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Aparchit 16 December English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2023 By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. Who won the title of Miss India USA 2023?

- A) Ayushi Kapoor B) Rijul Maini
- C) Kirti Kamra D) Saloni Rammohan

Answer: B

- Rijul Maini, a medical student from Michigan (US), won the title of Miss India USA 2023 in the annual competition held in New Jersey.
- ✓ Sneha Nambiar of Massachusetts was declared Mrs. India USA.
- ✓ Saloni Rammohan of Pennsylvania was given the title of Miss Teen India USA.
- ✓ This year marks the 41st anniversary of the competition which is the longest running Indian competition outside India

MISS WORLD / UNIVERSE IN NEWS 2023

- > Rijul Maini won the title of Miss India USA 2023 in the annual competition held in New Jersey.
- Sheynnis Palacios from Nicaragua crowned Miss Universe 2023 during the 72nd Miss Universe pageant in San Salvador.
- > Praveena Aanjna crowned as Miss International India 2023.
- Priyan Sen, who hails from Rajasthan, won the Miss Earth India 2023 title during the Miss Divine Beauty 2023 National Finals held in New Delhi.
- > Rikkie Kollé is the first transgender woman to win Miss Universe Netherlands.
- > Rajasthan's Nandini Gupta crowned 2023 Femina Miss India.
- > America's R'Bonnie Gabriel won the Miss Universe 2022 title at the 71st Miss Universe pageant.
- > South Korea's Mina Sue Choi Crowned Miss Earth 2022.
- > Divita Rai from Karnataka won the prestigious title of Miss Diva Universe 2022.
- > Indian-American Aarya Walvekar crowned Miss India USA 2022.
- > Pallavi Singh wins the Mrs Universe Divine Crown in South Korea.
- > Khushi Patel from UK is crowned Miss India Worldwide 2022.
- ▶ Karolina Bielawska from Poland has won the title of Miss World 2021.



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- List of Miss World winners from India
 - 1. Reita Faria : 1966
 - 2. Aishwarya Rai : 1994
 - 3. Diana Hayden : 1997
 - 4. Yukta Mookhey : 1999
 - 5. Priyanka Chopra : 2000
 - 6. Manushi Chhillar : 2017.
- List of Miss Universe winners from India
 - 1. Sushmita Sen : 1994
 - 2. Lara Dutta : 2000
 - 3. Harnaaz Sandhu : 2021.
- Reita Faria is the first Indian to win the Miss World in 1966.
- Sushmita Sen first Indian to win the Miss Universe title in 1994.
- > Nicole Faria became the first Indian to win the 'Miss Earth' in 2010

Q.2. Fast Attack Craft 'INS Tarmugli' was commissioned at which Naval Dockyard?

- A) Visakhapatnam Dockyard
- B) Cochin Shipyard Limited
- C) Hindustan Shipyard
- D) Goa Shipyard Limited

Answer : A

- ✓ Fast Attack Craft INS Tarmugli was commissioned by the Indian Navy in a program organized at Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam.
- ✓ INS Tarmugli is a fast attack ship.
- ✓ Vice Admiral Sandeep Naithani, Chief of Material was the chief guest of the commissioning ceremony.
- \checkmark It is named after an island in the Andaman group.
- Q.3. Which bank has signed 'Line of Credit' with German Development Bank for solar project?
 - A) State Bank of India
- B) Bandhan Bank
- C) Punjab National Bank D) ICICI Bank

Answer : A



✓ State Bank of India (SBI) has signed a Line of Credit (LOC) of Euro 70 million (about Rs 630 crore) with German development bank KfW to promote solar projects in the country.

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✓ The objective of the LOC is to promote solar photovoltaics (PV) projects in India.

SBI IN NEWS 2023

- State Bank of India (SBI) has signed a Line of Credit (LOC) of Euro 70 million (about Rs 630 crore) with German development bank KfW to promote solar projects in the country.
- SBI Mutual Fund got permission from the RBI to buy up to a 9.99% share in Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurates SBI branch in Sri Lanka.
- State Bank of India ropes in MS Dhoni as brand ambassador \geq
- SBI has launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' as part of its financial inclusion drive in a bid to improve accessibility and convenience.
- \geq 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 \succ 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.

