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### Aparchit Super Current Affairs MCQ with facts– 24 August 2022 By APARCHIT EXAM WARRIORS/Kumar Kaushal Sir

# Q.1. Which state government will take a loan of Rs 4,000 crore from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for setting up medical colleges in 12 districts of the state?

A) Kerala

B) Assam

C) Maharashtra

D) Uttar Pradesh

### Answer : C

- ✓ Maharashtra Government will take a loan of 4,000 crore rupees from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for setting up medical colleges in 12 districts of the state. There are 12 districts in the state without a single medical college.
- ✓ These districts include Jalgaon, Satara, Alibaug, Sindhudurg, Usmanabad, Parbhani, Amravati, Ratnagiri, Gadhchiroli, Bhandara, Ambernath and Nashik Super Speciality hospital

### **ADB IN NEWS 2021-22**

- > ADB, India sign \$96.3 mn loan to improve water supply, sanitation services in Himachal Pradesh.
- > Maharashtra to take ₹4,000 crore loan from ADB to set up medical colleges in 12 districts.
- > ADB cuts India GDP growth forecast for FY23 to 7.2%.
- > ADB approves USD 96.3 million loan for safe drinking water project in Himachal Pradesh.
- > ADB approves \$2 million loan to support urban development in Nagaland.
- ADB and HSBC India partners to establish \$100 million Partial Guarantee Program for Microfinance in India.
- > IIFL Home Finance signs \$68-million loan agreement with ADB for affordable Green Housing.
- > ADB lends record USD 4.6 bn loans to India in 2021.
- > ADB approves \$112 million loan to establish Assam Skill University.
- > ADB approves \$500-million loan to improve quality of school education.
- ADB has approved a Rs 2653.05 crore (USD 350 million) policy-based loan to improve urban services in India
- > India and ADB sign USD 300 million loan agreement to improve primary health care in India.
- ADB approves USD1.5 bn loan to India for COVID-19 vaccine procurement.

- > ADB approved \$61 Million loan under 'Agartala City Urban Development Project.
- ADB approves \$250 million loan for India's National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP).
- > ADB, India Sign \$100 Million Loan for Agribusiness Development in Maharashtra.
- > ADB and India sign \$251 million loan for Integrated Urban Flood Management in Chennai.
- ADB, AIIB processing \$2 billion loan for India to buy COVID-19 vaccines (ABD USD 1.5 billion, AIIB, USD 500 million).
- India and ADB inks \$4.5 million project readiness financing loan to support urban mobility in Mizoram.
- > ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB)

Founded : 19 December 1966 HQ : Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, Philippines President : Masatsugu Asakawa (Japan) Vice President : Ashok Lavasa (Indian? Director of ADB for India : Takeo Konishi Executive Director : Sameer Kumar Member Counrtries : 68 (Nuie).

- ADB has grown to encompass 68 members; of which 49 are from within Asia and the Pacific and 19 outside.
- > Japan is the largest contributor in the subscribed capital of the country.
- > Asian Development Outlook, reports published by ADB.

Q.2. Which financial institutions has signed a \$96.3-million loan agreement to provide safe drinking water and improve water supply and sanitation services in Himachal Pradesh?

- A) World Bank
- **B)** Asian Development Bank
- C) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- **D) International Monetary Fund**

Answer : B

✓ Asian Development Bank (ADB) and India have signed a \$96.3-million loan agreement.

- It has been signed to provide safe drinking water and improve water supply and sanitation services in Himachal Pradesh.
- ✓ The project will strengthen the capacity of the Jal Shakti Vibhag of the Government of Himachal Pradesh and gram panchayat (local government) village water and sanitation committees.
- ✓ ADB project will connect 75,800 households to the service, providing uninterrupted water supply to about 3,70,000 residents across 10 districts.
- To improve water supply and sanitation services, the project aims to construct 48 groundwater wells, 80 surface water intake facilities, 109 water treatment plants, 117 pumping stations, and 3,000 km of water distribution pipelines.

# Q.3. Which dance form has been nominated by the Government of India to be inscribed as UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list?

