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Aparchit 24&25 December English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2023 By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

- Q.1. Which airport has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by UNESCO's Prix Versailles?
  - A) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
  - B) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
  - C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad
  - D) Cochin International Airport, Kochi

#### Answer : A

- The Terminal-2 (T2) of the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) has secured recognition as one of the 'World's Most Beautiful Airports' and has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by the UNESCO's Prix Versailles.
- ✓ It is the only Indian airport to receive this recognition.
- ✓ The Prix Versailles, established in 2015, focuses on "intelligent sustainability" as a cultural driver, acknowledging innovation, creativity, reflection of local heritage, ecological efficiency, and values of social interaction.
- ✓ Encompassing 2,55,661 square metres, the terminal is built upon four foundational pillars: technological leadership, a terminal in a garden, environmental and ecological stewardship, and a celebration of Karnataka's rich heritage and culture.
- Phase 1 of T2, inaugurated on November 11, 2022, is designed to accommodate 25 million passengers per annum.

#### **UNESCO IN NEWS 2023**

- Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) has secured recognition as one of the 'World's Most Beautiful Airports' and has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by the UNESCO's Prix Versailles.
- 'Garba of Gujarat' has been inscribed in the Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity by UNESCO.
- ▶ Garba dance is the 15th intangible cultural heritage of India to be included in this list.



Kozhikode in Kerala has been designated as the UNESCO 'City of Literature' and Gwalior as the 'City' of Music' in the latest UNESCO list of Creative Cities Network.

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- > temples of the Hoysala Empire in Karnataka, India were officially added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites, marking India's 42nd addition to the prestigious heritage list.
- > Three Hoysala-era temples in Karnataka [Chennakeshava (Belur), Hoysaleswara (Halebidu) and Keshava Temple (Somanathapura, Mysuru)] recently made it to UNESCO's World Heritage List, under the collective entry of 'Sacred Ensembles of the Hoysalas'.
- > Santiniketan, located in West Bengal, India, has achieved the prestigious status of being recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site .
- Santiniketan as the 41st World Heritage Property in India.
- > UNESCO have stated in a new report that the Italian city of Venice should be added to a list of world heritage sites in danger.
- > The historic Byculla Railway Station, located in Mumbai received the prestigious UNESCO Asia Pacific Cultural Heritage award.
- United States will rejoin UNESCO, the United Nations cultural organization, in July 2023.
- Jagdish Bakan wins UNESCO's 2023 Michel Batisse Award.
- ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Centre has recommended Santiniketan, the cultural site in West Bengal, India, for inclusion in the UNESCO World Heritage List.
- According to a report published by UNESCO at the United Nations 2023 Water Conference in New York, 26 percent of the world's population does not have access to safe drinking water.
- Former German chancellor Angela Merkel has been awarded the Felix Houphouet-Boigny UNESCO Peace Prize in Yamoussoukro, Ivory Coast.
- Visva-Bharati University is expected to get the status of the world's first "Living Heritage University" from UNESCO.
- UNESCO listed Ukraine's Odesa a World Heritage Site in Danger.
- > Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced that the Centre has nominated the maidams of Ahom Kingdom in Charaideo to seek a UNESCO World Heritage Site tag.
- > The historic maidams of Ahom Kingdom in Charaideo were chosen out of 52 sites for the UNESCO World Heritage Site tag.
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)



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- Formation : 16 November 1945
- > Headquarters : Paris, France
- Director-General : Audrey Azoulay (France)
- Member countries : 193

Q.2. By which year does the government of India aim to increase the nuclear power capacity from 7480 MW to 22480 MW?

