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## Aparchit Super Current Affairs MCQ with facts– 13 August 2022 By APARCHIT EXAM WARRIORS/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. Centre has approved the extension of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) upto a period of \_

- A) December 2024                      B) December 2023  
C) December 2025                      D) December 2030

**Answer : A**

- ✓ Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved for the continuation of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) up to December 31, 2024.
- ✓ The continuation of the scheme based on the request of States/UTs, will help in completion of already sanctioned 122.69 lakh houses till March 31, 2022.
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U) is a flagship Mission of Government of India being implemented by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
- ✓ The mission was launched on June 25, 2015, to ensure a pucca house to all eligible urban households by the year 2022.
- ✓ Union Budget 2022 has allocated Rs 48,000 crore towards the PMAY scheme (Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana) and completion of 8 million houses.
- ✓ About Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U)
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) Mission was launched on 25th June 2015.
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana's (Urban) aim is to provide housing for all in urban areas by the year 2024.
- ✓ The Mission provides Central Assistance to the implementing agencies through States/Union Territories (UTs) and Central Nodal Agencies (CNAs) for providing houses to all eligible families/beneficiaries against the validated demand for houses for about 1.12 cr
- ✓ As per PMAY(U) guidelines, the size of a house for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) could be up to 30 sq. mt. carpet area, however, States/UTs have the flexibility to enhance the size of houses in consultation and approval of the Ministry



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**Q.2. The 2022 BRICS Games will be held online in September 2022. Which of these games will not be the part of the online tournament?**

- A) Chess  
B) Wushu  
C) Taekwondo  
D) Breakdancing

**Answer : C**

- ✓ 2022 BRICS Games is scheduled to be held from September 01 to 30 but on online platform.
- ✓ This means that the athletes from Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS) will compete online.
- ✓ The 2022 BRICS Games will feature only three competitive games as medal events, which are breakdancing, chess and Wushu (Chinese martial arts).
- ✓ Indian yoga, dragon and lion dance, dragon boat racing, Brazil jiu-jitsu, sambo and dibeke will be shown as demonstration events.
- ✓ The online BRICS Games can enhance mutual understanding and people-to-people exchanges among participating countries in an innovative and safe way, through the power of sports.
- ✓ The Game is being organised by China, as the host of the 14th BRICS Summit held in June 2022.

**Q.3. PM Modi has recently inaugurated 2G Ethanol Plant at which of these places?**

- A) Karnal  
B) Panipat  
C) Panchkula  
D) Kurukshetra

**Answer : B**

- ✓ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation, the second generation (2G) Ethanol Plant in Panipat, Haryana via video conferencing on August 10, 2022, on the occasion of World Biofuel Day.
- ✓ The 2G Ethanol Plant has been built at an estimated cost of over Rs. 900 crore by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (IOCL).
- ✓ The project will utilise about 2 lakh tonnes of rice straw (parali) annually to generate around 3 crore litres of Ethanol annually.
- ✓ Five benefits of the bio-fuel plant of Panipat.
  1. mother earth would be freed from the pain that was caused by burning stubble
  2. new systems for stubble cutting and its disposal, new facilities for transportation and new biofuel plants will bring new employment opportunities



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3. stubble which was a burden for the farmers, and was a cause of concern, would become a means of additional income for them.
  4. pollution in Delhi, NCR and Haryana will be reduced, and the contribution of farmers in protecting the environment will increase further
  5. the country will get an alternative fuel.
- ✓ PM Modi will dedicate to the nation via video conferencing a second generation (2G) ethanol plant built at an estimated cost of Rs 900 crore in Haryana's Panipat.
  - ✓ Bihar's Chief Minister Nitish Kumar has inaugurated India's first ethanol plant in Purnia district, Bihar. The plant has been set up by Eastern India Biofuels Private Limited at a cost of Rs 105 crores.
  - ✓ India advances 20% ethanol-blending in petrol to 2025.