A) Garba	B) Giddha
C) Bhangra	D) Lavani

### Answer : A

- Government of India has nominated the dance form Garba to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list.
- ✓ As per the Director of UNESCO, Eric Falt, after the inclusion of Durga Puja on the UNESCO intangible cultural heritage representative in 2021, India has now nominated Garba for 2022.
- India was elected by UNESCO to serve on the distinguished Intergovernmental Committee of the 2003
  Convention for Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in July.
- ✓ About Garba
- ✓ Garba is a Gujarati folk dance celebrated in Navratri, a celebration lasting nine nights.
- ✓ Garba songs typically revolve around the subjects of Lord Krishna or the nine goddesses.
- ✓ Sanedo is an example of a very popular song. Garba styles vary from place to place in Gujarat.
- ✓ What is Intangible Cultural Heritage?
- ✓ As per UNESCO, Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) includes traditions or living expressions inherited from our ancestors and passed on to our descendants, such as oral traditions, performing arts, social practices, rituals, festive events, knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe or the knowledge and skills to produce traditional crafts.

- ✓ UNESCO established its Lists of Intangible Cultural Heritage with the aim of ensuring better protection of important intangible cultural heritages worldwide and the awareness of their significance.
- ✓ The list was established in 2008 when the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage took effect.
- ✓ In total, 14 Intangible Cultural Heritage elements from the country have now been inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List
- ✓ Latest addition Durga Puja (West Bengal)
- ✓ On December 15, 2021, Unesco had accorded ICH status to Kolkata's Durga puja festivities making it Asia's first festival to receive the recognition.
- ✓ Since 2008, 14 intangible cultural heritages from India have been listed by Unesco.
- ✓ 13 other elements apart from Durga Puja

	13 ICH traditions recognised by UNESCO		
1.	Tradition of Vedic chanting, 2008	8.	Buddhist chanting of Ladakh: recitation of sacred Buddhist texts in the trans-Himalayan Ladakh region, Jammu and Kashmir, India, 2012
2.	Ramlila, the traditional performance of the Ramayana, 2008	9.	Sankirtana, ritual singing, drumming and dancing of Manipur, 2013
3.	Kutiyattam, Sanskrit theatre, 2008	10.	Traditional brass and copper craft of utensil making among the Thatheras of Jandiala Guru, Punjab, India ,2014
4.	Ramman, religious festival and ritual theatre of the Garhwal Himalayas, India, 2009	11.	Yoga, 2016
5.	Mudiyettu, ritual theatre and dance drama of Kerala, 2010	12.	Nowruz, 2016
6.	Kalbelia folk songs and dances of Rajasthan, 2010	13.	Kumbh Mela, 2017
7.	Chhau dance, 2010		

### **UNESCO IN NEWS 2021-22**

- India nominates Garba (Dance Form Gujarat) to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list.
- UNESCO recognized the use of information and communication technology (ICT), under a comprehensive initiative called PM eVIDYA by the department of school education, Ministry of Education.

- Khuvsul Lake National Park of Mangolia has been added to the World Network of Biosphere Reserve of UNESCO.
- Central Institute of Educational Technology (CIET) wins UNESCO's King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize for the year 2021.
- > Brazil landscape garden Sitio Burle Marx receives UNESCO World Heritage status.
- > India chosen to join 2003 Convention on UNESCO's Intergovernmental Committee.
- Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, has contributed an amount of USD 72,124 towards UNESCO Fund for Elimination of Doping in Sport in 2022.
- > Guadalajara, Mexico was named World Book Capital for the year 2022.
- > Meghalaya's living root bridges included on tentative list of UNESCO's World's Heritage Sites.
- > UNESCO recognises Kolkata's Durga Puja as Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- > Centre nominates Hoysala Temples in Karnataka for World Heritage List in 2022-2023.
- Delhi's Nizamuddin Revival Project won 2 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation 2021.
- > 'Lingui, The Sacred Bonds' wins ICFT-UNESCO Gandhi Medal at 52nd IFFI.
- > Naomi Kawase named UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador.
- > India re-elected to UNESCO Executive Board for 2021-25 term.
- > Srinagar has been included in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network.
- > World-acclaimed Kung Fu Nuns wins UNESCO's Martial Arts Education Prize 2021.
- > UNESCO launches 2021 State of the Education Report for India: "No Teacher, No Class".
- > India's NIOS wins UNESCO Literacy Prize 2021 for Innovation in Education.
- Dholavira, the Harappan City in Gujarat's Rann of Kutchch inscribed as India's 40th UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- > Brazil landscape garden Sitio Burle Marx receives UNESCO World Heritage status.
- Rudreswara Temple (Ramappa Temple) of Telangana inscribed as India's 39th UNESCO World Heritage List.
- > UNESCO grants World Heritage Status to Madrid's Paseo del Prado and Retiro Park.
- > Liverpool Maritime Mercantile City (United Kingdom) removed from UNESCO World Heritage list.
- Gwalior and Orchha cities of Madhya Pradesh has been selected by UNESCO under 'Historic Urban Landscape Project'.

