

Q1. The Supreme court of India bench headed by _____ has cleared the permanent commission for women officers in the Indian Navy.

- (a) Justice S. Abdul Nazeer (b) Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde
(c) Justice Ajay Manikrao Khanwilkar (d) Justice D Y Chandrachud
(e) Justice Dipak Misra

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Supreme court of India bench headed by Justice D Y Chandrachud has cleared the permanent commission for women officers in the Indian Navy.

Q2. The 7th World Cities Summit (WCS) will be held from 5 to 9 July 2020 in?

- (a) Singapore (b) China (c) Thailand (d) Malaysia
(e) Vietnam

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. The 7th World Cities Summit (WCS) will be held from 5 to 9 July 2020 in Singapore

Q3. Which of the following institution have collaborated with L&T Technology Services to carry out joint research in industrial and infrastructure cybersecurity?

- (a) Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi (b) Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay
(c) Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (d) Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar
(e) Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

S3. Ans.(e)

Sol. The Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur and L&T Technology Services have collaborated to carry out joint research in industrial and infrastructure cybersecurity.

Q4. Who among the following has been appointed as the new prime minister of Iraq?

- (a) Mohammed Allawi (b) Adnan al-Zurfi (c) Adil Abdul-Mahdi
(d) Barham Salih (e) Izzat Shabandar

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. President of Iraq has appointed Adnan al-Zurfi as the new prime minister of Iraq.

Q5. Name the author who has authored the book titled “Invincible: A Tribute to Manohar Parrikar”.

- (a) Vikram Seth (b) Salman Rushdie (c) Tarun Vijay
(d) Amitav Ghosh (e) Jhumpa Lahiri Solutions

S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. A book titled “Invincible: A Tribute to Manohar Parrikar” has been authored by Tarun Vijay.

Q6. Indian Navy has established a Quarantine Camp at _____ in Eastern Naval Command to augment India’s fight against the spread of COVID-19.

- (a) INS Vikramaditya (b) INS Arighat (c) INS Arihant
(d) INS Vishwakarma (e) INS Vishal

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. Indian Navy has established a Quarantine Camp at INS Vishwakarma in Eastern Naval Command to augment India’s fight against the spread of COVID-19.

Q7. Who among the following has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Uganda?

- (a) A. Ajay Kumar (b) Riva Ganguly Das (c) Ajay Bisaria
(d) Saurabh Kumar (e) Taranjit Singh Sandhu

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. A. Ajay Kumar has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Uganda.

Q8. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) has approved the procurement of indigenous Tejas fighter aircraft for?

- (a) Central Reserve Police Force (b) Indo-Tibetan Border Police
(c) Border Security Force (d) Central Industrial Security Force
(e) Indian Air Force

S8. Ans.(e)

Sol. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) has approved the procurement of indigenous Tejas fighter aircraft for Indian Air Force.

Q9. Who among the following has resigned from Crisil board as the independent director of the Crisil?

- (a) Ashu Suyash (b) Arundhati Bhattacharya (c) Girish Paranjpe
(d) Vinita Bali (e) M. Damodaran

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Arundhati Bhattacharya has submitted her resignation from Crisil board as the independent director of the Crisil.

Q10. The book titled “My Encounters in Parliament” has been released recently. Who is the author of the book?

- (a) Bhalchandra Mungekar (b) Narendra Jadhav (c) Prakash Yashwant
Ambedkar (d) Jogendra Kawade (e) Ramdas Athawale

S10. Ans.(a)

Sol. The book titled “My Encounters in Parliament” authored by Bhalchandra Mungekar has been released.

Q11. President of the United States, Donald Trump has signed a _____ emergency aid package to ensure sick leave to American workers who fall ill from the new coronavirus.

- (a) \$20-billion (b) \$50-billion (c) \$100-billion (d) \$150-billion
(e) \$200-billion

S11. Ans.(c)

Sol. President of the United States, Donald Trump has signed a \$100-billion emergency aid package to ensure sick leave to American workers who fall ill from the new coronavirus.

