be extended only to those ships which have bagged the award after the implementation of the scheme & ships older than 20 years would not be eligible.

Currently, the Indian fleet comprises a meagre 1.2% of the world fleet in terms of capacity.

The share of Indian ships in the carriage of India's EXIM trade has drastically declined from 40.7% in 1987-88 to about 7.8% in 2018-19.

July 4th week Current Affairs MCQ

1.Which bank has launched a loan scheme titled 'Bank Samagra' for the infrastructure development of Primary Agricultural Credit Cooperatives (PACS)?
(a)Bank of Maharashtra
(b)Kerala Bank
(c)Shivalik Mercantile Bank
(d)Equitas Small Finance Bank
(e)Indian Bank
Answer: B
Kerala Bank has launched a loan scheme titled
'Kerala Bank Samagra' for the infrastructure

development of Primary Agricultural Credit Cooperatives (PACS). The comprehensive loan scheme was devised to help PACS create job opportunities in rural areas and overcome the Covid crisis. About Kerala Bank Headquarters: Thiruvananthapuram CEO: Shr. PS Rajan

2. Folk music legend Fakir Alamgir passed away recently. He belonged to which country?

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(a)Bangladesh

(b)Pakistan

(c)Nepal

(d)India

(e)Bhutan

Answer: A

Folk music legend and freedom fighter Fakir Alamgir passed away in Dhaka. He was suffering from Coronavirus infection and suffered a heart attack. He was 71.

Singer, musician and songwriter, Fakir Alamgir was a leading exponent of Gono Sangeet or songs of the masses.

He was known as a leading voice for the weaker sections of society.

3. Which of the following insurance companies
announced the launch of Optima Secure, a new
health indemnity-based health insurance product?
(a) Aegon Life Insurance
(b) HDFC Ergo General Insurance
(c) Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance
(d) Bharti AXA Life Insurance
(e) Edelweiss Tokio Life Insurance

HDFC ERGO General Insurance announced the launch of Optima Secure, a new health indemnity insurance product that seeks to redefine the value customers can get from their insurance plan. According to the HDFC ERGO, the product has the "secure, plus, protect, and restore benefits built-in", which combine to offer customers up to four times their sum insured at no additional charge, while guaranteeing coverage for listed non-medical expenses.

4. Which bank has announced a strategic alliance with SMC Global Securities Limited for offering online trading services to customers?
(a)Andhra Bank
(b)Dena Bank
(c)Vijaya Bank
(d)Dhanlaxmi Bank
(e)Federal Bank
Answer: D

The Dhanlaxmi bank announced a strategic alliance with SMC Global Securities Limited for offering online trading services to customers.

The tie-up will offer an integrated 3-in-1 account, comprising a Savings, Demat and Trading account providing a hassle free and convenient trading experience to the Dhanlaxmi Bank customers through the portal "www.smctradeonline.com apart from mobile trading app (SMC ACE) and desktop based software

5. The Bangladesh government is working to develop a social media platform alternative to Facebook.
What is the name of the platform?
(a) Jogajog
(b) Alapan
(c) Douban

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(d)Sina weibo

(e)Tehreek

Answer: A

The Bangladesh government is working to develop a social media platform named 'Jogajog' as an alternative to Facebook.

The platform will help the local entrepreneurs to create their own marketplace for sharing information and data without depending on any foreign platform. The government is also working to develop a communication app 'Alapan' as an alternative to Whatsapp.

Zunaid Ahmed Palak said that the government also plans to develop a streaming app as an alternative to YouTube so that the huge outflow of money due to advertisements from the country could be stopped.

6. Recently a report on 'Renewable Integration in India 2021' was released. The report was launched by which among the following agencies?
(a) NITI Aayog
(b) International Energy Agency
(c) UNEP
(d) IRENA
(e) Both a & b
Answer: E
A report on "Renewables Integration in India 2021"
was jointly launched by Dr. Rakesh Sarwal, Additional Secretary, NITI Aayog & Keisuke Sadamori, Director of Energy Markets and Security, IEA on 22nd July, 2021.

The report is based on the outcome of three states workshops held with the Governments of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat to understand the specific energy transition challenges faced by these renewable-rich states.

The report uses IEA modelling results to show the effects of different flexibility options on the power system.

7. Income Tax Department celebrates July 24 as the Income tax day. When was the first authority to administer income tax in India created?

- (a)1850
- (b)1860
- (c)1870
- (d)1880
- (e)1890

Answer: B

The Income Tax department marked 24th July 2021 as the 160th Income Tax Day or Aaykar Diwas. July 24 has been celebrated as the Income Tax day in India since 2010.

The I-T department decided in 2010 to mark July 24 as the day for the annual celebration to mark 150 years of this levy from that year onwards. Income tax was first levied as a duty in the year 1860 and the authority to levy that duty came into force on July 24 of that year.

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8. World's first 3D-printed steel bridge was opened to the public in July 2021. Where is the Bridge located?(a)London

(b)Paris

(c)Amsterdam

(d)Tokyo

(e)Shanghai

Answer: C

The world's first 3D-printed steel bridge was opened to the public in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

It was developed by MX3D, a Dutch robotics company, in collaboration with a consortium of experts, and represents a major milestone for 3Dprinting technology.

After four years of development, the bridge was unveiled by Her Majesty Queen Máxima of the Netherlands.

It was installed over one of the oldest canals in Amsterdam's city centre – the Oudezids Achterburgwal.

9. Recently the Union government approved a Rs
6322 crore production-linked incentive scheme for speciality steel. What will be the duration of the scheme?
(a)3 years
(b)4 years
(c)5 years

(d)7 years

(e)10 years

Answer: C

The government approved a Rs 6,322-crore production linked incentive (PLI) scheme to boost the production of speciality steel in India. It will boost manufacturing and help in reducing imports.

The scheme will also attract an additional investment of about Rs 40,000 crore and lead to a capacity addition of 25 million tonnes (MT).

The duration of the scheme will be five years, from 2023-24 to 2027-28.

The PLI scheme will cover coated/plated steel products, high strength/wear resistant steel, specialty rails, alloy steel products, steel wires and electrical steel.

10.World Bank has approved a loan of 125 million dollars to support which state against natural disasters, climate change impacts, disease outbreaks, and pandemics? (a)Kerala (b)Karnataka (c)Andhra Pradesh (d)Uttarakhand (e)Himachal Pradesh

Answer: A

The World Bank Board of Executive Directors has approved a \$125 million program to support Kerala's preparedness against natural disasters, climate change impacts, disease outbreaks, and pandemics. The Resilient Kerala Program will focus on two key areas.



The program is part of a programmatic series of Bank-financed operations in the state.

The program will be state-wide and in the Pamba

River Basin, Kerala will test a multisectoral approach

in Idukki, Kottayam, Pathanamthitta, and Alappuzha districts.