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## **Aparchit 15&16 November English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2023**

By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

- Q.1. The Indian government has recently signed a \$400 million policy-based loan agreement with which organization to support its urban reform agenda?
  - A) New Development Bank
- B) International Monetary Fund

C) World Bank

D) Asian Development Bank

## Answer: D

- ✓ The Indian government has signed a \$400 million policy-based loan agreement with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support its urban reform agenda, which includes building high-quality urban infrastructure, increasing service delivery, and fostering efficient governance systems.
- ✓ While Sub-programme 1 was approved in 2021 with a \$350 million budget to implement national-level policies and guidelines to strengthen urban services, Sub-programme 2 supports investment planning and reform measures at the state and urban local body (ULB) levels
- ✓ Sub-programme 2 supports the reforms initiated by states and ULBs in operationalising the national flagship programme of Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0 targeted for universal access to water supply and sanitation, said Konishi.

## **ADB IN NEWS 2023**

- ➤ India & ADB sign \$400 million loan to support urban reform agenda.
- ADB to Support Improvement of Urban Infrastructure and Services in Peri-urban Areas of Ahmedabad, India.
- ➤ ADB Capital Management Reforms Bring \$100 Billion Benefits Over Next Decade to Asia-Pacific.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) has announced the allocation of US \$ 400 million for welfare work with a special focus on women and girls in Afghanistan.
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Fourth Partner Energy Private Limited (Fourth Partner) signed a long-term loan of up to 1.2 billion Indian rupees (about \$14.7 million).
- ➤ ADB Approves USD 40.5 Million Loan to Enhance Childhood Development and Maternal Mental Health in Meghalaya.



- Government of India and Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed a \$200 million loan as additional financing for the ongoing Rajasthan.
- ADB approves \$295mn loan to improve Transport Connectivity in Bihar.
- ➤ ADB gives 130 million dollars to increase horticulture in Himachal Pradesh.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed a \$141.12 million loan agreement for the development of an industrial corridor in Andhra Pradesh.
- Alok Kumar has been appointed as a member of the Asian Development Bank's (ADB) High-level Advisory Group on Digital Technology for Development.
- Pakistan is the largest recipient of ADB loans in Asia, Pakistan received loans of USD 5.58 billion.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) has announced its plans to invest in non-convertible debentures valued at Rs 150 crore in Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd (TPDDL).
- ADB approves \$130 million loan to promote horticulture in Himachal Pradesh.
- Indian government and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed loan agreements aggregating to \$1.22 billion.
- ➤ ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB)
- Founded: 19 December 1966
- ➤ HQ : Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, Philippines Director of ADB for India: Takeo Konishi

  Executive Director: Sameer Kumar

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- Member Countries: 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.
- ➤ It is a regional multilateral financial institution focused on countries in the Asia and Pacific region.
- ➤ It currently has 68 members of which 49 are from the Asia and Pacific region and 19 from outside.

- Q.2. Who has been appointed as the new Foreign Minister of Britain?
  - A) Liz Truss

B) David Cameron

C) James Cleverley

D) Zakir Ahmed

#### Answer: B

- ✓ Former UK Prime Minister David Cameron has been appointed as the new Foreign Minister of Britain.
- ✓ PM Rishi Sunak has chosen David Cameron as the new Foreign Minister in place of James Cleverley.
- ✓ David Cameron was the Prime Minister of Britain between 2010 and 2016.
- Q.3. Which Union Ministry instituted Committee on Digital Competition Law (CDCL)?
  - A) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- B) Ministry of Finance

C) Ministry of MSME

D) Ministry of Electronics and IT

## Answer: A

- ✓ The Corporate Affairs Ministry (MCA) extended the term of the 16-member Committee on Digital Competition Law (CDCL) up to December 31, 2023.
- ✓ The extended term of this panel, which was tasked to submit a draft Bill of proposed digital competition law, had expired on October 31. CDCL will have to submit its report to the government including a draft Digital Competition Act (DCA).
- Q.4. Ben Gurion Canal Project is a proposed canal project through which country?