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- 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

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- > 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.4. BCCI has recently decided to retire the jersey of which former cricketer?

- A) Saurabh Ganguly
- C) Yuvraj Singh

B) Rahul Dravid

D) MS Dhoni

Answer : D

- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has decided to retire the iconic number 7 jersey worn by former captain MS Dhoni.
- ✓ BCCI has taken this decision to honor Dhoni's achievements.
- ✓ Earlier, BCCI had retired the jersey number 10 of the great Sachin Tendulkar.
- ✓ Now Dhoni's name has also been added to this special club.
- Q.5. Who has been named as the United World Wrestling Rising Star of the Year 2023?
 - A) Sakshi Malik B) Nisha Dahiya
 - C) Geetika Jakhar D) Antim Panghal

Answer : D

- ✓ Two-time U-20 world champion and senior world bronze medalist Antim Panghal (53kg) has been named as the United World Wrestling (UWW) Rising Star of the Year 2023 in the women's category.
- ✓ Antim Panghal won a silver medal in his Senior Asian Championship debut.
- ✓ In view of his excellent performance, United World Wrestling has honored him with the Rising Star of the Year 2023.



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Q.6. With whom has the Defense Ministry signed an agreement for the purchase of electronic fuses?

- A) Bharat Heavy Electronics Limited
- C) Tata Power

B) Bharat Electronics LimitedD) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)

Answer: B

- ✓ The Defense Ministry signed a deal worth over Rs 5,300 crore with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the procurement of electronic fuses for the Indian Army for a period of 10 years.
- ✓ This electronic fuse is used in heavy caliber guns.
- ✓ Bharat Electronics Limited is an Indian government-owned aerospace and defense electronics company
- Q.7. What is Adani Green Energy Ltd current ranking in the global solar PV developer sector according to the Mercom Capital Gropup's Annual Global Report?

A) 3rd	B) 2nd
C) 5th	D) 1st

Answer: B

- ✓ Adani Green Energy Ltd. with its total solar capacity of 18.1 GW ranked second after France-based Total Energies, which holds a total capacity of 41.3 GW.
- ✓ Mercom Capital Group is a clean energy communications and research firm. It made the report based on data compiled from July 2022 to June 2023.
- ✓ This achievement aligns with their ambitious target of achieving 45 GW of renewable energy capacity by the year 2030.
- ✓ This recognition underscores our continued and unwavering commitment as one of the fastest growing renewable energy players in the world and on target to achieving our ambitious goal of 45 GW renewable energy capacity by 2030
- ✓ The rankings by Mercom Capital, a premier clean energy communication and consulting firm, highlight Adami Group's significant contributions to the solar energy landscape.

Q.8. The Art of Living has signed an MoU with which state government to the devastating water crises?

A) Uttar Pradesh

B) Maharashtra

C) Rajasthan

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer : B



The Art of Living Social Projects takes immense pride in unveiling a strategic partnership to usher in \checkmark transformative measures ensuring water positivity for the state of Maharashtra.

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- ✓ An MoU was signed in Mumbai between The Art of Living Social Projects and the Department of Soil and Water Conservation, Government of Maharashtra.
- \checkmark The Art of Living has already taken up the initiative to make India water-positive and made immense progress in rejuvenating 70+ rivers, their tributaries, and streams
- ✓ 90,000+ groundwater recharge structures have been built across 8 states including Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh
- ✓ The Jalyukt Shivar Abhiyaan 2.0 is a collaborative initiative to pioneer groundbreaking practices across 85 tehsils in 30 districts. At its core, the mission seeks to revolutionize Maharashtra into a water-positive state by implementing comprehensive measures such as desilting streams and building various water conservation structures to increase groundwater levels

