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Aparchit 8 February English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2024

By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. Which institute has successfully established and tested India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility?

A) IIT Bombay

B) IIT Madras

C) IIT Delhi

D) IIT Kanpur

Answer : D

- ✓ Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K) has successfully established and tested India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility recently.
- ✓ About India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility:
- ✓ The S2, nicknamed 'Jigarthanda', is a 24-metre-long facility located at IIT Kanpur's Hypersonic Experimental Aerodynamics Laboratory (HEAL) within the Department of Aerospace Engineering.
- ✓ It is India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility.
- ✓ It was indigenously designed and developed over three years with funding and support from the Aeronautical Research and Development Board (ARDB), the Department of Science and Technology (DST), and IIT Kanpur.
- ✓ It is capable of generating flight speeds between 3-10 km/s
- ✓ It will be a critical asset for the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- ✓ It will serve as a testing ground for ongoing missions of ISRO and DRDO like Gaganyaan, Reusable Launch Vehicles (RLV), and hypersonic cruise missiles

INDIA'S FIRST IN NEWS 2023-24

- Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K) has successfully established and tested India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility.
- Ola Founder's Krutrim Becomes First \$1 Billion Indian AI Startup.
- For the first time in India, a boat running on solar energy will be operated in the Saryu river in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh.
- Reliance Industries Achieves India's First ISCC-Plus Certification .



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- Lucknow city, known as the 'City of Nawabs', will be developed as India's first 'AI City'.
- Uttar Pradesh government has announced the launch of India's first 'Telecom Center of Excellence'.
- India's first solar roof cycling track was inaugurated in Hyderabad city.
- Uttarakhand launches India's first polythene waste bank for sustainable waste management.
- Telangana has launched India's first Agricultural Data Exchange (ADeX) and Agriculture Data Management Framework (ADMF) in Hyderabad.
- India's first-ever sports university to be set up in Manipur.
- India Launches Its 1st Indigenous e-Tractor Developed By the CMERI.
- Dr Jitendra Singh, had launched the CSIR Prima ET11, the first indigenous e-Tractor developed by the Central Mechanical Engineering Research Institute (CMERI), Durgapur, a public engineering R&D institution in Durgapur, West Bengal, and a constituent laboratory of the Indian Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).
- Kerala Launches India's First AI School, Pioneering Future-Focused Education.
- Sanchi, a world heritage site located in the Raisen district of Madhya Pradesh, is all set to become India's first solar city.
- Hitachi Payment Services launched India's first UPI-ATM.
- India's first Vedic-themed park unveiled in Noida.

Q.2. Who has been appointed as the new director of Asian Development Bank in India?

- A) Soumya Swaminathan
- B) Takeo Konishi
- C) Mio Oka
- D) Geeta Gopinath

Answer : C

- ✓ Asian Development Bank (ADB) has recently appointed Mio Oka as the new director of the bank in India, replacing Takeo Konishi.
- ✓ Oka will be responsible for ADB operations and other development work in India.
- ✓ Ms. Oka, a Japanese national, has a wealth of experience in development finance and project management



ADB IN NEWS 2023-24

- Asian Development Bank (ADB) has recently appointed Mio Oka as the new director of the bank in India, replacing Takeo Konishi.
- Vikas Sheel has been appointed as Executive Director of Asian Development Bank (ADB).
- India, ADB sign \$200 million loan agreement for Uttarakhand power system project.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a substantial \$170 million loan to catalyze the modernization of water supply services in Kochi, a rapidly growing city in the southern Indian state of Kerala.
- 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)
- Founded : 19 December 1966
- HQ : Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, Philippines
- President : Masatsugu Asakawa (Japan)
- Vice President : Ashok Lavasa (Indian)
- Director of ADB for India : Mio Oka (Japan)
- Executive Director : Sameer Kumar
- 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.3. Who has taken oath as the first woman Chief Justice of Uttarakhand High Court?

