

# CURRENT AFFAIRS June 2020 PART 6

## JUNE 26<sup>th</sup> 2020

1. What is the % increase in TB patients in 2019 when compared to 2018 as per “India TB Report 2020” released by Central TB Division of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare?

- 1) 10%
- 2) 12%
- 3) 13%
- 4) 14%
- 5) 11%

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) 14%

Explanation:

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare’s (MoHFW) Union Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan and its Minister of State (MoS), Ashwini Kumar Choubey launched the Annual “India TB (Tuberculosis) Report 2020” through a virtual event which is released by Central TB Division (CTD), MoHFW. The salient feature of 2020 report is that for the first time CTD introduced a quarterly ranking on TB elimination efforts by all the states and UTs. In accordance with the report, there were around 24.04 lakh TB patients in 2019, a 14% increase in as compared to the year 2018.

2. Which is the best performing state (more than 50 lakh population) in controlling TB as per “India TB (Tuberculosis) Report 2020”?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Telangana
- 3) Gujarat
- 4) Andhra Pradesh
- 5) Himachal Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Gujarat

Explanation:

Rank State

Larger states with more than 50 lakh population

- 1 Gujarat
- 2 Andhra Pradesh
- 3 Himachal Pradesh

3. Which organization has partnered with International Transport Forum of OECD to launch decarbonizing transport project in India?

- 1) Finance Commission
- 2) Reserve Bank of India
- 3) NITI Aayog
- 4) National Development Council
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) NITI Aayog

Explanation:

The NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) Aayog and the International Transport Forum(ITF) of OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) launched the ‘Decarbonizing Transport in Engineering Economies’ (DTEE) project in India.

4. Union minister Jitendra Singh has inaugurated” Puneja Bridge” & “Devika Bridge” constructed by BRO. Both the bridges located in which state/UT?

- 1) Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Jammu & Kashmir
- 3) Manipur
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Goa

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Jammu & Kashmir

Explanation:

Union Minister of State (MoS) (Independent Charge) Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space Jitendra Singh inaugurated”Puneja Bridge” in Doda district and “Devika Bridge” in Udhampur district in Jammu & Kashmir over a virtual platform.

5. Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship along with which company jointly launched free digital learning platforms ‘SkillsBuild Reignite’ and ‘SkillsBuild Innovation Camp’.

- 1) IBM
- 2) Google
- 3) TCS
- 4) CTS
- 5) Infosys

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) IBM

Explanation:

Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and Technology giant IBM (International Business Machines Corporation) India Private Limited, have jointly launched free digital learning platforms ‘SkillsBuild Reignite’ and ‘SkillsBuild Innovation Camp’ to provide more new resources to job seekers and business owners in India through BharatSkills learning platform (<https://bharatskills.gov.in>) of DGT.

6. The Cabinet has also approved 2% interest subvention scheme to all Shishu loan accounts under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY). The scheme will be implemented by which organization?

- 1) Export-Import Bank of India (EXIM Bank)
- 2) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- 3) National Housing Bank (NHB)
- 4) Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI)

5) India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)

Explanation:

The Cabinet has also approved a scheme for interest subvention of 2% for a period of 12 months to all Shishu loan accounts under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) to eligible borrowers w.e.f. June 01, 2020 till May 31, 2021. The estimated cost of the Scheme is approximately Rs 1,542 crore and will be implemented through the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI).

7. In accordance with cabinet approval the urban and multi-state cooperative banks will function under the supervision of which organization?

- 1) Finance Commission (FC)
- 2) National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) Aayog
- 3) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- 4) National Development Council (NDC)
- 5) Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Explanation:

The Cabinet has approved an ordinance to bring nearly 1,482 urban and 58 multi state cooperative banks under the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) supervision. Therefore, RBI's power applied to scheduled banks, will now apply for cooperative banks as well. This information has been revealed by Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting Prakash Javadekar.

8. Who is the chairman of the commission formulated under Article 340 of the constitution to examine the issue of Sub-categorization of OBCs?

- 1) D. P. Singh
- 2) Sarkaria
- 3) G. Rohini
- 4) Vivek Joshi

5) NK Singh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) G. Rohini

Explanation:

Cabinet has approved the further extension of the term of the Commission formulated under Article 340 of the constitution to examine the issue of Sub-categorization of Other Backward Classes (OBCs), by 6 months i.e. upto January 31, 2021 from earlier July 31, 2020. In October 2017, the commission was instituted under the chairmanship of Justice (Retd.) G. Rohini.

9. The cabinet has recently (June 2020) approved participation of private parties in which sector?

1) Defence

2) Railways

3) Insurance

4) Space

5) MSME

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Space

Explanation:

In a major reform, the Union Cabinet has approved the participation of the private sector in the entire range of space activities, including planetary exploration missions. This information has been revealed by Minister of State (MoS) for Prime Minister's Office (PMO) Jitendra Singh. The Department of Space comes under the PMO. As a part of this approval, the newly-created Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe) will guide private enterprise participation in space activities and the use of the country's space infrastructure. Also, the Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) 'New Space India Limited (NSIL)' will endeavour to re-orient space activities from a 'supply driven' model to a 'demand driven' model, to ensure optimum utilization of our space assets.

10. Which organization released report titled “Inclusion and Education: All Means All”?

- 1) UNICEF
- 2) IMF
- 3) UNESCO
- 4) WEF
- 5) WHO

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) UNESCO

Explanation:

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization’s (UNESCO) Global Education Monitoring (GEM) Report Team launched its 2020 Report on “Inclusion and Education: All Means All”, assessing the progress towards the Sustainable Developments Goal 4 on education and other SDG agendas related to education.

11. Which country will take over presidency of FATF from July 2020 for a year?

- 1) Germany
- 2) Denmark
- 3) Spain
- 4) Kenya
- 5) France

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Germany

Explanation:

Financial Action Task Force(FATF) in its 3rd and final plenary meeting under the Chinese Presidency of Xiangmin Liu over a virtual platform, retained Pakistan on the grey list till October 2020, for failing to prosecute and penalize terrorist financing in the country before the deadline fixed by FATF. Note: Germany will take over the presidency of the FATF from July, 2020 for a year.

12. MukhyamantriMatru Pushti Uphaar scheme was launched by which state?

- 1) Assam
- 2) Tripura
- 3) Meghalaya
- 4) Nagaland
- 5) Sikkim

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Tripura

Explanation:

Tripura government has launched MukhyamantriMatru Pushti Uphaar scheme to provide nutrition kits to pregnant and lactating women. The scheme is a part of the state's efforts to fight malnutrition and maternal mortality. The scheme was announced by state Minister for Social Welfare and Social Education Santana Chakma.

13. Which state government has launched KapuNestham scheme to provide financial support to women of Kapu community?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Telangana
- 3) Gujarat
- 4) Andhra Pradesh
- 5) Himachal Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Andhra Pradesh

Explanation:

Andhra Pradesh CM YS Jagan Mohan Reddy launched the KapuNestham scheme to provide financial support of Rs 75000/- (Rs 15000/- per annum) to women of Kapu community. The objective of the scheme is to financially empower Kapu women by enhancing their livelihood and living standards with financial assistance.

14. “KumharSashaktikaran Yojana” is the scheme launched by which organization?

- 1) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development(NABARD)
- 2) National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC)
- 3) Small Industries Development Bank of India(SIDBI)
- 4) Khadi and Village Industries Commission(KVIC)
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Khadi and Village Industries Commission(KVIC)

Explanation:

The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) recently launched its flagship “KumharSashaktikaran Yojana” in Rajasthan’s Pokhran, where India conducted its first nuclear test, to restore the lost glory of the pottery site.

15. What will be the GDP of India in 2020 as per estimation of International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

- 1) -4.9%
- 2) -5.3%
- 3) -3.2%
- 4) -4.5%
- 5) -3.9%

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) -4.5%

Explanation:

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) in the June 2020 update “A Crisis Like No Other, An Uncertain Recovery” of its flagship World Economic Outlook (WEO), has predicted that the Indian economy will have a big 4.5 % contraction in 2020 and it will come down to a historic low. At the same time, the IMF has reported a global growth rate of negative 4.9 % in 2020, which is 1.9 % points lower than the estimate made in April 2020 World Economic Outlook (WEO) forecast. For 2021, growth rate is expected to be 5.4 %.