A) 2030	B) 2040
C) 2032	D) 2035

#### Answer : C

- ✓ The Government has initiated steps to increase the nuclear power capacity from 7480 MW to 22480 MW by 2031-32.
- ✓ The annual electricity generation from nuclear power plants has increased from 35334 Million Units (including infirm) in 2013-14 to 46982 Million Units (including infirm) in 2022-23.
- ✓ The installed nuclear power capacity in 2013-14 has also increased from 4780 MW to 7480 MW at present.
- ✓ At present 23 nuclear power reactors are installed. The total electricity generated from nuclear power plants during the last ten years (2013-14 to 2022-23) was about 411 BUs averting release of about 353 Million Tons of CO2 equivalent to the environment.
- ✓ Nuclear Power is a clean and environment friendly base load source of electricity generation, which is available 24X7. It has huge potential and can provide the country long-term energy security in a sustainable manner. Expansion of nuclear power capacity will help in the country's energy transition to meet the goal of a net zero economy by 2070.
- Q.3. Pradip Kumar Das has been bestowed with the esteemed "CMD of the Year" award under the Mini-Ratna category at the 13th PSE Excellence Awards. He is the CMD of which of the following organization?

A) SIDBI C) PFRDA

B) SEBI D) IREDA

Answer : D



Chairman & Managing Director of Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA), Pradip Kumar Das has been bestowed with the esteemed "CMD of the Year" award under the Mini-Ratna category at the 13th PSE Excellence Awards, hosted by the Indian Chamber of Commerce in New Delhi.

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- This prestigious recognition marks the second consecutive financial year in which Shri Pradip Kumar Das has received this accolade, acknowledging his exceptional leadership that has boosted the company's growth, pioneering energy transition initiatives, and outstanding contributions for IREDA and Renewable Energy sector development.
- IREDA also bagged runner-up accolades, emphasizing its commitment to operational, governance, socioenvironmental excellence, and inclusivity.

#### **IREDA IN NEWS 2023**

- IREDA CMD Pradip Kumar Das bagged 'CMD of the Year' award
- > Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) launched a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) portal to improve transparency in CSR initiatives.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has granted an 'Infrastructure Finance Company (IFC)' status to Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA).
- > IREDA signs MoUs with Union Bank of India and Bank of Baroda to co-finance Renewable Energy projects.
- > IREDA and Bank of Maharashtra partner to promote renewable energy adoption in India.
- ▶ Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA), a Mini Ratna (Category I) has signed an a MoU with Government, Revenue Target for 2023-24 set at ₹ 4,350.
- Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) has set up a state-of-the-art Business Centre  $\succ$ at NBCC Office Complex, East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi.
- Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)
- > It was incorporated as a Public Limited Company in the year 1987 as a 'Non-Banking Financial Institution'.
- > It is a Miniratna (Category 1) type company functioning under the administrative control of 'Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of India.
- > Its function is to encourage projects related to new and renewable energy sources and to provide them financial assistance for their development.



#### It has been notified as a 'Public Financial Institution' under section 4'A' of the 'Companies Act, 1956'.

Chairman and Managing Director - Pradip Kumar Das

#### Tibetan Spiritual leader Dalai Lama has inaugurated the three-day International Sangha Forum 2023 **Q.4**. in which city?

A) Bodh Gaya

**B)** Gaya

C) Rajgir

D) Gautam Budh Nagar

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#### Answer : A

- ✓ Tibetan Spiritual leader Dalai Lama has inaugurated the three-day International Sangha Forum 2023 in Bodh Gaya, Bihar, Gautama Buddha attained enlightenment.
- ✓ Organized jointly by the Office of the Dalai Lama and the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), the forum will be held at the International Convention Centre in Bodha Gaya, Bihar.
- ✓ The event will see discussions among monks, nuns, and Bhikkhu scholars, that delve into the profound teachings of Buddhism.
- The event will also witness the coming together of practitioners of the Pali traditions of the Southeast and South Asian countries of India, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Indonesia, as well as those of the Sanskrit tradition from Tibet, Bhutan, Nepal, Vietnam, China, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Russia, Mongolia and other parts of the world.
- ✓ The ISF aims to foster dialogue on the intricate aspects of Vinaya rules and explore the evolving role of Aparo Buddhism in the 21st century.