MAHARASHTRA IN NEWS 2023

- > Art of Living Social Projects takes immense pride in unveiling a strategic partnership to usher in transformative measures ensuring water positivity for the state of Maharashtra.
- > ADB has approved a USD 500 million loan to enhance the quality and affordability of tertiary health care and medical education in Maharashtra.
- > Project on Climate Resilient Agriculture (POCRA), also named Nanaji Deshmukh Krushi Sanjivani Prakalp, is being implemented by Maharashtra government.
- > To promote exports in the state, Maharashtra Government has approved the first Export Promotion Policy of the state. This policy will be implemented till 2027-28 and will bring about Rs 25 thousand crore in the state.
- Maharashtra state cabinet has approved the 'Lek Ladki Yojana' (Dear Daughter Scheme) for families with annual income up to Rs one lakh.
- Maharashtra clinched the title of champions in the 5th National Wheelchair Rugby Championship 2023 by securing a convincing victory over Karnataka.
- Maharashtra Government recently proposed to develop Gilbert Hill into a tourist spot on the lines of Burj Khalifa in Dubai.
- Maharashtra signs MoU with Germany's professional association football.



Maharashtra government has launched the Bhagwan Birsa Munda Road Scheme which aims to enhance road connectivity in tribal areas of the 17 districts of the state.

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- > Maharashtra Industries Minister Uday Samant will present the first 'Udyog Ratna' award to veteran industrialist and Tata Sons Chairman Emeritus Ratan Tata.
- Maharashtra topped the list with the highest number of missing women in 2021, with a reported count of 56,498.
- > Maharashtra's Economy will become a trillion dollar by 2028, said N Chandrashekhar, president of the State Economy Development Council.
- Maharashtra Prisons Department has launched a "video call" facility for foreign nationals lodged in different jails across the state.
- > NCP leader Ajit Pawar has been sworn in as the new Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra.
- Maharashtra Government launched Namo Shetkari Mahasanman Yojana.
- Maharashtra becomes the first state in the country to approve Good Governance Regulations.
- Uttar Pradesh surpasses Maharashtra in sugar production this season.
- > A new initiative called 'beggar-free city' started in Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- Amit Shah, the Union Home Minister, is scheduled to present the 'Maharashtra Bhushan' Award to Dattatreya Narayan Dharmadhikari, also known as Appasaheb Dharmadhikari, on April 16 for his notable work as a social worker and reformer.
- > Maharashtra Government has introduced a 4% quota for employees with disabilities in promotions.
- Bank of Maharashtra inaugurated its first dedicated Branch for Start-ups in Pune.
- Ramesh Bais Appointed as the New Governor of Maharashtra.
- Maharashtra became the first state in the country to pass the Lokayukta Bill.
- Recently a rare low altitude basalt plateau has been discovered in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra...
- Nilesh Sambre conferred with 'Maratha Udyog Ratna 2023' by Maharashtra State.
- Talon Grikspoor of the Netherlands won the singles title at the Maharashtra Open tennis tournament \geq in Pune.

Q.9. Which country has launched world's deepest and largest underground laboratory on Earth?

A) China	B) Israel
C) Japan	D) United States



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Answer : A

- ✓ The world's deepest and largest underground laboratory became operational in China.
- ✓ The 2,400-metre-deep physics laboratory is located in southwest China's Sichuan Province.
- ✓ The Deep Underground and Ultra-low Radiation Background Facility for Frontier Physics Experiments (DURF) is located beneath Jinping Mountain in Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture.
- ✓ The DURF has a total room capacity of 330,000 cubic metres.
- ✓ The lab provides a major boost to the global search for dark matter, which is a hypothetical form of matter that appears not to interact with light or the electromagnetic field.
- ✓ The underground laboratory has been launched after three years of extensive upgrades and expansion as it is the second phase of China Jinping Underground Laboratory.
- ✓ The facility started construction in December 2020 and was jointly built by Tsinghua University and Yalong River Hydropower Development Company, Ltd.

Q.10. Which finance company has been rebranded as Grihum Housing Finance?

