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By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. Which bank has launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' to improve accessibility and convenience?

- A) Punjab National Bank
- B) State Bank of India
- C) Indian Overseas Bank
- D) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: B

- ✓ The State Bank of India (SBI) has launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' as part of its financial inclusion drive in a bid to improve accessibility and convenience.
- ✓ The drive "aims to empower financial inclusion and extend essential banking services to the masses."
- ✓ In its first stage, the gadget will offer five main banking services that account for 75 percent of transactions at CSP outlets.
- ✓ This technology-driven initiative underscores SBI's commitment to deepening financial inclusion and social welfare through digitization by providing convenient and doorstep banking to our customers".
- ✓ The device will specially benefit customers facing difficulties in accessing customer service outlets, such as senior citizens.

SBI IN NEWS 2023

- > SBI has launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' as part of its financial inclusion drive in a bid to improve accessibility and convenience.
- The tenure of State Bank of India (SBI) Chairman Dinesh Khara has been extended till August 2024.
- > State Bank of India has introduced a digital facility for Non-Resident Indians to effortlessly open Non-Residential External and Non-Resident Ordinary accounts through its mobile app YONO.
- > State Bank of India has launched its 'Nation First Transit Card', a RuPay prepaid instrument under the National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) that can be used nationwide.
- > State Bank of India has launched a Customer Service Points (CSPs) functionality that allows customers to enroll for social security schemes through Aadhaar Card.
- > State Bank of India (SBI) has raised Rs 10,000 crore at a coupon rate of 7.54 percent through its third infrastructure bond issuance.

- > State Bank of India will set up a new trustee company as its wholly-owned subsidiary for managing the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF).
- > State Bank of India (SBI), Bengaluru Circle, recently launched 'Project Kuber' to meet the banking needs of its customers.
- > State Bank of India (SBI), the country's biggest lender, has raised USD 750 million through bonds to fund offshore business growth.
- > State Bank of India (SBI) launched a coffee table book titled "The Banker to Every Indian" and the book celebrates 75 years of Indian independence and 200 years of SBI's history.
- > SBI to launch new current accounts and savings accounts in FY24 to attract deposits.
- ➤ The bank intends to launch two new variants of current accounts, one with a balance of ₹50,000 and another with a balance of ₹50 lakh. It also plans to introduce a new savings account called "Parivar" (family) account.
- > State Bank of India (SBI) announced the completion of a \$1 billion syndicated social loan facility.
- ➤ The facility of \$1 billion was arranged through MLABs, MUFG bank and Taipei Fubon Commercial Bank Co.
- ➤ State Bank of India (SBI) has partnered with the NGO That's Eco Foundation to donate ₹48 lakh for the plantation of 32,000 tree saplings at Garden City University in Bengaluru.
- > State Bank of India (SBI) has raised Rs 3,717 crore through its third Basel III compliant Additional Tier 1 bond issuance in the current financial year at coupon rate of 8.25 per cent..
- > SBI reintroduces 400 days 'Amrit Kalash' retail term deposit scheme and provides an interest rate of 7.6% for senior citizens.
- > State Bank of India (SBI) has launched its coffee table book named 'The Banker to Every Indian'.
- Commercial Indo Bank LLC (CIBL) is a joint venture in Russia between SBI (60 per cent) and Canara Bank (40 per cent).
- > SBI announces completion of \$1 billion Syndicated Social Loan Facility.
- ➤ Warehousing Development Regulatory Authority (WDRA) signed a memorandum (MoU) of understanding with State Bank of India to help farmers in getting low interest rate loans.
- According to the Indian Banks' Association (IBA)'s report titled "EASE Reforms Index for the first quarter of FY23" the State Bank of India(SBI) was adjudged as the Best Bank in adopting reforms prescribed for Public Sector Banks(PSB).