- Philippines Journalist Maria Ressa Honored with 2021 UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize.
- > Singapore's 'Hawker' Culture serving as 'Community Dining Room' Gets UNESCO Recognition.
- Swalior and Orchha Cities of Madhya Pradesh Included in UNESCO World Heritage Cities List.
- > United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- Formation : 16 November 1945
  Headquarters : Paris, France
  Director-General : Audrey Azoulay (France)
  Member countries : 193
  Total UNESCO sites in india : 40.

# Q.4. What will be the name of India's first indigenous aircraft carrier (IAC) which will be commissioned in 2022?

A) IAC Vikrant	B) IAC Viraat
C) IAC Arihant	D) IAC Vishal

### Answer : A

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will commission India's first indigenously-built aircraft carrier (IAC)
  Vikrant on September 2, 2022.
- ✓ The Prime Minister will officially induct the vessel to the Indian Navy at a specially arranged venue inside the Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) which is manufactured over Rs. 20,000 crore warship.

Q.5. NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL) has signed an MoU with PayXpert to internationalize the acceptance of its payment solutions in which country?

- A) Singapore
- C) Australia

- B) Germany
- D) United Kingdom

### Answer : D

- ✓ NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL) has signed an MoU with PayXpert to internationalise the acceptance of its payment solutions in the UK.
- ✓ Both UPI and Rupay are payment systems under the umbrella of NPCI.

- This collaboration will make the Indian payment solutions available in the UK on all PayXpert's android Point-of-Sale (POS) devices for in-store payments.
- This comes just two months after NPCI International had announced a partnership with NeoPay, a payments subsidiary of UAE's Mashreq Bank, allowing Indians in the UAE to make payments using UPI on the company's terminals across the country.
- ✓ UPI is already accepted in UAE, Singapore and Bhutan.
- NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL):
  Founded : 2020
  Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra
  CEO : Ritesh Shukla

### Q.6. Which country is hosting the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' Meeting in August 2022?

- A) Kazakhstan
- **B) Uzbekistan**
- C) Krgystan
- D) Tajikistan

### Answer : B

- ✓ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will attend the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' Meeting, which is set to take place on 24 August 2022 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- ✓ During the Annual Meeting, Defence Cooperation issues among the SCO Member States will be discussed.
- ✓ This summit will be held under the Presidency of Uzbekistan.
- ✓ UZBEKISTAN
  - Capital : Tashkent

Currency : Som

President : Shavkat Mirziyoyev

Prime Minister : Abdulla Aripov

### SCO IN NEWS 2021-22.

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh arrived in Tashkent, Uzbekistan to attend the SCO Defence Ministers Meeting.
- > Varanasi will be declared the first Cultural and Tourism Capital of the SCO for 2022-23.
- > Statue of Unity included in '8 Wonders of SCO' 2022.
- > Chinese diplomat Zhang Ming takes charge of Secretary-General of SCO.
- India assumed the Chairmanship of Council of Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (RATS SCO) for 1 year.
- > Iran becomes 9th member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO).
- Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)
  - Founded : 2001
  - HQ : Beijing, China
  - Secretary General : Zhang Ming (China)
  - Member Countries = 9 (Iran ,China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan,Pakistan,Russia, Tajikistan & Uzbekistan)
- SCO Summit 2021 : Dushanbe, Tajikistan.
- > SCO Summit 2022 : Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
- > SCO Summit to be hosted by the Indian side in 2023.
- The founding members (5) of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) were China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan. India and Pakistan officially joined this organisation in 2017
- Trick to remember SCO Countries
- > TRICK :- PICK IN KURTA
- P Pakistan
- I India
- C- China
- K Kazakhstan
- IN Iran
- K Kyrgyzstan
- U Uzbekistan

- R Russia
- TA Tajikistan

# Q.7. Which Institutions has developed an ultrasound-assisted fermentation method to produce a safe sugar substitute called "Xylitol" from bagasse?