#### Q.4. James Marape has been re-elected as the Prime Minister of which country?

- A) Samoa
- B) Niue
- C) Nauru
- D) Papua New Guinea

#### Answer : D

- ✓ Parliament of Papua New Guinea has elected unopposed the incumbent Prime Minister James Marape, for a second term.
- ✓ Marape was sworn in as prime minister for a second time on August 10, 2022.
- ✓ He first became prime minister of the South Pacific island nation in 2019 after Peter O'Neill resigned.
- ✓ Papua New Guinea
- ✓ Capital : Port Moresby
- ✓ Currency : kina

#### NEWLY PRIME MINISTER IN NEWS 2021-22

PRIME MINISTER	COUNTRY
James Marape	Papua New Guinea
Dinesh Gunawardena	Sri Lanka
Sheikh Mohammed Sabah Al Salem	Kuwait
Yair Lapid	Israel
Hamza Abdi Barre	Somalia
Anthony Albanese	Australia
Emmanuel Macron	France



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Robert Golob	Slovenia
Patrick Achi	Ivory Coast
Shehbaz Sharif	Pakistan
Viktor Orban	Hungary
Robert Abela	Malta
Antonio Costa	Portugal
Mia Mottley	Barbados
Alikhan Smailov	Kazakhstan
Petr Fiala	Czech Republic
Jonas Gahr Store	Norway
Fumio Kishida	Japan
Najla Bouden Romdhane	Tunisia
Justin Trudeau	Canada
Aziz Akhannouch	Morocco
Ismail Sabri Yaakob	Malaysia
Sher Bahadur Deuba	Nepal
Najib Mikati	Lebanon
Abiy Ahmed	Ethiopia
Nikol Pashinyan	Armenia
Moctar Ouane	Mali
Ouhoumoudou Mahamadou	Niger
Mark Rutte	Netherlands
Irakli Garibashvili	Georgia
Kaja Kallas	Estonia
Jacinda Ardern	New Zealand
Mohamed Hussein Ruble	Somalia
Mikhail Mishustin	Russia

**Q.5. Which country is hosting the 2022 Online BRICS Games?**

- A) South Africa                      B) China  
C) India                                      D) Brazil

**Answer : B**

✓ The Game is being organised by China, as the host of the 14th BRICS Summit held in June 2022.



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**Q.6. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched a 3D virtual space tech park called \_\_\_\_.**

A) SPARK

B) NETRA

C) SAKSHAM

D) SPECTRA

**Answer : A**

- ✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched a 3D virtual space tech park called SPARK.
- ✓ The platform hosts several documents, images, and videos related to ISRO launch vehicles, satellites, and scientific missions.
- ✓ SPARK also features the 'Space on Wheels' initiative taken by ISRO

## ISRO IN NEWS 2021-22

- ISRO is set to launch its smallest commercial rocket 'Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV)' carrying 'AzaadiSAT', on August 7, 2022. It will be launched to unfurl the Tricolour in space, from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota.
- SPARK: New Virtual Space Museum Launched By ISRO.
- ISRO generated \$279 million in foreign currency through satellite launches.
- Antrix, the commercial arm of ISRO, made this money by launching 345 foreign satellites from 34 different nations.
- ISRO 'Human Spaceflight Expo' inaugurated at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in Bengaluru.
- ISRO plans mission to Venus by December 2024.
- ISRO used PSLV to launch 345 foreign spacecraft from 34 different nations since 1999.
- India's first human space mission "Gaganyaan" will be launched in 2023.
- ISRO launched India's Communication satellite 'GSAT-24' from French Guiana.
- ISRO successfully tested solid fuel-based booster stage of SSLV at Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC), Sriharikota at Andhra Pradesh.
- UIDAI, MeitY has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), ISRO, Hyderabad for technical collaboration.



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- ISRO successfully launches earth observation satellite, EOS-04, onboard the launch vehicle PSLV-C52 rocket from the First Launch Pad of Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh.
- ISRO has signed six agreements with four countries for launching foreign satellites during 2021-2023.
- NITI Aayog joins hand with ISRO to launch Geospatial Energy Map of India.
- ISRO-NASA joint mission NISAR Satellite to be launched in 2023.
- ISRO Chairman Dr. K. Sivan inaugurates 'Health QUEST Study' to upgrade healthcare systems standards in India.
- Skyroot Aerospace becomes first Spacetech startup to formally tie-up with ISRO.
- ISRO agrees to parliamentary panel on education to help set up satellite TV classrooms.
- NASA Partners ISRO to develop Earth System Observatory to address Climate Change with better Disaster Management.
- ISRO Demonstrates India's First Free-Space Quantum Communication Over 300 Metres from Ahmedabad.
- ISRO-NIT Rourkela sign MoU to set up Space Technology Incubation Centre.
- ISRO Launches Brazil's Amazonia-1 and 18 Co-Passenger Smallsats onboard PSLV-C51.
- MapmyIndia joins hand with ISRO to build 'Bhuvan', an alternative to Google Maps.
- ISRO has opened its UR Rao Satellite Centre in Bengaluru for testing satellites developed by the private sector.
- ISRO to adopt 100 Atal Tinkering Labs to promote education in the field of space technology.
- ISRO successfully launches India's new communication satellite CMS-01 from Sriharikota onboard PSLV-C50.

