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Aparchit Super Current Affairs MCQ with facts– 21 July 2022 By APARCHIT EXAM WARRIORS/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. What is the rank of India in Henley Passport Index, released for Q3 of the year 2022?

- A) 86
- B) 83
- C) 85
- D) 87

Answer : D

- ✓ India is ranked at 87th spot among 199 countries, in the latest Henley Passport Index, which shows the list of the World's Most Powerful Passports for the Q3 of the year 2022.
- ✓ The Indian passport has visa-free access to 60 destinations worldwide.
- ✓ Japan has topped the list for having the world's most powerful passport, providing visa-free access to 193 nations.
- ✓ It is followed by Singapore and South Korea at joint second position with access to 192 nations.
- ✓ Afghanistan has world's least powerful passports, with visa-free score of 27.
- ✓ Henley Passport Index
- ✓ The Henley Passport Index, is published quarterly by global immigration consultant firm Henley & Partners since 2005.
- ✓ The index ranks the passports of countries according to the number of destinations their holders can visit without a prior visa.
- ✓ The rankings are based on the analysis of data provided by the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

Q.2. Which country has topped the Henley Passport Index for Q3 of the year 2022?

- A) Japan and Singapore
- B) Singapore and South Korea
- C) South Korea and Germany
- D) Only Japan

Answer : D



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DBS BANK IN NEWS

- DBS has been recognised as the 'World's Best SME Bank' by the leading UK-based financial publication Euromoney.
- DBS Bank tie-up with SWIFT to launch real-time cross-border payment tracking.
- DBS has been honoured as the global winner for Most Innovative in Digital Banking.
- DBS has partnered with Temasek to launch a \$500 million growth stage debt financing platform named 'EvolutionX' Debt Capital.
- DBS tops Forbes 'World's Best Banks' list in India.
- DBS was named 'Safest Bank in Asia'.
- DBS Bank Global Finance's pick for 'Best Bank in the World' .
- Cabinet approves RBI's proposal to merge Lakshmi Vilas Bank with DBS Bank.
- Development Bank of Singapore (DBS) BANK

Founded : 1968

Headquarteres : Singapore

Chairman : Peter Seah

CEO : Piyush Gupta

Q.4. India has signed a pact with which country for the reintroduction of cheetahs?

A) Namibia

B) Gambia

C) Botswana

D) South Africa

Answer : A

- ✓ The Government of India has signed a crucial memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Namibia on July 20, 2022 for the reintroduction of cheetahs, which were declared extinct in India in 1952.
- ✓ The first batch of cheetahs, comprising four male and four female cheetahs are scheduled to come from Namibia in August 2022.
- ✓ These cheetahs will be stationed in the Kuno-Palpur National Park (KNP) in Madhya Pradesh. It is located in the Sheopur district of Madhya Pradesh. Kuno River, one of the major tributaries of Chambal River.



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- ✓ Under the pact, India and Namibia will share and exchange expertise and capacities to promote cheetah conservation in their ranges.
- ✓ Cheetahs are the fastest land animal in the world and Namibia has the world's largest population of cheetahs
- ✓ Asiatic cheetah was declared extinct in India in 1952.
- ✓ IUCN Status Vulnerable (African Cheetah)
- ✓ IUCN Status Critically Endangered (Asiatic Cheetah).
- ✓ The cheetah is also the world's fastest land mammal that lives in Africa and Asia
- ✓ Namibia
 - Capital : Windhoek
 - Currency : Dollar and Rand
 - President : Hage Geingob
 - Prime Minister : Saara Kuugongelwa

Q.5. NITI Aayog has joined hands with which organization to launch the Mapping and Exchange of Good Practices initiative for mainstreaming millets in Asia and Africa?