- > SBI on 5 December 2022 announced that its personal banking advances excluding high value home loans have crossed the Rs 5 lakh-crore mark as on 30 November 2022.
- ➤ State Bank of India (SBI), India's largest lender, approved raising Rs 10,000 crore through infrastructure bonds during the financial year 2023 (FY23) including a greenshoe option of Rs 5,000 crore.
- > STATE BANK OF INDIA (SBI)
- ➤ Founded: 1 July 1955
- ➤ Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- > Chairman : Dinesh Kumar Khara
- ➤ Imperial Bank of India was previous name of SBI
- The presidency Banks of Bengal, Bombay and Madras with merged in 1921 to Imperial Bank of India.
- > Tagline of State Bank of India
 - (1) Pure Banking Nothing Else
 - (2) With you all the way
 - (3) A bank of the common man
 - (4) The banker to every Indian
 - (5) The Nation banks on us.
- ➤ It is one of the largest and oldest banks in India.
- Q.2. The Reserve Bank of India has recently allowed tokenization on CoF services. What does F stands for in CoF?

A) Fast

B) File

C) Front

D) Factor

Answer: B

- ✓ Recently, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) proposed to introduce Card-on-File Tokenisation (CoFT).
- ✓ About Card-on-File Tokenisation:
- ✓ Tokenisation refers to replacement of actual credit and debit card details with an alternate code called the "token", which will be unique for a combination of card, token requestor and device.

- ✓ This shall be unique for a combination of card, token requestor (i.e. the entity which accepts request from the customer for tokenisation of a card and passes it on to the card network to issue a corresponding token) and the merchant (token requestor and merchant may or may not be the same entity).
- ✓ Customers who do not have the tokenisation facility will have to key in their name, 16-digit card number, expiry date and CVV each time they order something online.
- ✓ What is Card-on-File transaction?
- ✓ It is transaction where in cardholders authorizes merchants to store their payment information securely and bill cardholders' stored accounts for future purchases.
- ✓ The device-based tokenization framework will now be applicable to Card-on-File Tokenisation (CoFT) services as well. Card-on-File (CoF) means that the Credit/Debit card details are stored by merchants for ease of payment
- Q.3. Which of the following has launched 'SUGAM REC', a mobile app for 54EC Bonds Investors?

A) Coal India

B) GAIL (India) Limited

C) NTPC Limited

D) REC Limited

Answer: D

- ✓ Recently, REC Limited, the Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise launched a SUGAM REC mobile application.
- ✓ About SUGAM REC App:
- ✓ It is exclusively for current and future investors in REC's 54EC Capital Gain Tax Exemption Bonds.
- ✓ Investors will be able to download their e-bond certificates, apply for fresh investment, download important forms related to updating of KYC, and also connect with REC's Investor Cell via call / email / WhatsApp.
- ✓ What are 54EC bonds?
- ✓ These are also known as Capital gain bonds are fixed income instruments which provide capital gains tax exemption under section 54EC to the investors.
- ✓ These bonds allow an assessee/investor to save income tax on long-term capital gain by investing the gains.
- ✓ The investment into these bonds has to be made within 6 months from the date of long-term capital gain.
- ✓ They have a fixed lock-in period of 5 years and can be either held in Physical or Demat form.
- ✓ Key facts about REC Limited
- ✓ It is a 'Maharatna' company (under the administrative control of the Ministry of Power, Government of India.

- ✓ It is registered with RBI as non-banking finance company (NBFC), Public Financial Institution (PFI) and Infrastructure Financing Company (IFC).
- ✓ It has been associated as nodal agency for Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (SAUBHAGAYA), Deen Dayal Upadhaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) and National Electricity Fund (NEF) Scheme.
- ✓ REC Limited, formerly Rural Electrification Corporation Limited
- ✓ Founded: 1969
- ✓ Headquarters: New Delhi
- ✓ CMD : Vivek Kumar Dewangan.
- ✓ REC Ltd has become the 12th company to attain the Maharatna status.
- Q.4. Choose the incorrect option regarding the Payment Infrastructure Development Fund(PIDF) which was launched by RBI 2021?
 - A) To benefit the acquiring banks/non-banks and merchants by lowering overall acceptance infrastructure costs
 - B) RBI has invested 250 crore in this fund.
 - C) To increase the number of acceptance devices multi-fold in the country.
 - D) POS will be established in tier 1 and tier 2 cities