#### Q.5. Who has unveiled the 'Paat-Mitro' app for farmers?

- A) Food Corporation of India
- **B)** Cotton Corporation of India
- **C)** Jute Corporation of India
- D) Food and Agriculture Organization

#### Answer : C

- ✓ Jute Corporation of India has unveiled the 'Paat-Mitro' app aimed at aiding jute cultivation and income generation.
- ✓ It is Launched by Rachna Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Textiles, the application offers vital knowledge on jute farming.



✓ It will also feature information on jute gradation parametres, farmer-centric schemes like 'Jute-ICARE', weather forecasts and procurement policies.

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- ✓ 'Paat-Mitro' marks a significant step forward in supporting jute farmers and revitalizing the industry. With greater access to information, technical advancements, and market opportunities, Indian jute farmers can unlock a brighter future for themselves and contribute to the sustainable development of the sector
- ✓ The Jute Corporation of India Limited (JCI) is central public sector undertaking under the ownership of Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.
- Which among the following has received the 11th edition of the FICCI Water Award 2023 under the Q.6. "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category?
  - A) NTPC Kanti

**B)** Torrent Power

C) ReNew Power

**D) JSW Energy** 

#### Answer: A

- ✓ NTPC Kanti has received the 11th edition of the FICCI Water Award 2023 under the "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category.
- ✓ The prestigious accolade was presented during the inaugural event of the 9th Edition of India Industry Water Conclave held at FICCI Federation House in New Delhi.
- ✓ The award acknowledges NTPC Kanti's notable water conservation efforts and efficient use of water resources in its operations.
- $\checkmark$  The company has also launched awareness campaigns to promote responsible water usage among employees and the local community
- The FICCI Water Awards, presented annually, play a pivotal role in acknowledging organizations across various sectors for their exemplary efforts in water conservation and management. By promoting best practices, these awards contribute to the broader goal of encouraging sustainable water management practices throughout India

#### NTPC IN NEWS 2023

- > NTPC Kanti has received the 11th edition of the FICCI Water Award 2023 under the "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category.
- NTPC shines as the only Indian PSU to feature in Forbes "World's Best Employers 2023" List.
- The central government has received about Rs 1,487 crore from NTPC as a dividend tranche.



> NTPC has been honoured with the prestigious Economic Times (ET) HR World Future Skills Awards 2023.

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- NTPC climbs up 52 positions to 433rd rank in Forbes' "The Global 2000" List.
- ▶ NTPC Kanti launches Girl Child Empowerment Mission (GeM)-2023.
- > NTPC Group's total installed capacity reaches 72,304 MW with first overseas capacity addition in Bangladesh.
- > Country's largest power generation company NTPC Limited has been conferred with 'ATD Best Awards 2023' by Association for Talent Development (ATD), USA.
- > NTPC and Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) sign agreement for joint development of nuclear power plants.
- > India's largest power company NTPC Ltd has commissioned India's first green hydrogen blending project at Kawas, Gujarat.
- > NTPC hosts an international seminar on 'Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage' (CCUS) at First Energy Transitions Working Group meeting in Bengaluru.
- > NTPC Limited announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Energy Vault Holdings ("Energy Vault).
- > NTPC Renewable Energy Limited (NTPC REL) signs MoU with Government of Tripura for cooperation in renewable energy development.
- > NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd has signed an MoU with the Indian Army for setting up Green Hydrogen Projects in its establishments on Build, Own and Operate (BOO) model.
- About NTPC
- > The NTPC which was earlier known as National Thermal Power Corporation of India is owned by the Government of India. It was set up in 1975.
- > The Vindhyachal Thermal Power Station in the Singrauli district of Madhya Pradesh, with an installed capacity of 4,760MW, is currently the biggest thermal power plant in India.
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Chairman and Managing Director: Gurdeep Singh



**O.7**. Which state government has launched the Social Awareness and Action to Neutralise Pneumonia Successfully (SAANS) Campaign to Counteract Pneumonia?