A) Indu Malhotra

B) Ritu Bahri

C) Ruma Pal

D) Hima Kohli

Answer : B

- ✓ Justice Ritu Bahri has been appointed as the first woman Chief Justice of Uttarakhand High Court. Governor Lieutenant General (Retd.)
- ✓ Gurmeet Singh administered the oath to Justice Ritu Bahri at a ceremony held at Raj Bhavan.
- ✓ He replaced former Chief Justice Vipin Sanghi.
- ✓ In October last year, Justice Ritu Bahri was appointed as the acting Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court

FIRST'S FEMALE IN NEWS 2023-24

- Justice Ritu Bahri was today sworn in as the first woman Chief Justice of the Uttarakhand High Court.
- Nina Singh becomes first woman to be appointed as DG of CISF.
- Captain Fatima Wasim has become the first woman medical officer to be posted at the operational post of Siachen Glacier.
- Captain Geetika Kaul of Snow Leopard Brigade had become the first woman medical officer to be deployed in Siachen.
- Sue Redfern became the first woman to stand as an umpire in a men's first-class cricket match in England and Wales.
- Jaya Varma Sinha has been appointed as the new Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Railway Board (Ministry of Railways) w.e.f Sept 01, 2023. She has replaced AK Lahoti.
- She is the first woman to be appointed to this Apex post of Indian Railways.



- Geetika Srivastava is first woman to head Indian mission in Pakistan.
- Phangnon Konyak became the first woman to chair the Rajya Sabha from Nagaland.
- Tenzing Yangki has become the first female IPS officer of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Lisa Franchetti becomes 1st woman to be top Navy officer in US history.
- Nusrat Chowdhary will become the first Muslim woman federal judge in US history.
- Celeste Saulo of Argentina has been appointed as the first female Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

Q.4. The S2, nicknamed 'Jigarthanda' facility, recently seen in the news, will be used for:

- A) testing agricultural technologies
- B) studying ocean currents
- C) simulating hypersonic conditions for aerospace technologies
- D) investigating deep-sea exploration techniques

Answer : C

- ✓ The Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K) has successfully established and tested India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility recently.
- ✓ About India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility:
- ✓ The S2, nicknamed 'Jigarthanda', is a 24-meter-long facility located at IIT Kanpur's Hypersonic Experimental Aerodynamics Laboratory (HEAL) within the Department of Aerospace Engineering.
- ✓ It is India's first Hypervelocity Expansion Tunnel Test Facility.

Q.5. Consider the following statements regarding the Vidyanjali Scholarship Programme:

1. It extends financial support for meritorious Navodaya Vidyalaya students belonging to economically disadvantaged sections.
2. It generates assistance and funding from nongovernment partners and private sources as well.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : C



- ✓ Union Minister of Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship recently launched the EdCIL Vidyanjali Scholarship Programme.
- ✓ About Vidyanjali Scholarship Programme:
- ✓ This initiative guarantees access to high-quality learning systems by facilitating a seamless transition from secondary to higher education and extending financial support for the meritorious Navodaya Vidyalaya students who lack means.
- ✓ It symbolises a whole-of-society approach to empowerment through access to and opportunities for education, particularly to students belonging to economically disadvantaged sections.
- ✓ The beneficiaries of the Vidyanjali programme in its initial phase will be students of grades XI and XII studying in Navodaya Vidyalayas across the country.
- ✓ A fintech platform has been specifically curated under Vidyanjali, and the sponsorship will be disbursed to students through this platform as Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

Q.6. Consider the following statements regarding Rights Issue:

1. It is an offering to the existing shareholders of a company to buy additional shares at a discounted price.

2. The rights issued cannot be traded on the secondary market.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 2 only

C) Both 1 and 2

D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : A

- ✓ Indiabulls Housing Finance plans to raise ₹3,693 crore through rights issue.
- ✓ About Rights Issue:
- ✓ A rights issue is an offering of rights to the existing shareholders of a company that gives them an opportunity to buy additional shares directly from the company at a discounted price rather than buying them in the secondary market.
- ✓ It gives preferential treatment to existing shareholders, where they are given the right (not obligation) to purchase shares at a lower price on or before a specified date.
- ✓ The number of additional shares that can be bought depends on the existing holdings of the shareowners.