16. Which country has awarded Project Management Consultancy (PMC) Contract of 500 MW Solar Park to NTPC?

- 1) Ivory Coast
- 2) Guinea
- 3) Niger
- 4) Senegal
- 5) Mali

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Mali

Explanation:

The Republic of Mali awarded the Project Management Consultancy (PMC) contract for the development of a 500 MW solar park in Mali to NTPC Limited (formerly known as National Thermal Power Corporation Limited).

17. Who among the following was named as ambassadors for the 45th edition of Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) 2020?

- 1) Priyanka Chopra
- 2) Deepika Padukone
- 3) Anurag Kashyap
- 4) Both 1) and 2)
- 5) Both 1) and 3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Both 1) and 3)

Explanation:

Actor Priyanka Chopra and Filmmaker Anurag Kashyap named among the 50 ambassadors for the 45th edition of Toronto International Film Festival(TIFF) 2020, which is to be held virtually. The festival will take place from September 10-19 with physical screenings and drive-ins, digital screenings, virtual red carpets, press conferences and industry talks. This is the 1st time TIFF will launch a digital platform for the festival, offering new opportunities to connect with audiences beyond Toronto. TIFF has partnered with Shift72 to develop the online platform.

18. Who has become the 1st female president of Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) in 233-years (with effect from October 1, 2021)?

- 1) Heather Knight
- 2) Kate Cross
- 3) Clare Connor
- 4) Georgia Elwiss
- 5) Katherine Brunt

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Clare Connor

Explanation:

Former England Women Cricket Captain Clare Connor(43-year-old), an all-rounder, becomes the 1st female president of Marylebone Cricket Club(MCC) in 233 years. Her tenure will begin on October 1, 2021, and will end on September 30, 2022. She will succeed Kumar Sangakkara.

19. Sanjay Kumar was appointed as the chief secretary of which state?

- 1) Punjab
- 2) Maharashtra
- 3) Haryana
- 4) Odisha
- 5) Kerala

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Maharashtra

Explanation:

Maharashtra government has appointed the current Additional Chief Secretary, Sanjay Kumar as its Chief Secretary. He will take up the charge on July 1. He will succeed Ajoy Mehta who will retire on 30 June. Ajoy Mehta has been named as the Principal Advisor to the Chief Minister(CM) Uddhav Thackeray & will take this position on July 1.

20. KK Shailaja who was honored by UN on Public Service Day (June 23) is the health minister of which state?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Kerala
- 3) Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Assam
- 5) Karnataka

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Kerala

Explanation:

The United Nations gave recognition to the achievement of the state in fighting Covid-19 on its Public Service Day, celebrated on June 23. Health Minister KK Shailaja (Kerala's health secretary) was the lone speaker from the country to speak about the strategies adopted by the state.

21. Which country has hosted RIC Foreign Minister-level virtual conference (Indian delegation attended by EAM Jaishankar)?

- 1) China
- 2) India
- 3) Japan
- 4) Russia
- 5) Bangladesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Russia

Explanation:

Russia-India-China (RIC) Foreign Minister-level virtual conference was held following the cross border clash between Indian and Chinese troops in Galwan Valley in Ladakh on June 15, 2020, where India lost 20 Army personnel. It was the biggest ever confrontation between the two sides after a gap of 45 years. The conference was hosted by Moscow, Russia. From Indian side, External Affairs Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar participated in the meet. Chinese Foreign

Minister Wang Yi and his Russian counterpart Sergei Lavrov were the other two participants of the conference.

22. Which is India's 1st airport to get an indigenously-developed Aviation Weather Monitoring System (AWMS)?

- 1) Biju Patnaik International Airport
- 2) Kempegowda International Airport
- 3) Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport
- 4) Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport
- 5) Veer Savarkar International Airport

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Kempegowda International Airport

Explanation:

Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru(KIAB/ BLR Airport) becomes the 1st airport in India to get an indigenously-developed Aviation Weather Monitoring System (AWMS) at both ends of the runway. AWMS is installed by Bangalore International Airport(BIAL). The technology is developed by Bengaluru-based CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL).

23. Find the world's 1st country which used drone mounted ULV sprayer for locust control.

- 1) India
- 2) Iran
- 3) Pakistan
- 4) China
- 5) UAE

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) India

Explanation:

Under the Make in India initiative the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare (DAC&FW) has initiated to develop a vehicle mounted ultra-low volume (ULV) sprayer for locust control to reduce the limitations of importing

equipment. Note: India is to be the first country in the world to control desert locusts using drones.

24. When was International day of seafarer observed annually?

- 1) June 24
- 2) June 27
- 3) June 25
- 4) June 23
- 5) June 26

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) June 25

Explanation:

The International Day of the Seafarer is observed annually on June 25 as a tribute to the Seafarers and sailors who are essential to global trade and transport. The day aims to raise awareness about the dangers of sea travel, like piracy. This year marks the 10th edition. To support the campaign, a webinar on the theme “Seafarers are key workers: Essential to shipping, essential to the world”.

25. World Vitiligo Day was observed every year on \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) 28th June
- 2) 26th June
- 3) 30th June
- 4) 27th June
- 5) 25th June

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) 25th June

Explanation:

25th June of every year is observed as World Vitiligo Day as a campaign to raise awareness about vitiligo and to recognize the challenges, bullying, social neglect and psychological trauma faced by the people who have this disease.

26. Which ministry along with Indian red cross launched “eBloodServices” mobile app?

- 1) Ministry of Home Affairs
- 2) Ministry of Finance
- 3) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- 4) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
- 5) Ministry of Minority Affairs

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Explanation:

In order to save the needy from anemia in the midst of the coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic, Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan has launched ‘eBloodServices’ mobile app developed by the ERaktkosh team of C-DAC (Development of Advanced Computing) India for easy access to blood needed for transfusion. The mobile app is an initiative of the Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) with the aim of ‘Safe blood saves lives’ will be available in entire Delhi-NCR initially.

27. Ambubachi Mela is the annual Hindu mela held at which state?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Kerala
- 3) Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Assam
- 5) Karnataka

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Assam

Explanation:

Ambubachi Mela is an annual fair organised at Guwahati’s (Assam) Kamakhya Temple. Ambubachi, the festival marking the annual ‘menstruation’ of the presiding Goddess, began at the Kamakhya temple on June 22 without mendicants, hermits and devotees for the first time in almost 500 years.

28. The 'Friendship Peak' on PirPanjal range is located in which state?

- 1) Jammu & Kashmir
- 2) Meghalaya
- 3) Himachal Pradesh
- 4) Arunachal Pradesh
- 5) Ladakh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Himachal Pradesh

Explanation:

Kieren D'Souza is a tired man. Only a few days ago, he finished a gruelling 5,289-metre trail run on the PirPanjal mountain range in Himachal Pradesh. While most climbers take around six days to scale 'Friendship Peak', Kieren did it in just under 12 hours.

29. Which is the world's highest salt water lake?

- 1) Great Salt Lake
- 2) Baikal Lake
- 3) Erie Lake
- 4) Victoria Lake
- 5) Pangong Lake

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Pangong Lake

Explanation:

Pangong Lake (which is in news recently due to India-China face-off) lies cradled between India (at Ladakh) and China is situated at an altitude of almost 4,350m above sea level, this blue water body is the world's highest saltwater lake.

30. Shyok river is located in which state/UT?

- 1) Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Jammu & Kashmir
- 3) Manipur
- 4) Punjab

5) Goa

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Jammu & Kashmir

Explanation:

Shyok River, river of the Kashmir region, in the northern part of the Indian subcontinent. It rises in the Karakoram Range in the Indian-administered Jammu and Kashmir state. The Galwan valley refers to the land that sits between steep mountains that buffet the Galwan River. The river has its source in Aksai Chin, on China's side of the LAC, and it flows from the east to Ladakh, where it meets the Shyok river on India's side of the LAC. The valley is strategically located between Ladakh in the west and Aksai Chin in the east, which is currently controlled by China as part of its Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region. At its western end are the Shyok river and the Darbuk-Shyok-Daulet Beg Oldie (DSDBO) road. Its eastern mouth lies not far from China's vital Xinjiang Tibet road, now called the G219 highway.