- A) LIC Housing Finance
- **B)** Poonawalla Housing Finance

C) Muthoot Finance

D) Shriram Transport Finance Corporation Ltd

Answer: B

- Poonawalla Housing Finance has been rebranded as Grihum Housing Finance with global private equity firm TPG now holding 99.02 percent stake in the housing finance company.
- ✓ Before being promoted by Poonawalla Fincorp, the housing financier was a part of the Magma Group.
- ✓ US-based alternative asset management firm TPG has committed total capital of ₹1,000 crore of which it infused ₹538 crore in Q2 FY24 under the first tranche
- Q.11. Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Tripura state to promote tourism in the state?
 - A) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
- B) Amitabh bachchan

C) Pankaj Tripathi

D) Sourav Ganguly

Answer : D

- ✓ BJP-led government in Tripura has inducted former cricketer Sourav Ganguly as a brand ambassador for the promotion of tourism in the state.
- ✓ The former Indian cricket skipper Ganguly and Tripura tourism minister Susanta Choudhury signed an agreement at the historic Ujjayanta Palace of the erstwhile Manikya Dynasty, at Agartala.



✓ As part of the agreement, Ganguly would shoot videos at the Ujjayanta Palace and at Chabimura in Gomati district, the two major tourist attractions.

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- ✓ The ancient Tripura Sundari temple, the Ujjayanta Palace, Neermahal Water Palace and Unakoti archaeological site are some of the major tourist spots in Tripura. The state is also trying to promote the colourful tribal culture in parts of the state for tourism.
- ✓ This comes days after Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee appointed Ganguly as the state's brand ambassador. Tripura and Bengal share cultural and linguistic similarities as Bengali is a dominant language in both states.
- Q.12. Which country has awarded the International Gender Equality Prize for 2023 to an NGO in Afghanistan that works to promote and protect the rights of women in Afghanistan?

A) Finland

B) Norway

D) Switzerland

C) Sweden

Answer : A

- ✓ Finland awarded the International Gender Equality Prize for 2023 to an NGO in Afghanistan that works to promote and protect the rights of women in Afghanistan.
- ✓ The organization Afghan Women's Skills Development Center does important humanitarian work to promote the safety of Afghan women.
- ✓ Ever since the Taliban came into power, Afghanistan is an example of a country where women's human rights are systematically suppressed and girls have been denied access to secondary education and women to higher education.
- ✓ Finnish Prime Minister Petteri Orpo attended the cremony and presented the EUR 300,000 Prize to the organization's representative, Mahbouba Seraj, in Tampere.
- ✓ Finland was one of the first countries in the world to extend the right to vote and stand for elections to all women and men in 1906. Finland was also the first country to elect women to Parliament; 19 women were elected to the 200-seat Parliament in 1907.

Q.13. Who has been honoured with the Diwali Power of One Award 2023?

A) Yoo Soon-taek B) Ban Ki-moo

C) Warren Buffett **D) Bill Gates**

Answer : B

✓ Former Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon honoured with Diwali 'Power of One' Awards 2023



The former UN chief Ban Ki-moo was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2023 Diwali \checkmark Stamp — The Power of One Award ceremony organized by the Diwali Foundation USA.

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- ✓ The other awardees for the year 2023 are former permanent representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the UN Ambassador Mirsada Colakovic, former permanent representative of South Korea to the UN Ambassador Kim Sook and 72nd UN General Assembly president and EU Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue Miroslav Lajcak.
- ✓ Ban commended the work and "forward-thinking vision" of the Diwali Foundation USA "for advancing" vital light in a world of increasing darkness".
- ✓ Ban was the eighth Secretary-General of the United Nations, serving two terms as the world's top diplomat from January 2007 to December 2016
- ✓ Diwali Foundation USA was established in 2017 to promote a peaceful and consensus-based process to achieve societal "good, as befits the high hopes and ideals of humanity enshrined in the United Nations Charter.
- The Foundation established 'The Power of One' awards to celebrate and highlight the important work done in a peaceful manner, especially at the United Nations
- Q.14. Which has organized the 15th edition of the 'Capacity Building Senior Officers' Meeting' (CBSOM-Aparchit Exam Warriors 2023) in Gandhinagar?
 - A) Indian Army
 - **B)** Indian Air Force
 - **C) Indian Coast Guard**
 - **D)** Indian Navy