### ISRO UPCOMING SPACE MISSION IN NEWS

- ISRO-NASA joint satellite project NISER proposed to be launched early 2023
- Gaganyaan : ISRO partners with France to launch India's first human spaceflight mission in 2023
- Lunar Polar Exploration mission (LUPEX) : ISRO's Lunar Polar Exploration Mission in collaboration with JAXA (Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency) will be launched in the year 2024





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- Aditya-L1: It is India's first solar mission and was expected to launch in the year 2020 but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the launch has been delayed and is now expected in the year 2022.
- Mars Orbiter Mission 2 (MOM 2) also called Mangalyaan 2 is expected to launch in the year 2024
- Shukrayaan-1: The inter-planetary mission is expected to launch in the year 2024 by ISRO in collaboration with CNES (National Centre for Space Studies; French Space Agency)
- Shukrayaan India plans to launch a new orbiter to Venus in 2024
- Chandrayaan-3 is likely to be launched during the third quarter of 2022.

**Q.7. Who will inaugurate the National Conference of Rural Cooperative Banks in New Delhi?**

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Rajnath Singh
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman
- D) Amit Shah

**Answer : D**

- ✓ Union Home Minister "Amit Shah" will inaugurate a one-day National Conference of Rural Cooperative Banks organized by the Ministry of Cooperation and the National Federation of State Cooperative Banks (NAFSCOB)

**Q.8. Which of the following two countries have withdrawn from the Cooperation Group between China and Central and Eastern European Countries?**

- A) Croatia and Bulgaria
- B) Greece and Hungary
- C) Latvia and Estonia
- D) Slovakia and Slovenia

**Answer : C**

- ✓ Latvia and Estonia have withdrawn from a Cooperation group between China and over a dozen Central and Eastern European countries. The move has come amid Western criticism of China over the escalating military pressure on Taiwan.
- ✓ As per the Latvian Foreign Minister, the country's continued participation was no longer in line with their Strategic objectives in the current international environment

**Q.9. How many kg did Tamara Walcott lift to break the Guinness World Record for Powerlifting?**

- A) 714.5 kg
- B) 737.5 kg
- C) 759.5 kg
- D) 768.5 kg



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**Answer : B**

- ✓ Tamara Walcott, a female powerlifter from Maryland in the United States broke according to sources in the investigating agency for the heaviest cumulative lift for bench/squat and press in competition (female) after lifting a total of 737.5 kg across three compound lifts - the squat, the bench press, and the deadlift.
- ✓ She was honoured at the 2022 World Raw Powerlifting Federation American Pro in Manassas, Virginia last month.
- ✓ GWR compared the weight she lifted with a female adult giraffe that weighs about 680.3 kg.
- ✓ The record-keeping agency said that Ms Walcott, mother of two, weighed 188.2 kg.

**Q.10. Which state Government will be launched Mobile App('Lucky Bill App') to Curb GST Evasion on 16th August 2022?**

A) Gujarat

B) Telangana

C) Bihar

D) Kerala

**Answer : D**

- ✓ Kerala government will launch a mobile app wherein people can upload original bills and also stand to win prizes.
- ✓ The state government expects the 'Lucky Bill App' to help in increasing tax collections as people will be encouraged to ask bills while purchasing goods and availing services.
- ✓ The app will be launched by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on August 16, according to an official statement
- ✓ In his budget, Finance Minister K N Balagopal had allocated Rs 5 crore for introducing the 'Lucky Bill App

**Q.11. Who launched "UMEED Market Place" under AVSAR Scheme of AAI?**

A) Mehbooba Mufti

B) Jitendra Singh

C) Manoj Sinha

D) Rajnath Singh

**Answer : C**

- ✓ UMEED Market Place as part of the AVSAR Scheme of the Airport Authority of India launched by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at the Srinagar International Airport in Jammu and Kashmir.



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- ✓ The Jammu Airport now has a marketplace that is comparable, and both locations will feature goods from all 20 districts, which is UMEED Market Place.
- ✓ The Lt. Governor previously unveiled a 20X20-foot LED video wall at the airport in Srinagar.