Answer: D

- ✓ Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recently extended the Payments Infrastructure Development Fund (PIDF) scheme by another two years and will include beneficiaries of the PM Vishwakarma scheme.
- ✓ About Payments Infrastructure Development Fund (PIDF) Scheme:
- ✓ It was first launched by the RBI in January 2021 for a period of three years.
- ✓ Objective: Increasing the number of payment acceptance devices multifold in the country.
- ✓ PIDF is a fund set up by the RBI, in consultation with major authorised card networks, to facilitate the development of payment acceptance infrastructure in tier-3 to tier-6 cities and the north-eastern states of India.
- ✓ The Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh will also be given special focus.
- ✓ Beneficiaries of the PM SVANidhi Scheme in Tier-1 and 2 centres were later included in August 2021.
- ✓ Funding:
- ✓ The PIDF is funded by the RBI and the major authorized card networks in India.

- ✓ The scheme provides financial assistance to banks and non-bank financial companies (NBFCs) for the deployment of PoS terminals and other payment acceptance infrastructure in eligible regions.
- ✓ Merchants providing essential services (transport, hospitality, etc.), government payments, fuel pumps, PDS shops, healthcare, kirana shops, street vendors, etc., may be covered, especially in the targeted geographies.
- ✓ The PIDF will be governed through an Advisory Council and managed and administered by the RBI.
- ✓ The implementation of targets shall be monitored by the RBI with assistance from card networks, the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) and the Payments Council of India (PCI).
- ✓ The target for the PIDF scheme is -
- ✓ To increase payments acceptance infrastructure by adding 30 lakh touch points every year 10 lakh physical and 20 lakh digital payment acceptance devices.
- ✓ To increase the number of acceptance devices multi-fold in the country.
- ✓ To benefit the acquiring banks/non-banks and merchants by lowering overall acceptance infrastructure costs.
- ✓ What is PM Vishwakarma scheme?
- ✓ It is a Central Sector Scheme launched on 17th September, 2023, with a financial outlay of Rs.13,000 crore.
- ✓ Time period: Five years (FY 2023-24 to FY 2027-28).
- ✓ Aim:
- ✓ This initiative supports small businesses, focusing on traditional artists and craftspeople.
- ✓ It provides small workers and craftsmen with financial help, training, improved methods, and skill mentoring.
- ✓ It also aims at improving the quality as well as the reach of the products and services of artisans and craftsmen.
- ✓ Under this scheme, the artisans and craftspeople will be provided recognition through the PM Vishwakarma certificate and ID card, credit support upto 1 lakh (first tranche) and Rs.2 lakh (second tranche), with a concessional interest rate of 5%.
- ✓ Key Facts about PM SVANidhi Scheme:
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme was launched by the Government of India in June, 2020.
- ✓ Objective: To empower street vendors by not only extending loans to them but also for their holistic development and economic upliftment.

- ✓ The scheme intends to facilitate-collateral free working capital loans of up to Rs.10,000/- of one-year tenure, to approximately 50 lakh street vendors.
- ✓ Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- Q.5. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) clarified that addition of protein binders in milk and milk products are not permitted. FSSAI is a statutory body established under which Ministry?
 - A) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare B) Ministry of Home Affairs
 - C) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- D) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Answer: A

- ✓ Recently, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) clarified that addition of protein binders in milk and milk products are not permitted.
- ✓ Why in news?
- ✓ This clarification came at a time when certain players are adding protein binders to offer thicker texture in dairy products such as curd.
- ✓ About Protein binders:
- ✓ These are biological agents have emerged as an important and required class of ingredients to manufacture a wide range of new food products, especially semi-solid or solid foods.
- ✓ These are known to affect the digestibility of the protein bound and thus can affect the biological and nutritive value of milk proteins.
- ✓ What is milk protein?
- ✓ It is a good source of essential amino acids.
- ✓ They are easily digestible and do not contain any anti-nutritional factors like many plant-based proteins.