31. The Union cabinet has recently declared the Kushinagar airport as International airport. The Kushinagar airport is located in which state?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Kerala
- 3) Uttar Pradesh
- 4) Assam
- 5) Karnataka

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Uttar Pradesh

Explanation:

The Union Cabinet has given its assent for the declaration of airport in Uttar Pradesh's (UP) Kushinagar as an international airport. The reason behind this move is to provide improved connectivity to Kushinagar, an important Buddhist pilgrimage site, located in the north-eastern part of UP. The town has pilgrimage sites in Lumbini, Shravasti, Kapilvastu nearby it. A little farther, it has sites in Sarnath and Gaya. It is to be noted that Gautama Buddha attained Mahaparinirvana





after his death at Kushinagar. A 3-km-long runway strip has already been made. Now, even a big aircraft of Airbus can land at the airport.

32. 'NIKSAY' is the patient management system for control of which disease?

- 1) Malaria
- 2) Tuberculosis
- 3) Cholera
- 4) Dengue
- 5) Swine flu

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Tuberculosis

Explanation:

NI-KSHAY-(Ni=End, Kshay=TB), a web enabled patient management system for TB control under the NTEP is developed and maintained by the CTD in collaboration with the National Informatics Centre (NIC), and the World Health Organization (WHO) Country office for India.

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33. Who inaugurated 'Aatma Nirbhar Uttar Pradesh Rojgar Abhiyan', the largest employment generating program in the country?

- 1) Prakash Javadekar
- 2) Nitin Gadkari
- 3) Narendra Modi
- 4) Amit Shah
- 5) Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Narendra Modi

Explanation:

AtmaNirbhar Uttar Pradesh Rojgar Yojana was inaugurated by Shri Narendra Modi through video conferencing for migrant workers of Uttarpradesh. The local entrepreneurship will be promoted along with providing employment opportunities to migrant workers. This is the largest employment generating program in the country which provided employment to about 1.25 crore people in Uttar Pradesh.

34. Who chaired the empowered group which formulated the behaviour change campaign, 'Navigating the New Normal' launched by NITI Aayog?

- 1) Amitabh Kant
- 2) AjitDoval
- 3) Rajiv Kumar
- 4) Ajay Tyagi
- 5) VK Paul

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Amitabh Kant

Explanation:

NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) Aayog in partnership with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), Centre for Social and Behavioural Change (CSBC) of Ashoka University, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW),

and Ministry of Women and Child Development (WCD) launched the behaviour change campaign ‘Navigating the New Normal’ and its website. The campaign has been formulated under the guidance of Empowered Group 6, chaired by NITI Aayog Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Amitabh Kant. Its objective is to encourage the public and institutions to practice Covid-safe behaviour.

35. How much was the granted by central government as emergency fund to armed forces for war preparedness?

- 1) 250 crores
- 2) 750 crores
- 3) 300 crores
- 4) 500 crores
- 5) 1000 crores

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) 500 crores

Explanation:

The Central Government has granted special financial powers of Rs 500 crore as emergency funds to armed forces for war preparedness amid ongoing border tensions with China. Under this financial aid, the three defence services (Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force) can buy any weapon system or any in inventory upto Rs 500 cr in consultation with the Department of Military Affairs (DMA).

36. Find the first Indian state/UT which amends Industries (Facilitation) act for small, medium and large-scale industries.

- 1) Maharashtra
- 2) Karnataka
- 3) Odisha
- 4) Uttar Pradesh
- 5) Haryana

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Karnataka

Explanation:

The Karnataka Government amended the “The Karnataka Industries(Facilitation) act, 2002”, in the state cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister of Karnataka BS Yediyurappa, to facilitate and attract investment in the state. Gujarat and Rajasthan are the only two states in the country that have amended the act for small scale industries. Karnataka amended the act for small, medium and large-scale industries.

37. Central government has allocated 4125 cr to which state for rejuvenating the Small, Medium and Tiny industries sector?

- 1) Karnataka
- 2) Uttar Pradesh
- 3) Rajasthan
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Tamil Nadu

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Tamil Nadu

Explanation:

The Central Government has allocated 4125 crore rupees to Tamil Nadu for rejuvenating the Small, Medium and Tiny industries sector. It forms 10% of the total allocation of the scheme, and the scheme is being effectively implemented in the state.

38. Which state has announced “MahaParwana” initiative to attract fresh industrial investment?

- 1) Odisha
- 2) West Bengal
- 3) Gujarat
- 4) Maharashtra
- 5) Tamil Nadu

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Maharashtra

Explanation:

The government of Maharashtra announced the “MahaParwana” to attract fresh investment in industries, for project execution, this plan will offer incentives and a single window clearance system. These companies should apply at the Maharashtra Industry, Trade and Investment Facilitation Cell (MAITRI), single window system and get an online permission within 48 hours.

39. Tillari forest area which was declared as conservative reserve is located in which state?

- 1) Odisha
- 2) West Bengal
- 3) Gujarat
- 4) Maharashtra
- 5) Tamil Nadu

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Maharashtra

Explanation:

Maharashtra forest department declared the 29.53 square kilometre Tillari forest area in Dodamarg and Sawantwadi range in coastal Sindhudurg district as a conservation reserve area. The Tilar ecosystem breeds tiger population and serves as the source population for the Sahyadri tiger reserve.

40. Union cabinet has approved creation of which body to provide a level playing field for private companies to use Indian space infrastructure.

- 1) IN-ISRo
- 2) IN-NSII
- 3) IN-WSL
- 4) IN-SPACE
- 5) IN-PPP

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) IN-SPACE

Explanation:

Recently, the Union Cabinet has approved the creation of the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) to provide a level playing field for private companies to use Indian space infrastructure. This is part of reforms aimed at giving a boost to private sector participation in the entire range of space activities.

41. The 15 TPD Compressed Bio-Gas plant was set up in Namakkal, Tamil Nadu recently. The plant was set up by joint venture of IOCL with Oiltanking GmbH of which country?

- 1) Japan
- 2) Spain
- 3) Germany
- 4) Denmark
- 5) Myanmar

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Germany

Explanation:

Edappadi K. Palaniswami, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu and Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Steel, inaugurates Compressed Bio-Gas (CBG) Plants at Namakkal and CBG Fuel Stations at Pudhuchattiram and Rasipuram over a virtual platform. The 15 Tonnes per Day (TPD) CBG plant of Namakkal is set up by the IOT Infrastructure and Energy Services, a joint venture between Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. and Germany's Oiltanking GmbH at an expense of Rs. 25 crores.

42. World's 1st yoga university outside India (Vivekananda Yoga University) was located in which city?

- 1) Los Angeles
- 2) Canberra
- 3) Rome
- 4) London
- 5) Berlin

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Los Angeles

Explanation:

As a part of International Yoga day, on 23rd June 2020, V Muraleedharan, the Minister of State of External Affairs and P P Chaudhary, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on External Affairs, jointly launched World's First Yoga University "Vivekananda Yoga University"(VaYU) in Los Angeles, United States of America, over the virtual event at the Consulate General of India in New York.

43. Which country has agreed to join United Nations Arms Trade Treaty (UN-ATT) recently (June 2020)?

- 1) Japan
- 2) India
- 3) United Kingdom
- 4) Russia
- 5) China

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) China

Explanation:

The Standing Committee of China's National People's Congress (NPC) has agreed to join the United Nations Arms Trade Treaty (UN-ATT) that is designed to control the flow of weapons into conflict zones. As a part of this treaty, China is committed to enhance peace and stability in the world. Notably, China strictly controlled the export of military products as it only exports to sovereign countries and not to non-state actors. As per Stockholm International Peace Research Institute's (SIPRI) study in January 2020, China is the second largest arms producer in the world, behind the United States (US).