A) IIT Madras

- B) IIT Bombay
- C) IIT Guwahati D) IIT Hyderabad

### Answer : C

- Researchers at IIT Guwahati have developed an ultrasound-assisted fermentation method to produce a safe sugar substitute called "Xylitol" from bagasse, the residue left after crushing of sugarcane.
- ✓ The new method overcomes operational limitations of chemical methods of synthesis.
- ✓ The research has been published in Bioresource Technology and Ultrasonics Sonochemistry journals.
- Xylitol is industrially produced by a chemical reaction in which D-xylose is treated with nickel catalyst at very high temperatures and pressures.
- ✓ It makes the process highly energy consuming.
- ✓ Only 8-15 per cent of the xylose is converted to Xylitol.

# Q.8. Who has been selected for the 2022 Pulitzer prize under the category of Illustrated Reporting and Commentary?

- A) Danish Siddiqui
- B) Lisa Falkenberg
- C) Michael Lindenberger
- D) Fahmida Azim

### Answer : D

- ✓ Bangladesh-born Fahmida Azim working for the Insider online magazine of US has been selected for the 2022 Pulitzer prize.
- ✓ She will be awarded under the category of Illustrated Reporting and Commentary.
- ✓ She is among the four journalists including Anthony Del Col, Josh Adams and Walt Hickey of Insider being published from New York, selected for their work on the Chinese oppression of the Uyghurs.
- ✓ The work 'I escaped a Chinese internment Camp' has illustrations by her
- ✓ PULITZER PRIZES
- ✓ First awarded : 1917

- ✓ Country : United States
- ✓ Presented By : Columbia University in New York City.
- ✓ Categories : twenty-one
- ✓ Case Prize ; US\$15,000
- ✓ Awarded for : Excellence in newspaper journalism, literary achievements, musical composition
- ✓ Each winner receives a certificate and a USD 15,000 cash award in 20 categories, while in one of the category namely, public service category, the winner gets a gold medal.
- ✓ Gobind Behari Lal was the first Indian to receive the prestigious Pulitzer Prize.

# Q.9. Which General Insurance Company has launched India's first electric vehicle ecosystem "All Things EV"?

- A) HDFC ERGO B) ICICI Lombard
- C) Reliance General Insurance
- D) United India Insurance

### Answer : A

- ✓ HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company, a private sector general insurance company, has launched 'All Things EV,' a one-stop-solution portal for electric vehicles (EV).
- ✓ In line with the Government of India's push for electric mobility, this initiative caters to the needs of existing and potential EV users.

# Q.10. Global escrow banking solution provider Castler has partnered with which bank to offer digital escrow services for the bank's customers?

- A) Yes Bank
- **B) Axis Bank**
- **C) HDFC Bank**
- **D) ICICI Bank**

### Answer : A

- Global escrow banking solution provider Castler has partnered with Yes Bank to offer digital escrow services for the bank's customers.
- $\checkmark$  The firm offers domestic and cross-border escrow solutions for individuals and enterprises.
- Operational since April 2021, Castler is the escrow solution for over 150 enterprises and manages over Rs1000 crore in transactions every month

### YES BANK IN NEWS 2022.

- > Castler tie-up with Yes Bank for digital escrow services
- Yes Bank has announced its partnership with SellerApp which is a seller-centric intelligence platform to Promote Open Network Digital Commerce (ONDC).
- > YES BANK and RuPay entered into a strategic cooperation with CARD91.
- Private sector lender, Yes Bank has launched an 'Agri Infinity' programme for digital financing solutions in the food and agriculture sector.
- > Paisabazaar ties-up with YES BANK to offer pre-qualified retail financial.
- > YES BANK
  - Founded : 2004
  - HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
  - MD & CEO : Prashant Kumar
  - Tagline : Experience our Expertise

# Q.11. Which portal has been launched by central government to bring together all the awards of the various Ministries of the government under one platform?