**Q.12. What is the new name of the 'New Delhi International Arbitration Centre'?**

- A) Bharat International Arbitration Centre
- B) India International Arbitration Centre
- C) Pradhan Mantri Arbitration Centre
- D) Atmanirbhar Arbitration Centre

**Answer : B**

- ✓ Lok Sabha have nod to "New Delhi International Arbitration Centre (Amendment) Bill, 2022".
- ✓ The bill seeks to rechristen New Delhi International Arbitration Centre as "India International Arbitration Centre".
- ✓ New Delhi International Arbitration Centre (Amendment) Bill, 2022:
- ✓ This bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on August 5, 2022. It seeks to amend the New Delhi International Arbitration Centre Act, 2019. Act of 2019 had set up the "New Delhi International Arbitration Centre", by replacing the International Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution. Act also designated the centre as an institute of national importance
- ✓ Important features of the bill include:
- ✓ Bill rechristens the New Delhi International Arbitration Centre as India International Arbitration Centre.
- ✓ 2019 had allowed the central government to provide for removing any difficulties in implementing the act for 2 years from the date of commencement. Under the bill, this time period has been extended to 5 years.
- ✓ Bill also amends various drafting errors in 2019 act.

**Q.13. What is the name of the upcoming 'World's Highest Railway Bridge' expected to be built fully by 2022 in Jammu & Kashmir?**

- A) Shikara Bridge
- B) Jhelum Bridge
- C) Chenab Bridge
- D) Indus Bridge

**Answer : C**

- ✓ Chenab Bridge is the world's highest railway bridge, which is located in Jammu and Kashmir.



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- ✓ The steel arch of the world's highest railway bridge was completed last year, while the overarch deck is set to be completed. Another milestone at the world's highest railway bridge will be achieved when the overarch deck of the Chenab Railway Bridge is completed with a golden joint.
- ✓ The completion of the arch of the Chenab Bridge, the world's highest railway bridge, was a big milestone for Indian Railways.
- ✓ The 5.6-meter steel arch is part of the 111-kilometer Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla rail link project (USBRL), which runs from Katra to Banihal in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ The bridge will span the Chenab River at a height of 359 meters above the river.
- ✓ Chenab Bridge is an Indian railway steel and concrete arch bridge under construction between Kauri and Bakkal in the Reasi of Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ The world's highest railway bridge is built on the Katra-Banihal railway line.
- ✓ The bridge is 359 meters high from the river surface.

**Q.14. Who has been honoured with the Highest Civilian Honour of Ladakh?**

- A) Dikoh Larini                      B) Pope Francis  
C) Dalai Lama                        D) Desmond Tutu

**Answer : C**

- ✓ Tibetan Spiritual leader Dalai Lama was honored with dPal rNgam Duston award. It is the highest Civilian honour of Ladakh.
- ✓ Dalai Lama has been awarded for his immense contribution to humanity, particularly towards the Union Territory.
- ✓ The sixth award was conferred by Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council.

**Q.15. As per the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), what is the rank of India in digital currency ownership?**

- A) 5th                                      B) 8th  
C) 7th                                      D) 6th

**Answer : C**

- ✓ According to a report by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), around 7.3% of Indians owned some form of digital currency in 2021.



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- ✓ It also states that 15 of the top 20 nations in terms of digital currency ownership were developing countries, with India ranking 7th, one position behind US.
- ✓ Ukraine topped the list, with 12.7% of its population holding crypto assets.
- ✓ United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)  
Founded: 1964  
Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland  
Secretary-General : Rebeca Grynspan (Costa Rica)  
Total members : 190

**Q.16. Which Indian politician has been honoured with France's highest civilian honour "the Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur"?**

- A) Narendra Modi                      B) Shashi Tharoor  
C) Nirmala Sitharaman              D) Piyush Goyal

**Answer : B**

- ✓ The French government on 11 August 2022 bestowed Shashi Tharoor, a Congress MP, the Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur (the Legion of Honour), its highest civilian honour.
- ✓ The award has been conferred upon Tharoor in recognition of his writings and speeches.
- ✓ This award was established in 1802 by Napoleon Bonaparte.
- ✓ It is awarded for excellent civil or military conduct.

**Q.17. Who has become the first South Asian architect to win the prestigious Lisbon Triennale Millennium Lifetime Achievement Award?**

- A) Marina Tabassum                      B) Reshma akter  
C) Arundhati Bhattacharya              D) Ranju Bhatia

**Answer : A**

- ✓ Renowned Bangladeshi architect Marina Tabassum has become the first South Asian architect to win the prestigious Lisbon Triennale Millennium Lifetime Achievement Award.
- ✓ She is known for her architectural designs that break away from commercialism and deeply embed environmental concerns.
- ✓ She will receive the award during the Lisbon Triennale which begins on 29 September in Lisbon, Portugal.