Q.7. Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras:

1. These are set up by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

2. These provide generic drugs that are available at lesser prices as compared to branded drugs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 2 only

C) Both 1 and 2

D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : B

- ✓ Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) have been allowed by the Government to operate Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras (PMBJK) under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana.
- ✓ These are set up under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana, which was launched by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers in November 2008.
- ✓ Objective: To provide quality medicines at affordable prices for all, particularly the poor, so as to reduce out-of-pocket expenses in healthcare.
- ✓ These Kendra's provide generic drugs, which are available at lesser prices but are equivalent in quality and efficacy as expensive branded drugs.
- ✓ All therapeutic medicines are made available from Jan Aushadhi Stores.
- ✓ Jan Aushadhi stores also sell allied medical products commonly sold in chemist shops so as to improve the viability of running the Jan Aushadhi store.
- ✓ Pharmaceutical & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI) has been established under the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Govt. of India, with the support of all the CPSUs for co-coordinating procurement, supply, and marketing of generic drugs through the PMBKs.
- ✓ Who are eligible to open a Jan Aushadhi Kendra?
- ✓ State Governments or any organization / reputed NGOs / Trusts / Private hospitals / charitable institutions / Doctors / Unemployed pharmacists/ individual entrepreneurs are eligible to apply for the new Jan Aushadhi Kendra.
- ✓ The applicants shall have to employ one B Pharma / D Pharma degree holder as Pharmacist in their proposed store.
- ✓ Primary Agricultural Credit Societies.



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Q.8. Consider the following statements regarding Smart Advanced Manufacturing and Rapid Transformation Hub (SAMARTH) centres:

1. They are set up under the Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector scheme.

2. They provide assistance to the MSMEs to train the workforce for Industry 4.0 technologies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 2 only

C) Both 1 and 2

D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : C

- ✓ Recently, the Minister of State for Heavy Industries informed the Lok Sabha about SAMARTH Centres.
- ✓ The Smart Advanced Manufacturing and Rapid Transformation Hub (SAMARTH) centres are set up under the Scheme for “Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector.
- ✓ These centres have been providing assistance to the MSMEs to train the workforce and make them aware about Industry 4.0 technologies in the following ways:
 - ✓ Organizing Seminars/ Workshops and knowledge sharing events on Industry 4.0;
 - ✓ Training industries to create awareness about Industry 4.0;
 - ✓ Providing consultancy (in areas such as IOT Hardware, Software development, data analytics) and incubation support to start- ups including MSMEs.

Q.9. Consider the following statements regarding Vaccine Safety Net:

1. It is a global network of websites that provides reliable information on vaccine safety.

2. It is established by the NITI Aayog.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 2 only

C) Both 1 and 2

D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : A

- ✓ The Healthy Indian Project (THIP), a health information platform in India, is included as a member of the World Health Organization’s Vaccine Safety Net (VSN).



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- ✓ HDFC Bank to acquire up to 9.5% stake in ICICI Bank.
- ✓ RBI has given approval to the group to acquire up to 9.5 per cent stake each in six lenders, including ICICI Bank and Axis Bank.
- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) gave its approval. Entities under HDFC Bank Group are HDFC Mutual Fund, HDFC Life Insurance Company, HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company and others.
- ✓ The six lenders in which HDFC Bank will take stake are -- Axis Bank, Suryoday Small Finance Bank, ICICI Bank, Bandhan Bank, Yes Bank, and IndusInd Bank
- ✓ As of December 2023, HDFC Mutual Fund held 2.76 per cent voting right in ICICI Bank, 2.49 per cent in Axis Bank, and 2.23 per cent in IndusInd Bank. HDFC Life Insurance held 2.92 per cent stake in Suryoday SFB, whereas HDFC Pension Management had 1.88 per cent stake in IndusInd Bank. HDFC Bank held 3 per cent stake in YES Bank
- ✓ As per RBI directions, HDFC Bank will have to ensure that the aggregate holding in the 6 banks does not exceed 9.50 per cent of the paid up share capital or voting rights of the respective banks, at all times