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- A) Israel
- B) USA
- C) Russia
- D) Japan

## Answer: A

- ✓ The Ben Gurion Canal Project, initially conceived in the 1960s, is a proposed canal project through the state of Israel. It would connect the Gulf of Aqaba to the Mediterranean Sea.
- ✓ It holds the potential to reshape global maritime trade dynamics by breaking Egypt's control over the most direct route between Europe and Asia. Nevertheless, the project's realization faces formidable obstacles of logistical complexity, political hurdles, and financial constraints, rendering it currently appear highly improbable.

Q.5. 'Mars Sample Return mission' is associated with which country?

A) Israel

B) UAE

C) USA

D) Russia

## Answer: C

- ✓ The ambitious Mars Sample Return mission by NASA, considered one of the most intricate space endeavors, is at risk due to escalating expenses that could lead to a budgetary crisis for the space agency.
- ✓ The objective of the Mars Sample Return mission is to gather rock samples from Mars utilizing unmanned probes and robotic rovers.
- Q.6. Arignar Anna Zoological Park (AAZP), which was seen in the news, is in which state?

A) Tamil Nadu

B) Karnataka

C) Andhra Pradesh

D) Odisha

## Answer: A

- ✓ Arignar Anna Zoological Park (AAZP), Vandalur received a pair of Himalayan black bears from the Jambu Zoo, Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ In the exchange, AAZP will provide a pair of Bengal tigers. Also known as the Vandalur Zoo, it is a zoological garden located in the southwestern part of Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

## **TAMIL NADU IN NEWS 2023**

- > 'Guidance', the nodal agency for investment promotion of Tamil Nadu, has received the United Nations Promotion Award 2023.
- Project Nilgiri Tahr' launched in Tamil Nadu.
- > The second spaceport of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), will come up in about two years at Kulasekarapattinam in Thoothukudi district of Tamil Nadu.
- > The U.K. and Tamil Nadu collaborate on a smart technology project for sustainable water, waste, and resource management.
- Recently, Udangudi 'Panangkarupatti' (palm jaggery/ gur) from Tamil Nadu has received a Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- > Tamil Nadu government has unveiled its new tourism policy to develop the State into the most attractive experiential destination in Asia.



- Tamil Nadu's Salem Sago gets GI tag.
- ➤ Bhaderwah Rajmash and Sulai honey of Doda and Ramban districts of Jammu and Kashmir, have been granted Geographical Indication (GI) tags.
- > The Matti banana variety, native to Kanniyakumari district Tamil Nadu was recently granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- ➤ Taiwanese firm Foxconn Technology Group, a key supplier to Apple Inc., signed a letter of Intent with the Tamil Nadu government to invest ₹1,600 crore to establish a manufacturing facility in Kancheepuram district.
- > Centre has approved the establishment of a new spaceport in Kulasekarapattinam, Tamil Nadu for carrying out the launches of the Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLV) developed by the ISRO.
- Tamil Nadu's Authoor betel leaves get Geographical Indication (GI) certificate.
- > Tamil Nadu bagged the Best Performing State award 2023 in cadaver organ donation.
- Tamil Nadu Youth Welfare and Sports Development Minister "Udhayanidhi Stalin" has unveiled the trophy and the 'Bomman' mascot for the prestigious Asian Champions Trophy 2023 hockey tournament to be held in Chennai.
- Muthamizh Selvi, first Tamil Nadu woman to scale Mt Everest.
- > Tamil Nadu government declared Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary as the 18th wildlife sanctuary in the state..
- > Tamil Nadu becomes first state to launch its own Climate Change Mission.
- Tamil Nadu govt to launch five-year Tamil Nadu Millet Mission.
- > In a first of its kind initiative in India, the Government of Tamil Nadu announced the 'Nilgiri Tahr Project'.
- Q.7. India is ranked \_ in the list of 129 countries in the world in inclusiveness index by US varsity.