- A) Jnanpith Puruskar Portal
- B) Rashtriya Puruskar Portal
- C) Saksham Puruskar Portal
- D) Saraswati Puruskar Portal

- Answer : B
- Union Govt has launched the 'Rashtriya Puruskar Portal' to bring together all the awards of the various Ministries of the government under one platform.
- ✓ Aim: to facilitate citizens to nominate individuals/organizations for various awards instituted by the Govt.
- ✓ With this portal, for the first time, information regarding all national awards would be available on a single digital platform
- Q.12. Which company has partnered with SIDBI to launch 1,000 green energy enterprises across the country in August 2022?
  - A) Greenko Group

- **B) Tata Power Solar Systems**
- C) ReNew Power Ventures
- D) TP Renewable Microgrid

Answer : A

- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) is the apex regulatory body for the overall licensing and regulation of micro, small and medium enterprise finance companies in India.
- ✓ It is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India
- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) is the apex regulatory body for overall licensing and regulation of micro, small and medium enterprise finance companies in India.
- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
  Founded : 2 April 1990
  Headquarteres : Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
  Chairman & MD : Siva S Ramann

# Q.13. Which Indian Naval Ship (INS), a first of its kind, Composite Indoor Shooting Range (CISR) was inaugurated?

A) INS Karna

**B) INS Talwar** 

C) INS Godavari

**D) INS Mormugao** 

### Answer : A

- A first-of-its-kind, Composite Indoor Shooting Range (CISR) was inaugurated by Vice Admiral Biswajit Dasgupta at INS Karna, on 18 August 2022.
- ✓ The CISR is a state-of-the-art, self-contained, 25 m, six lane, live firing range for all primary and secondary weapons in the Navy.
- INS Karna is the first in the Navy & the only military unit in the country to set up and use a facility of this kind.
- Q.14. Who has been appointed as the director of the National Institute of Immunology (NII)?
  - A) Rahul Srivatshav

B) Debasisa Mohanty

C) Suman Mishra

D) Rajnish Manga

### Answer : B

- Senior scientist Debasisa Mohanty has been appointed as the director of the National Institute of Immunology (NII).
- ✓ He is currently working as the staff scientist with the NII.

- ✓ The Govt awarded him the National Bioscience Award for Career Development, one of the highest Indian science awards, for his contributions to biosciences, in 2009
- National Institute of Immunology (NII) is an autonomous research institute located in New Delhi, under the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) for research in immunology.
- Q.15. Union Minister of State for Textiles Darshana Jardosh has inaugurated the Silk Mark Expo in which city?
  - A) Chennai

**B)** Lucknow

C) New Delhi

D) Hyderabad

### Answer : C

- ✓ Union Minister of State for Textiles Darshana Jardosh on 22 August 2022 inaugurated the Silk Mark Expo in New Delhi.
- ✓ It is being organised by the Silk Mark Organisation of India under Central Silk Board, Ministry of Textiles.
- $\checkmark$  39 exhibitors from 12 states are participating in the expo.
- ✓ Aim of the expo: to protect the interests of silk consumers and the stakeholders of the silk value chain.
- Q.16. Which company has inked MoUs with Assam, Manipur and Tripura govts for development and promotion of oil palm cultivation under a central scheme?
  - A) Henraajh Feeds India
- B) Godrej Agrovet

C) Rallis India

**D)** Coromandel International

### Answer : B

- ✓ Godrej Agrovet has inked MoUs with Assam, Manipur and Tripura governments for development and promotion of oil palm cultivation under a central scheme.
- Godrej Agrovet is the largest oil palm processor in India and works directly with farmers for the entire crop cycle.
- It will be allotted land across the three states for promotion and development of sustainable palm oil plantations in the region
- ✓ The MoU has been signed under the National Mission on Edible Oils-Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) scheme.
- The collaboration will bring new opportunities and growth in building oil palm plantations in these three States and would help to provide the required support to the farmers
- ✓ NMEO-OP scheme

- ✓ The Centre had launched the NMEO-OP scheme in August 2021 with a planned outlay of ₹11,040 crore.
- ✓ Under this mission, government has envisaged to raise area under cultivation of oil palm to 10 lakh hectares by FY26 and 16.7 lakh hectares by FY30.
- ✓ The mission has a special focus on the North-East region and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Q.17. Which of the following entity has signed an MoU with Mahatma Phule Renewable Energy and Infrastructure Technology Ltd. (MAHAPREIT)?