ICICI BANK IN NEWS 2023-24

- HDFC Bank to acquire up to 9.5% stake in ICICI Bank.
- ICICI Bank Canada Launches 'Money2India (Canada)' Mobile Banking App.
- iVIS, a subsidiary of Magellanic Cloud, has announced its empanelment with ICICI Bank for the delivery of e-surveillance services across branches.
- ICICI Bank receives RBI's nod to make Securities a wholly-owned subsidiary.
- ICICI Bank Introduces 'iFinance,' A One-Stop Solution for Multi-Bank Account Access.
- IIT Kanpur has signed an MoU with private lender ICICI Bank to support the startup ecosystem in the institute.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has taken strict measures against two prominent banking institutions, Kotak Mahindra Bank penalty of Rs 3.95 crore and ICICI Bank penalty of Rs 12.19 crore, by imposing significant penalties.
- RBI approves reappointment of Sandeep Bakshi as ICICI Bank MD & CEO for three more years till October 2026.
- ICICI Bank gets RBI nod to make I-Process Services as wholly-owned subsidiary.
- Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India (ICICI) BANK
- Founded : 1994



- HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- MD & CEO : Sandeep Bakhshi
- Tagline : Hum Hai Na Khayal Apka.

Q.12. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the acquisition of how much percent stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited by Zurich Insurance Company?

- A) 90%
- B) 74%
- C) 95%
- D) 100%

Answer : D

- ✓ CCI approves Zurich Insurance's acquisition of 70% stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance.
- ✓ Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the acquisition of 70 per cent stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited by the Zurich Insurance Company.
- ✓ The proposed combination involves the acquisition of a majority stake in the Target by the Acquirer from Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited.
- ✓ Pursuant to the proposed combination, the Acquirer will acquire a 51 per cent stake in the Target (through a combination of fresh growth capital and share purchase)
- ✓ In addition to the above, the Acquirer will also acquire an additional stake of up to 19 per cent in the Target, over a period of time.
- ✓ The Acquirer is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zurich Insurance Group Ltd (Zurich Insurance Group).

KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK IN NEWS 2023-24

- CCI approves Zurich Insurance's acquisition of 70% stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of CS Rajan as part-time Chairman of Kotak Mahindra Bank.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank has partnered with National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL) to issue its first electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG) on the latter's platform.
- Ashok Vaswani is next Kotak Mahindra Bank CEO.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank has received the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) approval to acquire 100% stake in micro-lender Sonata Finance.



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- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of ₹12.19 crore on ICICI Bank and ₹3.95 crore on Kotak Mahindra Bank for non-compliance of certain regulatory norms.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank
- Founded 1985
- Founders : Uday Kotak
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- MD & CEO : Ashok Vaswani
- Tagline : Let's Make Money Simple Ab Kona Kona Kotak.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited is an Indian banking and financial services company headquartered in Mumbai.
- It is India's third largest private sector bank by market capitalisation after HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank.
- As of 31 March 2023, the bank has a national footprint of 1,780 branches and 2,963 ATMs.
- Kotak Mahindra Finance was then renamed Kotak Mahindra Bank. At the time, Uday Kotak had a 56% stake in the company while Anand Mahindra held a 5% stake .

Q.13. Which bank has proposed to acquire 100% stake in SBICAP Ventures for ₹708 crore?

A) Punjab National Bank

B) State Bank of India

C) Kotak Mahindra Bank

D) Indian Overseas Bank

Answer : B

- ✓ State Bank of India (SBI) has received permission from its central board to obtain 100% stake in SBICAP Ventures.
- ✓ The stake, owned by SBI Capital Markets, will be bought by SBI at a cost of Rs 708 crore.

SBI IN NEWS 2023-24

- LIC emerged as the most valued Indian PSU firm, surpassing SBI.
- 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.



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- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurates SBI branch in Sri Lanka.
- State Bank of India ropes in MS Dhoni as brand ambassador.
- SBI has launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' as part of its financial inclusion drive in a bid to improve accessibility and convenience.
- The tenure of State Bank of India (SBI) Chairman Dinesh Khara has been extended till August 2024.
- State Bank of India has introduced a digital facility for Non-Resident Indians to effortlessly open Non-Residential External and Non-Resident Ordinary accounts through its mobile app YONO.
- State Bank of India has launched its 'Nation First Transit Card', a RuPay prepaid instrument under the National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) that can be used nationwide.
- State Bank of India (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 (SBI)
- Founded : 1 July 1955
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Chairman : Dinesh Kumar Khara
- Imperial Bank of India was previous name of SBI
- The presidency Banks of Bengal, Bombay and Madras with merged in 1921 to Imperial Bank of India.
- Tagline of State Bank of India
- (1) Pure Banking Nothing Else
- (2) With you all the way
- (3) A bank of the common man
- (4) The banker to every Indian
- (5) The Nation banks on us.
- It is one of the largest and oldest banks in India.