A) 121st

B) 117th

C) 106th

D) 92nd

Answer: B

- ✓ India is ranked 117th in the list of 129 countries in the world in the inclusiveness index published by the Othering and Belonging Institute (OBI) at California University, United States. Smaller countries like Bangladesh (106) and Israel (115) were placed better than India.
- ✓ The index examines inclusivity in terms of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, and the general population using several measures.
- ✓ The measures include out-group violence, political representation, income inequality, anti-discrimination laws, rate of incarceration, and immigration/ asylum policies, as per a release from OBI.
- ✓ India was ranked last (129) in religion inclusiveness, 121st in gender, 108th in disability, 87th in race, 40th in the general population, and 39th in LGBTQ.
- ✓ New Zealand finished first in the index for the second consecutive year. Portugal recorded its best showing by securing second place (up from 5th place in 2022) followed by the Netherlands in the third place.
- ✓ Iran was placed at the bottom of the global list. Yemen, which has been devastated by the Saudi-led invasion performed poorly followed by the Comoros Islands, a former French colony located off the southeastern coast of Africa.

## Q.8. Asia-Pacific Airlines Aim for \_\_\_\_ Green Fuel Usage By 2030.

A) 5%

B) 15%

C) 25%

D) 35%

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#### Answer: A

- ✓ The Association of Asia-Pacific Airlines (AAPA) has announced a groundbreaking target for its 14 member airlines, including newly inducted Air India, to achieved 5% sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) usage by 2030.
- ✓ This move aims to address the aviation industry's carbon emissions challenges, signaling a significant demand for sustainable fuel production.
- ✓ National Initiatives in India:
- ✓ India has also taken steps toward promoting sustainable aviation fuel. In May, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas in India expressed its intention to mandate 1% SAF use by domestic carriers by 2025. The civil aviation ministry has further outlined plans to increase the blending of sustainable aviation fuel to 2% by 2026 and 5% by 2030.
- ✓ Progress in India and Global Impact :

- ✓ India has witnessed SAF demonstration flights, including one by Spice Jet in 2018 and Air Asia India in May 2023, marking the country's first domestic commercial passenger flight with SAF blending up to 1%. These initiatives contribute to the global efforts to address aviation's environmental impact, as the sector currently contributes 3% of global carbon emissions.
- ✓ Global Targets and Progress :
- ✓ In 2016, the International Civil Aviation Organization set a carbon-neutral growth target starting from 2019 and aims for net-zero emissions by 2050. Despite progress, SAF production, which reached approximately 300 million liters in 2022, represents only 0.1% of total aviation fuel use, according to the International Air Transport Association.
- ✓ The industry faces the challenge of scaling up production to meet ambitious targets.

## **TARGET YEAR IN NEWS 2023**

- Members of the Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA) collectively have set an "aspirational target" of 5% sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) usage by 2030.
- ➤ India to push developed nations to become carbon-negative before 2050.
- ➤ This 'Bharat Drone Shakti 2023' event will help the country to achieve its commitment of becoming a global drone hub by 2030.
- ➤ Vaccine manufacturer Indian Immunologicals Limited (IIL) expects to commercially launch its dengue fever vaccine by early 2026.
- ➤ Group Chief Economic Advisor at the State Bank of India (SBI), Soumya Kanti Ghoshon has reiterated that India is likely to become the third-largest economy by 2027.
- ➤ The Ministry of Coal has set a target to gasify 100 million tonnes of coal by FY 2030.
- According to the report of Goldman Sachs Research, by the year 2075, India will become the second largest economy in the world after China leaving behind not only Japan and Germany but also America.
- ➤ UNEP suggests measures to reduce 80% of world's plastic pollution by 2040.
- India aims to become one trillion dollar tourism economy by 2047.
- The government announced a plan to add 250 GW of renewable energy capacity in the next five years to achieve its target of 500 GW of clean energy by 2030.