A) IREDA

**B) SEBI** 

C) SIDBI

**D) NABARD** 

### Answer : A

- ✓ Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA) has signed an MoU with Mahatma Phule Renewable Energy and Infrastructure Technology Ltd. (MAHAPREIT).
- ✓ IREDA will offer financing facilities to MAHAPREIT for the renewable energy projects to be implemented for state utilities, local bodies and the infrastructure of renewable energy parks.
- ✓ Through this kind of collaboration, Government of India will get support to achieve its targets of 50% share of energy from non-fossil fuels by 2030.
- ✓ MAHAPREIT is a wholly owned subsidiary of MPBCDC (49% owned by Govt. of India and 51% owned by Govt. of Maharashtra).
- ✓ Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) Established: 1987
  - Headquarters : New Delhi
  - CMD : Pradip Kumar Das
- Q.18. According to Office for National Statistics (ONS), which country has recorded its biggest fall in output in more than 300 years in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic?
  - A) France

**B)** Russia

C) United Kingdom

**D) United States** 

### Answer : C

✓ United Kingdom has recorded its biggest fall in output in more than 300 years in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic, according to Office for National Statistics (ONS).

- ✓ GDP fell by 11.0 per cent in 2020.
- ✓ According to historical data hosted by the Bank of England, this was a bigger drop than any of the ONS's previous estimates and the largest fall since 1709.

# Q.19. Google doodle celebrates on 23rd August 2022 the 104th birth anniversary of which Indian physicist?

A) Janaki Ammal

B) Kamala Sohonie

C) Anna Mani

D) Rajeshwari Chatterjee

### Answer : C

- ✓ Search engine giant Google on 23rd August 2022 paid tribute to one of India's first female scientists "Anna Mani" by creating a doodle of her on her 104th birth anniversary. Her life's work and research made it possible for India to make accurate weather forecasts and laid the groundwork for the nation to harness renewable energy.
- Born in 1918, Anna Modayil Mani was a physicist and a former deputy director general of the Indian Meteorological Department.
- ✓ Anna did her bachelor's in Physics and Chemistry from Chennai

### Q.20. Which state government is planning to build an education township in the state?

A) Kerala	B) Karnataka
C) Madhya Pradesh	D) Uttar Pradesh

### Answer : D

- ✓ Uttar Pradesh government to build India's first education township
- ✓ In a first, the Uttar Pradesh government is planning to build an education township in the state.
- ✓ It will be developed on the idea of 'Single Entry, Multiple Exit'.
- It will provide high-quality education to the youth and equip them with a variety of professional skills in a single place.
- ✓ Besides, it will provide accommodation and many other facilities to both students and teachers.
- ✓ The education township will also feature skill development universities where training will be imparted to the youth in different types of skills. Besides, many other coaching institutes like Abhyudaya will be started in these education townships so that more and more students can be successful in competitive

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examinations like NEET, IIT, Union Public Service Commission, etc to be held in the country and the state.

### Q.21. Which State / UTs has presented a Rs 10,696.61 crore tax-free budget for fiscal 2022-23?

- A) Puducherry B) Jammu and Kashmir
- C) Ladakh D) Madhya Pradesh

### Answer : A

- ✓ Chief Minister of Puducherry N Rangasamy has presented a Rs 10,696.61 crore tax-free budget for fiscal 2022-23.
- ✓ The budget contained announcements including free house site pattas for freedom fighters in the union territory and laptops free of cost for students of standards XI and XII in government and aided schools.
- ✓ The size of the budget for fiscal 2022-23 was Rs 10,696.61 crore. the Union Territory's own revenue receipts were estimated at Rs 6,557.23 crore while the Central assistance would be Rs 1,729.77 crore with an additional Rs 20 crore from the Central Road Fund and an allocation of Rs 500 crore under Centrally sponsored schemes (CSS).