Q12. On which day the Global Recycling Day is being observed globally to raise awareness of the importance of recycling?

- (a) 15th March (b) 16th March (c) 17th March (d) 18th March
(e) 19th March

S12. Ans.(d)

Sol. Global Recycling Day is observed globally on 18th March every year to raise awareness of the importance of recycling.

Q13. The 7th World Cities Summit (WCS) will be held in Singapore with the theme of?

- (a) Beautiful and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Distorted World
(b) Livable and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Destroyed World
(c) Livable and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Sinking World
(d) Livable and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Sustainable World

(e) Livable and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Disrupted World

S13. Ans.(e)

Sol. The 7th World Cities Summit (WCS) will be held in Singapore with the theme "Livable and Sustainable Cities: Adapting to a Disrupted World".

Q14. Who among the following will join as a Chairperson and CEO for the India operations of Salesforce, USA?

- (a) Anshula Kant (b) Arundhati Bhattacharya (c) Rajnish Kumar
(d) Chanda Kochhar (e) Shikha Sharma

S14. Ans.(b)

Sol. Arundhati Bhattacharya will join as a Chairperson and CEO for the India operations of Salesforce, USA.

Q15. Global Recycling Day 2020 was observed with the theme of?

- (a) Recycling for Sustainable Life (b) Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
(c) Saving the World (d) Recycling Heroes
(e) Conservation of Resources

S15. Ans.(d)

Sol. Global Recycling Day 2020 was observed with the theme of "Recycling Heroes"

21ST MARCH 2020

Q1. Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has reduced growth projections for India. OECD has lowered growth projections for India for financial year 2020 to_____ . (a) 5.5%

- (b) 5.3%
(c) 5.1%
(d) 5.7%
(e) 5.2%

S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has lowered growth projections for India for financial year 2020 to 5.1%.

Q2. Government of India has decided to set up a COVID-19 Economic Response Task Force. This task force will be headed by-?

- (a) Railway Minister of India
- (b) Health Minister of India
- (c) Prime Minister of India
- (d) Home Minister of India
- (e) Finance Minister of India

S2. Ans.(e)

Sol. Government of India has decided to set up a COVID-19 Economic Response Task Force, to be headed by the Finance Minister of India

Q3. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has appeals “Janta Curfew” on _____ within the wake of COVID 19 outbreak. (a) 22nd March

- (b) 20th March
- (c) 23rd March
- (d) 21st March
- (e) 24th March

S3. Ans.(a)

Sol. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has appeals “Janta Curfew” on Sunday (22nd March) within the wake of COVID 19 outbreak.

Q4. Moody’s has lowered growth projections for India for financial year 2020 to _____.

- (a) 5.5%
- (b) 5.2%
- (c) 5.1%
- (d) 5.3%
- (e) 5.4%

S4. Ans.(d)

Sol. Moody’s has lowered growth projections for India for financial year 2020 to 5.3%.

Q5. Name the former Chief Justice of India, who took oath as a nominated member of Rajya Sabha recently.

- (a) Sharad Arvind Bobde
- (b) Ranjan Gogoi
- (c) Dipak Misra
- (d) P Sathasivam
- (e) Altamas Kabir

S5. Ans.(b)

Sol. Former Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi took oath as a nominated member of Rajya Sabha. He was nominated to Rajya Sabha by the President of India Ram Nath Kovind

Q6. The Ministry of Defence has signed the capital acquisition contract with _____ Weapons Industries for the procurement of Light Machine Gun (LMGs).

- (a) Philippines
- (b) Indonesia
- (c) Vietnam
- (d) Israel
- (e) Cambodia

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Ministry of Defence has signed the capital acquisition contract with Israel Weapons Industries for the procurement of Light Machine Gun (LMGs). The Acquisition Wing of Ministry of Defence has signed the capital acquisition contract of worth Rs 880 crore for the procurement of 16,479 Light Machine Gun (LMGs).