Q.14. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of how much rupees on Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Limited for non-compliance?

A) Rs 9.8 lakh

B) Rs 5.8 lakh

C) Rs 7.8 lakh

D) Rs 8.8 lakh

Answer : D



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- ✓ RBI imposes Rs 8.8 lakh penalty on Power Finance Corporation for non-compliance.
- ✓ Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of Rs 8.8 lakh on Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Limited for non-compliance with certain provisions of directions on 'Liquidity Risk Management Framework for Non-Banking Financial Companies and Core Investment Companies'.
- ✓ PFC had not maintained the prescribed Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) of 60 per cent as of March 31, 2022, as a result of the inclusion of ineligible assets as High-Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA) for the computation of the LCR.
- ✓ Power Finance Corporation (PFC)
- ✓ Founded : 1986
- ✓ Headquarters : New Delhi
- ✓ Chairman & MD : Parminder Chopra.
- ✓ PCF is an Indian central public sector undertaking under the ownership of the Ministry of Power, Government of India.
- ✓ PFC paying almost Rs. 14,500 Crs to the Govt. of India for the 52.63% stake.
- ✓ PFC is set to become the 11th Maharatna central public sector enterprise (CPSE).

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- RBI imposes Rs 8.8 lakh penalty on Power Finance Corporation for non-compliance.
- Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has fined Air India ₹1.1 crore for safety violations on certain flights.
- RBI took regulatory action imposing penalties on Bank of America, N.A. and HDFC Bank Ltd. for violations of specific norms.
- RBI has imposed a penalty of Rs. 10,000 on Bank of America, N.A. for violating the reporting requirements under the liberalized Remittances Scheme of FEMA 1999.
- HDFC Bank Ltd also faced a penalty of Rs.10,000 for violating directions related to the acceptance of deposits from non-residents.
- RBI Imposes ₹2.5 Crore Penalty On L&T Finance For Non Compliance.
- This penalty has been levied due to non-compliance with specific provisions of the Non-Banking Financial Company.
- RBI Imposes ₹5.4 Crore Penalty On Paytm Payments Bank.



- Paytm Payments Bank was penalized for “non-compliance with certain provisions of the ‘Reserve Bank of India (Know Your Customer (KYC)) Directions, 2016’.”
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of ₹12.19 crore on ICICI Bank and ₹3.95 crore on Kotak Mahindra Bank for non-compliance of certain regulatory norms.

Q.15. Which institute has collaborated with Munitions India Limited to create the nation's first domestically designed 155 Smart Ammunition?

- A) IIT Kanpur
- B) IIT Madras
- C) IIT Delhi
- D) IIT Bombay

Answer : B

- ✓ IIT Madras and Munitions India Limited are partnering to create India's first domestically designed 155 Smart Ammunition.
- ✓ The two-year initiative, under the Ministry of Defence, aims to achieve a Circular Error Probable of 10 meters, significantly improving precision in defense operations.
- ✓ The project focuses on enhancing accuracy and lethality using guidance systems and advanced technologies.
- ✓ The 155mm Indian Smart Ammunition is compatible with existing artillery guns, featuring fin stabilization, canard control, and a 3-mode fuse operation for various tactical requirements, marking a crucial stride towards self-reliance in defense production.

Q.16. Which Indian celebrity was recently granted the 'Golden Visa' of UAE?

- A) Anand Kumar
- B) Manoj Bajpayee
- C) Pankaj Tripathi
- D) Prashant Kishore

Answer : A

- ✓ Recently, Super 30 founder Anand Kumar has been granted 'Golden Visa' by the United Arab Emirates government.
- ✓ Earlier, Indian celebrities like Bollywood actors Shahrukh Khan, Salman Khan and Sanjay Dutt have got this special visa.
- ✓ Anand has been running his Super 30 program in Patna since 2002.
- ✓ In the year 2023, he was awarded the Padma Shri, the fourth highest civilian award by the Government of India



Q.17. Who has taken oath as the Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court?