# Q.22. How many medals are won by the Indian wrestling team at U-20 World Championships in Sofia, Bulgaria?

A) 15	B) 20
C) 16	D) 18

### Answer : C

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated the Indian Wrestling team on winning 16 medals at the U-20 World championships in Sofia, Bulgaria.
- ✓ Giving their best performance, the Indian wrestling team earned a total of 16 medals across the different categories at the U-20 world wrestling championships.
- ✓ It included a Gold Medal, four silver medals, and 11 bronze medals.
- The event witnessed history as Antim Phangal became the first Indian woman to be crowned the U20 wrestling world champion.

### Q.23. What is the rank of India at the 15th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA) 2022?

A) 2nd	B) 3rd
C) 4th	D) 5th

C) 4th

### Answer : B

- ✓ India secured the third rank in the medal tally at the 15th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA).
- ✓ India held the third position jointly with Singapore with students winning three gold and two silver medals.
- $\checkmark$  Iran's official team with 5 gold medals secured the first position in the medal tally.
- ✓ The 15th IOAA was held in Kutaisi, Georgia, from 14 to 21 August 2022

#	Name of the contestant	Medal secured	Place from
1	Raghav Goyal	GOLD	Chandigarh
2	Md Sahil Akhtar	GOLD	Kolkata
3	Mehul Borad	GOLD	Hyderabad
4	Malay Kedia	SILVER	Ghaziabad
5	Atharva Nilesh Mahajan	SILVER	Indore

Q.24. Indian men's volleyball team won bronze medal by defeating volleyball team of which country at the 14th Asian Under-18 Championship in Tehran.

A) China

**B)Thailand** 

C) Korea

**D) Indonesia** 

- Answer : C
- ✓ Indian men's volleyball team won bronze medal by defeating Korea 3-2 in the 14th Asian U-18 Championship in Tehran on 22 August 2022.
- ✓ In the preliminary league match too, India defeated Korea but lost to Iran in the semifinal on 21 August 2022.

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	A) Uttar Pradesh	B) Haryana	
	C) Rajasthan	D) Gujarat	
Ans	wer:D		
Q.2.	How many UNESCO Intangible Cultu	Iral Heritage List items are from India	
	A) 16	B) 13	
	C) 14	D) 20	
Ans	wer:C		
<b>Q</b> .3.	3. Where is National Institute of Immunology in India?		
	A) Chennai	B) Hyderabad	
	C) Mumbai	D) New Delhi	
Ans	wer:D		
Q.4.	The 'Pulitzer Prize' which was estable	lished in 1917, is given in which of the following fields?	
	A) Journalism	B) Story-Poetry	
	C) Science and Technology	D) Music	
Ans	wer:A		
<b>Q</b> .5.	Who is the first Indian to have won th	ne Pulitzer Prize?	
	A) Gobind Behari Lal	B) Geeta Anand	
	C) Sanghamitra Kalita	D) Jhumpa Lahiri	
Ans	wer:A		

# ✓ In 1937, Gobind Behari Lal had won the Pulitzer Prize for journalism, along with four others, for his

- coverage in the field of science.
  ✓ Geeta Anand was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Explanatory Reporting in the year 2003.
- ✓ Jhumpa Lahiri was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in the year 2000.
- ✓ Sanghamitra Kalita was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Breaking News Reporting in the year 2016

### Q.6. The Headquarters of UNESCO is located at

A) Rome	B) Paris			
C) Madrid	D) London			
Answer : B				
✓ UNESCO's Headquarters are located in Paris, France.				
Q.7. SCO summit 2022 held in which country?				
A) India	B) Pakistan			
C) Tajikistan	D) Uzbekistan			

### Answer : D

Q.8. As of now how many members are in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)?

A) 7	B) 8
<b>C</b> ) 9	<b>D</b> ) 10
Answer : C	

- Q.9. Which of the following is not a member of SCO?
  - A) Kyrgyzstan B) Uzbekistan
  - C) Tajikistan
- Answer : D
- Q.10. Where is the headquarter of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) located?
  - A) Paris, France B
  - C) Shanghai, China

B) Beijing, ChinaD) Tokyo, Japan

**D)** Afghanistan

Answer : B



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