- A) United Nations (UN) B) World Economic Forum (WEF)
C) World Food Programme (WFP) D) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Answer : C

- ✓ NITI Aayog and the World Food Programme (WFP), India, will launch the 'Mapping and Exchange of Good Practices' initiative for mainstreaming millets in Asia and Africa.
- ✓ NITI and WFP will prepare a compendium of good practices for scaling up the production and consumption of millets in India and abroad.
- ✓ Through this move India is now looking to raise output and branding of "India-grown" millets to drive exports and tap into a growing global market.
- ✓ UN's declaration of 2023 as the International Year of Millets.
- ✓ The WFP is the world's largest humanitarian organization, saving lives in emergencies and using food assistance to build a pathway to peace, stability and prosperity for people recovering from conflict, disasters and the impact of climate change.
- ✓ Founded in 1961, it is headquartered in Rome.
- ✓ World Food Programme (WFP)



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Founded : 1961

Headquarters : Rome, Italy

Director General : David Beasley

World Food Programme (WFP) wins Nobel Peace Prize 2020.

NITI AAYOG IN NEWS 2021-22

- NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman Shri Suman Bery, released the 2021 India Innovation Index on July 21, 2022.
- Karnataka has topped the index in the 'Major States' category.
- Manipur has topped under the 'North East and Hill States' category.
- Chandigarh is the top performer in the 'Union Territories and City States' category.
- A report titled "India's Booming Gig and Platform Economy" was released by NITI Aayog.
- Amitabh Kant, former CEO of NITI Aayog, to serve as new G-20 Sherpa.
- NITI Aayog and World Food Programme (WFP) to Launch Initiative on Mainstreaming Millets in Asia and Africa.
- Parameswaran Iyer appointed as CEO of NITI Aayog.
- National Data and Analytics Platform launched by NITI Aayog.
- NITI Aayog released draft battery swapping policy 2022.
- Dr. Suman K Bery has been appointed new Vice Chairperson of NITI Aayog
- NITI Aayog's releases Export Preparedness Index 2021, Gujarat again tops.
- NITI Aayog released draft battery swapping policy 2022.
- Rajiv Kumar, Niti Aayog's vice chairman resigns from his post
- NITI Aayog is in the process to develop a National Gender Index
- NITI Aayog and UNICEF India collaborated to develop India's first report on State of India's Children.
- NITI Aayog has launched the State Energy & Climate Index (SECI) Round I; Gujarat tops.
- NITI Aayog and USAID announces tie-up under SAMRIDH initiative.
- NITI Aayog, in collaboration with PhonePe, AWS and EY, has organized a three-week-long virtual summit, 'Fintech Open', from 7-28 February.
- NITI Aayog & RMI India releases report 'Banking on Electric Vehicles in India'.



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- NITI Aayog tie-up with UN WFP to diversify food basket.
- NITI Aayog launched the 'e-Sawaari India Electric Bus Coalition'.
- NITI Aayog and Bharti Foundation announce the launch of 'Convoke 2021-22'.
- NITI Aayog to establish 1,000 Atal Tinkering Labs in J&K.
- NITI Aayog has released the fourth edition of the State Health Index for 2019–20; Kerala Tops.
- NITI Aayog released the report 'Designing the Future of Dispute Resolution: The ODR Policy Plan for India'.
- Niti Aayog's Poverty Index: Bihar poorest in multidimensional poverty.
- NITI Aayog (National Institution for Transforming India)

Founded : 1st January 2015

Preceding : Planning Commission (15th March 1950)

Headquarters : New Delhi

Chairperson : Narendra Modi

Vice Chairperson : Suman K Bery

CEO : Parameswaran Iyer

NITI Aayog comes under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Q.6. Who has become the world's 4th richest person as per Real-Time billionaires Index 2022?

A) Warren Buffett

B) Larry Page

C) Mukesh Ambani

D) Gautam Adani

Answer : D

- ✓ As per the Forbes Real-Time Billionaires List, the India's richest person, Gautam Adani has now also become the fourth richest person in the world, leaving behind Microsoft founder Bill Gates.
- ✓ This increment came as Gates has announced that he would be donating \$20 billion of his wealth to his non-profit organisation — Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
- ✓ Following this, the wealth of Gautam Adani and Family stands at \$115.6 billion, which is around \$11 billion more than Bill Gates, whose fortune stands at \$104.2 billion.
- ✓ Meanwhile, India's Reliance Industries' (RIL) Mukesh Ambani sits at tenth spot on the Forbes Real time billionaires list with net worth of of \$88 billion.