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**Q.18. The Indian Air Force (IAF) is going to participate in a bilateral exercise named 'Udarashakti' in which country?**

- A) Singapore  
B) Malaysia  
C) Indonesia  
D) Madagascar

**Answer : B**

- ✓ A contingent of the Indian Air Force (IAF) left for Malaysia on 12 August 2022 to participate in a bilateral exercise named 'Udarashakti'.
- ✓ This is the first bilateral exercise being conducted between Indian Air Force and Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF).
- ✓ IAF is participating in the exercise with Su-30 MKI and C-17 aircraft while the RMAF will be flying Su 30 MKM aircraft.

**Q.19. Which of the following ministry has launched the 'SMILE-75' initiative?**

- A) Ministry of Agriculture  
B) Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers  
C) Ministry of Civil Aviation  
D) Social Justice & Empowerment Ministry

**Answer : D**

- ✓ The Social Justice & Empowerment Ministry on 12 August 2022 launched the 'SMILE-75' initiative.
- ✓ It has been launched for comprehensive rehabilitation of persons engaged in begging in 75 identified municipalities as a part of the celebrations of 75 years of Independence.
- ✓ It is a part of the Ministry's ongoing SMILE project (Support for Marginalised Individuals for Livelihood and Enterprise).
- ✓ SMILE.: Support for Marginalised Individuals for Livelihood and Enterprise.
- ✓ It is a new umbrella scheme which aims to provide welfare measures to the Transgender community and the people engaged in the act of begging.
- ✓ It was launched by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment on February 12, 2022.
- ✓ The Ministry has allocated Rs. 365 Crore for the scheme from 2021-22 to 2025-26.

**Q.20. Who has become the first player in T20 cricket history to take 600 wickets?**

- A) Kieron Pollard  
B) Moeen Ali  
C) Dwayne Bravo  
D) Jasprit Bumrah



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**Answer : C**

- ✓ Dwayne Bravo has become the first player in T20 cricket history to take 600 wickets.
- ✓ In the ongoing The Hundred competition, he achieved this milestone while playing for his team, the Northern Superchargers, against the Oval Invincibles, on 11 August 2022.
- ✓ Afghanistan's Rashid Khan is second on the list with a total of 466 wickets from 339 matches.

**Q.21. Which day is celebrated as the World Organ Donation Day?**

- A) 12 August                      B) 13 August  
C) 10 August                      D) 11 August

**Answer : B**

- ✓ World Organ Donation Day is observed every year on August 13 across the globe
- ✓ The purpose of observing this day is to spread awareness about the importance of organ donation and to encourage people to do the same.
- ✓ The first-ever successful living donor organ transplant was carried out in 1954 in the US.
- ✓ India has its own organ donation day that is observed on November 27 each year.

## STATIC GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 13 August 2022 By APARCHIT EXAM WARRIORS/ Kumar Kaushal Sir

**Q.1. As per a recent data, the revenues of the Suez Canal during 2021 achieved a significant increase of 12.8 percent \$6.3 billion. In which country is this waterway located?**

- A) Italy                                  B) Egypt  
C) France                              D) Switzerland

**Answer : D**

**Q.2. Manas National Park is a UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site. The park is located in which state?**

- A) Assam                                B) Madhya Pradesh  
C) Rajasthan                          D) Uttarakhand

**Answer : A**



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**Q.3. Which organisation releases the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) every year?**

- A) World Economic Forum                      B) World Intellectual Property Organization  
C) The Economist Intelligence Unit        D) Transparency International

**Answer : C**

**Q.4. Peso is the currency of which of these countries?**

- A) Costa Rica                                      B) Fiji  
C) Argentina                                      D) Kyrgyzstan

**Answer : C**

**Q.5. The International Maritime Organisation (IMO) has its headquarter based in\_\_**

- A) London    B) Paris  
C) Geneva    D) New York

**Answer : A**

**Q.6. Double fault, Fore hand, Back Hand, Foot Fault are some sports terminologies related with\_\_**

- A) Gymnastics                                      B) Football  
C) Badminton                                      D) Swimming

**Answer : C**

**Q.7. Mallakhamb is a traditional sport of which state of India ?**

- A) Madhya Pradesh                              B) Uttarakhand  
C) Jharkhand                                      D) Punjab

**Answer : A**

**Q.8. Which of these city is situated on the banks of river Godavari?**

- A) Kurnool    B) Vijayawada  
C) Cuttack    D) Rajahmundry

**Answer : D**





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**Q.9. Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary is located in which Indian state ?**

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

**Answer : C**

**Q.10. Bhor Ghat pass is located in which state of India?**

- A) Tamil Nadu  
B) Himachal Pradesh  
C) Maharashtra  
D) Sikkim

**Answer : C**



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