Q7. International Day of Happiness is celebrated globally on-

- (a) 20th March
- (b) 19th March
- (c) 21st March
- (d) 23rd March
- (e) 22nd March

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. International Day of Happiness is celebrated globally on 20th March every year. The 2020 International Day of Happiness campaign theme is 'Happiness For All, Together'

Q8. The Olympic Flame was handed over to _____ 2020 organizers after the Greece leg of torch relay suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- (a) Berlin
- (b) Moscow
- (c) New York
- (d) Beijing
- (e) Tokyo

S8. Ans.(e)

Sol. The Olympic Flame was handed over to Tokyo 2020 organizers after the Greece leg of torch relay suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Q9. The Government of India has approved the proposal of setting up of National Technical Textiles Mission with an outlay of-?

- (a) Rs. 1235 crores
- (b) Rs. 2135 crores
- (c) Rs. 1480 crores
- (d) Rs. 1560 crores
- (e) Rs. 2000 crores

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Government of India has approved the proposal of setting up of National Technical Textiles Mission with an outlay of Rs. 1480 crores. The National Technical Textiles Mission would be set up for a period of 4 years from 2020-21 to 2023-24.

Q10. Indian Railways has planned to electrify a total of _____ km of broad gauge route by December 2023.

- (a) 32,602 km
- (b) 28,810 km
- (c) 22,405 km
- (d) 36,202 km
- (e) 45,654 km

S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. Indian Railways has planned to electrify a total of 28,810 km of broad gauge route by December 2023. As part of its solar mission, it plans to source approximately 1000 megawatt (MW) of solar power & to source around 200 MW of wind power, based on the techno commercial assessment.

Q11. What is the theme of International Day of Happiness campaign 2020?

- (a) Members of Global Human Family
- (b) Importance of Happiness
- (c) Fighting Back Against the COVID-19
- (d) Happiness For All, Together
- (e) None of the given options is true

S11. Ans.(d)

Sol. International Day of Happiness is celebrated globally on 20th March every year. The 2020 International Day of Happiness campaign theme is 'Happiness For All, Together'.

Q12. The National Technical Textiles Mission would be set up for a period of how many years?

- (a) three
- (b) four
- (c) seven
- (d) six
- (e) two

S12. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Government of India has approved the proposal of setting up of National Technical Textiles Mission with an outlay of Rs. 1480 crores. The National Technical Textiles Mission would be set up for a period of 4 years from 2020-21 to 2023-24.

Q13. Former world champion _____ Roger May weather was passed away.

- (a) badminton player
- (b) tennis player
- (c) cricketer
- (d) footballer
- (e) boxer

S13. Ans.(e)

Sol. Former world champion boxer Roger Mayweather passed away. He had a record of 59-13, with 35 knockouts. He won titles at 130 and 140 pounds in an 18-year career that began in 1981.

Q14. Name the Indian, who have/has been named in the International Panel of ICC Development Umpires recently.

- (a) Janani Narayanan
- (b) Vrinda Rathi
- (c) Deepa Menon
- (d) Both (a) and (b)
- (e) Both (a) and (c)

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. Vrinda Rathi and Janani Narayanan have been named in the International Panel of ICC Development Umpires. The announcement was made after the launch of 100% Cricket.

Q15. Who has resigned as the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh on 20th March 2020?

- (a) Jyotiraditya Scindia
- (b) Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- (c) Kamal Nath
- (d) Digvijaya Singh
- (e) Sachin Pilot

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. Kamal Nath has resigned as the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh. He has resigned ahead of the floor test which was scheduled to be held on 20th March 2020 in the state assembly.

22nd March 2020

Q1. International Day of Forests is celebrated every year on-

- (a) 20th March
- (b) 18th March
- (c) 19th March
- (d) 21st March
- (e) 22nd March

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. International Day of Forests is celebrated every year on 21 March. The day is being celebrated to raise awareness of the importance of all types of forests.

Q2. Which of the following bank has teamed-up with Bharti AXA to launch a complimentary insurance plan which will cover all medical conditions, including Covid-19?