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- ✓ The top three richest business tycoons in the world are
 1. Tesla CEO Elon Musk – \$234.4 billion
 2. Bernard Arnault – \$154.9 billion
 3. Amazon chief Jeff Bezos – \$143.9 billion

Q.7. Who is the richest person in the world as per Real-Time billionaires Index 2022?

- A) Elon Musk
- B) Jeff Bezos
- C) Bernard Arnault
- D) Bill Gates

Answer : A

Q.8. Who has been elected as the new President of Sri Lanka?

- A) Maithripala Sirisena
- B) Sarath Fonseka
- C) Chamal Rajapaksa
- D) Ranil Wickremesinghe

Answer : D

- ✓ Veteran Sri Lankan politician and six-time Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe has been elected as the ninth President of the Island nation by the Parliament.
- ✓ Wickremesinghe secured 134 votes in the presidential election by the 225-member parliament on July 20, 2022.
- ✓ The 73-year-old Wickremesinghe will serve the remaining term of former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, which ends in 2024.

SRI LANKA IN NEWS 2021-22

- Ranil Wickremesinghe elected as 9th President of Sri Lanka.
- Ranil Wickremesinghe has resigned as the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka.
- Australian government announces \$50 million support for crisis-hit Sri Lanka.
- India extended \$55 million credit line to Sri Lanka for fertiliser imports.
- UN to grant humanitarian assistance of \$48 million to Sri Lanka amid crisis.
- World Bank provided USD 600 million in financial assistance to Sri Lanka to make payments for essential imports.
- India will provide an additional \$500 million financial assistance to Sri Lanka to buy fuel as the latter is facing worst financial crisis.



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- Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually attends 5th BIMSTEC Summit.
- The Summit was hosted by the Government of Sri Lanka.
- Asia cup 2022 to commence from August 27 in Sri Lanka.
- Sri Lanka receives a US\$1 billion line of credit from India to assist pay for crucial imports.
- 9th India-Sri Lanka Bilateral Maritime Exercise SLINEX begins Visakhapatnam.
- India has agreed to provide a grant to Sri Lanka to implement a 'Unitary Digital Identity framework', apparently modelled on the Aadhaar card.
- Exim Bank extends a \$500 million credit line to Sri Lanka for financing the purchase of petroleum products.
- India has announced financial assistance of USD 900 million loans to Sri Lanka.
- Government of Sri Lanka has sought a USD 500 million credit line from India to pay for its crude oil purchases.
- 15th edition of the Maldives, India, and Sri Lanka biennial Trilateral Exercise 'Dosti' was conducted in the Maldives.
- World's largest star sapphire cluster has been found in Ratnapura, Srilanka.
- Sri Lanka has declared a state of emergency as the food crisis.
- SRI LANKA
 - Capital : Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte (legislative)
 - Colombo (executive and judicial)
 - Currency : Rupee
 - President : Ranil Wickremesinghe
- Mitra Shakti Military Exercise : India and Sri Lanka
- Slinex Navel Exercise : India and Sri Lanka
- Parliament : parliamenthua (225 seats)
- National day : 4 February 1948
- Anthem: "Sri Lanka Matha"
- National Flower : Blue water lily
- National Tree : Ironwood
- National Fruit : Jackfruit
- National Bird : Ceylon (Jungle Fowl)



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National Game : Volleyball

Q.9. The 2028 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games will be hosted in ____.