- > India has set targets for half of its installed electricity capacity to be from non-fossil fuel sources by 2030 and for the country to attain net-zero carbon emissions by 2070.
- ➤ 2023 foreign trade policy has the vision to take India's goods and services exports to \$2 trillion by 2030.
- ➤ India to get 9% of Electricity from Nuclear Sources by 2047.
- ➤ India sets target to become 'Global Hub for Green Ship' building by 2030
- Indian Railways to become Net Zero Carbon Emitter by 2030.
- ➤ India to produce 5 million tonnes of green hydrogen by 2030.
- India has set a target to replace the use of diesel by renewable energy in the agriculture sector by 2024.
- ➤ Indian Government has set a target to eliminate TB in India by 2025.
- ➤ India targets ₹25,000-cr worth defence exports by 2024.
- Reserve Bank of India's 2023 monetary policy objective is to hold inflation within the mandated tolerance band and guide it towards the medium-term target of 4% by 2024.
- Q.9. Which organization's executive board has approved a proposal to make a 50% increase in the quota allocated to members in proportion to their current quotas?

A) World Bank

B) Asian Development Bank

C) International Monetary Fund

D) New Development Bank

## Answer: C

- ✓ IMF executive board has approved a 50% quota increase
- ✓ The executive board has approved a proposal to make a 50% increase in the quota allocated to members in proportion to their current quotas.
- ✓ The proposal has come after the guidance from the IMF Committee at the 2023 annual meetings.
- ✓ Presently, India has a quota of Special Drawing Rights (SDR) of 13,114.4 million. This means India has a share of 2.75%.
- ✓ The proposal will be effective only after consideration and voting by the Board of Governors.
- Q.10. Which country recently got a new island after an underwater volcanic eruption?

A) Japan

B) Australia

C) China

D) Indonesia

## Answer: A

- ✓ Japan gets a new Island after an undersea volcano eruption
- ✓ The world's newest island has been formed off the coast of the Japanese island of Iwo Jima in the Pacific Ocean following an undersea volcanic eruption around 1,200 km south of Tokyo.
- ✓ The newly created island has not been named yet. However, as far as its measurement goes, it is approximately around 100 m in diameter, and took shape through phreatomagmatic eruptions. These eruptions are actually triggered when magma reacts with seawater, thereby resulting in explosive releases of ash and steam.
- ✓ Reportedly, the eruption started on October 21, 2023, around 1 km off the coastline of Iwoto Island, which was formerly known as Iwo Jima.

## Q.11. Which country has won its first Billie Jean King Cup 2023?

A) Canada

B) Mexico

C) Spain

D) Argentina

## Answer: A

- ✓ Canada won its first Billie Jean King Cup
- ✓ Leylah Fernandez and Marina Stakusic won their singles matches as Canada beat Italy 2-0 to claim its firstever Billie Jean King Cup.
- ✓ Stakusic ranked 258th in the world, put Canada ahead by defeating No. 43 Martina Trevisan 7-5, 6-3 for the biggest win of her career, then Fernandez sealed the victory by beating Jasmine Paolini 6-2, 6-3 at La Cartuja Stadium.
- ✓ Canada, captained by Heidi El Tabakh, became the 13th nation to win the Billie Jean King cup and the second consecutive new champion after Switzerland won in Glasgow 12 months ago.
- ✓ The Canada men's team is the current Davis Cup champion.
- ✓ The women's teams competed in four round-robin groups, with the winners advancing to the semifinals. The United States was eliminated by the Czech Republic in a group that also included title-holder Switzerland.
- ✓ The biggest team competition in women's tennis started two days after the end of the WTA Finals in Cancun, Mexico, which featured the top eight players on the tour including winner Iga Swiatek

Q.12. International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the names of the three legends of cricket as the latest inductees of the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame. Who among the following is not include in ICC's hall of fame?