44. Who has attended as Indian delegation in Russia's victory day parade which commemorate the 75th anniversary of the victory of the Soviet People in 2nd world war?

- 1) Prakash Javadekar
- 2) Nitin Gadkari
- 3) Narendra Modi
- 4) Amit Shah
- 5) Rajnath Singh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Rajnath Singh

Explanation:

Rajnath Singh attended the Victory Parade at the iconic Red Square in Russia's capital Moscow on June 24, 2020 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the victory of the Soviet People in the great Patriotic War of 1941-1945 i.e. Second World War (World War II). The Parade is organised to honour the heroism and sacrifices made by the Russian and other friendly people. It was originally scheduled on May 9, 2020 but was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

45. How many member Indian military contingent was participated victory day parade in Russia?

- 1) 65
- 2) 80
- 3) 45
- 4) 75
- 5) 55

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) 75

Explanation:

A Tri-Service 75- Member Indian Military Contingent along with contingents of Russian Armed Forces and 17 other countries participated in the Victory Parade. The Indian marching contingent was led by a major rank officer of the gallant Sikh Light Infantry Regiment. The Regiment had fought with valour in World War II



and has a proud distinction of earning four Battle Honours and two Military Cross, among other gallantry awards.

46. Name the bank which launched digital wallet named “Yuva Pay” in partnership with UDMA Technologies Pvt Ltd.

- 1) RBL bank
- 2) IDBI bank
- 3) HDFC bank
- 4) ICICI bank
- 5) Yes bank

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Yes bank

Explanation:

Yes Bank launches a digital wallet solution(app) ‘Yuva Pay’ in partnership with UDMA Technologies Pvt Ltd to enable contactless payments for its customers. The wallet is issued under minimum Know Your Client (KYC) regulations. The solution aims to help the low income group to access the digital and contactless transactions, which will enable broad access to secure electronic payment services.

47. J&K lieutenant governor GC Murmu has launched two loan schemes in J&K bank recently. Who is the CMD of J&K bank?

- 1) Rana Kapoor
- 2) R K Chhibber
- 3) Shyam Srinivasan
- 4) Ashok Kumar Pradhan
- 5) Mahabaleswar MS

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) R K Chhibber

Explanation:

Girish Chandra Murmu, the lieutenant governor of the Union Territory (UT) of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K), has rolled out 2 customized loan schemes of J&K Bank namely ‘J&K Bank Business Support Loan Scheme 2019-20’ and ‘J&K Bank

Business Support Loan Scheme 2019-20 for Hotels and Guest Houses' with the aim to overcome business challenges that have stemmed up due to the prevailing conditions. About Jammu & Kashmir Bank: Chairman and Managing Director (CMD)- R K Chhibber.

48. What will be India's per capita income during FY20-21 as per SBI report?

- 1) 1.53 lakh
- 2) 1.49 lakh
- 3) 1.43 lakhs
- 4) 1.21 lakh
- 5) 1.34 lakh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) 1.43 lakhs

Explanation:

As per the report by the economic wing of State Bank of India (SBI), Covid-19 pandemic is likely to bring down India's per capita income (PCI) by 5.4% in the financial year 2020-21 (FY21) to Rs 1.43 lakh from Rs 1.52 lakh in FY20. Delhi, Chandigarh, and Gujarat will be the worst hit with PCI falling 15.4%, 13.9% and 11.6% respectively in FY21 among states.

49. Who chairs the 9-member working group committee formed by Hyderabad based IRDAI to suggest insurance products covering drones?

- 1) Diptanshookumar
- 2) Anjan Dey
- 3) Arthi Mathur
- 4) Mukesh Kewalramani
- 5) S Vishwanathan

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Anjan Dey

Explanation:

India's insurance regulator, the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has formulated a 9-member working group (WG) headed by Anjan

Dey, general manager of the New India Assurance, to suggest insurance products covering various risks involved in the use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft System(RAPS)/ Drones.

50. Name the person who heads the committee formed by National Green Tribunal (NGT) to investigate the blowout at Assam's Baghjan oil well.

- 1) VK Paul
- 2) SC Mishra
- 3) AB Pandey
- 4) BP Katakey
- 5) Ajay Tyagi

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) BP Katakey

Explanation:

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) formed a high-level committee headed by Justice BP Katakey, former High Court judge of Gauhati, to investigate the blowout at Assam's Baghjan oil well of Oil India Limited(OIL) on 27th May 2020.

51. K. SanjitaChanu who is in news recently is associated with which sports?

- 1) Archery
- 2) Weightlifting
- 3) Shooting
- 4) Wrestling
- 5) Cricket

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Weightlifting

Explanation:

Indian Weightlifting Federation(IWLF) Secretary Sahdev Yadav informed that 2 times Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist, Weightlifter K. SanjitaChanu will get the Arjuna award for 2018. This comes after the International Weightlifting Federation(IWF) cleared her doping charges.

52. What is India's rank in terms of money parked by its citizens and enterprises with Swiss banks at the end of the year 2019?

- 1) 73rd
- 2) 51st
- 3) 77th
- 4) 112th
- 5) 86th

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) 77th

Explanation:

According to the 'Annual banking statistics, 2019' released by Switzerland's central bank Swiss National Bank (SNB), India is at the 77th position in terms of money parked by its citizens and enterprises with Swiss banks at the end of the year 2019, compared to 74th the previous year i.e 2018. Indians account for only 0.06 % of the money deposited by foreigners in Swiss banks. While, Britain holds the first place in this list with a share of 27 % of the total deposits.

Rank Country Name

- |    |                     |
|----|---------------------|
| 77 | India               |
| 1  | United Kingdom (UK) |
| 2  | United States (US)  |
| 3  | West Indies         |

53. Which country is going to host FIFA 2023 Women's World Cup Football tournament?

- 1) Australia
- 2) New Zealand
- 3) Ireland
- 4) Both 1) and 2)
- 5) Both 2) and 3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Both 1) and 2)

Explanation:

FIFA(Fédération Internationale de Football Association) Council voted over a video conference and handed the right to host the 2023 Women's World Cup Football tournament, the first 32-team women's championship to Australia and New Zealand. This is the first Women's World Cup to be hosted in the Asia-Pacific Region.

54. Who become the 1st Indian to participate in USD 150,000 Chessable Masters tournament?

- 1) Santhosh Vidit
- 2) B Adhiban
- 3) Prithu Gupta
- 4) P. Harikrishna
- 5) Krishnan Sasikiran

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) P. Harikrishna

Explanation:

Grandmaster P. Harikrishna debuted the Magnus Carlsen Chess(MCC) Tour 2020 by joining the players in the USD 150,000 Chessable Masters. He is the 1st Indian in the tour. Harikrishna exited from the Chessable Masters with a final-round defeat to Alexander Grischuk.

55. Parvez Jamasji who passed away recently is a renowned \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) Actor
- 2) Army Personnel
- 3) Painter
- 4) Architect
- 5) Minimalist

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Army Personnel

Explanation:

The Vir Chakra Awardee Sqn Ldr Parvez Jamasji (retd.), who was a 1971 Indo-Pak war hero died at 77, after a brief illness on 26th June 2020 in Mumbai. Jamasji is a

resident of the Parsi Colony in Dadar. He started his service in 1965 and retired in 1985.

56. When was the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture observed annually?

- 1) June 24
- 2) June 25
- 3) June 26
- 4) June 27
- 5) June 28

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) June 26

Explanation:

United Nations(UN) International Day in Support of Victims of Torture is observed annually on June 26 to raise awareness about the crime of torture. The day aims to honour, support the victims and survivors worldwide. The day intends to totally eradicate the torture.

57. International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed annually on June 26. What is 2020's theme for the day?

- 1) "Better Knowledge for better care"
- 2) "Against drug abuse"
- 3) "Health for Justice. Justice for Health"
- 4) "Justice for Children"
- 5) "Listen First – Listening to children and youth"

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) "Better Knowledge for better care"

Explanation:

United Nations International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed annually on June 26th to create awareness to the general public on the global problems caused due to drug abuse and illicit trafficking. The theme of 2020

International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is “Better Knowledge for better care” to educate the need for understanding about global drug problems.