- A) Moscow, Russia B) Beijing, China
C) New York, United States D) Los Angeles, United States

Answer : D

- ✓ The 2028 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games will be hosted in Los Angeles, United States.
- ✓ The opening ceremony for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics will take place on July 14, 2028 and continue till July 30.
- ✓ Meanwhile, the Paralympic Games will begin in Los Angeles on August 15, 2028, and end on August 27.
- ✓ This will be the first time that Los Angeles will be hosting the Paralympic Games.
- ✓ However, Los Angeles has previously hosted the Olympics in 1984 and 1932.
- ✓ It must be noted that the 2024 Summer Olympic Games will be held in Paris, France
- ✓ The City of Angels hosted the 1932 Summer Games and the 1984 Summer Games, making this the third time it will be a summer host. Los Angeles is actually the third city to host the Games three times.
- ✓ Paris will become the second city to host the Olympics three times, after London (1908, 1948, and 2012).
- ✓ UPCOMING OLYMPICS
- ✓ SUMMER OLYMPICS GAMES
 - 2020 : Tokyo, Japan
 - 2024 : Paris, France
 - 2028 : Los Angeles, US
 - 2032 : Brisbane, Australia
 - 2048 : New Delhi, India
- ✓ WINTER OLYMPICS GAMES
 - 2022 : Beijing, China
 - 2026 : Milan & Cortina, Italy
- ✓ SUMMER YOUTH OLYMPICS



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2024 : Gangwon Province, South Korea

2026 : Dakar, Senegal

✓ SUMMER PARALYMPIC GAMES

2032 : Brisbane, Australia

Q.10. Which social application new payments feature lets users buy products via direct messages?

A) Twitter

B) Telegram

C) Instagram

D) Snapchat

Answer : C

- ✓ Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg announced that the company is launching a new “payments in chat” feature on Instagram.
- ✓ Meta announced a new payments feature on Instagram that lets users purchase products and track orders through direct messages (DMs). The company extends in-app chat support to users. The company introduced the ability to shop in 2020.
- ✓ According to Meta, every week, one billion people message businesses across Instagram, Facebook and WhatsApp.
- ✓ Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg said, “You can now buy products from small businesses and track your order in chat on Instagram in the US.” Based on the screenshot Meta has shared, small business owners can request payment when a buyer places an order.

Q.11. Who has taken over as the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) ethics officer and ombudsman?

A) Uday Lalit

B) N. V. Ramana

C) Ranjan Gogoi

D) Vineet Saran

Answer : D

- ✓ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has appointed retired Supreme Court judge Justice "Vineet Saran" as the ombudsman and ethics officer.
- ✓ Sources in the BCCI have confirmed to Sportstar that Justice Saran, who retired in May this year, has already taken charge, even though the Board’s website does not mention anything about the appointment yet.



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- ✓ The position has been lying vacant for more than a year after Justice (retired) DK Jain's tenure ended in June, 2021
- ✓ Justice Saran enrolled as an advocate with the Uttar Pradesh Bar Council in 1980 and started his practice in the High Court of Allahabad in 1980 and continued till February 2002
- ✓ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
Founded : 1928
Headquarters : Wankhede Stadium
1st President : R E Grant Govan
39th President : Saurav Ganguly
Vice president : Rajeev Shukla
Secretary : Jay Shah
Men's coach : Rahul Dravid
Women's coach : Ramesh Powar

Q.12. Which country will host Asian Games in 2023?

- A) Japan
- B) China
- C) Qatar
- D) Saudi Arabia

Answer : B

- ✓ The postponed 19th edition of Asian Games will be held in Hangzhou, China from September 23-October 8, 2023.
- ✓ This was announced by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) on July 19, 2022.
- ✓ The Asian Games were originally scheduled to be hosted by Hangzhou from September 10-25, 2022.
- ✓ They were postponed by the OCA Executive Board (EB) on May 6, 2022.
- ✓ The first edition of the Asian Games was held in New Delhi in March 1951.
- ✓ India has hosted the Asian Games twice, that is in 1951 and in 1982.
- ✓ LIST OF HOST COUNTRY ASIAN GAMES.
- ✓ 1st Asian games 1951 : New Delhi
- ✓ 9th edition 1982 : New Delhi
- ✓ 18th edition 2018 : Palembang, Indonesia, Jakarta
- ✓ 19th edition 2023 : Hangzhou, China
- ✓ 20th edition 2026 : Nagoya, Japan



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- ✓ 21st edition 2030 : Doha, Qatar
- ✓ 22nd edition 2034 : Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Q.13. Who became the first Indian to win gold medal in the men's skeet shooting event at 2022 ISSF World Cup in Changwon, South Korea?