FSSAI IN NEWS 2023

- FSSAI clarified that addition of protein binders in milk and milk products are not permitted.
- ➤ Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) introduced a new provision called 'Special Category' in the FOSCOS portal.
- > FSSAI has recently recognized the Mithun as a 'food animal,' opening doors for its commercial use found in Arunachal Pradesh.
- Defence ministry, FSSAI to promote use of millets, healthy eating habits among armed forces.



- ➤ Guwahati Railway Station of the Northeast Frontier Railway has been awarded the 'Eat Right Station' certification by FSSAI, for providing high-quality, nutritious food to passengers.
- ➤ Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Dr Mansukh Mandaviya has inaugurated the state-of-the-art National Training Centre for Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) at Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- ➤ Varanasi Cantt Railway Station of the Indian Railways has been awarded the 5-Star 'Eat Right Station' certification for providing high quality nutritious food to the passengers.
- The Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI) has awarded the food provided by the Bulandshahr prison of Uttar Pradesh a five-star rating and the tag 'Eat Right Campus'. Bulandshahr Jail is the second prison after Farrukhabad jail to get this tag from Uttar Pradesh..
- ➤ G Kamala Vardhana Rao was appointed the chief executive officer (CEO) of the Food Safety & Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).
- > FSSAI has been established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, which is a consolidating statue related to food safety and regulation in India.
- ➤ Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)

➤ Founded: 2008

Headquarters : New Delhi
 Chairperson : Rajesh Bhusan
 CEO : G Kamala Vardhana Rao

Q.6. Which country has been elected president of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD)?

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A) China

B) Russia

C) India

D) Japan

Answer: C

- ✓ India has been elected president of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) General Conference (GC) for the third successive term.
- ✓ About Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development:
- ✓ It was established in 1977 under the auspices of UNESCO.

- ✓ The AIBD currently has 92 member organisations from across 44 countries, including 26 government members (countries) represented by 48 broadcasting authorities and broadcasters.
- ✓ It also has 44 affiliates (organisations) represented by 28 countries and regions in Asia, Pacific, Europe, Africa, Arab States and North America.
- ✓ India is one of the founding members of this organization.
- ✓ The Prasar Bharati, India's public service broadcaster, is the representative body of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India, at AIBD
- Q.7. Which country has successfully tested the Burevestnik missile?

A) Israel

B) Russia

C) China

D) North Korea

Answer: B

- ✓ President Vladimir V. Putin recently claimed that Russia had successfully tested the Burevestnik missile.
- ✓ <u>About Burevestnik Missile:</u>
- ✓ The Burevestnik, whose name translates as "storm petrel", is a ground-launched, low-flying cruise missile that is not only capable of carrying a nuclear warhead but is also nuclear-powered.
- ✓ The Burevestnik is one of six strategic weapons that the Russian President introduced in a 2018 speech.
- ✓ It is code-named 'SSC-X-9 Skyfall' by NATO.
- ✓ In theory, the nuclear energy could let it fly around the world several times before hitting its target.
- ✓ It has a range of up to 14,000 miles (22000 km).

Q.8. Which of the following Museum is based on Victoria?

A) Albert Hall Museum

B) Ajmer Government Museum

C) Crystal Gallery Udaipur

D) Dolls Museum Jaipur

Answer: A

- ✓ Maharashtra's Cultural Affairs Minister recently signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Victoria and Albert Museum in London to bring back Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's legendary wagh nakh (tiger claw) to the state.
- ✓ About Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj:
- ✓ He was the founder of the Maratha Empire in western India.