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A) Madhya Pradesh **B)** Manipur

**D)** Maharashtra C) Meghalaya

#### Answer : B

- ✓ Manipur Initiates "SAANS" Campaign to Counteract Pneumonia
- ✓ In Manipur, the State Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Sapam Ranjan Singh has launched the Social Awareness and Action to Neutralise Pneumonia Successfully (SAANS) Campaign 2023-24 at Imphal.
- ✓ The Minister also inaugurated the State Newborn Resource Centre at Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences (JNIMS) in Imphal.
- ✓ In connection to the launching of SAANS Campaign 2023-24, the Minister said that Pneumonia is a common, preventable, treatable disease if precautionary steps are taken up at the right time. Since the disease is preventable, the Health Department is emphasizing spreading awareness to the people.

India has invited France President Emmanuel Macron as chief guest for the January 26 Republic Day **Q.8**. celebrations. This is the \_ a French leader will be the Chief guest at Republic Day celebrations in the national capital.

A) 7th time	B) 5th time
B) 6th time	D) 4th time
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#### Answer : C

- ✓ French President Invited to India's Republic Day 2024
- ✓ India has invited France President Emmanuel Macron as chief guest for the January 26 Republic Day celebrations.
- ✓ Notably, this is the 6th time a French leader will be the Chief guest at Republic Day celebrations in the national capital.
- ✓ Prior to Macron, former French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac was the Chief guest on India's Republic Day celebrations in 1976 and 1998, and former Presidents Valery Giscard d'Estaing, Nicolas Sarkozy, and Francois Hollande in the years 1980, 2008, and 2016 respectively.
- ✓ Earlier in July, PM Modi had visited France to attend the Bastille Day Parade. PM Modi participated in the Bastille Day celebrations as the Guest of Honour on the invitation of President Macron.



✓ PM Modi had visited France to mark the 25th anniversary of the strategic partnership between the two countries.

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- ✓ To mark the 25th anniversary of the India-France Strategic Partnership, a 241-member tri-service Indian armed forces contingent led by a military band also participated in the Parade." The Indian Army contingent was led by the Punjab Regiment, followed by a complement from the Rajputana Rifles Regiment.
- ✓ Later in September, French President Macron had visited India in September to attend the G20 Summit held under India's Presidency.
- ✓ Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor awarded to Prime Minister Modi.
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi was awarded the highest French award 'Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour' by the President of the Republic of France, Emmanuel Macron on 13 July 2023
- ✓ FRANCE
- ✓ Capital : Paris
- ✓ Currency : Euro
- ✓ President : Emmanuel Macron
- Prime Minister : Élisabeth Borne
- Which bank has launched the Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG), signalling a significant step forward Q.9. in trade finance digital transformation?
  - A) Bandhan Bank

B) IndusInd Bank

C) RBL Bank

D) Indian Overseas Bank arch

#### Answer : C

- ✓ RBL Bank has launched the Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG), signalling a significant step forward in trade finance digital transformation.
- The e-BG product builds on the framework enabled by NeSL, incorporating their expertise in e-Stamping and e-Sign.
- ✓ This integration eliminates the traditional physical signing and stamping processes, seamlessly transitioning into a secure and efficient digital format.
- ✓ NeSL's e-BG substantially transforms the trade finance space and marks a milestone in the digitization of banking services. e-BG envisages online and paperless procurement of stamp duty and thus the e-BG can be issued digitally in a couple of minutes and is made available to beneficiaries instantly in a secure, digital, and paperless form.



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- ✓ RBL BANK
- ✓ Founded : 1943
- ✓ Headquarters : Mumbai
- ✓ MD & CEO : R Subramaniakumar
- Tagline : Apno ka Bank
- **O.10.** Sandeep Batra has been reappointed as Executive Director (ED) of which bank?