- A) Vijayveer Sidhu B) Dhanush Srikanth
C) Mairaj Ahmed Khan D) Saurabh Chaudhary

Answer : C

- ✓ Mairaj Ahmed Khan, a 46-year-old, Indian shooter scripted history on July 18, 2022 as he became the first Indian to win gold medal in the men's skeet shooting event at 2022 ISSF World Cup in Changwon, South Korea.
- ✓ Mairaj shot 37 in the 40-shot final.
- ✓ Korea's Minsu Kim and Britain's Ben Llewellyn won the silver and bronze respectively.
- ✓ He is the oldest member of India's shooting contingent at the Changwon World Cup.
- ✓ The two-time Olympian, Mairaj, hails from Aligarh district of Uttar Pradesh

Q.14. Which is the first Indian state to connect all commercial vehicles equipped with Tracking Device with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)?

- A) Punjab B) Gujarat
C) Bihar D) Himachal Pradesh

Answer : D

- ✓ Himachal Pradesh has become the first state in the country to connect all registered commercial vehicles equipped with Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS). Now these vehicles can be tracked anywhere in the country through VLTD

Q.15. Name the author of the book "Beyond The Misty Veil: Temple Tales of Uttarakhand"?

- A) Shashi Deshpande B) Kiran Desai
C) Anita Desai D) Aradhana Johri

Answer : D

- ✓ Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami recently unveiled a book titled "Beyond The Misty Veil: Temple Tales of Uttarakhand".



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- ✓ The book has been written by retired senior IAS officer, Aradhana Johri.
- ✓ Beyond The Misty Veil talks about several shrines in Uttarakhand and outlines their history

Q.16. 13th Petersberg Climate Dialogue has hosted in which city?

- A) Berlin
- B) Paris
- C) Tokyo
- D) Stockholm

Answer : A

- ✓ The 13th Petersberg Climate Dialogue began yesterday in Berlin. The two-day informal ministerial meet is being chaired by Germany and Egypt, hosts of this year's annual climate meet (COP-27).
- ✓ The informal ministerial meet proposes to build consensus and provide political direction to resolve divergences aimed at improving implementation of climate action, the core goal of COP-27

Q.17. Who has been appointed as the executive director of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)?

- A) Arun P. Sathe
- B) Tapan Ray
- C) S. Raman
- D) Pramod Rao

Answer : D

- ✓ Pramod Rao on 19 July 2022 took charge as executive director of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- ✓ He will handle the Department of Debt and Hybrid Securities (DDHS) and Enquiry and Adjudication Department (EAD).
- ✓ Before this, he held the position of Group General Counsel at ICICI Bank.

Q.18. The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) has announced to admit ____ as its newest member.

- A) Iran
- B) Russia
- C) Bangladesh
- D) Thailand

Answer : A

- ✓ The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) will admit Iran as its newest member at the upcoming summit in Samarkand, Uzbekistan in September 2022.
- ✓ This summit will be held under the Presidency of Uzbekistan.



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- ✓ This is the first expansion of the SCO after India and Pakistan were admitted to the grouping in 2017.
- ✓ Belarus has also applied for SCO membership.
- ✓ The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is a Eurasian political, economic and security alliance.
- ✓ In terms of geographic scope and population, it is the world's largest regional organization.
- ✓ It covers approximately 60% of the area of Eurasia, 40% of the world's population, and more than 30% of global GDP

Q.19. Who has assumed the charge as Chairman of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)?