- ✓ He was born on February 19, 1630,to Shahaji Bhosle and Jijabai in the fort of Shivneri, near the city of Junnar in the Pune district, Maharashtra.
- ✓ With his valor and great administrative skills, Shivaji carved out an enclave from the declining Adilshahi sultanate of Bijapur. It eventually became the genesis of the Maratha Empire.
- ✓ The Victoria and Albert Museum is by far the world's best museum for art and design.
- ✓ He was known as the Father of the Indian Navy. Shivaji was the first to realise the importance of having a naval force, and therefore he strategically established a navy and forts at the coastline to defend the Konkan side of Maharashtra.
- ✓ He was called the 'Mountain Rat' and was widely known for his guerrilla warfare.
- Q.9. Which state government will ban the cultivation of the PUSA-44 paddy variety from next year onwards?
 - A) West Bengal
 - B) Haryana
 - C) Bihar
 - D) Punjab

Answer: D

- ✓ Recently, Punjab Chief Minister announced that the state will ban the cultivation of the PUSA-44 paddy variety from next year onwards.
- ✓ About PUSA-44:
- ✓ It is a paddy variety which was developed in 1993 by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).
- ✓ By the end of 2010s, it had gained widespread popularity among farmers across the Punjab, covering approximately 70 to 80% of the area under paddy cultivation.
- ✓ Farmers claim that PUSA-44 yields nearly 85 to 100 mann (34 to 40 quintals) per acre, while other varieties' yield average is 28 to 30 quintals per acre.
- ✓ Concerns
- ✓ It is a long-duration variety, taking around 160 days to mature.
- ✓ This is around 35 to 40 days more than other varieties, requiring 5-6 extra cycles of irrigation.
- ✓ With Punjab facing severe groundwater depletion and the availability of short-duration paddy varieties, the government aims to conserve one month of irrigation water by banning the variety.

Q.10. In which district of Kerala is located the famous Bekal Fort?

A) Kasaragod

B) Idukki

C) Mopa

D) Kollam

Answer: A

- ✓ The first public sector caravan park in Kerala to come up at Bekal fort of Kerala.
- ✓ About Bekal Fort:
- ✓ It is exquisitely designed and built with dark maroon laterite stones.
- ✓ It is the largest and best preserved Fort in the whole of Kerala.
- ✓ The fort is endowed with impressive walls and ramparts which are again interrupted by massive bastions.
- ✓ It was built in the 17th century.
- ✓ Originally constructed by the rulers of the ancient Kadampa Dynasty, the Fort changed hands over the years to the Kolathiri Rajas, the Vijayanagara Empire, Tipu Sultan and finally, the British East India Company.
- ✓ The most prominent structure inside the fort is the observation tower built by Tipu Sultan.
- Q.11. Central government has approved the continuation of the Central Sector National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMSS) till which of the following year?

A) 2022-23

B) 2029-30

C) 2024-25

D) 2025-26

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Answer: D

- ✓ The Ministry of Education recently started online registration for the National Merit cum Means Scholarship Scheme for the year 2023-24.
- ✓ About National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS):
- ✓ It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme launched in May, 2008.
- ✓ Objective: Award scholarships to meritorious students of economically weaker sections to arrest their dropout at class VIII and encourage them to continue the study at secondary stage.
- ✓ The Government has approved the continuation of the Central Sector National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMSS) for 5 years i.e. from 2021-22 to 2025-26.
- ✓ It will have a financial outlay of Rs. 1827.00 crore with minor modifications in eligibility criteria.
- ✓ The objective of the scheme is to award scholarships to meritorious students of economically weaker sections.

- ✓ Benefits:
- ✓ One lakh fresh scholarships are awarded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development to selected students every year for study in classes from IX to XII in recognized Government, Government-aided, and local body schools.
- ✓ The amount of scholarship is Rs. 12000/- per annum (Rs. 1000/- per month) per student.
- ✓ NMMSS scholarships are disbursed directly into the bank accounts of selected students by electronic transfer through the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) following DBT mode.
- ✓ Eligibility criteria:
- ✓ Students whose parental income from all sources is not more than Rs. 3,50,000/- per annum are eligible to avail the scholarship.
- ✓ The students must have minimum of 55 % marks or equivalent grade in Class VII examination for appearing in selection test for award of scholarship (relaxable by 5% for SC/ST students).
- ✓ The students should be studying as regular student in a Government, Government-aided and local body school.
- ✓ The students studying in the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS), Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and residential schools are not eligible for the scholarships under the NMMSS.
- ✓ There is reservation as per State Government norms.
- ✓ Selection Test: Each State and UT conducts its own test to select students for awarding the National Meanscum-Merit Scholarship.
- ✓ NMMSS is boarded on the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) a one stop platform for scholarship schemes given to students

Q.12. The special status given to the Ganges Dolphin is that it is the National _ of India.