Answer : C

- The Indian Coast Guard has organized the 15th edition of the 'Capacity Building Senior Officers' Meeting' (CBSOM-2023) at GIFT City in Gandhinagar to understand the situation of maritime piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia.
- ✓ The meeting was held as per the Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia.
- ✓ It brought together 19 international delegates from 15 countries, including key national stakeholders from India.



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Q.15. Which country has launched the world's first Methane powered rocket "Zhuque 2"?

A) Japan

C) Israel

B) China **D)** Russia

Answer : B

- ✓ China launched the world's first Methane powered rocket "Zhuque 2"
- ✓ A Chinese company LandSpace Technology became the first in the world to launch satellites with rockets fuelled by methane and liquid oxygen.
- ✓ The Zhuque 2 Y-3 blasted off from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China.
- The rocket was 49.5 metres in length, had a diameter of 3.35m, and had a lift-off mass of 220 tonnes, excluding the payloads.
- ✓ Zhuque-2 Y-3 carried two 50kg test satellites developed by Chinese startup Spacety, one of which has adopted technologies from a company named Hongqing.

Q.16. Almora Fault, recently in seen is located in which of the following country?

- A) Indonesia
- **B)** Nepal
- **C)** Bangladesh
- D) Japan

Answer : B

- Exam Warriors ✓ Union Earth Sciences Minister reported an increased number of earthquakes in 2023, attributing it to the activation of the Almora Fault in Western Nepal.
- ✓ It is a geological fault located in Western Nepal and extends to the Uttarakhand region in India. It lies on the Main Boundary Thrust (MBT) in the Himalayan fault zone.
- There are two thrusts in Kumaon, Uttarakhand: One is the South Almora Thrust and the other is the North \checkmark Almora Thrust.
- ✓ MBT (Main Boundary Thrust): It is a significant fault in the Himalayas, marking the boundary between the Lesser Himalayas and the Sub-Himalayas.



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Q.17. Consider the following statements about 5G RAN Technology

1. 5G RAN is the latest architecture in wireless communication and uses 5G radio frequencies to provide wireless connectivity to devices.

2. It was developed indigenously by a multi-institutional team of researchers that includes IIT Madras and IIT Kanpur.

Choose the correct statements:

A) 1 only

B) 2 only

C) Both 1 and 2

D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : C

- ✓ The 5G RAN technology developed by two IITs and the R&D arm of MeiTY was recently handed over to an Indian tech company for advancement and commercial applications.
- ✓ 5G RAN is the latest architecture in wireless communication and uses 5G radio frequencies to provide wireless connectivity to devices.
- ✓ A radio access network (RAN) is a major component of a wireless telecommunications system that connects individual devices to other parts of a network through a radio link.
- RAN links user equipment, such as a cellphone, computer or any remotely controlled machine, over a fiber or wireless backhaul connection.
- ✓ India In India it is developed indigenously by a multi-institutional team of researchers.
- ✓ The institutes that are involved in the development includes IIT Madras, IIT Kanpur and the Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering and Research (SAMEER).
- ✓ SAMEER is an autonomous R&D institution under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeiTY).
- ✓ Now the technology has been licensed to Tejas network, a Tata company which will play a vital role in leveraging it for further advancements and commercial applications

Q.18. Consider the following statements about ENACT Partnership

1. It was launched at the Conference of Parties (COP27), by India and Egypt.

2. International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) hosts its secretariat.

3. It aims to enhance the protection from and resilience to climate impacts of at least 1 billion vulnerable people.



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How many of the statements given above are correct?