58. The Narsapur Urban Forest Park was located in which state?

- 1) Tamil Nadu
- 2) Karnataka
- 3) Kerala
- 4) Odisha
- 5) Telangana

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Telangana

Explanation:

Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao on Thursday launched the phase-VI of ‘Haritha Haram’ programme aimed at increasing greenery in the state. As part of the programme, the Chief Minister planted a sampling of black plum (neredu) in the Narsapur forest area of Medak district. Also, he inaugurated the Narsapur Urban Forest Park, which was developed in 636 acres. The state government is targeting to plant about 30 crore saplings across the state and arrangements are in place.

59. The government of India set a target to produce 15 million metric tonnes (MMT) of CBG from 5000 plants by \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) 2021
- 2) 2025
- 3) 2024
- 4) 2023
- 5) 2022

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) 2023

Explanation:

The Government of India launched the ‘SATAT’ (Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation) scheme on CBG on 1st October 2018, with a target to produce 15 million metric tonnes(MMT) of CBG from 5000 plants by 2023.

60. Sahyadri tiger reserve is located in which state?

- 1) Odisha
- 2) West Bengal
- 3) Gujarat
- 4) Maharashtra
- 5) Tamil Nadu

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Maharashtra

Explanation:

Maharashtra forest department declared the 29.53 square kilometre Tillari forest area in Dodamarg and Sawantwadi range in coastal Sindhudurg district as a conservation reserve area. The Tilar ecosystem breeds tiger population and serves as the source population for the Sahyadri tiger reserve.

61. What is the constituency of Union women and child development minister Smriti Irani?

- 1) Amethi
- 2) Chandni Chowk
- 3) North Karnataka
- 4) Monera
- 5) Lucknow

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Amethi

Explanation:

Ministry of Women and Child Development: Cabinet Minister– Smriti Zubin Irani (Constituency – Amethi, Uttar Pradesh).

62. What is the capital of Myanmar?

- 1) Kathmandu
- 2) Bangkok
- 3) Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte
- 4) Dhaka



5) Naypyitaw

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Naypyitaw

Explanation:

On June 25, 2020 Defence Minister Rajnath Singh held a meeting with Myanmar's Military Chief, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing. About Myanmar: Capital– Naypyitaw; Currency– Burmese kyat.

## **JUNE 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> 2020**

63. President Ram Nath Govind has promulgated the Banking Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 recently, the ordinance amends which section of Banking regulation act to bring urban and multi state co-op banks under supervision of RBI?

- 1) Section 45
- 2) Section 56
- 3) Section 49
- 4) Both 1) and 2)
- 5) Both 1) and 3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Both 1) and 2)

Explanation:

President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind in exercising the powers conferred under clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution has promulgated the Banking Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 which will amend section 45, and 56 of Banking Regulation Act, 1949 as applicable to Cooperative Banks. This promulgation followed the Cabinet approval on June 24, 2020 regarding an ordinance to bring nearly 1,482 urban and 58 multi state cooperative banks under the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) supervision.

64. Government has notified the new Floating Rate Savings Bonds, 2020 (Taxable) Scheme with effect from July 1, 2020. Which organisation will issue these bonds?

- 1) Forward Market Commission of India
- 2) Reserve Bank of India
- 3) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
- 4) Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
- 5) Securities and Exchange Board of India

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Reserve Bank of India

Explanation:

Government has notified the new Floating Rate Savings Bonds, 2020 (Taxable) Scheme in place of 7.75% Savings (Taxable) Bonds, 2018, with effect from July 1, 2020. The 7.75% Savings (Taxable) Bonds, 2018 Scheme was ceased for subscription from the close of banking business on May 28, 2020. These bonds will be issued by Reserve Bank India (RBI) on behalf of the Government of India (GoI). The Floating Rate Savings Bonds, 2020 (Taxable) Scheme is going to issue a floating rate, taxable savings bond for an initial coupon of 7.15%, payable on January 1, 2021.

65. How many districts will be covered in “Nasha Mukh Bharat: Annual Action Plan (2020-21)” which was launched by Social Justice and Empowerment ministry?

- 1) 262
- 2) 252
- 3) 272
- 4) 282
- 5) 242

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) 272

Explanation:

To celebrate “International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking” on the theme Better knowledge for better care, Rattan Lal Kataria, Minister of State (MoS) for Social Justice and Empowerment has virtually launched “Nasha Mukh Bharat:

Annual Action Plan (2020-21) for 272 Most Affected Districts” from New Delhi. He also released Logo and Tagline for National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction (NAPDDR) for 2018-2025 and 9 Video Spots produced for Drug Abuse Prevention.

66. Name the organisation which organised the 1st ever ‘Virtual Healthcare and Hygiene Expo 2020’ (VHHE) inaugurated Union minister Mansukh Mandaviya.

- 1) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)
- 2) Electronic Component Industries Association (ELCINA)
- 3) National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM)
- 4) Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)
- 5) Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)

Explanation:

The Minister of State for Shipping (Independent charge) and Chemicals & Fertilisers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya has launched webinar of India’s first 5-day long virtual exhibition and conference, ‘Virtual Healthcare and Hygiene Expo 2020’ (VHHE), organised by FICCI and supported by Ministry of AYUSH with the aim to create a self-reliant ecosystem in the Pharmaceuticals and Health & Hygiene Sector by increasing domestic production.

67. Which is the 1st state in India to launch “Godhan Nyay Yojana” to procure the cow dung from livestock owners?

- 1) Goa
- 2) Chhattisgarh
- 3) Haryana
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Chhattisgarh

Explanation:

Bhupesh Baghel, Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh announced the launch of “Godhan Nyay Yojana” through an online press conference to promote animal husbandry and make it a commercially profitable practice and to procure the cow dung from the farmers at a fixed rate.

68. Find the Indian state which is going to launch Adarsh police station scheme from July 1, 2020.

- 1) Goa
- 2) Chhattisgarh
- 3) Haryana
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Chhattisgarh

Explanation:

Adarsh Police stations scheme will be launched in Chhattisgarh. It will develop the police stations in the state as Ideal Police stations. Certain parameters were set by the government & if the Police station meets the criteria then it will be rewarded.

69. Which bank has partnered with PhonePe on the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) multi-bank model?

- 1) HDFC Bank
- 2) RBL Bank
- 3) Axis Bank
- 4) IndusInd Bank
- 5) ICICI Bank

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) ICICI Bank

Explanation:

Flipkart-owned PhonePe announced that it has partnered with ICICI Bank on the Unified Payments Interface(UPI) multi-bank model, to provide its users the option

to create and use multiple UPI IDs with ICICI Bank's "@ibl" handle and YES Bank's '@ybl' handle on the PhonePe app.

70. Which organisation has set up 'Swavalamban Crisis Responsive Fund' to facilitate free onboarding of MSMEs on TReDS platform?

- 1) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- 2) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- 3) National Housing Bank (NHB)
- 4) Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI)
- 5) India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)

Explanation:

Small Industries Development Bank of India(SIDBI) has informed that it has set up 'Swavalamban Crisis Responsive Fund'(SCRFF), an open-ended fund to facilitate free onboarding of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises(MSMEs) on Trade Receivables Discounting System(TReDS) platform.

71. Name the bank which has partnered with Bengaluru based SOLV business platform to launch credit card for MSMEs.

- 1) HSBC Bank
- 2) BNP Paribas
- 3) Deutsche Bank
- 4) Standard Chartered Bank
- 5) Bank of China

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Standard Chartered Bank

Explanation:

SOLV, a B2B (business to business) digital platform for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), has launched a tailor-made credit card in partnership with Standard Chartered Bank, India. SOLV MSME Credit Card provides MSME clients with a ready means to meet ongoing business expenses including supplier

payments, fuel, logistics, purchase of raw material, utility payments and working capital outlays.

72. World Bank has sanctioned \$500 million to which country for cross country (which includes Indian border) road projects?