A) Yes Bank	B) Axis Bank

C) HDFC Bank

**D) ICICI Bank** 

#### Answer : D

- ✓ Private sector lender ICICI Bank has received approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to re-appoint Sandeep Batra as the executive director (ED).
- ✓ RBI vide its letter approved the re-appointment of Sandeep Batra as Executive Director of the bank with effect from December 23, 2023 to December 22, 2025.
- ✓ The board of directors recorded that the current tenure of Batra as ED of the Bank as per RBI approval, which was for three years, ends on December 22, 2023. It unanimously approved the reappointment of Batra for a further period of two years with effect from December 23, 2023, to December 22, 2025.
- 0.11. Who has been appointed as the Director (Works) of National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL)?
  - A) Ajit Gupte
  - C) Prakash Chand

- **B)** Pramod Sharma
- Aparch D) Shambhu S. Kumaran

#### Answer : B

- ✓ The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of Pramod Sharma for the post of Director (Works) of National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL).
- ✓ NHSRCL is an implementation agency for high-speed rail projects in India.
- ✓ Appointed on a deputation basis, his term extends until he reaches 60 years or further orders.
- ✓ NHSRCL was incorporated in 2016 to manage the High-Speed Rail Corridor in India. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Indian Railways, Ministry of Railways. The objective of this body is the development and implementation of high-speed rail projects in India.



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Q.12. Who has become the new president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI)?

A) Sanjay Singh

B) Manoj Kumar Bharti

- C) Arindam Bagchi
- D) Reenat Sandhu

#### Answer : A

- ✓ Sanjay Singh has become the new president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI).
- ✓ He beat Anita Sheoran in the 50-vote electoral college 42-7 to claim the post.
- ✓ Associated with the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) for the past 12 years as part of the governing council, Singh, who hails from Varanasi, was promoted to the post of joint secretary in 2019.

#### Q.13. Who has been named Health Ambassador for Salaam Bombay Foundation?

- A) Neena Malhotra B) Vani Sarraju Rao
- C) Amrita Raichand

- **D)** Akhilesh Mishra

#### Answer : C

- ✓ Amrita Raichand partners with Salaam Bombay Foundation, becoming a Health Ambassador for their Preventive Health Education Programme.
- ✓ This incredible partnership is set to make a real difference in the lives of at-risk adolescents from the urban slums of Mumbai, promoting the importance of healthy living and simple nourishing recipes where it is needed most.
- The initiative focuses on advancing nutrition knowledge in underserved communities, mainly among Mumbai's urban slum adolescents.
- Q.14. Who has assumed the charge of the Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India arm Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL)?
  - A) Meera Shankar
  - C) Arun Kumar Singh
- **B)** Nirupama Rao
- D) Uday A Kaole

#### Answer : D

✓ Uday A Kaole has assumed the charge of the Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India arm Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL).



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Q.15. Which company has been conferred with the prestigious National Energy Conservation Award 2023?

- **A)** Orient Electric **B)** Crompton
- **C)** Bajaj Electricals
- **D)** Havells

#### Answer : B

- ✓ President awarded Crompton-Most Energy Efficient Appliance of the Year
- ✓ Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals Ltd. (CGCEL), one of India's leading consumer electrical companies, has been conferred with the prestigious National Energy Conservation Award 2023.
- ✓ The honor was conferred by the Hon'ble President of India, Droupadi Murmu and the Ministry of Power through its body viz. Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) on the occasion of National Energy Conservation Day.
- The company secured this achievement in the category of the Most Energy Efficient Appliance of the Year 2023 for its storage water heater.
- Q.16. Who has received the 'Impact Fielder of the ODI Series' medal following India's 2-1 series win against South Africa?

