

1st January 2022, Current Affairs Quiz

1. India signed an agreement with which country for implementing “2 Vs 2” Agri market access issues?
 - A. Israel
 - B. USA
 - C. Russia
 - D. Australia

Answer: B.

Explanation: India's Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) signed an agreement for implementing the “2 Vs 2 Agri market access” issues. The export of Indian mangoes and pomegranates to the US is in accordance with the recent agreement.

2. Who is the head of the Working group set up to strengthen television rating point (TRP) services?
 - A. Shashi Shekhar Vempati
 - B. Anurag Singh Thakur
 - C. L Murugan
 - D. Sukant Vatsa

Answer: A.

Explanation:



To harness Return Path Data (RPD) capabilities in measuring TRPs, the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has also set up a 'Joint Working Group', under the chairmanship of Prasar Bharati CEO Shashi Shekhar Vempati.

3. Which country launched the 'Better Health Smoke-Free' campaign?
- A. Australia
 - B. UK
 - C. India
 - D. France

Answer: B.

Explanation: The British government has launched a new initiative urging smokers to quit saying that teenagers whose parents smoke are four times more likely to do so. Known as the 'Better Health Smoke-Free' campaign, it is calling on smokers to discard the unhealthy habit as a new year resolution.

4. Under 'India Semiconductor Mission', financial support is provided for how many years?
- A. Three
 - B. Five
 - C. Six

D. Ten

Answer: C.

Explanation: It aims to build a robust semiconductor and display ecosystem in India. A financial support of up to 50 per cent of the project cost is approved for setting up variants of semiconductor fab in India. A financial support for six years is given from the date of approval.

5. Which Indian state recorded the highest Tiger deaths in 2021?

A. Karnataka

B. Madhya Pradesh

C. Maharashtra

D. Gujarat

Answer: B.

Explanation: The maximum tiger deaths took place in Madhya Pradesh (44), followed by Maharashtra (26) and Karnataka (14).

6. China has complained to the UN, about collision with satellites launched by which project?

A. Starlink Internet Services project

B. Psyche Mission

C. Google Loon Project

D. Onweb Satellite Project

Answer: A.

Explanation:



The Tiangong performed “evasive maneuvers” to “prevent a potential collision” with Starlink satellites, the government said in a December 6 complaint to the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

7. Which is India’s first indigenously developed Receptor Binding Domain (RBD) protein sub-unit vaccine for COVID-19?
- A. CORBEVAXTM
 - B. NOVAVAX
 - C. DIVIVAX
 - D. SEROVAXTM

Answer: A.

Explanation: India’s first indigenously developed Receptor Binding Domain (RBD) protein subunit vaccine for COVID-19, CORBEVAXTM, has received the Drug Controller General of India’s (DCGI) approval for Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

Developed under the Department of Biotechnology’s Mission COVID Suraksha, the vaccine received support from DBT’s Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC).

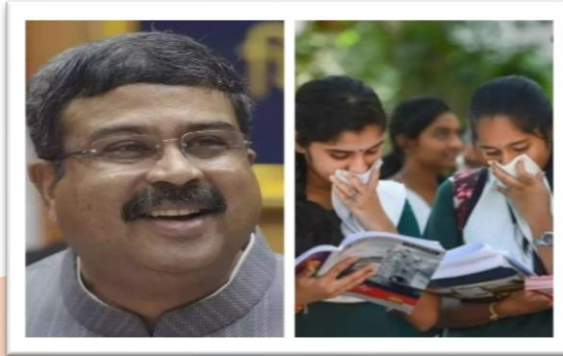
8. Padhe Bharat campaign is launched by which ministry?
- A. Ministry of Women and Child Development
 - B. Ministry of Home Affairs

C. Ministry of Education

D. Ministry of Defence

Answer: C.

Explanation:



Recently, the Ministry of Education has launched a 100 days reading campaign 'Padhe Bharat' (1st January to 10th April 2022).

9. Which State team clinched the Vijay Hazare Trophy title in 2021-22?

A. Maharashtra

B. Tamil Nadu

C. Bengal

D. Himachal Pradesh

Answer: D.

Explanation: Himachal Pradesh are the current champions (2021-2022) who won their 1st title beating Tamil Nadu in the finals.