- 1) Pakistan
- 2) Nepal
- 3) China
- 4) Bhutan
- 5) Bangladesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Bangladesh

Explanation:

World Bank (WB) has sanctioned \$ 500 million for “Western Economic Corridor and Regional Enhancement (WeCARE) Phase I project” to improve road connectivity in Bangladesh’s Jashore-Jhenaidah corridor, which consists of four western districts to connect with the capital Dhaka as well as with India and Bhutan.

73. What will be the India’s GDP growth in 2020 as per S&P global ratings?

- 1) -5%
- 2) -4%
- 3) -6%
- 4) -3%
- 5) -7%

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) -5%

Explanation:

According to the S&P Global Ratings report titled ‘Asia-Pacific losses near USD 3 trillion as balance sheet recession looms’, India’s economy is expected to contract by 5% in 2020 before rebounding in 2021 and Asia-Pacific’s economy will contract by 1.3% in 2020 but show 6.9% growth in 2021.

74. Vini Mahajan has become the 1st women chief secretary of which state?

- 1) Goa
- 2) Chhattisgarh
- 3) Haryana
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Punjab

Explanation:

The Punjab government appointed 1987 batch Indian Administrative Service(IAS) Officer Vini Mahajan as the Chief Secretary, after which she becomes the 1st woman to hold this post. She will remain in the post until October 2024. She succeeded Karan Avtar Singh, who was due to retire in August 2020. Currently she is the only Punjab cadre officer in the state to hold a Secretary's post at the Centre.

75. The panchayat raj department of which state has won 1st prize under e-Panchayat Puraskars 2020?

- 1) Goa
- 2) Assam
- 3) Arunachal Pradesh
- 4) Himachal Pradesh
- 5) Meghalaya

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Himachal Pradesh

Explanation:

Himachal Pradesh panchayati raj department wins 1st prize under e-Panchayat Puraskars 2020 for effective implementation of e-applications, developed by the central government & other applications developed by the state government. The prize will be given by Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

76. How many district hospitals of Jammu & Kashmir has won Kayakalap Award 2019-20 for their achievements in the health sector?

- 1) 8
- 2) 6
- 3) 4
- 4) 10
- 5) 2

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) 6

Explanation:

6 Districts hospitals(DH) of the union territory of Jammu & Kashmir won the Kayakalap Award for their achievements in the health sector and secured positions in the best hospital category 2019-2020. The award was instituted as a part of the “Swachh Bharat Abhiyan” on 15th May 2015 to recognise the public health facilities that exhibit high levels of cleanliness, hygiene and infection control measures.

77. Which edition of Annual Daytime Emmy Awards was announced by National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences recently?

- 1) 45th
- 2) 47th
- 3) 43rd
- 4) 57th
- 5) 55th

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) 47th

Explanation:

National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences(NATAS) announced the winners of the 47th Annual Daytime Emmy Awards, the presentation was hosted by the Sharon Osbourne, Shery Underwood, Eve, Carrie Ann Inaba and Marie Osmond, the hosts of CBS’ Daytime Emmy Award-winning show THE TALK which was broadcasted on the CBS Television Network.



78. Which is the only Indian city ranked among top 30 list in global start-up ecosystem ranking 2020 released by start-up Genome?

- 1) Lucknow
- 2) Kolkata
- 3) Mumbai
- 4) Chennai
- 5) Bengaluru

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 5) Bengaluru

Explanation:

According to the report, 'Global Startup Ecosystem Report (GSER) 2020; the New Normal for the Global Startup Economy and the Impact of COVID-19' released by Startup Genome, Bangalore, popularly known as the startup capital of India, has added another milestone as it become the only city in the country to be included in the world's top-30 startup ecosystem ranking & placed 26th position. At the same time, the nation's capital Delhi has been ranked 36th in the list. Mumbai topped the list of emerging 100 cities list.

Rank City Name

- |    |                |
|----|----------------|
| 26 | Bangalore      |
| 36 | Delhi          |
| 1  | Silicon Valley |
| 2  | New York City  |

London

79. Which institute ranked top among Indian institute in THE Young University Rankings 2020 released by Times Higher Education (THE)?

- 1) IIT Kharagpur
- 2) IIT Mandi
- 3) IIT Indore
- 4) IIT Madras
- 5) IIT Ropar

Answer & Explanation

Answer- 5) IIT Ropar Explanation:

The Times Higher Education(THE) released THE Young University Rankings 2020 for the universities which are 50 years old or younger. Two Indian Institutes secured their ranks in the top 100 with IIT Ropar, the best 12year old institutes of India at 62nd rank and IIT Indore at 64th rank.

80. Shripad Naik (MoS-Defence) has inaugurated 2-day defence conclave 2020 in which state?

- 1) Gujarat
- 2) Assam
- 3) Arunachal Pradesh
- 4) Himachal Pradesh
- 5) Meghalaya

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Gujarat

Explanation:

Minister of State(MoS) of Defence Shri Shripad Naik inaugurated the two days ‘Defence Conclave 2020’ in Gujarat through video conferencing. The conclave was jointly organised by Confederation of Indian Industry(CII), Gujarat and Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers(SIDM).

81. Name the Advanced Torpedo Decoy System (ATDS), indigenously launched by DRDO & inducted by Indian navy.

- 1) RakhNavy
- 2) Jeevan
- 3) Maareech
- 4) DecSys
- 5) MarineDec

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Maareech

Explanation:

Indian Navy inducted an Advanced Torpedo Decoy System (ATDS) namely 'Maareech' that is capable of being fired from all frontline warships. It is equipped with sonars and towed and expendable decoys, which are capable of detecting, confusing, diverting and decoying the incoming torpedoes. The design and development of this ATDS have been done by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) labs viz. Naval Physical and Oceanographic Laboratory (NPOL), Kochi in Kerala and the Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh (AP).

82. The astronomers of Germany from team RedDots have discovered two super Earths Gliese 887b and Gliese 887c near brightest red dwarf recently Gliese 887. Find the journal which published this study?

- 1) New Astronomy
- 2) Journal Science
- 3) Astrophysics and space science
- 4) The Astrophysical Journal
- 5) Nature Astronomy

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Journal Science

Explanation:

In the research of The RedDots team of Astronomers led by the University of Göttingen (Master – Georg-August-Universität Göttingen), Germany detected two super Earths Gliese 887b and Gliese 887c orbiting around the Gliese 887, the brightest red dwarf star in the sky. The results of the research are published in the journal Science.

83. The space agency from which country set to take its first tourists on space walk in 2023?

- 1) Russia
- 2) China
- 3) India
- 4) Germany

5) United States

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Russia

Explanation:

Russia's Space Corporation RSC Energia(S.P. Korolev RSC Energia) in contract with Space Adventures of US announced that it is set to take its first tourist on space walk in 2023. Note: Roscosmos and RSC Energia in collaboration with Space Adventures took 8 tourists to ISS between 2001 and 2009.

84. Cricketer Rachel Priest who announced retirement recently belongs to which country?

1) Oman

2) Nepal

3) South Africa

4) Australia

5) New Zealand

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) New Zealand

Explanation:

New Zealand wicketkeeper-batswoman Rachel Priest(35 years old) announced her retirement from international cricket after she was not included in the White Ferns central contracts list announced in June 2020. With this decision she brought her 13 years career with the White Ferns to an end.

85. When was Micro-, Small and Medium – Sized Enterprises Day observed annually?

1) June 28

2) June 30

3) June 27

4) June 26

5) June 29

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) June 27

Explanation:

United Nations(UN) Micro-, Small and Medium – Sized Enterprises(MSME) Day is observed annually on 27th June to recognise the contributions of these enterprises to the global economy and sustainable development and their focus on promoting innovation and creativity.

86. Find the person who has launched Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan portal recently?

- 1) Nitin Gadkari
- 2) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
- 3) Prahlad Singh Patel
- 4) Narendra Singh Tomar
- 5) Ram Vilas Paswan

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Narendra Singh Tomar

Explanation:

Narendra Singh Tomar, Union Minister of Rural Development, Panchayati Raj and Agriculture & Farmers welfare, launched a web portal of the Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan (GKRA) through video conferencing from New Delhi. Sadhvi niranjan jyoti, MoS Rural Development and Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary of Rural Development along with 116 Central Nodal officers attended the video conference.