A) Suryakumar Yadav	B) Sai Sudharsan
C) Rohit Sharma	D) KL Rahul
Answer : B	Warno

#### Answer : B

- ✓ India's debutant Sai Sudharsan was awarded the 'Impact Fielder of the Series' medal by India's fielding coach Ajay Ratra after the KL Rahul-led side clinched the 3-match ODI series against South Africa 2-1
- ✓ India defeated South Africa by 87 runs in the series decider as KL Rahul became only the second Indian captain after Virat Kohli to win an ODI series on South African soil.
- ✓ Sudharsan was commended for a brilliant catch during the third ODI match, contributing to India's 78-run victory
- Q.17. Which organization has set up a task force to study the recommendations made by the Independent Experts Group for strengthening multilateral development banks (MDBs)?
  - A) World Bank

- **B)** Asian Development Bank
- C) New Development Bank
- **D)** International Monetary Fund

Answer : A



#### ✓ World Bank has set up a task force to study the recommendations made by the Independent Experts Group, formed under India's G20 Presidency, for strengthening multilateral development banks (MDBs).

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- ✓ The World Bank, which other MDBs looked up to, must take the lead in carrying forward the reform roadmap for MDBs so as to make these global institutions bigger, better, and bolder.
- ✓ Both Ajay Banga and Nirmala Sitharaman discussed outcomes of the G20India Presidency, evolution of the World Bank and its engagement with India in various sectors, besides issues of mutual interest.
- ✓ World Bank has identified eight unique global challenges to focus on in the next few years as they affect many countries and require attention and Sitharaman expressed India's support for it.
- ✓ Sitharaman stressed that the Country Climate and Development Report exercise of the World should take into account the country's priorities and circumstances

#### Q.18. Which bank and HDFC Life have entered into a corporate agency agreement to offer life insurance products to their respective customers?

- A) Karnataka Bank **B)** Karur Vyasya Bank
- C) Dhanalakshmi Bank **D)** South Indian Bank

#### Answer : B

- ✓ Private sector Karur Vysya Bank and HDFC Life have entered into a corporate agency agreement to offer life insurance products to their respective customers.
- This corporate agency arrangement would enable customers of Karur Vysya Bank to avail HDFC Life's wide range of life insurance products which include solutions for protection, savings and investment, retirement, and critical illness.
- Our corporate tie-up with HDFC Life will provide one more option to our customers while charting their insurance plans. Since HDFC Life offers claim intimation process online, our customers can avail the services without stepping out of their homes.
- ✓ Karur Vysya Bank is a Scheduled Commercial Bank, headquartered in Karur in Tamil Nadu, India. It was founded in 1916 by M. A. Venkatarama Chettiar and Athi Krishna Chettiar.
- ✓ Chairperson : Dr Meena Hemchandra
- ✓ MD & CEO : Mr. Ramesh Babu



#### Q.19. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), India's economy is projected to grow at how much percent FY24 and FY25?

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<b>B) 6.3%</b>

**C) 6.4%** D) 6.5%

#### Answer : B

- ✓ India's economy is projected to grow at 6.3 percent in the current fiscal year and the next, according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- ✓ The country's digital public infrastructure and a strong government infrastructure program will continue to sustain growth.
- ✓ India has potential for even higher growth, with greater contributions from labour and human capital, if comprehensive reforms are implemented," the IMF said.
- ✓ The IMF's growth projection for the current financial year, ending March 31, 2024, is lower than the 7 percent forecast by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- ✓ Volatile food prices pushed up retail inflation to 5.55 percent in November from 4.87 percent the previous month. While this was within the RBI's tolerance band of 2 percent-6 percent, it remains above the target of 4 percent
- ✓ International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- ✓ Founded : 1945
- ✓ Headquarters: Washington, D.C.
- Exam Warriors ✓ Managing Director : Kristalina Georgieva (Bulgaria)
- ✓ First Deputy MD : Gita Gopinath
- ✓ Chief Economist : Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas (France)
- ✓ Executive Director for India at IMF : Krishnamurthy Subramaniam
- ✓ Member countries : 190 (Andorra)
- ✓ IMF Released Report
- ✓ Global Financial Stability Report
- ✓ World Economic Outlook.
- ✓ The value of Special Drawing Right (SDR) is determined by the basket of 5 currencies.
- The currencies are, US Dollar, Japanese Yen, British Pound, Chinese Yuan and Euro.  $\checkmark$