A) P. K. Mishra

B) Tarun Kapoor

C) Manoj Kumar

D) Arvind Shrivastava

Answer : C

- ✓ Government has appointed Shri Manoj Kumar as the new Chairman of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).
- ✓ He replaces KVIC's former Chairman Vinai Kumar Saxena, who has taken charge as the Lieutenant Governor of Delhi.
- ✓ Prior to this, Manoj Kumar was Expert Member (Marketing) at KVIC.
- ✓ KVIC is a statutory body of the Government of India, incorporated under the Parliament Act, to develop Khadi and other village industries in rural areas.

KVIC IN NEWS 2021-22

- Government has appointed Shri Manoj Kumar as the new Chairman of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).
- KVIC has cancelled the "Khadi Certification" of its oldest Khadi Institution named Mumbai Khadi & Village Industries Association (MKVIA).
- India's first Mobile Honey Processing Van has been launched by KVIC at Village Sirora in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- World's largest Khadi National Flag hoisted in Leh, Ladakh. The flag is made by KVIC.
- KVIC Launches Project BOLD to provide livelihood, protect land from degradation in drylands at the tribal village Nichla Mandwa in Udaipur, Rajasthan.



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- Nitin Gadkari to launch “Khadi Prakritik Paint” developed by KVIC
- Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)
Founded : 1956
Headquarters : Mumbai
Chairman : Manoj Kumar
KVIC under Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

Q.20. The birth anniversary of Mangal Pandey, the leader of the legendary Revolt of 1857, was observed on which day?

- A) 20 July
- B) 18 July
- C) 19 July
- D) 21 July

Answer : C

- ✓ The birth anniversary of Mangal Pandey, the leader of the legendary Revolt of 1857, was observed on 19 July.
- ✓ He was born in Akbarpur on 19 July 1827 to a landowning family.
- ✓ He played a key role in the events that led to India’s first major rebellion against the British Empire in 1857 which is also known as the First War of Independence.
- ✓ Pandey was executed on 8 April 1857

Q.21. On which day of the year is Science Exploration Day observed?

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

Answer : C

- ✓ The Science Exploration Day (also called Moon Day) is marked every year on 20 July.
- ✓ It was on this day in 1969 that Neil Armstrong and Edwin ‘Buzz’ Aldrin became the first humans to land on the Moon’s surface.
- ✓ Neil Armstrong was the first man to set foot on the moon’s surface.
- ✓ The Armstrong- Aldrin duo spent 21.5 hours on the surface of the moon out of which they spent 2.5 hours outside of their capsules.



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Q.3. The first man who placed his foot on the moon is

- A) Leonov
B) Neil Armstrong
C) Michael Collins
D) James Van Allen

Answer : B

- ✓ Neil Alden Armstrong was the first person to step on the lunar surface. He took the first step to the lunar surface on 20 July 1969.

Q.4. Kuno Palpur National Park (KNP) is located in which state?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
B) Madhya Pradesh
C) Maharashtra
D) Gujarat

Answer : B

Q.5. DBS Bank has been headquartered in __

- A) United Kingdom
B) Spain
C) Singapore
D) South Africa

Answer : C

Q.6. How many countries can travel with Indian passport without visa?

- A) 67
B) 60
C) 85
D) 70

Answer : B

- ✓ India's position on the 87th means that India gives visa-free access to 60 countries.

Q.7. The World Food Programme is the world's largest humanitarian organization and the largest provider of school meals. Where is the headquarter of WFP located?

- A) London
B) Rome
C) Geneva
D) Paris

Answer : B



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Q.8. When is the Independence Day of Sri Lanka celebrated?

- A) 19 August 1919 B) 14 August 1947
C) 4 February 1948 D) 4 January 1948

Answer : C

Q.9. Identify the national sport of Sri Lanka.

- A) Basketball B) Volleyball
C) Cricket D) Swimming

Answer : B

Q.10. Kuno Palpur National Park (KNP) is located in which district of madhya pradesh?

- A) Sheopur B) Balaghat
C) Gwalior D) Singrauli

Answer : A

- ✓ The fastest land animal in the world will find a new home in the Kuno-Palpur National Park in Madhya Pradesh's Sheopur district



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