A) Aravind D'Silva

B) Virender Sehwag

C) Diana Edulji

D) Heather Knight

## Answer: D

- ✓ Virender Sehwag, Diana Edulji & Aravind D'Silva enter ICC's Hall of Fame
- ✓ Three cricketing greats and standout performers in the history of the game Former Indian legendary opener Virender Sehwag, former Indian Women Test skipper Diana Edulji, and Sri Lanka's iconic star Aravinda de Silva are the latest inductees to be added to the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame.
- ✓ The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the name of the three legends of cricket as the latest inductees of the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame.
- ✓ Sehwag had dynamism a destructive opener of the modern era holds a record that is still hard to match, the first Indian with a Triple century. Sehwag has in fact scored two Triple Hundreds
- ✓ During his illustrious career, Sehwag scored 23 Test centuries, the fifth most by an India men's player, and claimed a record of the highest score by an Indian player ever, 319 which was against South Africa in Chennai in 2008. Overall, Sehwag has 8,586 runs to his name at an average of 49.34 in 104 appearances.
- ✓ The second inductee in the ICC Hall of Fame Edulji captained India for almost three decades, and as a leftarm orthodox spinner claimed 100 wickets while making 54 international appearances.
- ✓ The third inductee of the ICC Hall of Fame was a winner of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup with Sri Lanka in 1996 Aravinda de Silva. The Sri Lankan batter was known for his consistency, scoring 20 Test centuries during an 18-year international career which is the third most by any Sri Lanka men's player.
- Q.13. India ended its campaign at the Asian Archery Championships in Bangkok with how many medals?

A) 5

B) 7

C) 6

D) 9

## Answer: B

✓ India ended its campaign at the Asian Archery Championships in Bangkok with seven medals comprising three gold, a silver, and three bronze.

- ✓ In the Women's team final, Jyothi Surekha Vennam, Parneet Kaur, and Aditi Gopichand Swami defeated Chinese Taipei in a thrilling contest to win the yellow metal.
- ✓ Kaur also won gold in the women's individual event after beating compatriot Vennam in the final.
- ✓ India won their second gold medal of the day after Swami and Priyansh beat Thailand in the final of the Mixed Team event.

## Q.14. Which State Launched 'Food Security' Campaign to Ensure Zero Hunger?

A) Meghalaya

B) Manipur

C) Nagaland

D) Arunachal Pradesh

#### Answer: A

- ✓ The Department of Food, Civil Supplies, and Consumer Affairs in Meghalaya has launched the 'Food Security' Campaign, which focuses on sensitising the public about the National Food Security Act (NFSA) 2013 and strives to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 2 − 'Zero Hunger.
- ✓ The campaign was launched by Minister-in-Charge Comingone Ymbon at the Shillong Press Club.
- ✓ Objective: The objectives of the Campaign is to create general awareness about food security being a right of the citizen and calls upon the public at ground zero community level to work together towards 'Zero Hunger' to meet the need of the public at the bottom of the poverty pyramid.
- ✓ The One Nation One Ration Card scheme (ONORC) will also be taken up as one of the salient features of the National Food Security Act, he added

## Q.15. Which Country Launched Interactive Map for Biodiversity Restoration?

A) Australia

B) Netherlands

C) New Zealand

D) United Kingdom

## Answer: C

- ✓ A new interactive map was launched to restore a minimum of 15 percent local biodiversity within every catchment in New Zealand in the next nearly 100 years.
- ✓ The interactive map from Eco-index includes information on the type of habitat that existed there historically and targets for restoring 15 percent of biodiversity in each area.