Special Drawing Right is known as the Paper Gold. The value of the SDR is based on a basket of key  $\checkmark$ international currencies reviewed by IMF every five years. SDR was introduced in the 1969 by the IMF to solve the problem of International liquidity

#### Q.20. The Defence Ministry has signed a ₹1,614.89 crore contract with which company for the procurement of six next-generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG)?

- A) Hindustan Shipyard
- **B)** Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders

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- C) Cochin Shipyard Limited
- D) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers

#### Answer : B

- ✓ The Defence Ministry has signed a ₹1614.89 crore contract with Mazagon Dockyard Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) Mumbai for the procurement of six next-generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG).
- ✓ Out of the six vessels being procured, four would replace the existing ageing OPVs and the other two would augment the ICG fleet.
- ✓ These multirole state-of-the-art vessels will be indigenously designed, developed, and manufactured by MDL, and will be delivered in a total period of 66 months (5.5 years).
- Q.21. Natasha Chethan won the sub-junior girls' snooker title to record a double in the 90th National Billiards & Snooker Championships at the Nehru Indoor Stadium. She is from which state?

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- A) Karnataka
- **B)** Rajasthan
- C) Haryana
- **D)** Uttar Pradesh

#### Answer : A

- ✓ Karnataka's Natasha Chethan won the sub-junior girls' snooker title to record a double in the ongoing 90th National Billiards & Snooker Championships at the Nehru Indoor Stadium.
- ✓ The Bengaluru teenager rallied to beat Gujarat's Aanya Patel 3-1 (35-57, 57-43, 55-42, 41-29) in the snooker final after defeating her for the sub-junior girls' billiards crown last week
- ✓ It was the second defeat of the day in a final for Aanya, who lost to Tamil Nadu's L Shruthi in the junior girls' billiards title category.



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- **Q.22.** Who has been awarded Bhutan's National Order of Merit Gold Medal for her distinguished services to the country?
  - A) Rudrendra Tandon

**B)** Gaurav Ahluwalia

C) Poonam Khetrapal Singh

D) Pratibha Parkar

#### Answer : C

- ✓ WHO Regional Director (South-East Asia) Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh has been awarded Bhutan's National Order of Merit Gold Medal for her distinguished services to the country.
- ✓ The King of Bhutan Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuk honoured Singh, an Indian national, at Bhutan's 116th National Day celebration.
- ✓ Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh, the first woman regional director of the WHO South-East Asia region, played a pivotal role in supporting transformative healthcare leadership in Bhutan from 2014 to 2024.
- ✓ Her tenure witnessed remarkable strides, including Bhutan, becoming one of the first countries to eliminate measles and rubella ahead of schedule.
- She made significant contributions to help Bhutan excel in COVID-19 vaccination
- Q.23. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has been awarded the Leif Erikson Lunar Prize for which mission?

A) Mangalyaan- 2	B) Gaganyaan
C) Chandrayaan-3	D) Aditya L1
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#### Answer : C

- ✓ Chandrayaan-3 Moon Mission Earns Leif Erikson Lunar Prize
- ✓ For its's indomitable spirit in advancing lunar exploration & contributing to understanding celestial mysteries and in celebration the first soft landing of Chandrayaan 3, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has been awarded Leif Erikson Lunar Prize.
- $\checkmark$  This is the first time that ISRO has received this award.
- ✓ It is for the first soft landing of a spacecraft near the Lunar South Pole and ISRO's indomitable spirit in advancing lunar exploration.
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✓ On behalf of ISRO, this was received by the Indian Ambassador to Iceland Ambassador B Shyam from the Exploration Museum in Husavik (Iceland).