10. China has recently released a list of “standardised names” for 15 places in which Indian state?

A. Sikkim

B. Uttarakhand

C. Aruchanal Pradesh

D. Assam

Answer: C

Explanation: China's Ministry of Civil Affairs announced the “standardised” names of 15 places in Arunachal Pradesh. China has been claiming around 90,000 sq km of Arunachal Pradesh as its own territory. It had even called the state as “South Tibet” back in 2017.

11. Multi Agency Centre (MAC), which was seen in the news, is under the aegis of which Union Ministry?

- A. Ministry of Electronics and IT
- B. Ministry of Home Affairs
- C. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- D. Ministry of Food Processing Industries

Answer: B.

Explanation:



Union Home Minister Amit Shah asked the Directors General of Police to share adequate information and actionable inputs through Multi Agency Centre (MAC). MAC is a common counter-terrorism grid under the Intelligence Bureau (IB), which was made operational in 2001 after the Kargil war.

12. Which New Technology sends signals to power plants every four seconds to maintain a constant frequency in India?
- A. Automatic Generation Control
 - B. Automatic Frequency Control
 - C. Frequent Frequency Control
 - D. Semi Layered Frequency Control

Answer: A.

Explanation: The Union Minister for Power and new and renewable energy Raj Kumar Singh has dedicated a new technology named Automatic Generation Control (AGC) to the nation.

13. India approved signing of MoU with which country, on Cooperation in Disaster Management?
- A. France
 - B. Turkmenistan
 - C. Australia
 - D. New Zealand

Answer: B.

Explanation: Cabinet approves MoU between India and Turkmenistan on Cooperation in the field of Disaster Management. The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Turkmenistan on Cooperation in the field of Disaster Management.

14. What is the present status of China at the 'World Trade Organization (WTO)'?
- A. Upper middle-income country
 - B. Developed Country

- C. Developing Country
- D. Least Developed Country

Answer: C.

Explanation:

WTO - Facts

- Location: Geneva, Switzerland
- Established: 1 January 1995
- Created by: Uruguay Round negotiations (1986-94).
- Membership : 159 countries on 2 March 2013.
- Budget : 197 million Swiss francs for 2013.
- Secretariat staff: 640.
- Head: Roberto Azevêdo (Director-General)

China's status as a 'developing country' at the World Trade Organization (WTO) has become a contentious issue with a number of countries raising concerns over the upper middle-income nation deriving benefits reserved for developing countries under WTO norms.

15. 'Ibonia', which was seen in the news recently, is a similar version of Ramayana found in which country?

- A. Nepal
- B. Madagascar
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Mauritius

Answer: B.

Explanation:



Version of Indian epic Ramayana found in Madagascar in form of 'Ibonia'.

16. Which institution releases the 'Global Risks Report' every year?
- A. International Monetary Fund
 - B. World Economic Forum
 - C. World Bank
 - D. NITI Aayog

Answer: B.

Explanation: The Global Risks Report 2022, an annual report, was released by the World Economic Forum. It tracks global risk perceptions among risk experts and world leaders in business, government, and civil society.

17. The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act came into effect from which year?
- A. 2000
 - B. 2005
 - C. 2010
 - D. 2020

Answer: D.

Explanation: The bill received presidential assent on 5 December 2019, following which the Ministry of Law and Justice published it in the Gazette of India as Act No. 40 of 2019. The act came has been in effect since 10 January 2020 after a notification of the same in the Gazette by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

18. What is India's rank in the Henley Passport Index 2022?

- A. 72
- B. 83
- C. 92
- D. 101

Answer: B.

Explanation: As per the report, Japan and Singapore top the list of being the most powerful passports in the world for the year 2022. The Indian passport now ranks at 83rd position on the Henley Passport Index, climbing seven places from the 90th rank last year, the London-based global citizenship and residence advisory firm, said.

19. What is the Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) of India in the year 2020-21?

- A. 918
- B. 920
- C. 937
- D. 951

Answer: C.

Explanation: In the past seven years, India's Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) improved by 19 Points at National level: From 918 In 2014-15 to 937 in 2020-21.

20. Tequila fish, which was declared extinct, has been reintroduced to which country?

A. Argentina

B. Mexico

C. Chile

D. Russia

Answer: B.

Explanation:



The tequila fish (*Zoogoneticus tequila*) which was declared extinct in the wild has been reintroduced to its native Mexico. The little fish, which grows only up to 70 mm, was bred in an aquarium at Chester zoo, England.