- (a) DBS Bank India
- (b) BNP Paribas
- (c) HDFC Bank
- (d) Deutsche Bank
- (e) Shinhan Bank

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. DBS Bank India has teamed-up with Bharti AXA to launch a complimentary insurance plan which will cover all medical conditions, including Covid-19.

Q3. The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed globally on-
?

- (a) 20th March
- (b) 22nd March
- (c) 19th March
- (d) 18th March
- (e) 21st March

S3. Ans.(e)

Sol. The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed globally on 21 March every year. The day is celebrated annually on 21 March as on this day in 1960, the police in Sharpeville, South Africa, opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration against apartheid “pass laws”

Q4. What is the theme for International Day of Forests 2020?

- (a) Forests and Environment
- (b) Forests and People
- (c) Forests and Biodiversity
- (d) Forests and Covid-19
- (e) Forests and Animal

S4. Ans.(c)

Sol. The theme for International Day of Forests 2020 is "Forests and Biodiversity".

Q5. “WhatsApp Coronavirus Information Hub” has been launched globally by WhatsApp. The Information Hub has been launched by WhatsApp in partnership with-?

- (a) UNICEF
- (b) WHO
- (c) UNDP
- (d) All of the above
- (e) United Nations

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. “WhatsApp Coronavirus Information Hub” has been launched globally by WhatsApp. The Information Hub has been launched by WhatsApp in partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Q6. World Down Syndrome Day is observed every year on-?

- (a) 20th March
- (b) 22nd March
- (c) 19th March
- (d) 18th March
- (e) 21st March

S6. Ans.(e)

Sol. World Down Syndrome Day is observed every year on 21 March. In December 2011, the General Assembly declared 21 March as World Down Syndrome Day to raise public awareness of Down syndrome

Q7. Along the launch of WhatsApp Coronavirus Information Hub, WhatsApp has also announced the donation of _____ million to the International Fact-Checking Network for coronavirus facts alliance.

- (a) dollar 10 million
- (b) dollar 100 million
- (c) dollar 20 million
- (d) dollar 1 million
- (e) dollar 5 million

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. Along the launch of WhatsApp Coronavirus Information Hub, WhatsApp has also announced the donation of \$1 million to the International Fact-Checking Network for coronavirus facts alliance.

Q8. DBS Bank is a multinational banking and financial services based in-

- (a) Thailand
- (b) Malaysia
- (c) Singapore
- (d) Russia
- (e) Germany

S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. DBS Bank is a multinational banking and financial services based in Singapore

Q9. What is the theme of World Down Syndrome Day 2020?

- (a) We Grow
- (b) We Decide
- (c) We Go Corona
- (d) We Put On
- (e) We Set Back

. S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. The theme of World Down Syndrome Day 2020 is “We Decide”.

Q10. The APEDA and SFAC has signed an MoU for the development of agriculture and allied sectors recently. What is the full form of SFAC?

- (a) Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium
- (b) Small Farmers Agribusiness Council
- (c) Small Farmers Agribusiness Chamber
- (d) Small Farmers Agribusiness Corrigendum
- (e) Small Farmers Agribusiness Commerce

S10. Ans.(a)

Sol. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) has signed an Memorandum of Understanding. The MoU aims for the development of agriculture and allied sectors as well as its exports for bringing better value to the stakeholders.

Q11. World Poetry Day is observed globally on-

- (a) 21st March
- (b) 22nd March
- (c) 19th March
- (d) 18th March
- (e) 20th March

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. World Poetry Day is observed globally on 21 March every year.

Q12. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) is an apex body under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. APEDA based in-

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) New Delhi
- (c) Kolkata

- (d) Chennai
- (e) Nagpur

S12. Ans.(b)

Sol. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) is an apex body under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. APEDA is based in New Delhi.

Q13. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will infuse liquidity of _____ crore to maintain financial stability in the Indian economy.

- (a) Rs 50,000 crore
- (b) Rs 20,000 crore
- (c) Rs 30,000 crore
- (d) Rs 90,000 crore
- (e) Rs 70,000 crore

S13. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will infuse liquidity of Rs 30,000 crore to maintain financial stability in the Indian economy.