✓ The free, open access-resourced tool will help community groups, businesses, government and land managers to set restoration priorities for areas where local biodiversity is most at risk, said Eco-index, a program aiming at tackling the challenge of biodiversity decline in New Zealand

## Q.16. Which Company delivers India's first LNG-Powered Haulage Truck - AVTR 1922?

A) Ashok Leyland

B) Tata Motors

C) BharatBenz

D) Mahindra and Mahindra

## Answer: A

- ✓ Ashok Leyland becomes the first Indian Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) to unveil an in-house LNG engine compliant with BSVI Stage II emission standards.
- ✓ The AVTR 1922, powered by Liquified Natural Gas (LNG), is built on the AVTR platform and shares a high degree of commonality with Ashok Leyland's existing diesel truck range. This ensures that our customers benefit from streamlined service and maintenance processes

# Q.17. Who has launched PM-PVTG Mission And Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra On Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas?

A) Amit Shah

B) Narendra Modi

C) Rajnath Singh

D) Droupadi Murmu

#### Answer: B

- ✓ On 15 November 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi is set to launch the PM-PVTG Development Mission, a groundbreaking scheme aimed at fostering the comprehensive development of approximately 28 lakh people belonging to Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).
- ✓ This significant event is scheduled to coincide with the birth anniversary celebration of the revered tribal freedom fighter, Birsa Munda, observed as Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas for the past three years.
- ✓ The launch ceremony is strategically planned to take place in Jharkhand's Khunti district, specifically after a visit to Ulihatu village, the birthplace of Birsa Munda.
- ✓ This visit will mark a historic moment as Prime Minister Modi becomes the first sitting Prime Minister to visit this village.
- ✓ PM-PVTG Mission and Development Initiatives :
- ✓ The PM-PVTG Development Mission aims to address the critical needs of the 75 PVTG communities residing in over 22,000 remote villages across 18 States and Union Territories.

- ✓ The focus areas include power, water, road connectivity, housing, education, and healthcare.
- ✓ This comprehensive approach aligns with the government's commitment to uplifting marginalized communities.
- ✓ Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra :
- ✓ Simultaneously, Prime Minister Modi is expected to launch the "Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra" from Khunti, with the ambitious goal of achieving saturation of flagship government schemes across the country.
- ✓ This Yatra will commence from tribal-dominated districts, aiming to cover all districts by January 2024.
- ✓ The initiative reflects the government's dedication to extending the benefits of its schemes to the remotest corners of the nation.
- ✓ Saturation of Key Schemes :
- ✓ \* Concerted efforts will be made in PVTG villages to achieve the saturation of vital schemes.
- \* These schemes include PM-Jan Arogya Yojana, Sickle-Cell Elimination Campaign, TB Elimination Campaign, 100% immunization, PM Surakshit Matritva Yojana, PM Matru Vandana Yojana, PM Poshan, PM Jan Dhan Yojana, among others.
- ✓ Financial Commitment :
- ★ While initially budgeted at ₹15,000 crore over three years, the government has now allocated ₹24,000 crore for the PM-PVTG Development Mission.
- ★ This financial commitment underscores the government's determination to bring about substantial positive change in the lives of PVTG communities.

## Q.18. \_\_ and OneWeb Secure Licenses for Satellite Internet Services.

A) Jio

B) Airtel

C) BSNL

D) Vodafone Idea

## Answer: A

- ✓ Jio Satellite Communications Ltd and Eutelsat OneWeb have been granted the requisite licences to provide satellite internet services in India.
- ✓ Both companies hold the GMPCS (Global Mobile Personal Communication by Satellite) licence, alongside a pan-India ISP (Internet Service Provider) licence.

- ✓ As reported by the Financial Express, the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) allocated ISP-A and a VSAT (Very Small Aperture Terminal) licence to OneWeb on Wednesday. The report states that Jio secured the ISP licence in October.
- ✓ Jio showcased JioSpaceFiber at the India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2023, while Airtel's booth featured solutions from Eutelsat OneWeb.
- ✓ Meanwhile, Amazon and Starlink are also in the process of obtaining the GMPCS licence in India. Starlink is anticipated to secure the licence soon.