A) river system

B) mammal

C) water animal

D) wildlife sanctuary

Answer: C

- ✓ A recent publication by scientists and researchers has revealed that 19 Gangetic river dolphins had been rescued from the irrigation canals of the Ganga-Ghagra basin in Uttar Pradesh between 2013 and 2020.
- ✓ About Gangetic river dolphin:
- ✓ It is a freshwater species and one of the few river dolphins found in the world.

- ✓ Distribution: It inhabits the Ganges-Brahmaputra-Meghna and Karnaphuli-Sangu river systems of Nepal, India, and Bangladesh.
- ✓ Common Names: Blind dolphin, Ganges dolphin, Ganges susu, hihu, side-swimming dolphin, South Asian River Dolphin
- ✓ It has been recognized as India's National Aquatic Animal.
- ✓ The Ganges River Dolphin or Gangetic Dolphin is the national aquatic animal of India.
- ✓ Being a mammal, the Ganges River dolphin cannot breathe in the water and must surface every 30-120 seconds. Because of the sound it produces when breathing, the animal is popularly referred to as the 'Susu'.
- ✓ Conservation status:
- ✓ IUCN: Endangered
- ✓ Wildlife (Protection) Act: Schedule-I
- ✓ CITES: Appendix I
- Q.13. Which space agency is set to launch a mission called APEP to study how a solar eclipse affects the upper atmosphere?

A) ISRO

B) JAXA

C) NASA

D) Roscomos

Answer: C

- ✓ NASA is set to launch a mission called APEP to study how a solar eclipse affects the upper atmosphere.
- ✓ About Atmospheric Perturbations around the Eclipse Path (APEP) mission:
- ✓ The mission will involve launching of three rockets equipped with scientific instruments.
- ✓ Objective: To know how the upper atmosphere will change during the eclipse, especially the moment when there would be a sudden reduction in light.
- ✓ During an eclipse, the sudden drop in sunlight causes changes in the ionosphere, creating waves that ripple through this atmospheric layer.
- ✓ It will measure changes in electric and magnetic fields, density, and temperature.
- ✓ This launch will take place at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico, with a specific focus on the ionosphere.
- ✓ According to NASA, the ionosphere's temperature and density are projected to decrease during the eclipse, resulting in a wave-like disturbance that has the potential to disrupt GPS and other satellite communications.

- ✓ An Indian-origin scientist at NASA is helming a mission that aims to launch three rockets during the 2023 annular eclipse on October 14.
- ✓ The mission, known as Atmospheric Perturbations around the Eclipse Path or APEP, is led by Aroh Barjatya.
- Q.14. Who has been appointed as the Executive Director of The Reserve Bank of India recently?

A) Dinesh Kumar Khara

B) Raj Vikash Verma

C) Alok Kumar Choudhary

D) Muneesh Kapur

Answer: D

- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India has appointed Muneesh Kapur as the Executive Director.
- ✓ Prior to being promoted as ED, Shri Kapur was Adviser-in-Charge, the Monetary Policy Department and Secretary to the Monetary Policy Committee.
- ✓ He also served as Adviser to the Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund during 2012-15.
- ✓ As Executive Director, Kapur will look after the Department of Economic and Policy Research.
- Q.15. Who has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re)?

A) Ramaswamy N

B) Rupa Devi Singh

C) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty

D) Raj Vikash Verma

Answer: A

- ✓ Ramaswamy N has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re).
- ✓ This appointment follows the decision by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India.
- Q.16. Which country has won the SAFF Under-19 Championship after defeating Pakistan 3-0 at the Dashrath Rangasala Stadium in Kathmandu?