A) Only one

B) Only two

C) All three D) None of the above

Answer : B

- ✓ Statement 1 Incorrect
- Statement 2&3 Correct
- ✓ Recently, six new countries and a United Nations agency joined the ENACT Partnership.
- ✓ Enhancing Nature-based Solutions for an Accelerated Climate Transformation (ENACT) was launched by Germany and Egypt along with the International Union for Conservation of Nature.
- ✓ It was launched at the Conference of Parties (COP27), which took place at Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt in 2022.
- ✓ It aims to : Enhance the protection from and resilience to climate impacts of at least 1 billion vulnerable people.
- ✓ Secure up to 2.4 billion hectares of healthy natural and sustainable ecosystems, and significantly.
- ✓ Other member countries: Canada, European Union, France, Japan, Malawi, Norway, Republic of Korea, Slovenia, Belgium, Pakistan, Spain, the Netherlands, Switzerland and the United States

Q.19. Nations at COP28 Reach Landmark 'UAE Consensus' for Net Zero by____

A) 2025	B) 2030
C) 2040	D) 2050
wer : D	Aparchit 1

Answer : D

- ✓ In Dubai, nations reached for a landmark agreement, the 'UAE Consensus' that calls for a transition away from fossil fuels to achieve net zero by 2050.
- ✓ The 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) has come to a historic close, marking a turning point in global efforts to combat climate change.
- ✓ 198 participating Parties, outlined an ambitious climate agenda aimed at keeping the goal of limiting global warming to 1.5°C within reach.

Key achievements under the Action Agenda include the launch of ALTÉRRA, a \$30 billion catalytic private finance vehicle by the UAE, aiming to mobilize \$250 billion for global climate action. Additionally, COP28 saw the endorsement of the 'COP28 UAE Declaration on Agriculture, Food, & Climate' by 158 countries, embedding sustainable agriculture and food systems in climate change responses



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Q.20. State-owned RITES Ltd has signed a pact with CFM Mozambique for the supply of how many diesel locomotives and incidental services at a total cost of USD 37,680,080?

- A) 12 B) 10
- C) 14 D) 18

Answer : B

- ✓ RITES signed pact with CFM Mozambique for 10 diesel locomotive supply
- ✓ State-owned RITES Ltd has signed a pact with CFM Mozambique for the supply of diesel locomotives and incidental services at a total cost of USD 37,680,080 (Rs 314.1 crore).
- \checkmark The pact has been signed for the supply of ten diesel locomotives.
- ✓ Caminhos de Ferro de Mozambique is a state-owned company of Mozambique.
- ✓ The pact is aimed to foster the India-Mozambique bilateral relationship.
- Q.21. Punjab government has launched the "Bhagwant Mann Sarkar Tuhade Dwar" scheme to deliver citizen-centric services at people's doorstep. Under the scheme, people will get how many services?
 - A) 28

B) 43D) 18

C) 36

Answer: B

- ✓ AAP national convenor Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann launched the "Bhagwant Mann Sarkar Tuhade Dwar" scheme.
- ✓ The scheme is aimed to deliver citizen-centric services at people's doorstep.
- ✓ Under the scheme, people will get 43 services, including the issuance of certificates of birth, marriage, death, income, residence, caste, rural area, border area, backward area, pension, payment of electricity bills, and land demarcation.
- ✓ To avail of these services, people will have to dial helpline number 1076.
- Q.22. Chinese doctor Gao Yaojie passed away recently. She was known for?
 - A) Exposed the Dengu Fever B) Exposed the Breast Cancer
 - C) Exposed the AIDS epidemic D) Exposed the Covid Pandemic

Answer : C



✓ Chinese doctor Gao Yaojie, known for having exposed the AIDS epidemic in the rural part of the country, died at the age of 95.

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- ✓ Yaojie was a gynecologist by training and was one of the first doctors who spearheaded the campaign against the AIDS epidemic in China.
- ✓ Yaojie had exposed how businesses selling blood caused the spread of HIV in rural China.
- ✓ According to a report by BBC, selling blood was a common practice in rural China, especially in the Henan province in the 1980s and 1990s. Poor farming communities engaged in selling blood to earn a living. However, the practice was not properly monitored and at times, blood was also collected from HIV+ patients

Q.23. Which Government to Set Up PM College of Excellence in all Districts of The State?