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Q.24. Former chair of the National Commission for Women and Padma Bhushan awardee Dr. V Mohini Giri passed away recently. In which year did she receive Padma Bhusan?

A) 2008	B) 2010
<b>C) 2007</b>	D) 2009

#### Answer : C

- ✓ Former chair of the National Commission for Women and Padma Bhushan awardee Dr. V Mohini Giri passed away.
- ✓ She started the War Widows Association in 1972, after the Indo-Pak war of 1971. An institution builder, her life was dedicated to women's rights, human rights and particularly the rights of widows.
- ✓ Dr. Giri was awarded the Padma Bhushan for her work in 2007.
- ✓ A documentary —Still We Rise: The Passion and Compassion of Mohini Giri'— directed by filmmaker Meera Dewan, commemorating 50 years of Guild for Service and the contribution of Dr. Giri, was screened in February.

# Aparchit Exam Warriors Q.25. National Consumer Day is observed every year on which day?

- A) 21 December
- B) 22 December
- C) 23 December
- D) 24 December

#### Answer : D

- ✓ National Consumer Day: December 24.
- ✓ It was on this day that the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 was enacted.
- ✓ The Act aims to provide consumers with effective safeguards against different types of exploitation, such as defective goods, deficiency in services and unfair trade practices.
- $\checkmark$ The World Consumer Rights Day is celebrated on the 15th March every year.
- ✓ World Consumer Rights Day 2023 topic this year is "Empowering Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions."



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#### Q.26. When is the Good Governance Day observed in India?

- A) 25 December B) 24 December
- C) 22 December D) 23 December

#### Answer : A

- ✓ In India, Good Governance Day (Sushasan Divas) is observed annually on December 25 to commemorate the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee (25 December 1924 – 16 August 2018).
- ✓ Good Governance Day was established in 2014 by the newly elected administration of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, to foster awareness among the Indian people of accountability in government.

#### Q.27. The Good Governance Day is observed to marks the birth anniversary of which leader?

- A) APJ Abdul Kalam
- B) Rajiv Gandhi
- C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- D) Atal Bihari Vajpayee

#### Answer : D

#### STATIC GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 24&25 December 2023

- Q.1. Bank credit to registered NBFCs for on-lending to micro and small enterprises up to \_ per borrower are eligible for classification as priority sector lending.
  - A) ₹ 10 lakh

C) ₹ 30 lakh

Apar<sup>CL</sup>B) ₹ 20 lakh D) ₹ 50 lakh

#### Answer: B

Q.2. RBI has allowed Small Finance Banks which have completed \_\_\_\_ years, to undertake non-risk sharing simple financial service activities without prior approval of RBI.

A) 2 years	B) 4 years

C) 3 years

D) 5 years

Answer : C



#### Q.3. The accounts that shows symptoms of bad asset quality in the first 90 days itself or before it being identified as NPA are known as?

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A) WMA

**B) SMA** 

C) IMA

D) IFA

Answer: B

- ✓ Special Mention Accounts (SMA)
- Who manages the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)? 0.4.

A) SIDBI		

**C) NABARD** 

Answer : C

**O.5**. What is the Minimum tenor of investments under the Medium Term Framework for Investment by Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) in Government Securities?

**B) RBI** 

D) SBI

A) 2 years	B) 5 years
C) 3 years	D) 4 years

#### Answer : C

With respect to the Restructuring of Advances to MSMEs the aggregate exposure of banks and **Q.6**. NBFCs to the borrower should not exceed \_\_\_?

**D) NABARD** 

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- A) Rs 15 crore B) Rs 10 crore
- C) Rs 50 crore D) Rs 25 crore

Answer : D

0.7. Who regulates the Housing Finance Companies?

> A) NHB **B) RBI**

C) SEBI

Answer: B

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