87. Who is the present Social Justice and Empowerment minister?

- 1) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- 2) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
- 3) Thaawarchand Gehlot
- 4) Narendra Singh Tomar
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Thaawarchand Gehlot

Explanation:

Thaawarchand Gehlot is the present Union social justice and empowerment minister.

88. Mhadei wildlife sanctuary is located in which state?

- 1) Goa
- 2) Chhattisgarh
- 3) Haryana
- 4) Punjab
- 5) Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Goa

Explanation:

Tillari conservation reserve which is in news recently is located near the border of Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka, which connects Mhadei sanctuary in Goa and Bhimgad in Karnataka.

89. Where is the HQ of Standard Chartered Bank located?

- 1) New York
- 2) London
- 3) Tokyo
- 4) Beijing
- 5) Mumbai

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) London

Explanation:

The HQ of Standard Chartered Bank located at London, United Kingdom.

90. What is the currency of Bangladesh?

- 1) Rupiah
- 2) Rufiyaa
- 3) Pound
- 4) Taka

5) Dinar

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Taka

Explanation:

The capital and currency of Bangladesh are Dhaka and Taka respectively.

91. Hareli is the festival celebrated in which state?

1) Goa

2) Chhattisgarh

3) Haryana

4) Punjab

5) Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Chhattisgarh

Explanation:

‘Godhan Nyay Yojana’ to be launched in Chhattisgarh to promote environment conservation, cowdung management and to make animal husbandry more profitable  
This innovative scheme will be implemented in Chhattisgarh from the day of “Hareli Festival” : Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel

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92. Which ministry is celebrating 2-week long 'Sankalp Parva' initiative of plantation of trees?

- 1) Ministry of Culture
- 2) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- 3) Ministry of Human Resource Development
- 4) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- 5) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Ministry of Culture

Explanation:

To enhance the Herbal Wealth of India and to support the clean and healthy environment, Union Ministry of Culture is celebrating two week long Sankalp Parva from 28th June to 12 July 2020 wherein, the Subordinate Offices, Academies, Attached Institutions, Affiliated Institutions of the ministry will plant trees in its campus or at the surroundings wherever it is possible. This information has been revealed by Union Minister of State (MoS) for Culture and Tourism (Independent charge) Prahlad Singh Mulayam Singh Patel. The decision for tree plantation has been taken on the call of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who has identified 5 trees representing the herbal heritage of our country.

93. India signed 1st concession agreement of 600 MegaWatt (MW) Kholongchhu hydroelectric Project was signed recently. Kholongchhu is the river located in which country?

- 1) Nepal
- 2) China
- 3) Bangladesh
- 4) Myanmar
- 5) Bhutan

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Bhutan

Explanation:



The Bhutan government and the Kholongchhu Hydro Energy Limited signed the Concession Agreement for 600 MegaWatt (MW) Kholongchhu hydroelectric Project (Joint Venture of India and Bhutan) in Thimphu, in virtual presence of Dr. S Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs and his Bhutanese Counterpart Dr. Tandi Dorji. The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2025.

94. The central government has approved additional Rs 1,691 crore for the construction of highways in which state/UT (June 2020)?

- 1) Jammu & Kashmir
- 2) Uttarakhand
- 3) Arunachal Pradesh
- 4) Both 1) and 2)
- 5) Both 1) and 3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Both 1) and 2)

Explanation:

In a major development, the central Government has sanctioned an additional Rs 1,691 crore for the construction of highways by the Border Roads Organization (BRO) in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) and Uttarakhand during 2020-21 in the wake of clashes with China in Ladakh.

95. Name the state which develops India's 1st Lichen Park with over 150 lichen species?

- 1) Manipur
- 2) Uttarakhand
- 3) Arunachal Pradesh
- 4) Himachal Pradesh
- 5) Assam

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Uttarakhand

Explanation:

The Forest Department of Uttarakhand has developed India's First Lichen Park in Munsyari, Pithoragarh district, Uttarakhand as a research centre with over 150 Lichen species – Jurassic Era plant which was inaugurated on 27th June 2020, the development process of the 1.5 acres park began in 2019.

96. Which state has launched 'At one click' online aid for MSMEs?

- 1) Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Haryana
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Gujarat
- 5) Uttar Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Gujarat

Explanation:

The Chief Minister of Gujarat Vijay Rupani launched the online aid initiative 'At One Click' with Rs 1,369 crore for around 13000 Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) (i.e. MSMEs and textile industries) in Gujarat.

97. V P Singh Badnore with Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated Battery Swapping Facility Quick Interchange Service (QIS) at Chandigarh (UT) recently. VP Singh Badnore is also the governor of which state?

- 1) Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Punjab
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Gujarat
- 5) Uttar Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Punjab

Explanation:

Punjab Governor and Administrator of Chandigarh, V P Singh Badnore with Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Steel, Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated

Battery Swapping Facility Quick Interchange Service(QIS) at Chandigarh in a virtual function.

98. Find the organisation which released report titled “Money Laundering and the Illegal Wildlife Trade”.

- 1) World Trade Organization (WTO)
- 2) World Health Organization (WHO)
- 3) Financial Action Task Force (FATF)
- 4) Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- 5) International Labour Organization (ILO)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Financial Action Task Force (FATF)

Explanation:

In accordance with the first ever report on illegal wildlife trade (IWT) titled “Money Laundering and the Illegal Wildlife Trade” report by Financial Action Task Force (FATF), illegal wildlife trade is a “global threat” which generate estimated revenues between \$7to \$23 billion a year. This crime could lead to more zoonotic diseases in the future. The report is based on the inputs of 50 jurisdictions across the FATF global network, as well as expertise from the private sector and civil society.

99. Which among the following countries are part of Switzerland’s top 3 partners for info exchange on tax matters according OECD’s Global Forum study?

- 1) India
- 2) France
- 3) Germany
- 4) Only 1) and 2)
- 5) All the 1), 2) and 3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) All the 1), 2) and 3)

Explanation:

In accordance with the latest study by OECD’s (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development) Global Forum on transparency and exchange of

information for tax purposes, referring to the period from July 2015 to June 2018, India was named among the top-three countries as EOI (Exchange of Information) partners along with France and Germany. Means, India is getting detailed information on request, from Switzerland about bank accounts and beneficiary ownership of entities established by its residents.

100. Which space agency renamed after Mary Jackson to its headquarters building in June 2020.

- 1) Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- 2) National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
- 3) Centre national d'étudesspatiales (CNES)
- 4) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- 5) China National Space Administration (CNSA)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Explanation:

The headquarter building of National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) located at Washington D.C., has been renamed after Mary Winston Jackson(1921-2005), the first black female engineer at NASA. Administrator Jim Bridestone made the announcement on 24th June.

101. The education improvement project 'STARS', which got \$500 million world bank loan will be implemented across how many states in India?

- 1) 5
- 2) 7
- 3) 6
- 4) 3
- 5) 9

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) 6

Explanation:

The board of executives of the World Bank (WB) has approved loan of \$ 500 million (about Rs 3,700 crore) under ‘Strengthening Teaching-Learning and Results for States Program (STARS)’ project to improve the quality and governance of school education across six states (Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, and Rajasthan) in India.

102. How much amount was granted by world bank to rejuvenate the Ganga through Second National Ganga River Basin Project (SNGRBP) in June 2020?

- 1) \$500 million
- 2) \$350 million
- 3) \$300 million
- 4) \$450 million
- 5) \$400 million

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) \$400 million

Explanation:

The World bank enhanced the support to India’s programme to rejuvenate the Ganga with \$400 million through Second National Ganga River Basin Project (SNGRBP), for the development of infrastructure projects Under the National Ganga River Basin Project.

103. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to extend the enhanced borrowing facility Under marginal standing facility (MSF) provided to banks till \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) September 30, 2020
- 2) August 31, 2020
- 3) January 1, 2021
- 4) March 31, 2021
- 5) December 31, 2020

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) September 30, 2020

Explanation:

In exercise of power conferred under the Section 24 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, India's central bank, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to extend the enhanced borrowing facility provided to banks till September 30, 2020 to meet the liquidity shortage in the midst of the economic crisis caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic.