Q14. International Nowruz Day is being celebrated globally on-

- (a) 18th March
- (b) 22nd March
- (c) 19th March
- (d) 21st March
- (e) 20th March

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. International Nowruz Day is being celebrated globally on 21 March every year.

International Nowruz Day is being observed to celebrate “Nowruz” which is an ancestral festivity and marks the first day of spring as well as the renewal of nature.

Q15. Which of the following country is the world's happiest nation for the third year running?

- (a) Denmark
- (b) Austria
- (c) Switzerland
- (d) Norway
- (e) Finland

S15. Ans.(e)

Sol. United Nation has declared Finland is the world's happiest nation for the third year running.

24th March 2020 RBI, World Happiness Report 2020, World Poetry Day, APEDA

Q1. World Water Day observed globally on-

- (a) 19th March
- (b) 23rd March
- (c) 20th March
- (d) 22nd March
- (e) 21st March

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. World Water Day observed globally on 22nd March every year. World Water Day, held on 22 March every year since 1993, focuses on the importance of freshwater.

Q2. The United Nations has released World Happiness Report 2020 recently. What is the rank of India in World Happiness Report 2020?

- (a) 144th
- (b) 131st
- (c) 153rd
- (d) 122nd
- (e) 139th

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. The United Nations has released World Happiness Report 2020. The World Happiness Report ranks 156 countries by how happy their citizens perceive themselves to be. The rank of India in World Happiness Report 2020 is 144th

Q3. Name the Bollywood actress, who works jointly with the World Health Organisation (WHO) to spread awareness over COVID-19?

- (a) Kareena Kapoor Khan
- (b) Alia Bhatt
- (c) Priyanka Chopra
- (d) Deepika Padukone
- (e) Aishwarya Rai Bachchan

. S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. Actor Priyanka Chopra works jointly with the World Health Organisation (WHO) to spread awareness over COVID-19. Priyanka urged followers to rely on authentic sources of information about coronavirus and arranged an Instagram live with top personnel of the World Health Organization (WHO) to raise awareness about the pandemic.

Q4. What is the theme of World Water Day 2020?

- (a) Water and World Clean
- (b) Water and Pollution Change
- (c) Water and Central Cash
- (d) Water and Covid-19 Change
- (e) Water and Climate Change

S4. Ans.(e)

Sol. This year, World Water Day 2020 theme: “Water and Climate Change”.

Q5. World Meteorological Day observed globally on-?

- (a) 19th March
- (b) 23rd March
- (c) 20th March
- (d) 22nd March
- (e) 21st March

S5. Ans.(b)

Sol. World Meteorological Day observed globally on 23rd March every year. The date of the establishment of the World Meteorological Organization on 23 March 1950 has been named World Meteorological Day.

Q6. The World Happiness Report 2020 covers the period of 2017-2019 and analyses the countries on 6 variables. Which of the following variable is not them?

- (a) GDP per capita
- (b) Social support
- (c) Perceptions of corruption
- (d) Healthy life expectancy
- (e) None of the given options is true

S6. Ans.(e)

Sol. The World Happiness Report 2020 covers the period of 2017-2019 and analyses the countries on following 6 variables:

1. GDP per capita
2. Social support
3. Healthy life expectancy
4. Freedom to make life choices
5. Generosity
6. Perceptions of corruption

Q7. What is the theme of World Meteorological Day 2020?

- (a) Water and Climate Change
- (b) Water and Covid-19 Change
- (c) Water and Pollution Change
- (d) Water and Central Cash
- (e) Water and World Clean

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. This year (2020), World Water Day and World Meteorological Day share the same theme: “Water and Climate Change”.

Q8. _____ music singer Kenny Rogers who was known around the world for his global hits such as “The Gambler”, “Lady”, “Lucille” and “Islands in the Stream”, has passed away.

- (a) German
- (b) French
- (c) American
- (d) Canadian
- (e) African

S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. American music singer Kenny Rogers who was known around the world for his global hits such as “The Gambler”, “Lady”, “Lucille” and “Islands in the Stream”, has passed away. In his six decade long career, he won three Grammys Awards.