## Q.19. 6th India-OPEC Energy Dialogue High-Level Meeting Held In Which Country?

A) Germany

B) France

C) Austria

D) Netherlands

## Answer: C

- ✓ The 6th High-Level Meeting of the India-OPEC Energy Dialogue took place on 9 November 2023, at the OPEC Secretariat in Vienna, Austria.
- ✓ Recognizing the pivotal role of India in global economic growth and energy demand, the parties acknowledged the World Oil Outlook 2023.
- ✓ This forecasted India as the fastest-growing major developing economy, projecting long-term growth of 6.1% between 2022-2045 and accounting for over 28% of incremental global energy demand during the same period.
- ✓ As India stands as the third-largest energy consumer, crude oil importer, and the fourth-largest global refiner, the collaboration between India and OPEC becomes not only essential but also natural.

## Q.20. Who has become the first woman to skydive from 21,500 feet near Mount Everest?

A) Arunima Sinha

B) Sheetal Mahajan

C) Krishna Puri

D) Aditi Ashok

## Answer: B

- ✓ Indian skydiver Sheetal Mahajan has become the first woman to skydive by jumping from a helicopter from a height of 21,500 feet in front of Mount Everest, the world's highest peak.
- ✓ After which she landed on 'Kalapathar' peak at a height of 17,444 feet.

✓ He is a renowned Indian skydiver who holds several skydiving records and was also awarded the fourth highest civilian award, the Padma Shri, in 2001.

## Q.21. Who has become the first Indian woman cricketer to be inducted into ICC's 'Hall of Fame'?

A) Diana Edulji

B) Anjum Chopra

C) Mithali Raj

D) Poonam Yadav

## Answer: A

- ✓ Former Indian captain Diana Edulji became the first Indian woman cricketer to be inducted by the International Cricket Council (ICC) in its Hall of Fame.
- ✓ Along with him, former Indian opener Virender Sehwag and Sri Lankan Aravind de Silva have also been included in the Hall of Fame.
- ✓ Diana played 54 matches for India between 1976 and 1993 and took more than 100 wickets

## Q.22. "One Station One Product" initiative of Indian Railways is now operational at how many stations?

A) 1,000

B) 1,037

C) 1,041

D) 1,150

## Answer: B

- ✓ Indian Railways' "One Station One Product" initiative is now operational at 1,037 stations across the country.
- ✓ This initiative is specifically designed to sell indigenous products to the local people.
- ✓ This scheme has been designed by the National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad.
- ✓ The pilot project of the scheme was started on 25 March 2022

## Q.23. Who was the founder of Sahara Group who passed away recently?

A) Subrata Roy

B) Sudarshan Roy

C) Rana Kapoor

D) Abhinandan Anand

## Answer: A

- ✓ Subrata Roy, founder and chairman of Sahara Group, died at the age of 75 in a hospital in Mumbai.
- ✓ Subrata Roy, born in 1948 in Araria, Bihar, started Sahara India Parivar in 1978.

Q.24. Which day has been declared by the Government to be observed as the Janjatiya Gaurav Divas (Tribal Pride Day)?

A) 15 November

B) 16 November

C) 11 November

D) 19 November

## Answer: A

- ✓ Janjatiya Gaurav Divas is observed on 15th November across the nation, to commemorate the contributions of tribal communities in the nation's history and culture.
- ✓ The birth anniversary of tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda is celebrated as the Janjatiya Gaurav Divas or Tribal Pride Day.
- ✓ On this day, President Droupadi Murmu paid tributes to Bhagwan Birsa Munda at Ulihatu village in Jharkhand.
- ✓ It was last year the Centre announced the celebration of the day as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas to honour and commemorate the contributions of Birsa Munda to India's free movement against British rule
- ✓ He was born on 15th November 1875 in a Munda tribe.
- Q.25. The commemoration of the Janjatiya Gaurav Divas (Tribal Pride Day) marks the birth anniversary of which Indian freedom fighter?