104. Under which section of RBI act 1934, RBI has extended the minimum daily CRR maintenance of 80% by three months until 25 September 2020?

- 1) Section 42(2)
- 2) Section 41(1)
- 3) Section 42(1)
- 4) Section 41(2)
- 5) Section 42(3)

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Section 42(1)

Explanation:

In exercise of power conferred under the Section 42(1) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, the RBI has extended the minimum daily cash reserve ratio (CRR) maintenance of 80% by three months until 25 September 2020.

105. Micheál Martin has been elected as the Prime minister of which country in June 2020?

- 1) UK
- 2) Ireland
- 3) China
- 4) Luxemburg
- 5) Japan

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Ireland

Explanation:

On 28th June 2020, the voting at the special meeting of the Irish Parliament (the Dáil) at the Convention Centre, Dublin, Fianna Fail leader Micheál Martin was

elected as the new (Taoiseach) Prime Minister of Ireland and he will take over the office from Leo Varadkar. Micheál Martin, will lead the government for the first two and a half years (until December 2022); the second half of the 5-year team will be led by Leo Varadkar, Indian Origin & Leader of Fine Gael.

106. Lazarus Chakwera sworn in as the 6th President of Malawi recently in June 2020. What is the capital of Malawi?

- 1) Maputo
- 2) Lusaka
- 3) Lilongwe
- 4) Dodoma
- 5) None of the above

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) Lilongwe

Explanation:

Lazarus Chakwera, won Malawi's President Elections and sworn in as the 6th President of Malawi on 28 June. He succeeded Peter Mutharika of Democratic Progressive Party by winning 58.57% of total votes. About Malawi: Capital: Lilongwe.

107. Anandiben Patel assumes additional charge as governor of Madhya Pradesh in June 2020. She is the governor of which state?

- 1) Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Haryana
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Gujarat
- 5) Uttar Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Uttar Pradesh

Explanation:

The President of India has given additional charges of Madhya Pradesh to Anandiben Mafatbhai Patel, the governor of Uttar Pradesh.

108. Aleksandar Vucic who is in news recently is the president of which country?

- 1) Kosovo
- 2) Serbia
- 3) Ukraine
- 4) Uzbekistan
- 5) North Macedonia

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Serbia

Explanation:

Aleksandar Vucic, President of Serbia has declared the victory of the Serbian Progressive Party (Srpska naprednastranka – SNS) with more than 63% vote in the Parliamentary election held on 28th June 2020 which was boycotted by most of the opposition parties.

109. Who is going to receive the Humanitarian Award at 20th edition of annual BET Awards 2020?

- 1) Jennifer Hudson
- 2) Beyonce
- 3) Chloe X Halle
- 4) Assa Traore
- 5) Nicolas Johnson

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Beyonce

Explanation:

24-time Grammy winner Popstar Beyonce(38 years old) to receive the Humanitarian Award at 20th edition of annual BET Awards 2020, for her long-standing philanthropic work, including her recent COVID-19 relief efforts. The event will be held virtually for the 1st time on June 28.



110. Which country hosted/Chaired the 36th ASEAN Summit on the theme “Cohesive and Responsive ASEAN”?

- 1) Thailand
- 2) Indonesia
- 3) Brunei
- 4) Vietnam
- 5) Singapore

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) Vietnam

Explanation:

36th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Summit was held via video conference on the theme “Cohesive and Responsive ASEAN”. The summit was chaired by Vietnamese Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc as Vietnam is ASEAN’s chair in 2020. The focus of the meet was on COVID-19 response, post-pandemic recovery and further cooperation with partners.

111. Name the union HRD minister of India who participated in group of 20 (G20) Extraordinary Virtual Education Ministers’ Meeting in June 2020.

- 1) Prakash Javadekar
- 2) Smriti Irani
- 3) Harsh Vardhan
- 4) Nirmala Sitharaman
- 5) Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’

Explanation:

Union HRD (Human Resource Development) Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ participated in group of 20 (G20) Extraordinary Virtual Education Ministers’ Meeting which was focused on the effects of the COVID 19 pandemic on the education sector.

112. Mario Gómez who is in news recently is associated with which sport?

- 1) Kabaddi
- 2) Wrestling
- 3) Hockey
- 4) Cricket
- 5) Football

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Football

Explanation:

Former Germany, 33-year-old striker Mario Gómez retired from soccer (Football), who won the Bundesliga title in 2007 in his first stint at Stuttgart and was also part of Bayern Munich's treble winning team in 2013.

113. Geetha Nagabhushan who passed away in June 2020 is a renowned \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) Actor
- 2) Novelist
- 3) Politician
- 4) Lawyer
- 5) Theatre Artist

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Novelist

Explanation:

Veteran Kannada Novelist Geetha Nagabhushan passed away at the age of 78 due to cardiac arrest in a private hospital at Kalaburagi. She was born on 25th March 1942 in Savalagi village, Kalaburagi.

114. National Statistics Day is celebrated on June 29 every year in India to commemorate birth anniversary of whom?

- 1) RC Bose
- 2) JK Ghosh
- 3) PCMahalanobis
- 4) SN Roy

5) CR Rao

Answer & Explanation

Answer-3) PC Mahalanobis

Explanation:

India celebrates June 29th as the National Statistics Day to recognise the contribution of statistics in daily life and to educate the general public on the importance of statistics in socio-economic planning and policy formulation. The first National Statistics Day was celebrated on 29th June 2007. June 29th is chosen to celebrate the National Statistics Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis.

115. The International Day of the Tropics is observed annually on \_\_\_\_\_.

1) June 26

2) June 27

3) June 28

4) June 29

5) June 30

Answer & Explanation

Answer-4) June 29

Explanation:

United Nations (UN) International Day of the Tropics is observed annually on 29th June to raise awareness about the challenges faced by the tropical areas and the importance of the tropical areas in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared June 29th as the International Day of the Tropics in its resolution A/RES/70/267 adopted in 2016.

116. The Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) which is in news recently is built across which river?

1) Nile

2) Amazon

3) Yangtze

4) Mississippi

5) Yenisei

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Nile

Explanation:

Leaders of Sudan, Ethiopia and Egypt said they were hopeful that the African Union could help them broker a deal to end a decade-long dispute over water supplies within two or three weeks. Ethiopia, which is building the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) which worries its downstream neighbours Egypt and Sudan, said it would fill the reservoir in a few weeks, as planned, providing enough time for talks to be concluded. Tortuous negotiations over the years have left the two nations and their neighbour Sudan short of an agreement to regulate how Ethiopia will operate the dam and fill its reservoir, while protecting Egypt's scarce water supplies from the Nile river.

117. What is the capital of Bhutan?

1) Thimphu

2) Male

3) Islamabad

4) Kathmandu

5) Dhaka

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Thimphu

Explanation:

The capital and currency of Bhutan are Thimphu and Bhutanese Ngultrum respectively.

118. What is the constituency of Union culture minister, Prahlad Singh Patel?

1) Lucknow

2) Patna Sahib

3) Morena

4) Ambala

5) Damoh

Answer & Explanation

Answer-5) Damoh

Explanation:

Ministry of Culture: Prahlad Singh Patel Constituency– Damoh, Madhya Pradesh.

119. Where is the Secretariat of ASEAN located?

- 1) Jakarta, Indonesia
- 2) Moscow, Russia
- 3) Beijing, China
- 4) New Delhi, India
- 5) None of these

Answer & Explanation

Answer-1) Jakarta, Indonesia

Explanation:

About Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN): Established in 1967, ASEAN groups 10 nations viz. Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. Secretariat– Jakarta, Indonesia.

120. What is the capital and currency of Ireland?

- 1) Berlin & Euro
- 2) Dublin & Euro
- 3) Helsinki & Pound
- 4) Berlin & Pound
- 5) Dublin & Pound

Answer & Explanation

Answer-2) Dublin & Euro

Explanation:

The capital and currency of Ireland are Dublin and Euro respectively.