A) Maldives

B) Bangladesh

C) Bhutan

D) India

Answer: D

✓ Indian men's football team wins SAFF Under-19 Championship

- ✓ In Football, India won the South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-19 Championship after defeating Pakistan 3-0 in a dominating display in the finals at the Dashrath Rangasala Stadium in Kathmandu.
- ✓ Manglenthang Kipgen and Gwgwmsar Goyary scored for India.
- Q.17. Indian men's hockey team has won the gold medal by defeating which country in the Asian Games 2023?

A) Japan

B) China

C) Pakistan

D) Thailand

Answer: A

- ✓ Indian men's hockey team dished out a clinical performance to reclaim the Asian Games gold medal after a nine-year wait as they thumped Japan 5-1 in the final in Hangzhou.
- ✓ India sealed their place in next year's Paris Olympics courtesy of the win, claiming their fourth Asiad gold after 1966, 1998, and 2014.
- ✓ Indian captain Harmanpreet Singh scored twice in the final, converting two penalty corners after Manpreet Singh had given India the lead with a bullet reverse strike in the second quarter.
- ✓ India led 2-0 at half-time, and Amit Rohidas converted another penalty corner to triple India's lead.
- ✓ This victory marks the Indian men's hockey team's fourth gold medal at the Asian Games, following triumphs in 1966, 1988, and 2014 editions.
- Q.18. Indian Women's Kabaddi Team Clinches Gold at Asian Games 2023 after defeating which Kabaddi team?

A) Chinese Taipei

B) Thailand

B) Japan

D) South Korea

Answer: A

- ✓ India achieved the magical figure of 100 medals at the ongoing Asian Games after the women's kabaddi team defeated Chinese Taipei 26-25 in a thrilling final to clinch gold in Hangzhou, China.
- ✓ India was held to a 34-34 draw by the same opponent in the group stage but the women in blue managed to run down the clock with a one-point lead at the end in the summit clash.
- ✓ This is the women's kabaddi team's third title triumph in the continental showpiece, doing one better than its runner-up finish in the last edition of the Games in Indonesia and fulfilling the country's expectations of touching the historic three-figure mark for the first time.

- ✓ India, the 2010 and 2014 champions, reclaimed the gold medal after a shock defeat against Iran in the 2018 final.
- Q.19. India's Jyothi Surekha Vennam has won the gold medal in the women's individual compound event at the Asian Games in Hangzhou, China. She is related to which sport?

A) Archery

B) Shooting

C) Badminton

D) Table tennis

Answer: A

- ✓ India's Jyothi Surekha Vennam won the gold medal in the women's individual compound archery event at the Asian Games in Hangzhou, China.
- ✓ Jyothi defeated So Chaewon of South Korea 149-145 in the final to complete a hattrick of gold medals, having already won titles in the women's and mixed team events.
- ✓ It is India's seventh medal in archery this edition.
- Q.20. Athlete Shi Hailin walks 100 m on a slackline in less than two minutes and sets a world record. He is from which country?

A) Thailand

B) Japan

C) India

D) China

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Answer: D

- ✓ An athlete from China broke the world record for the 'fastest 100 metres slackline walk'.
- ✓ Shi Hailin accomplished this feat by walking on a slackline suspended 100 metres above the ground between two hills in only 1 minute 14.198 seconds.
- ✓ With this, he surpassed the previous record of 1 minute 59.73 seconds held by Lucas Milliard of France in 2016.
- ✓ The world record took place 1,600 m above sea level at the Guanyindang camp in Mount Wugong, Pingxiang. Though Hailin walked more than 222 m in total, he was timed specifically within a marked 100 m area.
- Q.21. Ganga River Dolphin Day is marked on which day by the Indian government?