A) Tilka Majhi

B) Tatya Tope

C) Birsa Munda

D) Chandra Shekhar Azad

## Answer: C

- ✓ 15 November has been chosen as this date marks the birth anniversary of Sri Birsa Munda who is revered as Bhagwan (God) by tribal communities across the country
- Q.26. Jharkhand Foundation Day is celebrated every year on which day?

A) 13 November

B) 14 November

C) 15 November

D) 12 November

## Answer: C

- ✓ Jharkhand Foundation Day is celebrated every year on November 15th to commemorate the founding of the state of Jharkhand.
- $\checkmark$  The state was part of Bihar till the year 2000.

- ✓ Jharkhand Foundation Day is a mark of the establishment of the 28th state of India.
- ✓ Before the Bihar Reorganization Act, 2000, the state was a part of Bihar.
- ✓ The 29% of forests and woodlands cover, makes it the highest forest occupancy amongst all states in India.
- ✓ After the Indian Parliament passed the Bihar Reorganization Act, 2000, Jharkhand was carved out of Bihar on November 15, 2000.
- ✓ Jharkhand's state animal is the Indian elephant while the state bird is Koel.
- ✓ The state's capital is Ranchi.
- ✓ Jharkhand is also called 'The land of the forest' or 'Bushland'.
- ✓ Right now, the forests of Chhotanagpur plateau and Santhal Pargana make up Jharkhand.
- ✓ It is the 15th largest state based on its area size.
- ✓ One of the fascinating folk dance forms of Jharkhand that is quite popular is 'Chhau nach', a masked dance performance that is a great visual treat.
- ✓ The state is rich in mineral resources like coal, iron ore, copper ore, uranium, mica, bauxite, granite, limestone, silver, and dolomite.
- ✓ While Ranchi is its capital city, Dumka is Jharkhand's sub-capital

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A) Rajasthan

B) Jammu & Kashmir

C) Chhattisgarh

Aparch D) Bihar

## Answer: D

Q.2. The Asian Hockey Federation is headquartered in \_\_\_

A) Dubai, United Arab Emirates

B) Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

C) Vienna, Austria

D) New York, United States

## Answer: B

Q.3. Kamlang Tiger Reserve is situated in which Indian state?

A) Andhra Pradesh

B) Arunachal Pradesh

C) Sikkim

D) Odisha

Answer: B



D) Gujarat

Answer: C

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Q.4.	In which part of India is the Sirohi National Park located?				
	A) Goa	B) West Bengal			
	C) Ladakh	D) Manipur			
Ansv	wer : D				
Q.5.	What is the currency of S	outh Africa?			
	A) Zloty	B) Kyat			
	C) Rand	D) Sol			
Ansv	wer : C				
Q.6.	Where is the Ujjivan Small Finance Bank headquartered?				
	A) Bengaluru	B) Noida			
	C) New Delhi	D) Chennai			
Ansv	wer: A				
Q.7.	Maharaja Bir Bikram Air	port is located in which of these states?			
	A) Tripura	B) Sikkim			
	C) Nagaland	D) Arunachal Pradesh			
Ansv	wer: A	D) Arunachal Pradesh			
Q.8.	Merdeka Cup is associate	ed with which of these sports?			
	A) Tennis	Aparch B) Football			
	C) Cricket	D) Hockey			
Ansv	wer: B				
Q.9.	The Indian folk dance Tertali or teratali has its origin from which state?				
	A) Punjab				
	B) Haryana				
	C) Madhya Pradesh				



Q.10. The Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan is a stadium based in which of these place?

A) Kolkata

B) New Delhi

C) Patna

D) Bhubaneswar

Answer: A





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