A) Karnataka

B) Madhya Pradesh

C) Maharashtra

D) Uttar Pradesh

Answer : B

- ✓ Madhya Pradesh government will set up PM College of Excellence in all districts of the state.
- The decision to this effect was taken at the first Cabinet meeting chaired by new Chief Minister Mohan Yadav in Bhopal

Q.24. OYO founder launches 5 healthcare centers for underprivileged in Which State?

A) Odisha

B) Maharashtra

C) Assam

Aparch D) Jharkhand

Answer : A

- ✓ OYO's founder Ritesh Agarwal has announced the establishment of five healthcare centers for the underprivileged in his home state of Odisha over the next one year.
- ✓ The centers will be operated by the health-tech startup 'Last Mile Care', which already runs 11 health centers across India.
- \checkmark "The strategic placement of these centers aims to cover regions with limited access to healthcare facilities, thereby bridging the gap between healthcare services and marginalised populations," said OYO in a press release.



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Q.25. When is the Vijay Diwas or Victory Day observed in India?

- A) 16 DecemberB) 15 December
- C) 14 December D) 17 December

Answer : A

- ✓ In India, Vijay Diwas (also called Victory Day) is celebrated every year on December 16.
- \checkmark The country is celebrating the 52nd Vijay Diwas in 2023.
- Vijay Diwas is observed to commemorate the service, valour, and sacrifices of the gallant men of the Indian Armed Forces' victory over Pakistan in 1971 war.
- ✓ On 16 December 1971, the Indian Armed Forces won the 13-day long decisive war against the Pakistan Army and state for the liberation of Bangladesh from Pakistan

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- Q.1. Which committee recommended the introduction of Liquidity adjustment facility in India?
 - A) R. Gandhi Committee B) Rangarajan Committee

C) Narasimham Committee

D) SS Tarapore Committee

Answer : C

- Q.2. Treasury Bills have a maximum maturity of:
 - A) 1 year
 - C) 120 days

B) 90 days D) 30 days

Answer : A

- ✓ Debt obligations of the Government that have maturities of one year or less are normally called Treasury Bills or T-Bills.
- Q.3. Which of these derivatives types are traded between financial institutions and not retail investors?

A) Futures

B) Forward

C) Options

D) Swaps

Answer : D

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Q.4.	In which year did secor	nd phase of nationalization of banks took place?
-	A) 1969	B) 1980
	C) 1984	D) None of these
Ansv	wer:B	
Q.5.	Q.5. What is the total amount that can be loaded in the new type of semi-closed Prepaid Paymen Instrument (PPI) introduced by RBI during the financial year?	
	A) Rs 10,000	B) Rs 1,00,000
	C) Rs 1,20,000	D) Rs 1,50,000
Ansv	wer : C	
	he amount loaded in such uring the financial year sh	n PPIs during any month shall not exceed ₹ 10,000 and the total amount loaded all not exceed ₹ 1,20,000
Q.6.	RRBs are required to m ongoing basis.	aintain a minimum Capital to Risk-weighted Assets Ratio (CRAR) of _ on an
	A) 8 per cent	B) 9 per cent
	C) 10 per cent	D) 11 per cent
Ansv	wer:B	LaTS.
Q.7.	What is the limit for O	n-lending by NBFC for Micro & Small enterprises?
	A) Rs 10 lakh	B) Rs 20 lakh
	C) Rs 50 lakh	Aparch D) Rs 60 lakh
Ansv	wer:B	A
Q.8.	Which section of Banki	ing Regulation Act 1949 give Power to the Reserve Bank to give directions?
	A) Section 42	
	B) Section 42A	
	C) Section 47	
	D) Section 35A	
Ansv	wer : D	
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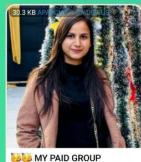
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