Q9. Which of the following state has abolished reservation in promotion in the state government jobs?

- (a) Kerala

- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) West Bengal
- (d) Rajasthan
- (e) Gujarat

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Uttarakhand government has abolished reservation in promotion in the state government jobs. The government employees from the General-OBC category in the state had been staging a protest, demanding the implementation of the Supreme Court's decision on the issue.

Q10. Legendary Indian _____ PK Banerjee has passed away.

- (a) wrestler
- (b) singer
- (c) cricketer
- (d) actor
- (e) footballer

S10. Ans.(e)

Sol. Legendary Indian footballer PK Banerjee passed away. He represented India in 36 official matches and sported the captain's armband in six of them, scored 19 goals for the country.

Q11. The world's largest streaming media service _____ has announced the formation of \$100 million fund for film and TV workers.

- (a) Amazon Prime
- (b) HBO
- (c) Netflix
- (d) Twitch
- (e) Mixer

S11. Ans.(c)

Sol. The world's largest streaming media service, Netflix Inc (NFLX.O) has announced the formation of \$100 million fund. The fund has been created to help workers on film and television productions that have been impacted due to the global coronavirus outbreak.

Q12. India celebrates "Shaheed Diwas" annually on _____ March to pay tribute to martyrs Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru.

- (a) 21st March
- (b) 19th March

- (c) 20th March
- (d) 22nd March
- (e) 23rd March

S12. Ans.(e)

Sol. India celebrates “Shaheed Diwas” annually on 23 March to pay tribute to martyrs Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru. This day has a very important significance in the Indian freedom struggle.

Q13. Which of the following bank has decided to launch a special train ‘Swavalamban Express’ on 5th June 2020 to empower budding entrepreneurs under its mission Swavalamban?

- (a) SIDBI
- (b) NABARD
- (c) RBI
- (d) SEBI
- (e) SBI

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has decided to launch a special train ‘Swavalamban Express’ on June 05, 2020, to empower budding entrepreneurs under its mission Swavalamban.

Q14. The Union Cabinet has approved Production Incentive Scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing. The government will invest Rs _____ lakh crore in this sector to provide employment to 25 lakh people in next 5 years.

- (a) Rs 60 lakh crore
- (b) Rs 100 lakh crore
- (c) Rs 45 lakh crore
- (d) Rs 20 lakh crore
- (e) Rs 10 lakh crore

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Union Cabinet has approved Production Incentive Scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing. To boost domestic manufacturing and to attract large investments in mobile phone manufacturing, the Government of India has proposed production linked incentives through Production Incentive Scheme. Government will invest Rs 20 lakh crore in this sector to provide employment to 25 lakh people in next 5 years.

Q15. Name the private sector non-life insurance company, which has launched a 1 year-long “COVID- 19 Protection Cover”?

- (a) TATA AIG
- (b) ICICI Lombard
- (c) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
- (d) HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company
- (e) Reliance General Insurance

S15. Ans.(b)

Sol. ICICI Lombard a private sector non-life insurance company has launched a 1 year-long “COVID-19 Protection Cover”. This policy will pay 100% of the sum insured to the COVID-19 positive individual, irrespective of hospitalization expenses

Q16. EMCs 2.0 scheme will help India to become the mobile manufacturing hub in the world. What is the full form of EMCs?

- (a) Electronics Manufacturing Climate
- (b) Electronics Manufacturing Chance
- (c) Electronics Manufacturing Change
- (d) Electronics Manufacturing Council
- (e) Electronics Manufacturing Clusters

S16. Ans.(e)

Sol. Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMCs) 2.0 scheme will help India to become the mobile manufacturing hub in the world.

Q17. The Swavalamban Express train will visit _____ cities in 15 days and will cover a 7000 km journey.

- (a) 20
- (b) 17
- (c) 13
- (d) 11
- (e) 25

S17. Ans.(d)

Sol. The train (Swavalamban Express) will visit 11 cities in 15 days and will cover a 7000 km journey

Q18. Three Indian freedom fighters namely Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru were hanged by the British rulers in Lahore jail on.