- A) Justice Vijay Bishnoi B) Justice Amit Mishra
C) Justice Arun Bhansali D) Justice Ramesh Sinha

Answer : A

- ✓ Justice Vijay Bishnoi has recently taken oath as the Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court.
- ✓ Assam Governor Gulab Chand Kataria administered the oath of office to Justice Bishnoi.
- ✓ State Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma was also present on this occasion.
- ✓ Justice Bishnoi's appointment as Chief Justice comes after the recommendation of the Supreme Court Collegium.
- ✓ Recently Justice Ritu Bahri was sworn in as the Chief Justice of Uttarakhand High Court

Q.18. In which state is Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram Thermal Power Plant located?

- A) Bihar B) Haryana
C) Uttar Pradesh D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer : B

- ✓ Haryana State Government has approved the construction of 800 MW Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram Thermal Power Plant in Yamunanagar.
- ✓ State Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has given the responsibility of its construction to BHEL.
- ✓ Rs 6,900 crore will be spent in its construction.

Q.19. Where is 'Divya Kala Mela' 2024 being organised?

- A) Agartala B) Jaipur
C) Lucknow D) Patna

Answer : A

- ✓ 'Divya Kala Mela 2024' is being organized in Agartala, Tripura under the National Disabled Finance and Development Corporation (NDFDC).
- ✓ It is being organized from 6 to 11 February 2024. Tripura is a state in northeastern India, its capital is Agartala.
- ✓ The DIVYA Kala Mela, launched by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, kicked off at Agartala.



Q.20. With whom has South Eastern Railways joined hands for the development of rail infrastructure?

- A) Steel Authority of India B) JSW Steel
C) Jindal Steel and Power D) Tata Steel

Answer : D

- ✓ South Eastern Railway (SER) has joined hands with Tata Steel for the development of rail infrastructure.
- ✓ Tata Steel said in a statement that talks are going on between SER and Tata Steel officials regarding the project.
- ✓ The headquarters of South Eastern Railway is located in Kolkata.

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Q.1. What is the Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation target set by Government for 5 years between 2021-26?

- A) 6% B) 5%
C) 3% D) 4%

Answer : D

Q.2. The first empowered six-member monetary policy committee (MPC) was constituted in which year?

- A) 2016 B) 2014
C) 2012 D) 2018

Answer : A

Q.3. The storehouses where banknotes and rupee coins are stocked on behalf of the Reserve Bank for distribution to bank branches in their area of operation are called as _____

- A) Currency Chests B) Currency Depots
C) Currency Cache D) Currency Repository

Answer : A

Q.4. Which Section of Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, provides for appointment of scheduled commercial banks as agents to discharge its statutory obligation of being 'Banker to Government'?

- A) 50 B) 45
C) 30 D) 25

Answer : B



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Q.5. Which type of ATMs are set up, owned and operated by non-banks?

- A) Brown Label ATM
- B) Black Label ATM
- C) Green Label ATM
- D) White Label ATM

Answer : D

Q.6. Which is the clearing agency for G-Secs, issued by government?

- A) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- B) Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL)
- C) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- D) Security Printing & Minting Corporation of India Ltd (SPMCIL)

Answer : B

Q.7. An unsecured money market instrument issued in the form of a promissory note is known as ___

- A) Treasury Bills
- B) Certificates of Deposits
- C) Commercial Paper
- D) Repurchase Agreements

Answer : C

Q.8. Define lease.

- A) Rental agreement between a tenant and owner of a house, where tenant pays a specified amount on a specified date to the owner
- B) Legal contract between the owner of an asset and its user containing conditions including payment of specified amount by user to the owner for use of the asset
- C) Method to take over a company
- D) Contract to buy a machinery for a specified period

Answer : B

Q.9. Basel norms are associated with which of the following aspects of the banking industry?

- A) Manpower Planning
- B) Overdraft Credit Facility
- C) Risk Management
- D) Corporate Governance

Answer : C



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Q.10. Who is known as the 'Steel Man of India'?

A) O P Jindal

B) Jamshed J Irani

C) Jamsetji Tata

D) Lakshmi Mittal

Answer : B





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