A) 6 October

B) 7 October

C) 5 October

D) 8 October



Answer: C

- ✓ Every Year India celebrates the 'Ganga River Dolphin Day' on October 5, as it was on this day that Ganga Dolphins were declared national aquatic animals in 2010.
- ✓ On the occasion, the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), the Wildlife Institute of India and the Forest Department has launched the 'My Ganga My Dolphin' campaign, to conduct Dolphin census in 250 km stretch from Bijnor to Narora.
- ✓ A Dolphin-based ecotourism programme, including Dolphin safari has also been launched in six sites across the states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal.
- ✓ Under this programme, the 'Ganga Praharis', the trained volunteers from the local community working for cleanliness of Ganga, will take the tourists at these sites on boat rides to view Dolphin and another biodiversity present in the Ganga River.
- ✓ The six sites include Bijnor, Brijghat, Prayagraj and Varanasi in UP; Kahalgaon in Bihar and Bandel in West Bengal

Q.22. Which day of the year is marked as the Air Force Day in India?

A) 7 October

B) 8 October

C) 6 October

D) 5 October

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Answer: B

- ✓ Air Force Day is observed every year on 8 October.
- ✓ The Air Force Day 2023 celebrates the 91 anniversary of the official foundation day of the force on October 8
- ✓ Indian Air Force was officially established on 8 October 1932 by the British Empire as the Royal Indian Air Force. The name was changed to Indian Air Force in 1950.

Q.23. In 2023, India is celebrating which edition of the Air Force Day

A) 85

B) 88

C) 82

D) 91

Answer: D

STATIC GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 8&9 October 2023

| 0.1. | Scheduled banks ar | e included under v | vhich schedule of | the RBI act 1934? |
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A) 1st schedule

B) 2nd schedule

C) 3rd schedule

D) 4th schedule

Answer: B

Q.2. What is the minimum paid up capital of a bank, must have to be eligible for inclusion in the Reserve Bank of India at 1934's Second Schedule to attain Scheduled Banks' status?

A) Rs. 2 lakhs

B) Rs. 4 lakhs

C) Rs. 5 lakhs

D) Rs. 20 lakhs

Answer: C

Q.3. RRBs are Indian government owned scheduled commercial banks that operate at the regional level in several states. What is the share of the central government in the regional rural banks?

A) 50

B) 35

C) 45

D) 15

Answer: A

✓ Regional Rural Banks should have the share of 50%, 15% and 35% owned by the central government, state government and sponsoring bank respectively.

Q.4. What is the authorized capital of regional rural banks?

A) ₹20 lakhs

B) ₹50 lakhs

C) ₹ 1 crore

D) ₹5 crores

Answer: D

Q.5. Which bank is the sponsor Bank of India's first regional rural bank Prathama Grama bank in Uttar Pradesh?

A) Indian bank

B) Canara Bank

C) Punjab National Bank

D) Syndicate Bank

Answer: D



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| Q.6. | Anyonya Co-operative Bank Limited (ACBL) is the first cooperative bank in India. V | Where | was it |
|------|--|-------|--------|
| | located? | | |

A) Uttar Pradesh

B) Gujarat

C) Maharashtra

D) Bihar

Answer: B

- ✓ First co-operative bank in India is Anyonya Co-operative Bank Limited (ACBL), which is based in Vadodara (previously Baroda) in Gujarat
- Q.7. The local area bank scheme was introduced in August 1996. What is the minimum paid up capital required for setting up of local area banks?
 - A) Rs. 1 crore

B) Rs. 2 crores

C) Rs. 5 crores

D) Rs. 10 crores

Answer: C

- Q.8. What is the number of digits used to represent the universal account number?
 - A) 10

B) 20

C) 12

D) 16

Answer: C

- Q.9. Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication (SWIFT) is 8 to 11_.
 - A) digital code

- B) alphabetic code
- C) alpha-numerical code
- Aparch D) Roman code

Answer: B

- Q.10. What is the full form of PPI?
 - A) Postpaid Payment Instrument
- **B) Prepaid Payment Instrument**
- C) PostOffice Payment Inclusion
- D) none of the above

Answer: B



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