- (a) 24th March 1942
- (b) 20th March 1935
- (c) 23rd March 1931
- (d) 21st March 1923
- (e) 22nd March 1914

S18. Ans.(c)

Sol. On 23 March 1931, three Indian freedom fighters namely Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru were hanged by the British rulers in Lahore jail. The three brave freedom fighters were sentenced to death in the Lahore conspiracy case.

Q19. Veteran director Meenakshisundaram Ramasamy Viswanthan, popularly known as Visu in the Tamil film industry has passed away. He was a/an-?

- (a) actor
- (b) director
- (c) writer
- (d) All of the above
- (e) cricketer

S19. Ans.(d)

Sol. Veteran director Meenakshisundaram Ramasamy Viswanthan, popularly known as Visu in the Tamil film industry has passed away. He was an actor, director and writer who also hosted live-debates on television.

Q20. Which of the following bank has launched an additional liquidity facility “Covid-19 Emergency Credit Line (CECL)”?

- (a) State Bank of India
- (b) ICICI Bank
- (c) Bank of Baroda
- (d) Axis Bank
- (e) Punjab National Bank

S20. Ans.(a)

Sol. The State Bank of India has launched an additional liquidity facility “Covid-19 Emergency Credit Line (CECL)”. The facility has been launched by India’s largest lender State Bank of

India to meet any liquidity mismatch for its borrowers in order to tide over the current crisis situation

Q21. Fitch Ratings has reduced India's GDP growth rate to _____ for the fiscal year 2020-21.

- (a) 5.4%
- (b) 5.0%
- (c) 5.1%
- (d) 5.5%
- (e) 5.3%

S21. Ans.(c)

Sol. Fitch Ratings has reduced India's GDP growth rate to 5.1% for the fiscal year 2020-21. Earlier, Fitch Ratings forecasted India's growth outlook at 5.6% which has been reduced now to 5.1% for the fiscal year 2020-21.

Q22. A book entitled 'Messiah Modi: A Great Tale of Expectations' penned by senior journalist & author _____ has been released.

- (a) Tavleen Singh
- (b) Salman Taseer
- (c) Coomi Kapoor
- (d) Ajit Gulabchand
- (e) Swati Chaturvedi

S22. Ans.(a)

Sol. A book entitled 'Messiah Modi: A Great Tale of Expectations' penned by senior journalist & author Tavleen Singh has been released.

Q23. Covid-19 Emergency Credit Line (CECL) will facilitate funds up to Rs 200 crore which will be available till-?

- (a) 30th March 2020
- (b) 30th May 2020
- (c) 30th July 2020
- (d) 30th April 2020
- (e) 30th June 2020

S23. Ans.(e)

Sol. The State Bank of India has launched an additional liquidity facility “Covid-19 Emergency Credit Line (CECL)”. With CECL, SBI will facilitate funds up to Rs 200 crore which will be available till June 30, 2020.

Q24. Who is likely to be sworn in as Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh?

- (a) Narottam Mishra
- (b) Kailash Vijayvargiya
- (c) Jyotiraditya Scindia
- (d) Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- (e) Uma Bharti

S24. Ans.(d)

Sol. The BJP's Shivraj Singh Chouhan is likely to be sworn in as Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, days after the Congress government of Kamal Nath fell after losing its majority.

Q25. Reserve Bank of India will conduct fine-tuning variable rate Repo auctions for _____ crores in two tranches. (a) Rs 5,00,000 crores

- (b) Rs 1,00,000 crores
- (c) Rs 10,00,000 crores
- (d) Rs 20,00,000 crores
- (e) Rs 4,00,000 crores

S25. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Reserve Bank of India has decided to conduct the variable rate Repo auctions as a preventive measure to bridge over any frictional liquidity requirements caused by COVID-19. As per the circular, the Reserve Bank of India will conduct fine-tuning variable rate Repo auctions for Rs 1,00,000 crores in two tranches.